

STOCKPORT COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE REPORT – SUMMARY SHEET

Subject: Strines Road, Marple - Police Notice Signage

Report to: (a) Marple Area Committee
2022

Date: Wednesday, 3 August

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 seek approval for the manufacture of, and installation of Police Notice signage informing motorists that there is no parking within a double white line system.

Recommendation(s):

The Corporate Director for Place Management requests that the Marple Area Committee considers and comment upon the following proposals, and recommend that the Cabinet Member for Highways, Parks and Leisure Services approves the manufacture & installation of the Police Notice signage.

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.

Strines Road, Marple - Police Notice Signage

Report of the Corporate Director for Place Management & Regeneration

1. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To seek approval for the manufacture of, and installation of signage informing motorists that they must not park within a double white line system.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1. It has been reported that motorists are regularly parking on Strines Road near to the junction of Stockport Road and Oldknow Road. This is a problem that has been going on for a considerable length of time, causing visibility issues.
- 2.2. Whilst there are double yellow lines near to this location these cannot be extended due to the double white lines in the centre of the carriageway.
- 2.3. Vehicles are regularly parking at this location in contravention of Rule 240 of the Highway Code, which states: You **MUST NOT** stop or park on a road marked with double white lines, even when a broken white line is on your side of the road.
- 2.4. Greater Manchester Police are responsible for the enforcement of vehicles parking in contravention of Rule 240 however, due to their limited resources are often unable to do so.
- 2.5. Approximately 6 years ago, Network Management approached Greater Manchester Police to ask if they would support the installation of warning signage to try and deter motorists from parking at this location. However, at that time the request was not supported.
- 2.6. Network Management have again approached Greater Manchester Police recently to re-highlight the concerns raised and to ask if they would reconsider supporting the installation of warning signage. This occasion, Greater Manchester have provided their support however, this is on the understanding that:
 - signage is only installed at this specific location
 - the signage will in no way whatsoever, imply that any specific enforcement from Greater Manchester Police will follow.

3. PROPOSALS

- 3.1. To resolve the concerns raised, Network Management propose to install x3 warning signs one each on the first three lighting columns south east of Oldknow Road.
- 3.2. The proposed signage is shown on the enclosed document **Strines Road – sign options**. With recommendation being given to the first image.

4. CONSULTATION

- 4.1. Network Management have consulted with Greater Manchester Police. Their approval has been given however, it must be noted that their approval refers to this one location only, and on the understanding that it in no way whatsoever implies that any specific enforcement from Greater Manchester Police will follow.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1. The estimated cost of this scheme is £500. These costs include the manufacture, and installation of the signage and are to be funded from the Marple South & High Lane delegated ward budget.

6. TIMESCALES

6.1. 8-12 weeks.

7. EQUALITIES/COMMUNITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

7.1. 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".

7.2. 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.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1. The Corporate Director for Place Management requests that the Marple Area Committee considers and comment upon the following proposals, and recommend that the Cabinet Member for Highways, Parks and Leisure Services approves the manufacture & installation of the Police Notice signage.

Background Papers

There are no background papers to this report.

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