

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.

Ruskin Road & Browning Road, Reddish

Report of the Corporate Director for Place Management & Regeneration

1. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF REPORT

To approve an experimental order for No Waiting at Any Time restrictions at the junction of Ruskin Road and Browning Road in Reddish.

2. BACKGROUND

Network Management received a report from a local Councillor about an incident where a single-decker bus (Service 7A) was unable to turn safely at the above junction due to parked vehicles. The bus was 'stuck' for around 90 minutes causing a major disruption for the bus company, passengers and other road users.

There are currently no restrictions at this junction and the Councillor has requested measures to avoid a future repeat of this scenario.

For the sake of expediency, it would make sense to introduce restrictions on an experimental basis so that measures can be introduced on-site as soon as possible.

3. PROPOSALS

A proposal has been drafted for the provision of No Waiting at Any Time restrictions (double yellow lines) as shown on the attached drawing number: **NM8-5189-001**.

Note: The said bus service follows a circular route through the estate from Browning Road onto Ruskin Road; therefore the proposed restrictions have been extended by a further 5 metres on the easterly side of Ruskin Road to consolidate access for bus drivers making a right-turn manoeuvre. On the other side / arms of the junction, the restrictions will extend for a distance of 10 metres which is consistent with the advice in the Highway Code about parking a safe distance from a road junction.

As the order will be experimental, the restrictions can be monitored to ensure they are sufficient to facilitate the bus route and amend if required.

4. 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.

5. CONSULTATION

As and when the order is made, local households will be notified and will have opportunity to return a formal objection during the experimental period.

6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Legal and Advertising	£560
Road Marking	£200
Total	£760

To be funded from the delegated Ward Budget.

7. TIMESCALES

If approved, the experimental order is expected to be implemented on-site in July / August 2022.

8. 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.

9. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Area Committee is asked to approve the legal advertising of the following Traffic Regulation Order:

No Waiting at Any Time (Experimental):

Browning Road

South side from a point 10 metres West of the Western kerb-line of Ruskin Road to a point 10 metres East of the Eastern kerb-line of Ruskin Road.

Ruskin Road

West side from the Southern kerb-line of Browning Road in a Southerly direction for a distance of 10 metres.

East side from the Southern kerb-line of Ruskin Road in a Southerly direction for a distance of 15 metres.

Background Papers

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