

**STOCKPORT COUNCIL**  
**EXECUTIVE REPORT – SUMMARY SHEET**

**Subject: Objection Report - Woodlands Drive and Offerton Lane, Offerton:  
Proposed Traffic Regulation Order 'No Waiting at Any Time'**

**Report to: (a)** Central Stockport Area Committee  
2024

**Date:** Thursday, 31 October

**Report of:** (b) Joint report of the Director of Place Management and Assistant Director -  
Legal & Democratic Governance

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

Forward Plan  General Exception  Special Urgency  *(Tick box)*

**Summary:**

To report the objection made in relation to the proposed Traffic Regulation Order 'No  
Waiting At Any Time' on Woodlands Drive and Offerton Lane, Offerton.

**Recommendation(s):**

That the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) be made as originally advertised.

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

Communities & Transport Scrutiny Committee

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

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Offerton Lane, Offerton](#)

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**'Urgent Business': (f)** **~~YES~~ / NO** *(please circle)*

**Objection Report - Woodlands Drive and Offerton Lane, Offerton: Proposed Traffic Regulation Order 'No Waiting At Any Time'**

**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 a 'No Waiting at Any Time' Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) on Woodlands Drive and Offerton Lane, Offerton.
- 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 objection and points contained within the letter have been analysed and detailed below together with the response.

**(i) Objection 1 reason:**

Objector states they have disability issues which mean that they need to be picked up and dropped off directly outside their property which is within the area of the proposed Double Yellow Lines. The Objector has also referenced that vehicles are speeding when entering Woodlands Drive from Offerton Lane and has suggested a redesign of the junction.

**Response**

The introduction of the No Waiting at Any Time Traffic Regulation Order (double yellow lines) at junctions are primarily designed to prevent obstructive and dangerous parking, and to assist in the general flow of traffic, and to improve road safety to all road users, and to improve visibility at the junction, improve access for emergency service/refuse vehicles and to preserve the character/amenity of an area.

These proposals are compliment with Rule 243 of The Highway Code, which states 'do not stop or park opposite or within 10 metres of a junction'. Due to highway layout, for example kerb radius, an extension to the 10 metres is required, as is the case in this instance.

Vehicles are permitted to 'load/unload' and pick up/drop off passengers. Therefore, these proposals will not prevent issues with taxis and personal vehicles picking up

and dropping off the resident. Additionally, Blue Badge Holders are permitted to park for a maximum of 3 hrs provided that they are displaying a valid permit, on double yellow lines.

A redesign of the junction is not within the remit of this scheme.

The contravention of a speed limit falls within the remit of Greater Manchester Police, as this is a standard offence, which is regulated by the Police and not Stockport Council. Should the Objector wish to pursue their concerns relating to speeding motorists, it is recommended they contact Greater Manchester Police on their non-emergency telephone number.

#### **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 other than central officer time.

#### **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 received so that the scheme can be progressed and the No Waiting At Any Time (double yellow line) 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 and Cabinet Member for Parks, Highways and Transport Services note all Traffic Regulation Orders where objections have been considered by officers;

9.3. the Area Committee and Cabinet Member for Parks, Highways and Transport Services resolve that 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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