

Objection Report - Buckingham Road, Cheadle Hulme: Proposed Traffic Regulation Order

Joint report of the Director of Place Management and Assistant Director - Legal & Democratic Governance

1. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report is to advise committee members of an objection received to a proposed introduction of No Waiting at Any Time and Limited Stay Disabled Bay' Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) 'restrictions on parts of Buckingham Road Cheadle Hulme in the Cheadle Hulme South Ward.
- 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:

Objector states parking here is extremely difficult especially as Stockport Council gave planning permission to expand the number of people living in the apartment above the chemist, who park on the road. Regular visits to clients within working hours and finds it difficult to park within 100 yards of their business. Insufficient parking for staff, clients and other businesses and the proposed changes will only make things more difficult, the plan is ill thought and unfair.

Response

Rule 243 of The Highway Code states: do not stop or park within 10 metres of a junction. However, depending on the highway layout an extension can be required. Due Balmoral Ave having a wide bell mouth / kerb radius. it was determined that the following extensions were required; 11 metres and 18 metres on Buckingham Road and on one side of Balmoral Avenue would be extended to 15 metres. This proposal ensures there will be improved visibility for motorists and pedestrians, especially with this being a popular school route to several schools within the area.

Local business requested disabled bay to improve parking for blue badge holders to access local amenities as the area can be extremely busy with limited parking. The proposed bay is limited stay, thirty minutes no return within one hour so it gives opportunity for a number of blue badge holders to park throughout the day to use the local amenities.

4. PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ORDER

4.1. No amendments are proposed.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1. There are no financial implications arising from the recommendations in this report.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

6.1. 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.

7. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

7.1. 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.

7.2. The Committee 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 and Limited Stay Disabled Bay restrictions introduced or abandoned.

8. ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

8.1. 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.

9. RECOMMENDATIONS

9.1. It is recommended that:

9.2. the Area Committee note all Traffic Regulation Orders where objections have been considered by officers;

9.3. The Area Committee accept the traffic regulation Order be made as originally advertised.

9.4. That the objectors are informed of the decision.

Background Papers

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