

Report to Deputy Leader & Cabinet Member for Transportation

Decision to be taken on or after 29th July 2019

Cabinet Member Report No. T20.19

Decisions can normally be implemented at least
5 working days after decision has been signed.

Title: Princes Risborough and Monks Risborough Parking
Review 2019 – Waiting Restrictions
Date: 19th July 2019
Author: Ricky Collymore, Technician, Network Improvement Team
Contact officer: Ricky Collymore; t-rcollymore@buckscc.org

Local Members Affected Cllr Bill Bendyshe-Brown
For press enquiries concerning this report, please contact the media office on 01296 382444

Decision

Approval to advertise permanent Traffic Regulation Orders

Summary

- A. On behalf of local residents, representatives of the Town Council and Councillor Bill Bendyshe-Brown, Transport for Buckinghamshire were commissioned to undertake a waiting restriction review for locations in Princes Risborough. The project scope includes proposals to implement changes to the selected locations such as a Resident Permit Scheme, a Permit Holder Bay, “No Waiting At Any Time” Restrictions and Limited Waiting Restrictions.
- B. This Key Decision Report relates to the subsequent review and the Statutory Consultation and makes recommendations to the Deputy Leader & Cabinet Member for Transportation.

Recommendation

It is recommended that:

- a. The Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Transportation authorises the Executive Director for Transport, Economy, Environment to make the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) for the scheme outlined in this report. Noting that it is



INVESTOR IN PEOPLE



different to the one that was advertised as part of the Statutory Consultation process.

b. That the Traffic Regulation Order be made as advertised at Statutory Consultation but with the following amendments:

- The proposed extension of the junction protection measures on the north side of the road on Mill Lane and the addition no waiting restriction on the south side of the road are to be in line with Highway Safety guidelines (Plan R22).
- The proposed No Waiting at Any Time restrictions on Northmill (Plan O28) are not implemented outside property numbers 1 to 3 on the northbound carriageway.
- The proposed “No Waiting Mon-Fri 11am-12pm” proposals for Brooke Road (Plans Q25 and Q26) be changed to separate times on each side of the road. North side of the carriageway “No Waiting Mon-Fri 10am-11am” and the south side of the carriageway “No Waiting Mon-Fri 1pm-2pm”.
- The proposed “No Waiting Mon-Fri 11am-12pm” proposals for Cannon Place (Plans Q25 and Q26) be changed to separate times on each side of the road. North side of the carriageway “No Waiting Mon-Fri 10am-11am” and the south side of the carriageway “No Waiting Mon-Fri 1pm-2pm”.
- The proposed “No Waiting Mon-Fri 11am-12noon” restrictions for Longwick Road are withdrawn (Plans Q25 and Q26) .
- The proposed extension of the “No Waiting At Any Time” restrictions at Northfield Road are withdrawn (Plans R26 and S26).
- The proposed “Permit Holders Only” parking bay on Wellington Avenue are withdrawn (Plan Q25).
- The proposed “No Waiting Mon-Fri 10am-11am” restriction on the southbound carriageway of Windsor Hill amended to be implemented on the northbound carriageway (Plans R24).
- The proposed Resident Permit Zone for Chiltern Close and Park Meadow are withdrawn (Plans P28 and Q28).
- The proposed ‘No Waiting at Any Time’ restrictions on The Avenue at its junction with A4010 to be implemented in line with Highway Safety guidelines.
- The proposed “No Waiting Mon-Fri 11am-12pm” proposals for The Retreat (Plans Q26 and R26) be changed to separate times on each side of the road. North side of the carriageway “No Waiting Mon-Fri 10am-11am” and the south side of the carriageway “No Waiting Mon-Fri 1pm-2pm”.
- The proposed extension of “No Waiting at Any Time” restrictions at Culverton Hill’s junction with A4010 are to be implemented in line with Highway Safety guidelines.

c. That responders to the Statutory Consultation be informed of the Deputy Leader & Cabinet Member for Transportation Decision.

A. Narrative setting out the reasons for the decision

- 1.1 Buckinghamshire County Council is responsible for the highway network within its boundary; this includes the provision, management and enforcement of waiting restrictions:
- 1.2 These measures were advertised and promoted locally through a Statutory Consultation process carried out between Friday 18th January 2019 and Wednesday 27th March 2019 in accordance with the Local Authorities’ Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and

Wales) Regulations 1996 (“the TRO Regulations”) Copies of the Statutory Consultation Documents can be found here:

<https://democracy.buckscc.gov.uk/mgConsultationDisplay.aspx?ID=9450>

A copy of the consultation documents were deposited with the local libraries and at County Hall, Aylesbury. The Police, Fire and Rescue Service and Ambulance Service were made aware of the consultation.

