ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORT & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Agenda Item 43

Brighton & Hove City Council

Subject: Parking Schemes Update report

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Report of: Executive Director Environment, Economy &

Culture.

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Ward(s) affected: All

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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT AND POLICY CONTEXT

1.1 The purpose of this report is to update Committee on the progress of resident parking scheme consultations as well as various requests which have been received regarding parking schemes.

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 2.1 That the Committee agrees to advertise a Traffic Regulation Order to propose that Zone U (St Luke's area) becomes integrated in the Zone C (Queens park area) resident parking scheme.
- 2.2 That the Committee approves the initial consultation areas as shown in Appendix B (Surrenden area) and Appendix C (South Portslade area).
- 2.3 That the Committee agrees to review the parking scheme priority timetable in light of all recent requests and to bring an update report to this Committee in 2019.

3. CONTEXT/ BACKGROUND INFORMATION

3.1 At the Environment, Transport & Sustainability (ETS) Committee on 15th March 2016 the parking scheme priority timetable was agreed which would require officers commencing work on a number of proposed parking schemes throughout Brighton & Hove. A new resident parking scheme priority timetable was agreed at the ETS Committee on 10th October 2017 (Appendix A).

Area U

- 3.2 In terms of Zone U (St Luke's Area) the council received a petition from residents asking us to review parking to consider a full scheme for the area. As agreed within the parking scheme priority timetable an initial consultation review took place in Zone U (St Luke's area) in November 2016.
- 3.3 Full details were presented to the ETS Committee on 27th June 2017 which outlined that 138 (54%) of respondents support the idea of the scheme remaining

as light touch. 119 (46%) of respondents support the idea of changing to a full scheme. From the results it was clear there is a divide between the western side who would prefer to remain a light touch scheme (current hours are 10am-11am & 2pm-3pm) and the eastern side who would prefer to become a full scheme. Therefore, it was agreed at the Committee meeting on 27th June 2017 that a further report be presented to Committee following the implementation of the Hanover & Elm Grove and Craven Vale parking schemes to consider the way forward.

- 3.4 Due to the results it was proposed that residents in the Bakers Bottom Area were consulted on whether they would like to be an extension to a nearby full scheme (9am-8pm seven days), It was also proposed that the remaining residents are consulted on whether they would like to join the implemented nearby Zone S (Hanover & Elm Grove) and their different hours of restriction of 11am-12 Noon and 6pm-7pm (Monday to Friday).
- 3.5 It was agreed by the Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee on 10th October 2017 that a further consultation would take place in the Zone U (St Luke's Area). Following this decision a number of correspondence was received from residents following the introduction of the Hanover & Elm Grove resident parking schemes. Therefore, following discussions with the Queens Park Ward Councillors it was agreed to give residents both options to allow more flexibility.
- 3.6 A consultation letter was sent out to all households in the Zone U (St Luke's area) in April 2018. The consultation was also advertised on the council's website, via social media and by a press-release to local media.
- 3.7 66.4% of respondents wanted to join a full touch scheme while 7.2% preferred to join a light touch scheme. 26.4% of respondents wanted to remain as they are. From these respondents 90.9% support joining the existing Zone C (Queens Park) residents parking scheme. It was clear from the results that the majority of respondents favour joining Zone C (Queens Park area). The only exception is Queens Park Rise where 73.3% of respondents want to remain as they are. However, this road is in the middle of the scheme and the majority of respondents in this area favour joining Zone C (Queens park area)
- 3.8 Following the consultation results it was recommended that at that stage a further detailed design consultation should take place in Zone U (St Luke's area) on joining the Zone C (Queens park area) full resident parking scheme (9am-8pm seven days) which is outlined below.
- 3.9 The Queens Park Ward Councillors have outlined they are happy to support the recommendations based on the resident's wishes.

Other Schemes

- 3.10 The Surrenden area and South Portslade area were included in the priority timetable based on requests received but the actual consultation area was to be confirmed.
- 3.11 In terms of other areas then representations have been received which will be considered.

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 However, it is the recommendation of officers that the recommendations are proceeded with for the reasons outlined within the report.

5. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & CONSULTATION

UPDATES TO CURRENT PARKING SCHEME PRIORITY TIMETABLE

Zone U (St Luke's area)

- 5.1 Following the results of the initial consultation of Zone U (St Luke's area) the detailed design consultation were sent out on 26th July 2018.
- 5.2 70.4% of respondents support joining the existing Zone C residents parking scheme as outlined in more detail in Appendix E. Only Queens Park Rise and St Luke's Terrace were against the proposal, however, this needs to be considered as an area and the majority of respondents in this area favour joining Zone C (Queens park area).
- 5.3 The next stage would be the advertising of the Traffic Regulation Order which would allow any member of the public including residents in Zone C (Queens park area) to comment on the proposals.

