

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

Report to: Planning and Regulation Committee

Date: 13 May 2024

Subject: Waddington, High Street, Capps Lane and Bar Lane - Proposed

No Waiting at Any Time

Summary:

This report considers objections to proposed waiting restrictions at the above locations.

Recommendation(s):

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

Background

At the request of local residents the local Member requested an assessment of parking on High street at its junctions with Bar Lane and Capps Lane.

There are currently no restrictions in the area but site visits have confirmed that parking takes place close to these junctions which obstructs visibility for vehicles exiting onto High Street. The carriageway and footways become narrow at this point and parked vehicles can also obstruct traffic flow, particularly for larger vehicles

In order to manage parking at this location it is proposed to install no waiting at any time on the junctions of Bar Lane and Capps Lane with High Street as shown on Appendix B.

Objection and comments

Two objections have been received to these proposals. The concerns are firstly, that the restriction on parking will have a negative impact on residents nearby who have no access to off-street parking facilities. Secondly, the presence of parking on the High Street at this point encourages traffic to slow down and this effect will be lost of it is removed, making the area less safe. It is stated that Capp's Lane is used as a rat run between the uphill and downhill areas of the village and these proposals will serve to make that route easier for drivers to navigate and therefore increase traffic flow.

The objections are noted. However, site visits have confirmed that on street parking at these junctions results in reduced visibility and potential obstruction of larger vehicles. A

small amount of parking space will be lost as a result of the scheme but alternative on street parking is available nearby where these issues will not arise. The presence of frontage development, narrowing of the road and presence of junctions will maintain speed reduction through this area.

Conclusion

The restrictions as proposed are the minimum required to achieve the desired outcome of safer movement of vehicles through these junctions and to enhance visibility of pedestrians crossing at these points. Whilst some on street parking will be lost this is minimal and less obstructive parking space is available elsewhere on the High Street.

Consultation

The following were consulted with regards to this proposal: Local Member, Lincolnshire Road Safety partnership, Lincolnshire Police, North Kesteven District Council, Waddington Parish Council, Fire & Rescue, East Midlands Ambulance Trust, Traffic Commissioners, Confederation of Public Transport, Stagecoach East Midlands, Road Haulage Association, Freight Transport Association and the National Farmers Union. The local Member is in support of the scheme.

Affected frontagers received the consultation documents on 1st November 2023.

The proposal was advertised on site and in the Lincolnshire Echo on 9th November 2023 with the objection period ending on 8th December 2023. The documents were also available on the County Council's website.

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	Site detail	

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 docume	nts and	Avaliable on request
correspondence		

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