The usual 21 day consultation period was extended to take into account alterations to the parking map tiles and to consult on additional proposals which were added to the scope of the Statutory Consultation by Cllr Bill Bendyshe-Brown.

- 1.3 In support of the formal consultation Transport for Buckinghamshire distributed letters to residents of the roads where waiting restriction changes were proposed. This letter included the methods by which the residents could obtain more information and provide feedback.
- 1.4 Notices and posters were placed on site informing the public of the formal statutory consultation and the road names affected and how they could obtain more information and provide feedback. The draft notice was also advertised in the local press.
- 1.5 The proposals arose following requests to, and subsequently, from Councillor Bendyshe-Brown and the Princes Risborough & Monks Risborough Waiting Restriction Review Working Group for parking and waiting restrictions within the area. The proposal locations are where there are potential additional parking opportunities and parking safety issues.
- 1.6 Thames Valley Police confirmed that it had no objection to the proposals going ahead.
- 1.7 The proposals developed by Councillor Bendyshe-Brown and the Princes Risborough & Monks Risborough Waiting Restriction Review Working Group were put out to public consultation as follows:

Mill Lane, Princes Risborough

- Extension of current “No Waiting At Any Time” restrictions,
- “No Waiting At Any Time” restrictions.

North Mill, Princes Risborough

- “No Waiting At Any Time”

Picts Lane, Princes Risborough

- “No Waiting/Loading At Any Time”,
- “Limited Waiting Mon-Fri 10am-11am”.

Berndene Rise, Princes Risborough

- Resident Permit Zone

The Avenue, Princes Risborough

- “No Waiting At Any Time”

The Retreat, Princes Risborough

- “No Waiting At Any Time”,
- “Limited Waiting Mon-Fri 11am-12noon”

High Street/Duke Street, Princes Risborough

- “No Waiting At Any Time”
- “No Loading At Any Time”

Brooke Road, Princes Risborough

- “No Waiting At Any Time”,
- Limited Waiting Mon-Fri 11am-12noon

Cannon Place, Princes Risborough

- “No Waiting At Any Time”,
- Limited Waiting Mon-Fri 11am-12noon

Longwick Road, Princes Risborough

- Limited Waiting Mon-Fri 11am-12noon

Chiltern Close/Park Meadow, Princes Risborough

- Resident Permit Zone Mon-Sat 11am-12noon

Culverton Hill, Princes Risborough

- “No Waiting At Any Time”

Wycombe Road, Princes Risborough

- Bus Stop Clearway
- “No Waiting At Any Time”

Fairway, Princes Risborough

- “No Waiting At Any Time”

Willow Way, Princes Risborough

- “No Waiting At Any Time”

Northfield, Princes Risborough

- “No Waiting At Any Time”

Clifford Road, Princes Risborough

- “No Waiting At AnyTime”

Wellington Avenue, Princes Risborough

- Parking Permit Bay

Windsor Hill, Princes Risborough

- “No Waiting At Any Time”,
- Limited Waiting Mon-Fri 10am-11am

Peters Lane, Princes Risborough

- “No Waiting At Any Time”

Elmdale Gardens, Princes Risborough

- Resident Permit Zone

1.8 The reasons for implementing the proposals detailed in this report are:

Mill Lane, Monks Risborough

- For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising.
- For facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).
- For preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs.

North Mill, Princes Risborough

- For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising.
- For facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).

Picts Lane, Princes Risborough

- For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising.
- For facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).
- For preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs.

Berndene Rise, Princes Risborough

- For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising.

The Avenue, Princes Risborough

- For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising.
- For facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).

The Retreat, Princes Risborough

- For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising.
- For facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).

High Street/Duke Street, Princes Risborough

- For preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs.
- For facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).

Brooke Road, Princes Risborough

- For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising.

Cannon Place, Princes Risborough

- For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising.

Culverton Hill, Princes Risborough

- For preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs.
- For facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).

Wycombe Road, Princes Risborough

- For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising.
- For facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).

Fairway, Princes Risborough

- For facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).

Willow Way, Princes Risborough

- For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising.
- For facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).

Clifford Road, Princes Risborough

- For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising.
- For facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).

Windsor Hill, Princes Risborough

- For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising.
- For facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).

Peters Lane, Princes Risborough

- For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising.
- For facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).

B. Other options available, and their pros and cons

- 1.9 Option 1
Not to proceed with any of the proposed additional parking bays or restrictions, this would not address the issues raised by The Risboroughs Parish Council.
- 1.10 Option 2
To partially implement the proposed additional parking bays or restrictions, this would only partly address the issues raised by The Risboroughs Parish Council and may lead to displacement issues.

