



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

Report to:	Planning and Regulation Committee
Date:	13 March 2023
Subject:	Grantham, Croft Drive and Harrowby Road – Proposed waiting restrictions and mandatory school keep clear markings

Summary:

This report considers an objection to restrictions on parking and stopping proposed at Croft Drive and Harrowby Road, as shown at Appendix B.

Recommendation(s):

That the Committee overrules the objection so that the Order, as advertised, may be introduced.

Background

Following a request from the local Member for waiting restrictions to be considered in the vicinity of St Anne’s CofE Primary School, the area was monitored and an assessment of potential options to manage on street parking at school start and finish times was carried out. The extent of parking in Croft Drive for long periods in advance of the school opening and closing times results in access difficulties for residents. To manage parking in the area a proposal to introduce mandatory school keep clear markings at both entrances to the school, along with waiting restrictions to apply at school start and finish times, has been subject to consultation and public advertisement. These are shown at Appendix B and include additional 24 hour restrictions at the junctions of Harrowby Road with St Anne’s Street, Stuart Street, Bridge Street and St Vincent’s Street to enhance visibility.

Objection and comments

One objection has been received from a resident of Croft Drive. They are concerned that parking adjacent to their property will not be restricted opposite their access and that parked vehicles here will obstruct access into their driveway. They believe that following redevelopment of the site on the corner of Croft Drive and Harrowby Rd there will be more demand for on street parking which will exacerbate this issue.

The concerns made by the objector are noted. The aim of the scheme is to manage on street parking at specific times on weekdays and to strike a balance between allowing the

maximum number of vehicles to park where it is safe to do so and restricting it elsewhere. This mitigates the effects of displacement in the surrounding areas. The carriageway width on Croft Drive is 4.8m and is therefore sufficient to enable vehicles to access driveways where parking is to be unrestricted on the opposite side of the carriageway. The properties within the small residential development proposed nearby will each have off street parking for two vehicles and therefore demand for on street parking by these residents will be low.

Conclusion

The extent of the restrictions proposed will serve to manage parking and improve traffic flow along Croft Drive specifically at school start and finish times. Maintaining on street parking provision where this can be accommodated mitigates the impact of the displacement of parking elsewhere.

Consultation

The following were consulted with regards to this proposal: The local Member, Lincolnshire Road Safety partnership, Lincolnshire Police, Fire & Rescue, East Midlands Ambulance Trust, Traffic Commissioners, Confederation of Public Transport, Stagecoach East Midlands, Road Haulage Association, Freight Transport Association, Disability Lincs Ltd and the National Farmers Union.

The local Member supports the proposals.

The consultation documents were posted to affected frontagers on 26th January 2022, and the proposal was advertised in April 2022.

a) Risks and Impact Analysis

None carried out

Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Site location
Appendix B	Detail of proposed waiting restrictions

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.
Correspondence; Consultation documents.	Available on request.

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