Brighton & Hove City Council

Subject:	Parking Scheme Update Report
Date of Meeting:	16 th March 2021
Report of:	Executive Director Economy, Environment & Culture
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Ward(s) affected:	South Portslade, Hove Park & Withdean

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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 recent resident parking scheme consultations and reviews.
- 1.2 This report outlines progress on the Hove Park Parking Scheme Review and includes an update on the consultation with the Hazeldene Meads and The Beeches area. It also updates Committee on the recent Traffic Regulation Orders for the South Portslade area resident parking scheme.

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 2.1 That the committee agree that no changes are required to the days and times of operation in Hove Park Zone P. Minor changes to parking are being considered and if changes are required will be included in a future Traffic Regulation Order.
- 2.2 That Committee approves that Hazeldene Meads and The Beeches join existing Hove Park Zone P parking scheme (light touch 9-10 & 1-2 Monday - Sunday) and that this proposal be progressed to the detailed design. All comments will be reported back to a further Environment, Transport and Sustainability Committee.
- 2.3 That the Committee having taken account of all duly made representations and comments, agrees that the following Traffic Regulation Orders are approved and the South Portslade area (Zone X) proceeds to the implementation stage.
 - BRIGHTON & HOVE VARIOUS CONTROLLED PARKING ZONES CONSOLIDATION ORDER 2018 AMENDMENT ORDER 202* (TRO-33A-2020)
 - BRIGHTON & HOVE OUTER AREAS (WAITING, LOADING AND PARKING) AND CYCLE LANES CONSOLIDATION ORDER 2018 AMENDMENT ORDER NO.* 202* (TRO-33B-2020)

3. CONTEXT/ BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Hove Park Parking Scheme (Zone P) Review

- 3.1 Following the implementation of Zone P in September 2019 it was agreed in the Parking Scheme Priority Timetable in 2019 to review this area.
- 3.2 Brighton & Hove City Council Land and Property Gazetteer was used to provide 1308 property address in the Hove Park Zone P area. A letter with a link to an online questionnaire and a frequently asked questions sheet was sent to each address. Respondents were invited to complete the survey online via the council's Consultation Portal, but paper copies were available to anyone should they need it. 8 (2.5%) responses received were by mail and 314 (97.5%) online. The consultation ran from 2 December 2020 to 15 January 2021.
- 3.3 Residents in Hove Park (Zone P) were also advised in the consultation that we would be contacting residents in Hazeldene Meads and The Beeches to see if they would like to join Zone P (light touch) or a neighbouring full scheme.
- 3.4 There were 322 valid responses (24.6%). The headline figures indicate that 64% are satisfied with the current Zone P parking scheme and 66% are happy for the scheme to remain the same.
- 3.5 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.

Hazeldene Meads and The Beeches

- 3.6 The committee agreed to consult this area at the same time as the Hove Park review on the Parking Scheme Priority Timetable in 2019 to see whether there was support within this area for a resident parking scheme.
- 3.7 Brighton & Hove City Council Land and Property Gazetteer was used to provide 53 property address in Hazeldene Meads and The Beeches. A letter with questionnaire and return envelope was sent to each address. 39 (74%) responses received were by mail. The consultation ran from 2 December 2020 to 15 January 2021.
- 3.8 In advance of the consultation, officers outlined that resident parking schemes are not ward based and are more geographic, depending on links to other roads and officers were originally going to consult on extending into Zone P (Hove Park area) where there are clear road links as opposed to Zone A. However, following officers in the Parking Infrastructure team taking into account the concerns of Hove Park Ward Councillors officers included the option to join Zone A in the consultation as well.
- 3.9 There were 39 valid responses (74%). The headline figures indicate that 95% of respondents support the implementation of a residents parking scheme.
- 3.10 57% of respondents wanted to join Zone P light touch scheme while 43% preferred to join the neighbouring full scheme.
- 3.11 Analysis undertaken of all the responses received from residents and the full results analysis of the consultation including a road by road results is outlined in detail in Appendix B including the main comments.

