

STOCKPORT COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE REPORT – SUMMARY SHEET

Subject: Parking on Lake Street, Great Moor

Report to: Stepping Hill Area Committee

Date: 24 January 2022

Report of: Corporate Director for Place Management & Regeneration

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

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

Summary:

Report to Stepping Hill Area Committee on the options available to Stockport Council in respect of motor trade activities alleged to be taking place on Lake Street in Great Moor.

Recommendation(s):

The Corporate Director for Place Management & Regeneration requests that the Stepping Hill Area Committee note the content of the report.

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.

Parking on Lake Street, Great Moor

Report of the Corporate Director for Place Management & Regeneration

1 INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To report to and inform the Stepping Hill Area Committee on the options available to Stockport Council in respect of motor trade activities alleged to be taking place on Lake Street in Great Moor.

2 INFORMATION

- 2.1 The Stepping Hill Area Committee has requested a report detailing options available to Stockport Council in respect of motor trade activities alleged to be taking place on Lake Street, Great Moor comprising businesses parking vehicles associated with the business either for trade or repair on the public highway. The report details an overview of options available from Neighbourhoods, Parking and Network Management Teams in this respect.
- 2.2 Lake Street is a predominantly residential street in Great Moor on the eastern side of the A6 with a junction to that road leading into Sandhurst Road at its eastern end. The street comprises private housing and a garage business on the southern side and the boundary of Stockport School on the northern side. There is also a nursery and access to the rear of businesses fronting the A6 at the western end. Waiting restrictions currently comprise of No Waiting at Any Time at the A6 junction and two limited waiting bays. The entire southern side of the street fronting the residential properties is a paid for Residents Parking scheme with the frontage of the school on the northern side predominantly unrestricted parking with the exception of a School Keep Clear marking at the western end. Lake Street is both traffic calmed with cushions and a 20mph zone.
- 2.3 Intervention options available to the Council with regards to specifics around operation of motor businesses include the following. In these cases it is a requirement that the Council be able to work with a complainant about a specific issue.

Cleaner Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005 legislation: This makes it an offence for a motor business to expose more than 1 car for sale on the public highway within 500m of each other. This can be dealt with either by issuing of FPN or in extreme cases, prosecution.

Explore Community Protection Warning / Notice powers to stop a person or business committing anti- social behaviour which spoils the community's quality of life. Evidence must show the behaviour is having a direct detrimental effect on the quality of life of those in the locality, be of a persistent and/or continuing nature and be unreasonable.

Environmental Protection Act 1990 legislation with regards to Statutory Nuisance. If following investigation by authorised officers at a residents premises a business were determined to be causing a Statutory Nuisance then an enforcement Notice would be served. This would for example relate to noise, dust, fumes, smoke directly emanating from a premises and impacting on the reasonable enjoyment of someone else's premises.

Abandoned Vehicle legislation can enable investigation / collection of suspected abandoned vehicles from the public highway.

Additionally we can encourage residents to report suspected untaxed vehicles left on the public highway to the DVLA via their website.

2.4 Wider action available in respect of more general on street parking include the following:-

- Consideration of additional Traffic Regulation Orders to restrict parking in specific areas at certain times of the day
- Increased enforcement of existing restrictions where vehicles are left in contravention of the restrictions.
- Checks to ensure all existing restrictions are enforceable and arranging appropriate maintenance action where necessary.

3 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 The Stepping Hill Area Committee note the content of the report.

4 Background Papers

There are no background papers to this report

Anyone wishing further information please contact Jonathan Brown on telephone number Tel: 0161 474 4843 or on email on jon.brown@stockport.gov.uk