

STOCKPORT COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE REPORT – SUMMARY SHEET

Subject: Longford Road, North Reddish - New Bus Stop Clearway Markings

Report to: (a) Heatons & Reddish Area Committee

Date: Monday, 31 July 2023

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:

This report details the Council's intentions to upgrade existing bus stop markings with new bus clearway markings and signage on Longford Road, North Reddish to assist bus operations to ensure the safety and amenity of bus passengers, and to ensure parking enforcement can be carried out on vehicles causing an obstruction by parking in the bus stop.

Recommendation(s):

The Director of Place Management requests that the Heatons & Reddish Area Committee approves the introduction of new Bus Clearway Markings and associated time plate at a bus stop on Longford Road, North Reddish, as shown in **Drawing No. NM8-5229-01**.

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.

Longford Road, North Reddish - New Bus Stop Clearway Markings

Report of the Director for Place Management

1. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report details the Councils intentions to upgrade existing bus stop markings with new bus clearway markings and signage on Longford Road, North Reddish in order ensure the safety and amenity of bus passengers, and to ensure parking enforcement can be carried out on vehicles causing an obstruction by parking in the bus stop.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1. Several complaints have been received following vehicles continually parking in the bus stop located on Longford Road, North Reddish near to Reddish Hall School.
- 2.2. Due to the existing bus stop markings and lack of signage, the Councils Parking Enforcement Team have not been able to carry out enforcement action against offending vehicles.
- 2.3. Other bus stops within the immediate vicinity have bus clearway markings and associated signage to enable parking enforcement to be carried out.

3. PROPOSALS

- 3.1. To maintain travel movement through this area and assist bus operations to ensure the safety and amenity of bus passengers, the council intends to replace the existing bus stop markings with new bus clearway markings as shown on the attached plan, **Drawing No. NM8-5229-01.**
- 3.2. It is anticipated, these new markings will ensure the bus stop remains free from parked vehicles. In the event motorists do continue to park here, a Penalty Charge Notice may be issued by the Councils Parking Enforcement Team.

4. CONSULTATION

- 4.1. A Letter of Intent has been delivered to affected residents following which, one response has been received; resident agrees with the no parking in the lay-by but disagrees with the 'no stopping' stating there should be an allowance for taxis to pull in and drop off and pick passengers. Resident also states residents of the street should be able to pull in whilst waiting for a gap in the traffic to reverse park outside their homes. To clarify, taxis are permitted to drop off and pick up passengers in a bus clearway. However, this is the only exemption and there are no exemptions extended to other motorists.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1. The cost for the provision of the Bus Clearway Markings and associated time plate will be £600.00; to be funded from the Reddish North 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 Director of Place Management requests that the Heatons & Reddish Area Committee approves the introduction of new Bus Clearway Markings and associated time plate at a bus stop on Longford Road, North Reddish as shown on **Drawing No. NM8-5229-01**.

Background Papers

There are no background papers to this report.

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