

**STOCKPORT COUNCIL**  
**EXECUTIVE REPORT – SUMMARY SHEET**

**Subject: Objection Report for Redbrow Hollow, Compstall - Proposed Traffic Regulation Order**

**Report to: (a)** Marple Area Committee  
2023

**Date:** Wednesday, 19 April

**Report of:** (b) Joint report of the Director for Place Management and the Head of Legal, Democratic Governance and Estate & Asset Management

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

Forward Plan  General Exception  Special Urgency  (Tick box)

**Summary:**

To report the objections made in relation to the proposed Traffic Regulation Order 'No Waiting At Any Time' on Redbrow Hollow and Compstall Road, Compstall and to seek approval for the introduction of the Traffic Regulation Order as originally advertised.

**Recommendation(s):**

That the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) be made as originally advertised.

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

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

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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.

**Objection Report for Redbrow Hollow, Compstall**  
**Proposed Traffic Regulation Order**

Joint report of the Director for Place Management and  
the Head of Legal, Democratic Governance and Estate & Asset Management

**1. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 This report is to advise committee members of an objection/s received to a proposed introduction of a 'No Waiting At Any Time' Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) on the Redbrow Hollow & Compstall Road junction.
- 1.2 To ensure that objections to the permanent Traffic Regulation Order are appropriately and efficiently considered.

**2. INFORMATION AND ADVICE**

- 2.1. In considering the objection the Area Committee should be mindful that unless otherwise authorised, the only right the general public has over the highway is a right of passage along it. The Authority has both a duty of care to ensure the safety of the travelling public and a duty under the Traffic Management Act 2004 to secure and facilitate the expeditious movement of traffic.

**3. OBJECTIONS AND COMMENTS**

- 3.1. The specific objections and points contained within each letter have been analysed and detailed below together with the response.

**(i) Objection 1 reason:**

The objector states cars have parked at this location for the last 3 years and have never had a problem in terms of safety and the fact the road has such a wide kerb, in their opinion means that 10 metres is too much to limit it by. They state that they are not aware of any accidents at the Redbrow Hollow/Compstall Road entrance and think the more sensible thing to do would be approach the issue of cars driving at excessive speed by installing speed bumps on the road, or other traffic calming measures.

Objector states parking in Compstall is very difficult and any such changes will simply force motorists to park even further into Redbrow Hollow or other unsafe areas. There are many nearby properties whose residents have cars but do not have parking facilities; these vehicles are not going to go away therefore, the objector proposes that before introducing no parking orders, other parking solutions are found as making changes such as this is simply going to cause much bigger problems.

Objector states these proposals are being requested by those who are not affected by the current parking situation. Objector is aware they cannot object on behalf of others; however, states others will struggle if this order is imposed.

**Response:**

It is acknowledged parking may be problematic for residents without their own off road parking facilities. However, the cobbled area in which vehicles are parking is a visibility splay; this was a planning condition when the Redbrow Hollow Development was constructed and is clearly indicated on the Section 38 Agreement (attached). As such, this should always remain free from obstruction. Its purpose is to provide visibility for all road users negotiating the Redbrow Hollow/Compstall Road junction.

As can be seen from the photograph images below, when a car is parked on the visibility splay, visibility is affected for other road users compared to when there are no vehicles parked on it, particularly for those motorists trying to access Compstall Road from Redbrow Hollow.

The images also show how vehicles are parked contravening Rule 243 of The Highway Code which states: do not stop or park within 10 metres of a junction.



For a motorist to park their vehicle on the footway or on the visibility splay they are carrying out an unlawful manoeuvre; they are 'bumping up the kerb' and driving on the footway is illegal.

Compstall Road is classified as a 'district distributor route' therefore, is not suitable for traffic calming, including a reduction of the speed limit or physical traffic calming features such as speed bumps due to the volume and composition of traffic travelling on this type of road.

The Police enforce all moving traffic contraventions therefore, speeding should be reported to Greater Manchester Police on their non-emergency telephone number for potential enforcement.

#### **4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

4.1. There are no financial implications arising from the recommendations in this report other than central officer time.

#### **5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

5.1. The Council has a statutory duty to ensure that its highways operate safely for the safe passage of all traffic including pedestrians and powers to regulate and restrict traffic to assist in that duty.

#### **6. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

6.1. To comply with the Local Authorities' Traffic Orders, Regulations 1996 the Authority must consider all objections submitted during the consultation period of at least 21 days before 'Making' a Traffic Regulation Order.

6.2. The Committee and the Cabinet Member for Highways, Parks & Leisure Services should make a decision in respect of the objection/s received so that the scheme can be progressed and the 'No Waiting At Any Time' restrictions introduced or abandoned.

#### **7. ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

7.1. The alternative to the proposals laid out in this report is to continue with the current lack of restriction on the highway by not introducing the proposed traffic regulation orders.

#### **8. RECOMMENDATIONS**

8.1. It is recommended that:

8.2. the Area Committee and the Cabinet Member for Highways, Parks & Leisure Services note all Traffic Regulation Orders where objections have been considered by officers;

8.3. the Area Committee and the Cabinet Member for Highways, Parks & Leisure Services resolve that the the Traffic Regulation Order be made as originally advertised.

8.4. That the objectors are informed of the decision.

#### **Background Papers**

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