

CABINET

18 April 2017

PARKING REVIEW 2016-2017

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR FOR PLACES (ENVIRONMENT, PLANNING & TRANSPORT)

Strategic Aim:	Sustainable Growth	
Key Decision: Yes	Forward Plan Reference: FP/251116/02	
Exempt Information	No	
Cabinet Member(s) Responsible:	Mr T Mathias, Leader, Portfolio Holder for Finance and Places (Highways, Transport and Market Towns)	
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Ward Councillors	Not applicable	

DECISION RECOMMENDATIONS

That Cabinet:

1. Approves the recommended amendments and additions to parking restrictions listed in Appendix 1 of Report No. 18/2017.
2. Delegates the consideration of any objections to the statutory consultation for the Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) to the Director for Places (Environment, Planning & Transport) in consultation with the Ward Members and Portfolio Holder for highways, along with the authority to modify the proposed TROs.

1 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 To consider amendments and additions to parking restrictions.

2 BACKGROUND AND MAIN CONSIDERATIONS

- 2.1 The Strategic Parking Review was approved in March 2012. The objective of the review was to devise a set of parking policies and principles that would set the basis of future parking reviews. Each year a list of requests for parking restrictions from our stakeholders (usually residents, businesses and parish councils) are presented for consideration by Cabinet.

2.2 Policy 1 in the Council's Strategic Parking Review states: 'The amount of parking space available will be maximised. Parking restrictions will only be considered where they are necessary to avoid:

- *inefficient use of town centre parking spaces;*
- *danger to road users;*
- *obstruction of the highway; and*
- *damage to highway infrastructure'*

2.3 The proposals for Whitwell are not in accordance with the parking policies. However, given that the proposals complete the previously approved restrictions, the request is recommended for approval as a pragmatic approach to the issue.

2.4 In Uppingham the effect on the town centre will be to create a resident parking area out of an unrestricted area. This could displace a small number of vehicles elsewhere.

3 CONSULTATION

3.1 Informal consultation with parish/town councils and Ward Members has taken place regarding the proposed restrictions in Appendix 1.

3.2 Statutory consultation involving press notices and notices posted in the relevant areas is required prior to making the TROs.

4 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

4.1 Cabinet could choose to approve all or none of the proposals.

5 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The cost of the implementing the recommended changes in Appendices 1 will be met from the 2017-2018 budget.

6 LEGAL AND GOVERNANCE CONSIDERATIONS

6.1 TROs will be required to implement the recommended changes. This will require statutory consultation. There is a significant lead in time to changing TROs due to the consultation and legal processes involved. It is envisaged that the consultation process be finalised by 31 August 2017.

7 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

7.1 Equality Impact Assessment screening has been undertaken and there are no adverse effects due to this policy.

7.2 Provision of disabled persons' parking is a matter which is carefully considered and nothing in this report negatively impinges on this sector. The Rutland Access Group is consulted as part of the informal and statutory consultation process.

8 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

8.1 There are no community safety implications arising from this report.

9 HEALTH AND WELLBEING IMPLICATIONS

9.1 There are no health and wellbeing implications arising from this report.

10 CONCLUSION AND SUMMARY OF REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 The recommended amendments and additions to parking restrictions will help ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, the safe and expeditious movement of traffic while providing adequate parking to support the local economy and the needs of residents.

11 BACKGROUND PAPERS

11.1 Strategic Parking Review (Parking Strategy)
<https://www.rutland.gov.uk/my-community/parking/parking-strategy/>

12 APPENDICES

12.1 Appendix 1 Public Requests for Restrictions

A Large Print or Braille Version of this Report is available upon request – Contact 01572 722577.

Appendix 1

Public Requests for Restrictions

Ref	Town / Village	Street / car park	Location	Requested By	Request Summary	Parish or Town Council Support Y/N	Ward Member Support Y/N	In accordance with policy Y/N	Recommended
1	Barnsdale	Access to Rutland Water	Southwest of the A606	Resident / PC	Reform parking westwards of the roundabout to car park	Y	Y	N, PP8	N
2	Whitwell	Bull Brig Lane & Church Lane	Bull Brig Lane north, new and old parts & all Church Lane	Whitwell PC	Increase double yellow lines and provide residents only zone Church Lane and the old course of Bull Brig Lane	Y	Y	N, PP8	Y
3	Uppingham	Leamington Terrace	all	Resident / PC	Residential parking for Leamington Terrace residents only	Y	Y	Y, PP5	Y

PP5 = Parking Policy 5; Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) will be considered to ensure on-street parking spaces and off-street car parks are used efficiently, roads are not obstructed by parked vehicles, and residential amenity is not adversely affected by the parked vehicles of town centre visitors or workers.

PP8 = Parking Policy 8; TROs will not be introduced unless there is a danger to road users and the following conditions apply: vehicle flows are over 1500 vehicles per day or the road is a bus route; visibility is below the standard set out in the Manual for Streets (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/manual-for-streets>); 85%ile speeds are over 30mph.