

STOCKPORT COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE REPORT – SUMMARY SHEET

Subject: Proposed Permanent Traffic Regulation Order - School Street Scheme - St. Thomas's CoE Primary School, Heaton Chapel

Report to: (a) Heatons & Reddish Area Committee

Date: Monday, 29 July 2024

Report of: (b) Director of Place Management

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

Forward Plan General Exception Special Urgency (Tick box)

Summary:

To seek approval to make Permanent and existing Experimental Traffic Regulation Order in relation to St. Thomas's CoE Primary School, Heaton Chapel as set out in **Appendix A**.

Recommendation(s):

The Director for Place Management requests that the Heatons & Reddish 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 the Transport Strategy Manager [mgConvert2PDF.aspx \(stockport.gov.uk\)](#)

Report of the Cabinet Member of Highways, Parks & Leisure Services dated 21st April 2023 (attached).

Item 9. School Street Scheme for St. Thomas CoE Primary School [AGENDA ITEM NO \(stockport.gov.uk\)](#)

Existing Sealed Order (attached)

Contact person for accessing background papers and discussing the report

Officer: Nicola Ryan

'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

Proposed Permanent Traffic Regulation Order - School Street Scheme - St. Thomas's CoE Primary School, Heaton Chapel

Report of the Director of Place Management

1. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To seek approval to make Permanent an existing Experimental Traffic Regulation Order in relation to St. Thomas's CoE Primary School, Heaton Chapel as set out in **Appendix A**.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1. A request to develop a School Street at St. Thomas's CoE Primary School, Heaton Chapel was made by the school with the support of the local ward councillors.
- 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.
- 2.4. On 18th May 2023, an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order 'Prohibition of Driving (Except for Permit Holders) when Temporary Road Closure Signage came into operation between the hours of 8.30am to 9.15am and 2.45pm to 3.45pm, Monday to Friday' came into effect in relation to St. Thomas's CoE Primary School.
- 2.5 St. Thomas CoE Primary School have considered the benefits to be sufficient to wish to continue with their School Street when the existing Experimental Traffic Regulation order expires on 18th November 2024 and make the arrangements permanent.

3. PROPOSALS

- 3.1. To enable St. Thomas CoE 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 8.30am to 9.15am and 2.45pm to 3.45pm, Monday to Friday', as shown **Drawing No. NM8-5256-01**.

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.

6.2. The proposals were developed in conjunction with the school and input from relevant council officers. These identified potential roads needing to be closed and the times of the closures that would encourage more families to travel sustainably.

6.3. 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. Funding has already been secured via the original funding source (Heatons North Delegated Ward Budget), as detailed within the March 2023 Transport Strategy Managers Report.

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 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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Anyone wishing further information please contact Nicola Ryan by email on
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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 8.30am to 9.15am and 2.45pm to 3.45pm Monday to Friday

St. Thomas's Infant School, Heaton Chapel

Buckingham Road from the junction with Wellington Road North up to the junction with Chandos Road with no left or right turns from Wellington Road North onto Buckingham Road to drop off/pick up children at the school entrance. Advance warning signs on the A6 would be in place.

St. Thomas's Junior School, Heaton Chapel

Tatton Road North from the junction with Clarence Road along Buckingham Road to a point before the junction with Peel Moat Road.

Brownsville Road from the junction with Clarence Road to Buckingham Road.