AGENDA ITEM

STOCKPORT COUNCIL EXECUTIVE REPORT – SUMMARY SHEET

Subject: Objection Report - Hillside Road, Werneth Road and Pennine Road Woodley: Proposed Traffic Regulation Order 'No Waiting at Any Time'"

Report to: (a) Werneth Area C	ommittee	Date: Monday, 7 th April 2025
Report of: (b) Joint report of the Director of Place Management and Assistant Director - Legal & Democratic Governance		
Key Decision: (c)	NO / YES (Pleas	e circle)
Forward Plan General Ex	ception Special I	Urgency (<i>Tick box</i>)
Summary:		
To report the objections made in relation to the proposed Traffic Regulation Order 'No Waiting at Any Time' on Hillside Road, Werneth Road and Pennine Road, Woodley		
Recommendation(s):		
The Area Committee note all Traffic Regulation Orders where objections have been considered by officers;		
The Area Committee accept the Traffic Regulation Order be made as originally advertised		
That the objectors are informed of the decision		
Relevant Scrutiny Committee (if decision called in): (d) Communities & Transport Scrutiny Committee		
Background Papers (if report for publication): (e)		
Agenda for Werneth Area Cor Council	mmittee on Monday,	4th March, 2024, 6.00 pm - Stockpor
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'Urgent Business': (f)	YES / NO (please	circle)

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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 objections received to a proposed introduction of a 'No Waiting at Any Time' Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) on Hillside Road, Werneth Road and Pennine Road, Woodley. And the installation of a Puffin Crossing on Werneth Road.
- 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:

The parking restrictions outlined will have no impact on the safer movement of traffic at the junction of Pennine, Hillside and Werneth Road.

Currently no vehicles park at 3 of the 4 proposed locations, therefore the yellow lines will try and solve a problem which doesn't exist.

The fourth location on Hillside Road in an easterly direction is used by residents who have nowhere else to park.

It will also impact access to a resident's garage located at this point.

Hillside Road is already a narrow road at this point, and these restrictions will narrow the road further and encourage drivers to park on the pavement.

Further proposed changes to the road at the junction of Hillside Road and Pennine Road will also narrow the road entrance and again lead to vehicles parking on the pavement.

In addition to proposed parking restrictions, further changes to the road layout on Werneth Road will actually make this location more dangerous, not less.

In particular, the removal of the pedestrian islands on Werneth Road at the location of the proposed pedestrian crossing will allow vehicles to speed down Werneth Road towards Pennine Road.

Response

The scheme will significantly improve visibility at the junction. Double yellow lines are proposed to ensure that the junction will operate in a safe manner and visibility splays will not be impaired and are in line with rule 243 of the Highway Code

The scheme will have a minimal impact on car parking in the area and sufficient space should be available to allow all residents to park.

If a resident's garage access is impacted by vehicles, enforcement can be requested from CEO's Request a parking enforcement - Stockport Council

The works will improve a sub-standard junction and provide a new pedestrian crossing facility. Whilst two islands are to be removed, these will be replaced with sections of narrower carriageway which should have the same effect as the buildouts at reducing vehicle speeds.

The scheme will significantly improve visibility at the junction, increasing visibility to the right from by 22.0m and to the left by 43.0m. The site is a significant distance from Greave Primary School and should not affect the school or associated parking.

The scheme was designed to improve safety at the junction, including improving visibility, reducing vehicle speeds, and improving crossing facilities for pedestrians. Kerb lines have been tightened where possible, but are designed to ensure larger vehicles, including refuse vehicles can turn at the junction

(ii) Objection 2 reason:

We would like to know what impact this has on us directly and an update on the bus shelter that you were planning to erect on Werneth Road. We need to know if we will still be able to park close to our home and if the pedestrian refuge on Werneth Road will be removed. Can you give any indication please as to how we are affected and when these changes will take place

Response

There is no change to the original proposals and the protected parking area on Werneth Road will still remain. The existing pedestrian refuge will be removed. Work is expected to commence around summer 2025.

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.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 8.1. It is recommended that:
- 8.2. the Area Committee note all Traffic Regulation Orders where objections have been considered by officers;
- 8.3. the Area Committee accept the Traffic Regulation Order be made as originally advertised.
- 8.4. That the objectors are informed of the decision.

Background Papers

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