

STOCKPORT COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE REPORT – SUMMARY SHEET

Subject: Combined School Streets - Proposed Permanent Traffic Regulation Order - Prohibition of Driving (Except for Permit Holders)

Report to: (a) Heaton & Reddish Area Committee

Date: Monday, 27
November 2023

(b) Cheadle Area Committee

Date: Tuesday, 28
November 2023

(c) Central Stockport Area Committee

Date: Thursday, 30
November 2023

Report of: (b) Director of Place Management

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

Forward Plan General Exception Special Urgency (Tick box)

Summary:

To make Permanent an existing Experimental Traffic Regulation Order at the following locations: Broomfield Drive, South Reddish, Bulkeley Street, Edgeley and Ashfield Crescent, Cheadle.

Recommendation(s):

The Director for Place Management requests that the Heaton & Reddish Area Committee, Cheadle Area Committee and Central Stockport Area Committee consider and comment upon the following proposals and recommend that the Cabinet Member for Parks, Highways & Transport Services approves the Traffic Regulation Order set out in **Appendix A** be established on a permanent basis.

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

Communities & Transport Scrutiny Committee

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

Report of 31.05.2022 – Cabinet Member Sustainable Stockport (attached)

Existing Sealed Order (attached)

Item 16. School Streets Trial Results 2022

[Agenda for Cabinet on Tuesday, 6th December, 2022, 6.00 pm - Stockport Council](#)

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.

Meeting: Monday, 27 November 2023

Meeting: Tuesday, 28 November 2023 and

Meeting: Thursday, 30 November 2023

Combined School Streets - Proposed Permanent Traffic Regulation Order
'Prohibition of Driving (Except for Permit Holders) when Temporary Road Closure
Signage is in place between the hours of 8am to 9.30am and 2.30pm to 3.50pm
Monday to Friday'

Report of the Director of Place Management

1. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To make Permanent an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order at the following locations: Bulkeley Street, Edgeley; Broomfield Drive, South Reddish; and Ashfield Crescent, Cheadle.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1. In 2021, Funding from the Government's Active Travel (ATF) was allocated to Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM) to provide support for Local Authorities to deliver a series of 'School Streets' across the region to increase active and sustainable travel.
- 2.2. A school street is a road outside a school with a restriction on motorised traffic at school drop-off and pick-up times. The restriction applies to general motor traffic, with access provided to residents via a permit system, essential care/health workers, emergency services and Blue Badge holders. The reduction in general and school-related traffic improves the environment for journeys to school and encourages cycling, scooting, or walking part or the entire school run.
- 2.3. In July 2021, Stockport Council submitted applications for funding to TfGM, which were subsequently granted which enabled the development of a number of School Streets within the Stockport Borough.
- 2.4. In June 2022, an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order 'Prohibition of Driving (Except for Permit Holders) when Temporary Road Closure Signage is in place between the hours of 8am to 9.30am and 2.30pm to 3.50pm, Monday to Friday' came into effect.
- 2.5. 7 schools within the Stockport Borough took part in the trial and 3 schools – Cheadle Primary School, located on Ashfield Road, Cheadle; St Matthew's Church of England Primary School located on Bowdon Street, Edgeley; and St Mary' Church of England Primary School, located on Broomfield Drive, Reddish – have continued the arrangements under the Experimental Traffic Regulation Order which is due to expire in December 2023.
- 2.6. All three schools considered the benefits to be sufficient to wish to continue their School Street after the expiration of the original Experimental Traffic Regulation Order and make the arrangements permanent.

3. PROPOSALS

- 3.1. To enable Cheadle Primary School, St. Matthew's Church of England Primary School and St. Mary's Church of England Primary School to continue with the School Streets Scheme arrangements, it is proposed to make Permanent the

existing Experimental Traffic Regulation Order 'Prohibition of Driving (Except for Permit Holders) when Temporary Road Closure Signage is in place between the hours of 8am to 9.30am and 2.30pm to 3.50pm, Monday to Friday', as shown on each of the respective enclosed drawings **NM8-5235-01**, **NM8-5235-02** and **NM8-5235-03**.

4. LEGAL POSITION/IMPLICATIONS

4.1. 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. CONSIDERATION OF ALTERNATIVE SOLUTIONS

5.1. No other alternatives were considered.

6. CONSULTATION

6.1. Consultations were carried out prior to the initial trial period. The proposals were developed in conjunction with the respective schools, parents/guardians and residents to identify potential roads and timings for the closures. As these proposals relate to making the existing arrangements permanent, and as there have been no formal objections received, no further consultation is required.

7. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

7.1. There will be no financial implications to any of the respective Delegated Ward Budgets following the recommendations in this report. Funding for this is being provided from the Air Quality Funding Budget.

8. EQUALITIES/COMMUNITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

8.1. 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".

8.2. 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.

9. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

9.1. The Director for Place Management requests that the Heatons & Reddish Area Committee, Cheadle Area Committee and Central Stockport Area Committee consider and comment upon the following proposals and recommend that the Cabinet Member for Parks, Highways & Transport Services approves the Traffic Regulation Order set out in **Appendix A** be established on a permanent basis.

Background Papers

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APPENDIX A

Traffic Regulation Order Schedule

‘Prohibition of Driving (Except for Permit Holders) when Temporary Road Signage is in place between the hours of 8am to 9.30am and 2.30pm to 3.50pm Monday to Friday’

Broomfield Drive, Reddish

From its junction with Reddish Road for its entire length.

Ashfield Crescent, Cheadle

From its junction with Ashfield Road for its entire length.

Bulkeley Street, Edgeley

Between its junctions with Chatham Street and Derby Street.