STOCKPORT COUNCIL EXECUTIVE REPORT – SUMMARY SHEET

Subject: Gower Avenue & Walden Crescent, Hazel Grove		
Report to: (a)Stepping Hill Area CommitteeDate: Tuesday, 18 June 2024		
Report of: (b) Director of Place Management		
Key Decision: (c)NO / YES (Please circle)		
Forward Plan General Exception Special Urgency (<i>Tick box</i>)		
Summary: To approve extended No Waiting at Any Time restrictions on Gower Avenue in Hazel Grove. Also, to resolve an anomaly on Walden Crescent at the junction with Gower Avenue.		
Recommendation(s):		
The Area Committee approves the legal advertising of the Traffic Regulation Orders detailed in Appendix A and recommends the Cabinet Member (Highways, Parks & Leisure Services) approves those parts which are within 15 metres of a Strategic Route. 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 reportOfficer: Max Townsend Tel. 07527 387146		
'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.		

Gower Avenue & Walden Crescent, Hazel Grove

Report of the Director of Place Management

1. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF REPORT

To approve extended No Waiting at Any Time restrictions on Gower Avenue in Hazel Grove. Also, to resolve an anomaly on Walden Crescent at the junction with Gower Avenue.

2. BACKGROUND

Network Management at Stockport MBC received reports that some drivers are parking too close to the bend / junction with Bramhall Moor Lane and when this happens, vehicles are struggling to turn safely into Gower Avenue. The carriageway itself is very narrow at approx. 3.5 metres wide.

In order to improve the traffic management situation, a proposal was drafted to extend the existing double yellow lines on both sides up to a point that would cover the shared lowered-kerb (or dropped-crossing) fronting No's 2 & 4.

3. PROPOSALS

Please see the attached drawing number: **NM8-4087-001**.

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. This did not result in any opposition; however, two respondents did suggest the restrictions did need to be extended further to the junction with Walden Crescent.

In view of this feedback, the proposal was upgraded so that the full extent on that side opposite the properties will be protected. Please see drawing number: **NM8-4087-001 Revision A.** and the comments below:

• If and when the TRO is advertised by Legal Services, the households will be notified of this upgrade; and it will also be explained that any (unauthorised)

parking obstruction on the residential side in front of a driveway can be reported to the Council for enforcement purposes.

• A minor anomaly has also been identified with the restrictions on either side at the end of Walden Crescent. These are mapped as restricted waiting (Mon to Fri 8.30am – 3.30pm) but need to be upgraded to No Waiting at Any Time to reflect the markings on-site.

6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Road Lining	£200
Remove TRO Plates Legal & Advertising	£ 50 £600

Total £850

To be funded from the delegated Ward Budget.

7. TIMESCALES

If approved the order is expected to be come operative in 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 detailed in Appendix A and recommends the Cabinet Member (Highways, Parks & Leisure Services) approves those parts which are within 15 metres of a Strategic Route. 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 Tel: 0161 474 4861 or by email on max.townsend@stockport.gov.uk Appendix A.

Revoke No Waiting Monday to Friday 8.30am – 3.30pm:

Walden Crescent

North Eastern side from the South Eastern kerb line of Gower Avenue for a distance of 8 metres in a South Easterly direction.

South Western side from the South Eastern kerb line of Gower Avenue for a distance of 9 metres in a South Easterly direction.

Introduce No Waiting at Any Time:

Gower Avenue

North Western side from a point level with the projected boundary line between No's 2 & 4 for a distance of 38 metres in a North Easterly direction (to tie-in with existing).

South Eastern side from a point 10 metres South East of the South Eastern kerb line of Bramhall Moor Lane for a distance of 17 metres in a North Easterly direction (to tie-in with existing).

Walden Crescent

North Eastern side from the South Eastern kerb line of Gower Avenue for a distance of 8 metres in a South Easterly direction.

South Western side from the South Eastern kerb line of Gower Avenue for a distance of 9 metres in a South Easterly direction.