

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Parking Scheme Update Report</b>		
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	<b>21<sup>st</sup> January 2020</b>		
<b>Report of:</b>	<b>Executive Director, Economy, Environment &amp; Culture</b>		
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<b>Ward(s) affected:</b>	<b>Hanover and Elm Grove, Queens Park, Moulsecoomb and Bevendean, Hollingdean and Stanmer, South Portslade</b>		

**FOR GENERAL RELEASE****1. PURPOSE OF REPORT AND POLICY CONTEXT**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to update Committee on the progress of recent resident parking scheme consultations.
- 1.2 This report outlines the findings of the recent consultation with residents in Zones B and D (match day schemes within the Coldean & Moulsecoomb areas), the Coombe Road area and the South Portslade area. It also updates Committee on the recent Traffic Regulation Orders for Freshfield Street/Queens Park Rise and the area known as the top triangle (Arnold Street, Baxter Street, Carlyle Street, Cromwell Street, Lynton Street) and Freshfield Street and Queens Park Rise).

**2. RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 2.1 That Committee agrees that no changes are required in Zone B and Zone D (Match Day Parking).
- 2.2 That Committee approves that a new resident parking scheme (Light Touch Monday – Friday 10-11am & 5-6 pm) be considered within the Coombe Road area and that this proposal be progressed to the final design with the Traffic Order advertised to allow for further comment. All comments will be reported back to a further Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee.
- 2.3 That Committee having taken account of all duly made representations and comments, agrees to proceed to the next stage of the detailed design for a Light Touch parking scheme within the South Portslade Area.
- 2.3 Agrees that the following Traffic Regulation Orders are approved for Freshfield Street/Queens Park Rise and the Top Triangle Area and proceed to the implementation stage:
  - BRIGHTON AND HOVE VARIOUS CONTROLLED PARKING ZONES CONSOLIDATION ORDER 2018 AMENDMENT ORDER NO.\*201\* (TRO-31-2019)

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### **3. CONTEXT/ BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

#### **Match Day Parking Review**

- 3.1 Following the implementation of Zones B and D in June 2013 it was agreed in the Parking Scheme Priority Timetable set in 2017 to review both these areas.

#### Zone B (Coldean area)

- 3.2 Brighton & Hove City Council Land and Property Gazetteer was used to provide 1186 property addresses in the Zone B area. A questionnaire, frequently asked questions sheet and a prepaid envelope for reply was sent to each address. Respondents were also invited to complete the survey online via the council's Consultation Portal should they wish to. 268 (90.4%) responses received were by mail and 28 (9.5%) online. The consultation ran from 2 August to 13 September 2019.
- 3.3 The headline figures indicate that 78% are satisfied or very satisfied with the current Zone B parking scheme and 91.7% are happy for the scheme to remain the same.
- 3.4 Analysis undertaken of all the responses received from respondents and the full results analysis of the consultation including a road by road results plan is outlined in detail in Appendix A including the main comments.
- 3.4 Therefore, there will be no changes made to Zone B. However, some of the wider issues such as the use of permits is being considered as part of the current parking permit review alongside fees & charges.
- 3.5 The Hollingdean and Stanmer Councillors have outlined concerns with student parking from the University of Brighton (Varley Halls). Officers met with a representative of the University to discuss student parking and as a result will consider implementing small sections of double yellow lines to help alleviate parking concerns in the roads nearest to the University. This will be on a future Traffic Regulation Order.

#### Zone D (Moulsecoomb area)

- 3.6 Brighton & Hove City Council Land and Property Gazetteer was used to provide 2349 property addresses in the Zone D area. A questionnaire, frequently asked questions sheet and a prepaid envelope for reply was sent to each address. Respondents were also invited to complete the survey online via the council's Consultation Portal should they wish to. 311 (88.6%) responses received were by mail and 40 (11.4%) online. The consultation ran from 2 August to 13 September 2019.

