Agenda Item 4.1



Open Report on behalf of Andy Gutherson, Executive Director - Place			
Report to:	Planning and Regulation Committee		
Date:	12 February 2024		

Grantham, Croft Drive - proposed waiting restrictions

Summary:

Subject:

This report considers an objection to waiting restrictions proposed at the above location, and a minor modification to those restrictions.

Recommendation(s):

That the Committee overrules the objection and approves the minor modification so that the Order, as advertised, may be introduced.

Background

Croft Drive is a cul de sac comprising 23 properties and a pedestrian access into a nearby primary school.

Some time ago concerns were raised by residents regarding on street parking associated with parents bringing children to and from school resulting in obstruction to traffic flow and driveways. Following the statutory consultation process, a traffic regulation order for a scheme to manage parking throughout the cul de sac via part time waiting restrictions was introduced early last year.

A further consultation process then took place late last year for additional 24 hour restrictions to be introduced opposite the driveway to No.1 Croft Drive to aid access in and out of this property. These were publicly advertised last October and are shown in light blue at Appendix B.

Objection and comments

Four objections have been received to the proposal. One resident objects on the basis that the restrictions imposed further into the cul de sac should be extended to cover the whole of the road. The other three objections are specific to the additional restrictions opposite No.1. These objectors have concerns regarding the loss of on street parking across

frontages to newly constructed properties on the south side of Croft Drive and they do not agree that they are required for the extent proposed.

The request for an extension to the restrictions is noted. However, the original scheme introduced restrictions only where obstruction resulted from parking, leaving two areas unrestricted where this would not be the case. Unrestricted lengths have been left at the western end as parking can be accommodated here without obstruction to accesses or traffic flow.

Following a site meeting and correspondence with all affected parties, a slight reduction to the additional restrictions opposite No.1 is now proposed in response to the concerns raised. The reduced length will be a part time restriction as opposed to the former proposal for double yellow lines, and is shown in purple at Appendix C.

The objectors and the resident at No.1 Croft Drive have confirmed their support for this change and we therefore seek approval for this minor modification from the Committee so that there is no requirement to re-advertise the scheme and the order can therefore be made operative.

Conclusion

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

Consultation

The following were consulted with regard to these proposals: Local Member, Grantham Chartered Trustees; South Kesteven District Council; Lincolnshire Police; EMAS; Lincolnshire Fire & Rescue; Road Haulage Association; Freight Transport Association; Stagecoach East Midlands: Confederation of Public Transport; Residents in the affected area.

The local Member is in support of the scheme. Following statutory consultation, the proposals were advertised until 16th November last year.

Risks and Impact Analysis

None carried out.

Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report		
Appendix A	General site location	
Appendix B	Detail of original proposal	
Appendix C	Detail of revised proposal	

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	and	Avaliable on request
correspondence		

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