

STOCKPORT COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE REPORT – SUMMARY SHEET

Subject: Traffic Safety Measures - Compstall Road (between Waterloo Road and Corcoran Dr)

Report to: (a) Werneth Area Committee

Date: Monday, 19 April 2021

Report of: (b) Corporate Director for Place Management & Regeneration

Key Decision: (c) **NO / ~~YES~~** (Please circle)

Forward Plan ☐ General Exception ☐ Special Urgency ☐ (Tick box)

Summary:

To report the findings of a consultation exercise for traffic calming features and resident permit parking on Compstall Road, Romiley, and to seek comments regarding the introduction of Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) for a Residents Permit Parking Scheme and the introduction of 'No Waiting At Any Time' parking restrictions with associated signage; amendments to road markings, three build outs and provision of a vehicle activated sign.

Recommendation(s):

The Corporate Director for Place Management & Regeneration request that the Werneth Area Committee consider and comment upon the following proposals and recommend that the Cabinet Member for Sustainable Stockport approves the legal advertising of the TROs set out in appendix A and subject to no objections being received within 21 days from the advertisement date, the orders can be made.

Relevant Scrutiny Committee (if decision called in): **(d)**

Communities & Housing Scrutiny Committee

Background Papers (if report for publication): **(e)**

There are none.

Contact person for accessing
background papers and discussing the report

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'Urgent Business': (f) **~~YES~~ / NO** (please circle)

Certification (if applicable)

This report should be considered as 'urgent business' and the decision exempted from 'call-in' for the following reason(s):

The written consent of Councillor _____ and the Chief Executive/Monitoring Officer/Borough Treasurer for the decision to be treated as 'urgent business' was obtained on _____ /will be obtained before the decision is implemented.

Traffic Safety Measures - Compstall Road (between Waterloo Road and Corcoran Dr)

Report of the Corporate Director for Place Management & Regeneration

1. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To present the results of the consultation regarding traffic calming measures on Compstall Road, Romiley between Waterloo Road and Corcoran Drive. And the introduction of resident permit parking for the residents of Waterloo Cottages.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1. In reference to the Cherry Tree development, the reduction of available on-street parking provisions and to address on-going residents' concerns of speeding along Compstall Road. Traffic Services have been asked to consult with residents on a proposed scheme to provide parking bays and slow speeds.

3. PROPOSALS

- 3.1. The proposals are to incorporate build outs and alter the road markings. This is to slow down the traffic around the corner as well as protecting any vehicles parked on the south side of the carriageway. It is also proposed to introduce a vehicular activated sign to inform drivers of their speed as shown on drawing NM27-WATERLOOCOTTAGES-ROM-02B.

4. LEGAL POSITION/IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1. The Traffic Management Orders would be made under Section 1 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. The Council is required by the Local Authorities Traffic Order (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996 to give notice of its intention to make a Traffic Order (by publishing a draft traffic order). These regulations also require the Council to consider any representations received as a result of publishing the draft Order.

5. CONSIDERATION OF ALTERNATIVE SOLUTIONS

- 5.1. Two alternative solutions were investigated:

- Remove the existing grass verge and create parking bays. This would be out of the allocated budget and the council does not advocate the removal of grass verges as they are a value resource to combat flooding. This proposal would not assist in the slowing down of traffic speeds.
- Convert the adjacent grassed area to off road parking provisions. There is a high service cover and associated manholes and again the cost would be out of the allocated budget and would not assist with the slowing down of traffic speeds.