Surrenden area

- 5.4 A Deputation from residents and a written letter from the Withdean Ward Councillors was received at the ETS Committee on 26th June 2018. They requested for a Consultation on a Controlled Parking Zone in the Surrenden Area to be brought forward.
- 5.5 It was responded to by the Chair who outlined that the concerns of residents were being taken into consideration alongside a number of other areas in a parking scheme priority timetable report. This was agreed by members of this Committee in October last year and the current plan is to start work in the Surrenden area from early 2020.
- 5.6 At this stage it was outlined we cannot move the Surrenden area consultation forward, however, it was agreed that the deputation will be considered alongside the written letter received by Ward Councillors.

South Portslade area

5.7 A number of petitions and representations have been made to this Committee over the last few months to make the area of South Portslade a resident parking scheme

- 5.8 It has been outlined that South Portslade has progressively become more difficult to park for residents. This has been escalated with new developments in this area and the neighbouring Wish Ward light touch scheme. The chair explained in her response at Committee that she did appreciate the issues in the South Portslade area and the area to consult would be considered in a further report.
- 5.9 It was agreed through a priority timetable agreed at this Committee last October that the South Portslade area would be consulted from Autumn 2019. It was also confirmed that we cannot move the South Portslade area consultation forward, however, it was also agreed that the deputations and petitions will be considered.
- 5.10 Officers attended two recent public meetings earlier in the year and considered the views expressed which clearly outlined the problems being encountered. There seemed to be a clear consensus at the public meetings that an area should be consulted which extended to the West Sussex boundary to the West and the Old Shoreham boundary to the North. It was felt an initial consultation to this whole area outlining whether residents wanted to be consulted further with a full detailed design would be the best option moving forward.
- 5.11 Both the Surrenden area and the South Portslade area to be consulted is being considered based on the representation received alongside other parking demands in other areas. Following a review of the area we are looking to consider an initial consultation to residents in the area shown in Appendices B and C.

RECENT ADDITIONAL REQUESTS

5.12 Over the last few months a number of areas have come forward to request a consultation on a resident parking scheme in their area.

Coombe Road area

- 5.13 A Deputation signed by 10 people requesting a consultation on a Controlled Parking Zone in the Coombe Road area was received at the June 2018 ETS Committee. The key and sole focus of this deputation is to strongly request a consultation regarding the implementation of a Controlled Parking Zone in the area using the section 106 money linked to the developments on Preston Barracks is progressed with immediate effect.
- 5.14 It was also requested that that the residents of Saunders Rise, Bates Estate and southern half of Moulsecoomb are also included in this process. It was outlined that this area is already experiencing the very significant impact of the implementation of the controlled parking zones in the Hanover area and the related additional parking restrictions in roads such as Tenantry Down Road.
- 5.15 In a response by the Chair of this Committee it was outlined that there is a priority parking scheme timetable which runs up till 2020/21 and this was agreed at the last Environment, Transport and Sustainability Committee in October 2017. This covers areas which have petitioned or shown strong support to the council for a resident parking scheme.

5.16 The area north of Bear Road was not included in the timetable but following the allocation of section 106 funding for a consultation and the correspondence received we are looking to include this consultation alongside the timetable using external support which officers have recently procured. Preparation work on this consultation has begun and we would be looking to send out an initial consultation document by the end of November .lt was agreed that officers would look at the area to consult based on a viable geographical boundary and this is shown in Appendix D. This does not include the Southern half of Mouslecoomb as part of that area is within the event day parking scheme which is being reviewed separately while other sections have not come forward to request a parking scheme.

Hangleton & Knoll area south of the Old Shoreham Road

5.17 The June 2018 ETS Committee considered a petition signed by 77 people presented by Cllr Tony Janio requesting a parking consultation to the area of Hangelton & Knoll ward south of the Old Shoreham Road to alleviate displacement caused by the newly introduced parking scheme in Wish ward.

Zone J (London Road Station area) Review

- 5.18 Residents presented a petition to the ETS Committee in June 2018 as they are concerned about the Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) Zone J south of the railway line (i.e. between Viaduct Road and Ditchling Rise). It was outlined that the original advantage of the CPZ was that the residents could park during the day, and overnight within reasonable walking distance of their homes. However, it was felt that Zone J has now become to large following extensions to the scheme. Since the extension of Zone J north of the railway line residents have had parking difficulties particularly in the evening.
- 5.19 Residents would like the Council to take steps either to divide the zone up into smaller areas along the railway line, or use some other method to bring back the benefits of the original smaller zone.

Hazledene Meads

- 5.20 Questions were outlined to the ETS Committee in November 2017 and October 2018 by Cllr Nick Taylor representing the Hazeldene Meads and The Beeches area.
- 5.21 Residents wanted to be included in an extension to the proposed Hove Park scheme and also wanted to know when they may expect a plan to provide the much needed protection for Hazeldene Meads and The Beeches.
- 5.22 It was explained that Hazeldene Meads and The Beeches is in a different Ward (Withdean) and also has links to Withdean Avenue and is more suited to joining the Preston Park Station scheme. These roads were not included in the original Hove Park Ward consultation and need to be treated separately.
- 5.23 It was outlined that the Council would require stronger representation about concerns of further vehicle displacement from the wider area east of Dyke Road

- Avenue to enable consideration of Hazeldene Meads and The Beeches in any future plans.
- 5.24 If this representation comes forward then we can look to include this area in a further report on a parking scheme timetable update which will be presented to the ETS Committee next year.
- 5.25 An officer also met with Cllr Nick Taylor and resident representative on site to discuss the current situation. It was agreed that in the interim period following any new schemes being implemented in the surrounding area then the area could be reviewed for Double Yellow Lines if vehicle displacement emerged.

