

HAVANT BOROUGH COUNCIL

Decision by Councillor Tim Pike

Proposed Traffic Regulation Order - Havant: Stockheath Lane

Report by: Kevin Chappell

Key Decision: No

1.0 Delegated Decision Category

1.1 An executive decision in accordance with section D of part 2 of the council's constitution.

2.0 Decision

2.1 This report requests that a decision be made in line with the recommendation that:

2.1.1 officers can proceed with the process of implementing a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) in Stockheath Lane and undertake the public consultation regarding the proposed changes; and

2.1.2 officers can bring the proposed TRO into force except where:

- a) a ward councillor registers a request that the matter be dealt with by Cabinet; or
- b) ten or more representations from separate addresses are received (and not withdrawn) which are in objection to the officer recommendation.

3.0 Issue

Stockheath Lane – Complaints and concerns have been received from residents, Councillors and Police, regarding the parking of vehicles on a bend and the junctions of nearby roads, obstructing sight lines and the driving of vehicles over the footway to negotiate parked vehicles. This is reported to be throughout the day but more frequently at night and on weekends. The housing in Stockheath Lane consists mainly of semi-detached houses, a few bungalows and flats. Nearby, are Trosnant infant and junior schools. The road has footpaths on either side, one of which has a long pedestrian link to Barncroft Way. Some houses/ bungalows in the area have had their gardens adapted to allow for off street parking but there is no allocated parking for the flats.

- 3.1 Results from several site observations carried out at different times of the day, and days of the week confirm the issues highlighted, especially in the evenings and at weekends. The surveys appear to show that the vehicles that are parked on these junctions and lengths of roads tend to be residents or regular visitors to the nearby flats /houses. The effect of this has caused concerns with traffic having to pass parked vehicles on the incorrect carriageway, on a bend and on occasions vehicles have used residential driveways to allow vehicles to pass which in turn has caused conflicts.
- 3.2 Site observations show that there are issues with vehicles parking too close the junctions and on the bend, causing vehicles to drive on the footway where oncoming vehicles meet head on. It is proposed to install sections of “No waiting at any time” on both sides of Stockheath Lane on the approach to the bend and on the junctions of the nearby roads that have no current restrictions as named below.
- Riders Lane
 - Blendworth Crescent
 - St Francis Place

Plan Numbers:

2021BAT01 show the lengths of roads subject to the proposals.

4.0 Implications

- 4.1 **Resources:** Funding for the TRO and the associated works will be sourced from Hampshire County Councils budget.
- 4.2 **Legal:** The Order will be made under the provisions of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.
- 4.3 **Strategy:** The regulation of traffic and on-street parking meets the Council's safer vision.
- 4.4. **Risks:** Should the proposals not be implemented the risk is that safety, visibility and accessibility problems will remain which may increase the risk of accidents occurring.
- 4.5 **Communications:** Interested parties will be notified of the proposals by means of notices, information on the Council's website and in the local press as per the Council's statutory duties.
- 4.6 **For the Community:** Interested parties will be notified of the proposals by means of notices, information on the Council's website and in the local press as per the Council's statutory duties.
- 4.7 **Consultation:** The County Councillor, Ward Councillors and the Police are being consulted on the scheme.

Appendices: Plan of proposed restrictions Plan No's:

2021BAT01 show the lengths of roads subject to the proposals.

Background Papers: None

Date of Decision by Cabinet Lead: 30 August 2021

Agreed and signed off by:
Team Leader: 2 July 2021

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Legal Services: 14 June 2021

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