- 3.7 The headline figures indicate that 55.8% are satisfied or very satisfied with the current Zone D parking scheme and 70.5% are happy for the scheme to remain the same.
- 3.8 Analysis undertaken of all the responses received from respondents and the full results analysis of the consultation including a road by road results plan is outlined in detail in Appendix B including the main comments.
- 3.9 Although a small section wanted changes it was not practical to split the Zone, therefore, no changes will be made to Zone D. However, some of the wider issues such as the use of permits is being considered as part of the current parking permit review alongside fees & charges.
- 3.10 Due to an error in the address database we have identified that a small number of roads, Home Farm Road, Highbrook Close, Selsfield Close, Selsfield Drive, Thorndean Road, Wild Park Close have been missed from the consultation. They will be included in a further consultation with the results being reported back to committee at a future date as part of a parking schemes update report in case any suggestions are made that need to be considered.
- 3.11 The Moulsecoombe and Bevendean Councillors have outlined they are happy to support the recommendations based on the residents wishes.

### **Coombe Road Area**

- 3.12 Following Environment, Transport & Sustainability (ETS) Committee on 25 June 2019, it was agreed to write to all residents and businesses in the Coombe Road area to find out if there is support for a Light Touch Residents Parking Scheme Monday to Friday.
- 3.13 Brighton & Hove City Council Land and Property Gazetteer was used to provide 2457 property addresses in the Coombe Road area. A questionnaire, frequently asked questions sheet and a prepaid envelope for reply was sent to each address. Respondents were also invited to complete the survey online via the council's Consultation Portal should they wish to. 88.6% responses received were by mail and 11.4% online. The consultation ran from 19 October to 1 December 2019.
- 3.14 The headline figures indicate that 64% of respondents support the implementation of a residents parking scheme.
- 3.15 Analysis undertaken of all the responses received from respondents and the full results analysis of the consultation including a road by road results plan is outlined in detail in Appendix C including the main comments.
- 3.16 Following the consultation results it is recommended that we proceed to the Traffic Regulation Order stage.

### **South Portslade Area**

- 3.17 Following Environment, Transport & Sustainability (ETS) Committee on 27 November 2018, it was agreed to write to all residents and businesses in the

South Portslade Area to find out if there is general support for a resident parking scheme.

- 3.18 Brighton & Hove City Council Land and Property Gazeteer was used to provide 911 property addresses in the South Portslade area. A questionnaire, frequently asked questions sheet and a prepaid envelope for reply was sent to each address. Respondents were also invited to complete the survey online via the council's Consultation Portal should they wish to. 779 (85.5%) responses received were by mail and 132 (14.5%) online. The consultation ran from 6 September to 21 October 2019.
- 3.19 The results outlined that 60.5% of respondents support the idea of a resident parking scheme in the area based on a 36% response rate.
- 3.20 56.6% of respondents wanted a light touch scheme while 43.4% preferred a full scheme. 54.5% of respondents supported a Monday – Friday scheme while 45.6% supported a Monday – Sunday scheme.
- 3.21 Analysis undertaken of all the responses received from respondents and the full results analysis of the consultation including a road by road results plan is outlined in detail in Appendix D including the main comments.
- 3.22 Although a smaller area nearer existing parking schemes had higher support we are consulting the whole area with a detailed design so that residents have the opportunity to look closely at the parking layout, taking into account that should they not wish to be part of the parking scheme there maybe displacement issues.
- 3.23 Therefore it is recommended that further detailed design consultation takes place in South Portslade area, Appendix E, on a light touch resident parking scheme Monday – Friday.
- 3.24 The South Portslade Ward Councillors outlined that they were happy to support the recommendations although there are concerns about the potential loss of parking on narrow roads.

### **Traffic Regulation Orders**

#### Freshfield Street and Queens Park Rise

- 3.25 Following ETS Committee on 8 October 2019 it was agreed to advertise the Traffic Regulation Order to change Freshfield Street and Queens Park Rise from Zone S (Light Touch) to Zone C (Full Scheme).
- 3.26 The draft Traffic Regulation Order was advertised on 25 October with a closing date for comments and objections on the 15 November 2019. The Ward Councillors for the area were consulted, as were the statutory consultees such as the emergency services.
- 3.27 The notice was published in the Brighton and Hove Independent newspaper on 25 October 2019 and notices were put up within the roads of the proposed change.