Manor Hill

- 5.26 The October 2017 ETS Committee considered a petition signed by 17 people presented by residents requesting a parking consultation in Manor Hill as an extension to Zone H (Royal Sussex County Hospital area) to alleviate displacement.
- 5.27 Two public meetings also took place over the last year which officers have attended. These have outlined full public support for a consultation on a resident parking scheme in the Manor Hill and Whitehawk area.

6. CONCLUSION

- 6.1 The intention is to advertise a Traffic Regulation Order to propose that Zone U (St Luke's area) becomes integrated in the Zone C (Queens park area) resident parking scheme.
- 6.2 Due to the representations received and the reasons outlined in this report it is felt that the areas shown in Appendix B (Surrenden area) and Appendix C (South Portslade area) should be taken forward as an initial consultation.
- 6.3 The Chair has responded that although the concerns of residents were appreciated regarding vehicle displacement in different areas the requests up to a certain point were considered in a parking scheme priority timetable report and it was agreed by members of the committee in October 2017 that the timetable would run up to 2020/21. The timetable is based on a number of factors and in particular we need to plan the work to ensure we undergo extensive consultation in the areas agreed which puts a lot of pressure on officers both at a project management and senior level.
- 6.4 Alongside that we need to consider the logistics of Contractor availability for lining and signing work, Pay & Display machine procurement and adequate enforcement resource. When the schemes are in place this also puts additional pressures on the Parking Service department in terms of correspondence, Penalty Charge Notice appeals, permit applications and permit renewals. We are working on efficiencies in the department to ensure we meet future demand but this is based on a well-considered timetable that has been agreed.
- 6.5 However, it was agreed to review this timetable in light of all recent requests and to bring an update report to this Committee in 2019. It was advised that Ward

Councillors / resident groups keep surveying their residents and keep in touch with officers and we will be able to consider the areas in the upcoming report.

7. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

Financial Implications:

7.1 The costs associated with the report recommendations for further consultation in the Surrenden and South Portslade areas will be included in 2019/20 revenue budgets within the Parking department. The detailed financial implications of the proposed schemes will be included in future committee reports once the final designs of the schemes have been determined.

The costs of integrating the Zone U (St Luke's area) resident parking scheme into Zone C (Queens park area) will be funded from the Parking Infrastructure revenue budget as it is estimated that the costs of the recommendations in this report will be less than 0.015m. The cost of the Traffic Regulation Order will also be met from the current parking revenue budget.

The additional annual income from the integration of the Zone U (St Luke's area) resident parking scheme into Zone C (Queens park area) is estimated to be £0.015m. The recurring financial impact of the scheme will be reflected within the service revenue budget and reviewed as part of the budget monitoring process.

Revenue income generated from on-street parking schemes is first defrayed against relevant costs with any surplus used for qualifying transport and highways related expenditure such as supported bus services, concessionary fares and Local Transport Plan projects.

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: Gemma Jackson Date: 02/11/18

Legal Implications:

7.2 The Traffic Management Act 2004 places a duty on local traffic authorities to manage the road network with a view to securing, as far as reasonably practicable, the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of all types of traffic.

Under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 a traffic authority may make a traffic regulation order prohibiting, restricting or regulating the use of a road, or any part of the width of a road by vehicular traffic. A traffic regulation order may provide for the use as parking places of any part of a road and any charges to be made for vehicles left in the parking places .

The actions recommended in this report will demonstrate that the Council is complying with its duty as traffic authority.

Lawyer Consulted: Stephanie Stammers Date: 01/11/18

Equalities Implications:

- 7.3 The proposed measures will be of benefit to many road users.
- 7.4 The legal blue badge bays will provide parking for the holders of blue badges wanting to use the local facilities

Sustainability Implications:

- 7.5 Motorcycle bays will encourage more sustainable methods of transport alongside Electric vehicle charging points and Car Club bays.
- 7.6 Managing parking will increase turnover and parking opportunities for all.

Any Other Significant Implications:

7.7 None Identified

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices:

- 1. Appendix A -Parking Timetable
- 2. Appendix B Map of Proposed Surrenden Area
- 3. Appendix C Map of Proposed South Portslade Area
- 4. Appendix D Map of Proposed North of Bear Road Area
- 5. Appendix E Zone U Consultation Results

Background Documents

- 1. Agenda item ** Report To ETS Committee 10/10/2017
- 2. Agenda item ** Report To ETS Committee 27/06/2017