South Portslade Parking Area

- 3.12 Following Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee approval in November 2018. A letter was sent to households in the South Portslade area in September/October 2019. The consultation was also advertised on the council's website, via social media and by a press-release to local media. The results outlined that 60.5% of respondents were in favour of a Resident's Parking Scheme in the area based on a 36% response rate.
- 3.13 Following ETS approval on 21 January 2020, it was agreed to write to residents and businesses in the South Portslade area to find out if there was support for a Light Touch Residents Parking scheme Monday to Friday. It was decided to consult the whole area again, as while a smaller area had higher support, it would allow residents in the whole area to look at the detailed design and be aware of potential displacement issues if not included in the scheme. This further consultation ran from 8 June to 17 July 2020.
- 3.14 43% of respondents supported implementation of a residents parking scheme.
 57% of respondents did not support implementation of a residents parking scheme.
- 3.15 Analysis undertaken of all the responses received from residents 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 analysis of the results officers proposed a smaller area where there was support. 82% of respondents in the smaller area supported the implementation of a residents parking scheme. 18% of respondents in this area do not support the implementation of a residents parking scheme.
- 3.17 Analysis undertaken of all the responses received in the smaller area and the full results analysis of the consultation including a road by road results plan is outlined in detail in Appendix D.
- 3.18 It was agreed at the ETS committee meeting on 29 September 2020 to advertise a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to allow the implementation of the South Portslade (Zone X) parking scheme. The South Portslade Councillors at the time outlined they were happy to support the recommendations based on the residents wishes. The draft TROs were advertised on 2 November 2020 with the closing date for comments and objections on the 23 November 2020. The Ward Councillors for the area were consulted as were the statutory consultees such as the Emergency Services.
- 3.19 The notice was published in the Argus newspaper on the 2 November 2020.
- 3.20 Detailed plans and the Traffic Regulation Orders were available to view online. A plan showing the boundary of the parking scheme proposal is shown in Appendix E.
- 3.21 We received 96 items of correspondent to the proposals from residents. This included support and objections. From residents who live within the proposed Zone there were 5 items of correspondence in support of the proposals due to

the parking problems, while 6 items of correspondence were objections to the proposals.

- 3.22 There were 85 objections from residents living just outside of the scheme concerned about displacement and that it wasn't clear that a smaller area would be considered. However, this potential way forward was highlighted clearly in the consultation document.
- 3.23 The comments/objections are listed in Appendix F alongside an outline of the officer comments.
- 3.24 Officers have met with the South Portslade Ward Councillors who are satisfied with the consultation process that has taken place.

4 ANALYSIS & CONSIDERATION OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- 4.1 The main alternative options are doing nothing which would mean that the parking scheme would not be taken forward or consulted 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 There will be no changes made to Zone P. However, minor changes to parking are being considered and if changes are required will be included in a future Traffic Regulation Order. Ward Councillors will be informed of the outcome.
- 6.2 It is recommended that further detailed design consultation takes place for Hazeldene Meads and The Beeches. The results of which will be presented to June ETS.
- 6.3 Following the Traffic Regulation Order consultation and after responding to the objections it is proposed to proceed with the implementation of parking Zone X.

7. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

Financial Implications:

- 7.1 The costs associated with the recommendations of this report will be contained within existing Parking Services budgets and/or funded from additional parking income generated.
- 7.2 Use of surplus income from parking charges and penalty charges is governed by section 55 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. Once the direct costs of traffic management have been met, the use of surpluses is legally ringfenced tod to the provision of public transport services and to road, air quality and environmental improvements.

7.3 Parking charges are subject to the council's corporate fees and charges policy. As a minimum, charges will be reviewed annually as part of budget and service planning.

Finance Officer Consulted: Jess Laing

Date: 01/03/2021

Legal Implications:

- 7.4 The Council is not under a statutory duty to consult the public before making a traffic regulation order. However once the Council has decided to do so (even if consultation is voluntary) it must do so 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 the consultees' responses and objections.
- 7.5 The recommendations in this report are based on the responses to the consultations for the schemes as detailed and the consideration given to them.

Lawyer Consulted: Stephanie Stammers Date: 17 February 2021

Equalities Implications:

7.6 Consultation took place and the comments and wishes of the respondents were taken into account when considering what changes would best meet the needs of those local population. Engagement with a wide range of residents has been built into the process from the start. The use and analysis of data and engagement has informed the project to ensure it meets the needs of the local population. The proposed measures will be of benefit to many road users.

Sustainability Implications:

7.7 No sustainability implications identified.

Brexit Implications:

7.8 No Brexit implications identified.

Any Other Significant Implications:

7.9 None

Crime & Disorder Implications:

7.10 None

Risk and Opportunity Management Implications:

7.11 None

Public Health Implications:

7.12 None

Corporate / Citywide Implications:

7.13 None

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices:

- 1. Appendix A Results of the Hove Park (Zone P) review
- 2. Appendix B Results of the Hazeldene Meads and The Beaches
- 3. Appendix C Results of the larger South Portslade Area
- 4. Appendix D Results of the smaller South Portslade Area
- 5. Appendix E Map of the smaller South Portslade Area
- 6. Appendix F South Portslade Traffic Regulation Order Comments

Background Documents

None