

AGENDA ITEM

Not forming part of the Traffic Regulation Order, the provision of FREE Access Protection Line markings for frontages on Manchester Road who choose to accept the offer.

Manchester Road & Victoria Grove, Heaton Chapel

Report of the Corporate Director for Place Management & Regeneration

1. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF REPORT

To approve No Waiting at Any Time restrictions on parts of Manchester Road and Victoria Grove in Heaton Chapel.

2. BACKGROUND

Network Management have recently investigated two issues on Manchester Road:

1. Halesden Road

Representation was made in the form of a petition from occupants on Halesden Road regarding the extent of the double yellow lines on the north westerly arm of the junction at Manchester Road. The petitioners requested an extension to these restrictions to improve visibility of on-coming traffic for turning safely onto Manchester Road.

In agreement with the Ward Spokesperson a local consultation was undertaken on extending the double yellow lines by a further 6 metres on that arm of the junction. Subsequently, the proposal did not result in any opposition; but it did result in representation from several frontages on Manchester Road to extend the restrictions all the way towards the junction at Whirley Close. The basis for this request was that parked vehicles in-between the respective lowered-kerbs is causing a serious hazard for occupants turning in and out of their driveways onto Manchester Road.

The officer in charge is aware that not all the frontages on this side will be supportive of extending the restrictions as described - and hence there will be conflicting interests. Therefore, it is recommended to move forward as follows:

Any household with a driveway between No's 320 – 340 Manchester Road will be offered the provision of a FREE Access Line (or H-Bar) marking; with the line extended by 1 kerb length on either side of the driveway entry to facilitate access and turning movements. In order to accommodate this offer, it will be necessary to reduce the extent of the proposed yellow lines by 1.5 metres.

The proposal is shown on attached drawing number: **NM8-5169-001** and the Spokespersons has indicated a willingness to proceed as described.

2. Victoria Grove

The owner / occupiers at this end of the unadopted road made representation to the Council for the provision of No Waiting at Any Time restrictions for the purposes of road safety and traffic management at the junction with Manchester Road.

Please see attached drawing number: **NM8-5175-001** with the extent of the double yellow lines agreed with the owner / occupiers.

For the sake of expediency, and so that both orders can be advertised together (i.e. to reduce legal costs) a local consultation has not been deemed necessary. When the orders are advertised, all the local residents will be notified and will have an opportunity to return a formal objection(s) should they wish to do so. At the same time, the covering letter will explain to the said frontages that a FREE Access Line is available to them should they wish to accept the offer.

3. LEGAL POSITION/IMPLICATIONS

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.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Legal and Advertising	£560
Lining (Inc. Anticipated Access Lines)	£500
Total	£1,060

To be funded from the delegated Ward Budget.

5. TIMESCALES

If approved, the order is expected to become operative in 2022. The officers responsible for the Heaton's Active Neighbourhood are aware of these proposals and have stated there should be no conflict with that programme.

6. EQUALITIES/COMMUNITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

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".

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.

7. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Area Committee recommend that the Cabinet Member (Sustainable Stockport) approved the legal advertising of the following Traffic Regulation Orders and subject to no objections being received within 21 days from the advertisement date the following orders can be made:

No Waiting at Any Time:

Manchester Road

North East side, from a point 6 metres South East of the projected boundary line between No's 320 & 322 in a North Westerly direction for a distance of 4.5 metres (to tie in with existing).

South Westerly side from a point 15 metres South East of the South Easterly kerb line of Victoria Grove in a North Westerly direction to a point 15 metres North West of the North Westerly kerb line of Victoria Grove.

Victoria Grove

Both sides from the South Westerly kerb line of Manchester Road for a distance of 10 metres in a South Westerly direction.

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Background Papers

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