Agenda Item 4.2



Open Report on behalf of Andy Gutherson, Executive Director - Place

Report to: Planning and Regulation Committee

Date: **13 March 2023**

Subject: Marston: Stonepit Lane and School Lane – proposed waiting

restrictions

Summary:

This report considers objections to a proposal for a traffic regulation order to introduce waiting restrictions at Stonepit Lane and School Lane, Marston.

Recommendation(s):

That the remaining objection is overruled and that the order, to include the minor modification proposed, is introduced.

1. Background

Following concerns raised by residents regarding on street parking associated with the local school a scheme to introduce waiting restrictions was introduced in 2020. Further concerns have been raised in the interim and following assessment of the area a revised scheme has been subject to statutory consultation and public advertisement and has been shared with residents. The proposals aim to restrict on street parking where the carriageway is narrow on Stonepit Lane and to protect private accesses. On School Lane it is proposed to relocate parking to the southern side of the carriageway to maintain traffic flow, and to introduce further restrictions to protect private accesses. The proposals are shown at Appendix B.

Objections and comments

Two objections have been received from residents of Stonepit Lane. There are concerns that the proposals extend the existing restrictions and will further displace parking to other areas, and will limit space available for visitors to residents and local amenities. They cannot support the restrictions as there seems no clear reason for their introduction.

The officer's view is that the rationale behind the proposal is to manage on street parking by vehicles potentially displaced by these further restrictions in Stonepit Lane. However, in response to the residents' concerns we have looked again at the area and propose to reduce the double yellow lines on the north side by two car lengths to allow parking to take place here.

One of the objectors has confirmed their support for this change and we therefore seek approval from this Committee to agree to this minor modification so that there is no requirement to readvertise the amendment and the order can be made operative.

Conclusion

The restrictions proposed build on those introduced previously following reports of continuing issues with obstructive parking at school start and finish times. A minor modification is proposed to allay the concerns raised by the objectors. Should further issues arise at this location however, the area may be reassessed.

Consultation

The following were consulted with regard to these proposals: Local Member; Marston Parish Council; South Kesteven District Council; Lincolnshire Police; EMAS; Lincolnshire Fire & Rescue; Road Haulage Association; Freight Transport Association; Lincs Interconnect Bus Service; Centrebus.

Risks and Impact Analysis

n/a

Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report		
Appendix A	Site location plan	
Appendix B	Original proposal	
Appendix C	Proposal with minor modification.	

Background Papers

The following background papers as defined in the Local Government Act 1972 were relied upon in the writing of this report.

Document title	Where the document can be viewed
Consultation documents; Correspondence;	Available on request
Copies of objections.	

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