6. CONSULTATION

- 6.1. The Local Ward Councillors have been consulted and no adverse comments were received.
- 6.2. TMU had no adverse comments.
- 6.3. 16 replies were received from the affected frontages; 12 (75%) were in favour and 4 (25%) were against.
- 6.4. Whilst the proposals were supported by most of the residents who responded, four residents disagreed with the proposals.
- 6.5. One of the residents who disagrees with the proposals considers that the introduction of the residents permit parking will move existing demand further north or south along Compstall Road and has requested that the adjacent grassed area be utilised. As discussed in Section 5 above the cost of this option would be out of the allocated budget and would not assist with the slowing down of traffic speeds and so no changes have been made to the proposals as a result of this feedback.
- 6.6. One of the residents who disagrees with the proposals has advised that the proposals would leave no on-street car parking outside their property. This property is located on the northern side of the carriageway and has off-street car parking available. The proposals do not restrict car parking in the vicinity of the property and so no changes have been made as a result of this feedback.
- 6.7. One of the residents who disagreed with the proposals objected to the proposed build outs as they consider that they would obstruct access to their driveway. The proposals have been reviewed and as the property is located on the northern side of the carriageway, it is considered that the proposals would not impact on the access to the property and no changes have been made to the proposals.
- 6.8. One resident who disagrees with the proposals does not consider that the measures would make a big difference to the most dangerous speeds. The resident has suggested an alternative proposal to include segregated cycle lanes and the provision of resident permit parking within the grass verges. As stated in Section 5 above the council does not advocate the removal of grass verges as they are a value resource to combat flooding. It is also not considered appropriate to introduce a short section of cycle lanes within the extent of the scheme area as it would bring very little benefit to cyclists as a stand-alone feature. No changes have been made as a result of this feedback.
- 6.9. One resident who supported the proposals requested that the Vehicle Activated Sign be moved slightly further east from the 212/214 boundary to the 214/216 boundary, prior to the large oak tree, to improve visibility of the sign. The visibility of the proposed sign location has been reviewed. As the sign is proposed to be located on the outside of a bend this will ensure that the sign is visible on approach from the east without being obscured by the nearby tree. It is considered advantageous to have the sign located close to the proposed scheme and so no changes have been

made as a result of this feedback, but will be reviewed again as part of the detailed design.

- 6.10. Another resident who supported the proposals requested clarification that the marked parking bays would be resident permit parking for the residents of Waterloo Cottages. It is confirmed that the 5 bays identified as part of the proposals (3 to the east and 2 to the west of the Waterloo cottages) are to be resident permit parking for the residents of the cottages which do not have off-street car parking.

7. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1. This is to be funded from the capital works budget

8. TIMESCALES

- 8.1. Progress to detail design and subject to no objections to the traffic regulation order construction in 12 months.

9. EQUALITIES/COMMUNITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 9.1. Equal Opportunities

- To provide a suitable and safer environment for pedestrians and other road users. The scheme contributes to the Council's vision statement "Promote equal life outcomes for all by tackling known inequalities across the borough of Stockport".

- 9.2. Sustainable Environment

- To develop and sustain a healthy, safe and attractive local environment which contributes to Stockport. Stockport Council understands the responsibility it has to lead by example and help the broader community make a positive contribution to the local environment.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 10.1. The Corporate Director for Place Management & Regeneration request that the Werneth Area Committee consider and comment upon the following proposals and recommend that the Cabinet Member for Sustainable Stockport approves the legal advertising of the TROs set out in appendix A and subject to no objections being received within 21 days from the advertisement date, the orders can be made.

Background Papers

There are no background papers to this report.

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Appendix A

Proposed Traffic Regulation Orders NM27-WATERLOOCOTTAGES-ROM-02C.

NO WAITING AT ANY TIME

Location	Extent
Compstall Road (Northern Side)	From a point 22m west of the intersection of the western kerbline of the Cherry Tree House access road for a distance of 41m in an easterly direction.
Cherry Tree House Access Road (Both Sides)	From the intersection of the northern kerbline of Compstall Road for a distance of 6m in a northerly direction.

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Location	Extent
Compstall Road (Southern Side)	From a point 9m east of the intersection of the western kerbline of the Cherry Tree House access road for a distance of 12m in an easterly direction.
Compstall Road (Southern Side)	From a point 32m east of the intersection of the western kerbline of the Cherry Tree House access road for a distance of 16.5m in an easterly direction.