

STOCKPORT COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE REPORT – SUMMARY SHEET

Subject: Clifton Road & Alan Road, Heaton Moor

Report to: (a) Heatons & Reddish Area Committee **Date:** Monday, 27 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 approve a prohibition of waiting and restricted waiting on parts of Clifton Road and Alan Road in Heaton Moor.

Recommendation(s): The Area Committee approves the legal advertising of the Traffic Regulation Orders as shown in Appendix A and subject to no objections being received within 21 days from the advertisement date the orders can be made.

Relevant Scrutiny Committee (if decision called in): (d)
Communities & Transport 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.

AGENDA ITEM

Clifton Road & Alan Road, Heaton Moor

Report of the Director of Place Management

1. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF REPORT

To approve a prohibition of waiting and restricted waiting on parts of Clifton Road and Alan Road in Heaton Moor.

2. BACKGROUND

Network Management received representation about the parking situation on that part of Clifton Road from the end of the existing restrictions (No Waiting Mon to Sat 8am – 6pm) to the junction with Alan Road. It is reported that double-parking is causing issues with road safety and traffic management on what is a bus route between Stockport and Manchester.

3. PROPOSALS

In view of the above, a proposal was drafted to extend the existing daytime restrictions towards the junction with Alan Road; with the further provision of double yellow lines (No Waiting at Any Time) on either arm of that junction. See drawing number: **NM8-5231-001**.

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

In agreement with the Ward Councillors a local consultation was delivered on the said basis (July 2023). The resulting feedback is summarised below:

Clifton Road:

- Two respondents fully support the proposal.
- The existing yellow line is frequently occupied with vehicles displaying Blue Badges. The expansion of the Surgery and the increase in parking should have been taken into account.

- The availability of on-street parking can be convenient for residents. As a suggestion, restrict parking on one side as proposed; but make the other side resident permit parking.
- Endorses the scheme; but recommends the daytime restriction is upgraded to double yellow lines with bollards on the footway.
- Supports the scheme with the addition of double yellow lines on the south-eastern arm of the junction with Alan Road to provide some visibility for cyclists emerging from the passage. Also, suggests resident parking on part of Alan Road. For comment: There is a public car park nearby on Gladstone Grove that visitors to the Surgery could be using.
- Strongly objects to the proposal. The availability of on-street parking (which slows traffic) is a necessity for residents. Problems have increased since the Surgery expanded (a premises that has no available off-street parking for visitors).
- Disagrees with the proposal. The availability of on-street parking is a necessity for residents.
- Objects to the scheme for said reasons above.

Alan Road:

- Endorses the scheme; but recommends the daytime restriction is upgraded to double yellow lines. Also extend across the opposite side of Alan Road to improve visibility for cyclists emerging from the passage (there is no barrier here).
- Supports measures on Clifton Road; but is concerned about the effects of displaced parking onto Alan Road which is quite narrow.

Network Management Comments:

A total of 42 consultation documents were delivered which has resulted in 11 responses with 2 in support and 3 against. Another 5 respondents supported the scheme; but with amendments.

For information, the expansion of the Surgery did not involve a change in use and therefore did not require planning permission. Where permission is required, the local impact is assessed by Development Control.

Permit parking schemes are usually intended for streets that have little or no provision of off-road parking.

The Council now has a policy to avoid installing bollards (which are a maintenance liability) unless they are deemed absolutely essential (such as outside a school).

The reported problems are associated with daytime activity; in which case there is no particular need to upgrade the restrictions to double yellow lines.

The suggestion about adding restrictions on the south-eastern arm of the junction at Alan Road is deemed to have some merit; and therefore, the proposal can be amended accordingly.

Obviously, there are concerns about the loss of on-street parking on Clifton Road if the scheme went ahead. By way of a compromise, it is suggested that the proposed extension on the southern side can be removed. Note: A majority of those who expressed concerns are occupants on this side.

In view of the above, please see the revised scheme shown on attached drawing number: **NM8-5231-001A**. The proposal will still prevent double-parking on this section of Clifton Road and will go some way to addressing the concerns about displaced parking. The Ward Spokesperson indicated he is happy for a report to be submitted to Area Committee on this basis. Note: Residents will be notified of the revised scheme as and when the order is legally advertised.

For consolidation purposes, it is preferable to revoke the entire length of restricted waiting as part of the schedule and then include the same extent as part of the new order.

6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Legal and Advertising	£600
TRO Lining & Plate	£350
Total	£950

To be funded from the delegated Ward budget.

7. TIMESCALES

If approved the order is expected to become operative in the earlier part of 2024.

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 approves the legal advertising of the Traffic Regulation Orders as shown in Appendix A and subject to no objections being received within 21 days from the advertisement date the orders can be made.

Background Papers

Anyone wishing further information please contact Max Townsend on telephone number 07527 387146 or by email on max.townsend@stockport.gov.uk

APPENDIX A

Revocation

No Waiting Mon to Sat 8.00 – 6.00pm:

Clifton Road

North East side from the North Western kerb line of Heaton Moor Road for a distance of 63 metres in a North Westerly direction.

South West side from the North Western kerb line of Heaton Moor Road for a distance of 63 metres in a North Westerly direction.

Proposed

No Waiting Mon to Sat 8.00 – 6.00pm:

Clifton Road

North East side from the North Western kerb line of Heaton Moor Road for a distance of 109 metres in a North Westerly direction.

South West side from the North Western kerb line of Heaton Moor Road for a distance of 63 metres in a North Westerly direction.

No Waiting at Any Time:

Clifton Road

North East side from a point 10 metres South East of the South Eastern kerb line of Alan Road in a North Westerly direction to a point 10 metres North West of the North Western kerb line of Alan Road.

South West side from the (projected) South Eastern kerb line of Alan Road for a distance of 7 metres in a South Easterly direction.

Alan Road

Both sides from the North Eastern kerb line of Clifton Road for a distance of 10 metres in a North Easterly direction.