AGENDA ITEM

STOCKPORT COUNCIL EXECUTIVE REPORT – SUMMARY SHEET

Subject: Ladybridge Road, Cheadle Hulme -Objection Report	
Report to: (a) Cheadle Area Committee 2021	Date: Tuesday, 20 April
Report of: (b) Joint report of the Corporate Di Regeneration and the Head of Legal, Democr	
Key Decision: (c) NO/YES ((Please circle)
Forward Plan General Exception Sp	pecial Urgency (<i>Tick box</i>)
Summary: To report the Objections made in relation to the Ladybridge Road, Cheadle Hulme and to seel Regulation Order as originally advertised.	
Recommendation(s): The Traffic Regulation Order be made as adversariance.	ertised.
Relevant Scrutiny Committee (if decision ca Communities & Housing Scrutiny Committee	illed in): (d)
Background Papers (if report for publication)	: (e)
Ladybridge Road, Cheadle Hulme Report – To Drawing No. NM8-5123-003	uesday 15 th December 2020.
Contact person for accessing background papers and discussing the report	Officer: Nicola Ryan Tel: 0161 474 4409
'Urgent Business': (f) YES / NO (pl	lease circle)

Ladybridge Road, Cheadle Hulme -Objection Report

<u>Joint report of the Corporate Director for Place Management & Regeneration and the Head of Legal, Democratic Governance and Monitoring Officer</u>

1. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report is to advise committee members of an objection/s received to a proposed introduction of 'No Waiting At Any Time' parking restrictions on parts of the Ladybridge Road in the Cheadle Hulme North Ward.
- 1.2 To ensure that objections to the permanent Traffic Regulation Order are appropriately and efficiently considered.

2. INFORMATION AND ADVICE

2.1. In considering the objection the Area Committee should be mindful that unless otherwise authorised, the only right the general public has over the highway is a right of passage along it. The Authority has both a duty of care to ensure the safety of the travelling public and a duty under the Traffic Management Act 2004 to secure and facilitate the expeditious movement of traffic.

3. OBJECTIONS AND COMMENTS

3.1. The specific objections and points contained within each letter have been analysed and detailed below together with the response.

(i) Objection 1 reason:

This objection was raised 1 time

I wish to object to the "no waiting" double yellow lines outside my property access mainly because we have never had any issue and have never witnessed any driver endangering other road user. On the contrary, there has been odd lost drivers pulling on the side to find their way stopping for the odd couple of minutes before driving in the correct direction.

Parking will be a major issue not just for us but for most of the houses on the road especially when visitors will be coming over causing a great loss of socialising time. The double yellow lines will put off visitors, taking their social life away from them especially after lock down restrictions ease as they have had a very tough year. Dropping off passengers on a "no waiting" busy road will be a daunting and a risky choice given that when they visit, they may have to unload the car.

These double yellow lines will be causing a lot of unnecessary nuisance and I wish to suggest an introduction of a traffic light near the bend on Ladybridge road towards Croft Road will be a better solution to the accidents that have caused people danger over the last few incidents near the Cheadle Hulme Cricket Club just off Ladybridge. This will slow down traffic and resolve the accidents that happened on that bend rather than wasting time and money into doing the unnecessary double yellow lines.

Response:

There have been several accidents along Ladybidge Road following which, has resulted with other safety measures being taken, including works to the traffic island and, the proposals to implement a 'No Waiting At Any Time' Traffic Regulation Order (double yellow lines). Whilst the restriction prevents parking on the footpath, the dropping off or collection of passengers, and loading/unloading will be permitted. Additionally, Blue Badge Holders may park on a 'No Waiting At Any Time' parking restriction for a maximum of 3 hours, as long as they are not causing an obstruction.

These proposals have been welcomed by the majority of residents/businesses. At the initial consultation stage, 75 residential/business properties were consulted with. 82% of those responding to the consultation were in support of the proposed restrictions, whilst 18% were not.

Traffic Services cannot condone parking on the footway as this causing a hazard to pedestrians, wheelchair, mobility scooters users etc.

The installation of a Traffic Signals is not within the remit of this scheme.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1. There are no financial implications arising from the recommendations in this report.

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1. The Council has a statutory duty to ensure that its highways operate safely for the safe passage of all traffic including pedestrians and powers to regulate and restrict traffic to assist in that duty.

6. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 6.1. To comply with the Local Authorities' Traffic Orders, Regulations 1996 the Authority must consider all objections submitted during the consultation period of at least 21 days before 'Making' a Traffic Regulation Order.
- 6.2. The Committee should make a decision in respect of the objection/s received so that the scheme can be progressed and the 'No Waiting At Any Time' restrictions introduced or abandoned.

7. ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

7.1. The alternative to the proposals laid out in this report is to continue with the current lack of restriction on the highway by not introducing the proposed traffic regulation orders.

8. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

8.1. It is recommended that:

- 8.2. the Area Committee note all Traffic Regulation Orders where objections have been considered by officers;
- 8.3. the Area Committee accept the Traffic Regulation Order be made as originally advertised.
- 8.4. That the objectors are informed of the decision.

Background Papers

Ladybridge Road, Cheadle Hulme Report – Tuesday 15th December 2020. Drawing No. NM8-5123-003

Anyone wishing further information please contact Nicola Ryan on telephone number Tel: 0161 474 4409 or by email on nicola.ryan@stockport.gov.uk