- 3.28 Detailed plans and draft Traffic Regulation Order were available to view on line at the Customer Service Centres at Bartholomew House and Hove Town Hall. A plan showing the proposals is shown in Appendix F.
- 3.29 The documents were available to view and to respond to directly on the Council website.
- 3.30 No objections were received to the proposals therefore it's recommended that we proceed to implement the changes which will come into operation in March 2020.

#### Top Triangle Area

- 3.31 Following ETS Committee 8 October 2019 it was agreed to advertise the Traffic Regulation Order to change the Top Triangle (Arnold Street, Baxter Street, Carlyle Street, Cromwell Street, Lynton Street) from Zone S (Light Touch) to Zone V (Full Scheme).
- 3.32 The draft Traffic Regulation Order was advertised on 25 October with a closing date for comments and objections on the 15 November 2019. The Ward Councillors for the area were consulted, as were the statutory consultees such as the emergency services.
- 3.33 The notice was published in the Brighton and Hove Independent newspaper on 25 October 2019 and notices were put up within the roads of the proposed change.
- 3.34 Detailed plans and draft Traffic Regulation Order were available to view on line at the Customer Service Centres at Bartholomew House and Hove Town Hall. A plan showing the proposals is shown in Appendix G.
- 3.35 The documents were available to view and to respond to directly on the Council website.
- 3.36 No objections were received to the proposals therefore it's recommended that we proceed to implement the changes which will come into operation in March 2020.

#### **4. ANALYSIS & CONSIDERATION OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

- 4.1 The main alternative options are doing nothing which would mean that the various parking scheme consultations would not be taken forward or consulting on a different option.
- 4.2 It is, however, the recommendation of officers to proceed for the reasons that are outlined within the report.

#### **5. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & CONSULTATION**

- 5.1 As set out in the body of the report.

#### **6. CONCLUSION**

- 6.1 As set out in the body of the report and within the recommendations.

## 7. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

### Financial Implications:

- 7.1 It is expected that any additional costs associated with the recommendation of this report are absorbed within existing Parking Services budgets. This will be monitored as part of budget monitoring and setting.
- 7.2 Revenue income generated from on-street parking schemes is first defrayed against relevant costs with any surplus used for qualifying (as required under statute) transport and highways related expenditure such as supported bus services, concessionary fares, Local Transport Plan projects and environmental improvements. Parking charges are subject to the Council's Corporate Fees and Charges Policy. As a minimum, charges will be reviewed annually as part of the budget and service planning process.

*Finance Officer Consulted: Jess Laing*

*Date: 02/01/2020*

### Legal Implications:

- 8.1. With regard to the consultations for Zones B and D and the Coombe Road and South Portslade areas, the Council is not under a statutory duty to consult the public. However once the Council has decided to do so (even if the consultation is voluntary) it must carry out the consultation in a fair way. The consultation must take place when the relevant proposals are still at a formative stage, adequate information must be given to consultees to enable them properly to respond to the consultation exercise and they must be allowed enough time within which to respond to the consultation exercise. The Council, as decision maker, must give conscientious consideration to consultees' responses and objections.
- 8.2 The recommendations in this report are based on the responses to those consultations and the consideration given to them.
- 8.3 The Council is under a duty to consider any objections received following the advertising of a traffic regulation order. Any unresolved objections are referred to the ETS Committee. No objections were received to the proposed Traffic Regulation Orders for Freshfield St, Queens Park Rise and the Top Triangle area. The Council can therefore proceed as recommended in this report.

*Lawyer Consulted: Stephanie Stammers*

*Date: 09/01/20*

### Equalities Implications:

- 8.4 Consultation took place with the local populations who will be affected by the changes to the existing parking schemes. The comments and wishes of the respondents were taken into account when considering what changes would best meet the needs of those local populations. The proposed measures will be of benefit to many road users

Sustainability Implications:

- 8.5 Managing parking will increase turnover and parking opportunities for all.

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION**

**Appendices:**

1. Area B – Full Analysis
2. Area D – Full Analysis
3. Coombe Road Area – Full Analysis
4. South Portslade Area – Full Analysis
5. South Portslade Area – Plan
6. Freshfield St/Queens Park Rise – Plan
7. Top Triangle - Plan