C. Resource Implications

- 1.11 If the recommendation is agreed, the traffic regulation order will be made by Buckinghamshire County Council and implementation of lining, signing and subsequent management/enforcement would be delivered by Transport for Buckinghamshire and its supply chain partners. The cost associated with has been raised via Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) and The Risboroughs Parish Council.
- 1.12 Any further reviews or any other waiting restrictions TRO would require a Project Initiation Document and further agreed funding streams.

D. Value for Money (VfM) Self-Assessment

- 1.13 Any income from the existing Penalty Charge Notices (PCNs) will be retained by Buckinghamshire County Council and will contribute to the running cost of parking enforcement across the County.

E. Legal Implications

- 1.14 Section 122 of the Road Traffic Act 1984 places a duty on Buckinghamshire County Council to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians) and the provision of suitable and adequate parking facilities on and off the highway.

Regulation 14 of the TRO Regulations state that an Order making authority may modify an Order. Whether in receipt of any objections or otherwise, before it is made.

- 1.15 When the decision is taken and recommendations agreed, the Traffic Regulation Order will be made and signed. The respondees to the consultation and persons likely to be affected will be informed of the decisions made and representations considered. The Traffic Regulation Order will be signed and re-advertised by Buckinghamshire County Council.

F Property Implications

- 1.16 None identified.

G Other Implications/Issues

- 1.17 Equality and Diversity Issues – Equality Act 2010. This proposal will not have any disproportionate effect upon people with protected characteristics.

H Feedback from Consultation and Local Member Views

- 1.18 The Statutory Consultation was undertaken between Friday 18th January 2019 and Wednesday 27th March 2019 a summary of the number of objections received are contained within Appendix A and a total of 155 comments were received altogether, the full written responses to the Statutory Consultation are contained in Appendix B these have been reviewed and considered against the Statement of Reasons and the overview of the responses fell into a number of categories.
- 1.19 A summary of the objection comments and responses to the comments are detailed below:

No Waiting At Any Time

Citing the potential lack of residential parking if any proposals to restrict parking at all times come into effect.

- These restrictions were proposed in line with safety guidelines outlined within the Highway Code, Rule 243. This includes DO NOT stop or park *'anywhere you would prevent access for Emergency Services' & 'opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space', 'on a bend' 'except when forced to do so by stationary traffic.'*

There were objections based on the belief that the restrictions were being proposed although there is no parking issue on the particular carriageway referred to.

- These restrictions were proposed in line with safety guidelines outlined within the Highway Code, Rule 243. This includes DO NOT stop or park *'anywhere you would prevent access for Emergency Services' & 'opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space', 'on a bend' 'except when forced to do so by stationary traffic.'*

Objections which included suggestions for limited waiting restrictions to be implemented rather than the No Waiting At Any Time restriction.

- Limiting the restriction would not fully remove the danger to persons or other traffic using the junction for access or egress.

Extension of current No Waiting At Any Time restrictions

"The proposed restrictions are over zealous and unwarranted and will merely encourage people to park in other sections of Mill Lane".

- After reviewing representations on the proposals for Mill Lane, the No Waiting At Any Time restrictions, will not be extended at its junctions beyond the 10 metre guidelines as stipulated in the Highway Code.

"I suggest that instead of marking double yellow lines down the entire length of The Avenue (as clearly we are not the only two car family) that some common sense is used and that double yellow lines are used where necessary."

- The proposed extension of the No Waiting At Any Time restrictions are only due to be extended up to the first drop kerb on The Avenue. The rest of The Avenue will be unrestricted. There will be parking available for households with two cars or more.

Limited Waiting 1 Hour (varying times).

On Brooke Road there were objections to the proposals as there was a belief that the private allocated parking bays on Brooke Road were included within the consultation and therefore subject to the proposed restrictions, if implemented.

- The parking bays located on Brooke Road are not maintained or enforced by Buckinghamshire County Council and are deemed private. Any waiting restrictions to be introduced on Brooke Road would **exclude** the private parking bays and residents would be able to continue to use their own private allocated parking bays.

Concerns within some of the objections to selected 1 hour limited waiting streets were that residents would struggle to park during the day in the restricted hours.

- After reviewing the comments received regarding the proposals for 1 hour limited waiting restrictions Transport For Buckinghamshire have decided to have two 1 hour limited waiting restrictions split to either side of the carriageway. One restriction will be in the morning and there would be another hour's restriction in the afternoon. This will help prevent commuter parking and residents at home during the day will have the opportunity to move their vehicle to the side of the carriageway that is not within its restricted time band.

Permit Parking Bay

Objections received regarding the proposed permit parking bay on Wellington Avenue; cited the location of the proposed bay being close to bend as being a safety risk.

- Upon receipt of the responses to this proposal, Transport for Buckinghamshire have decided not proceed with the proposal to implement a permit parking bay on Wellington Avenue.

Resident Parking Permit Restrictions

Objections received citing that there is no parking issue on Elmdale Gardens where a Resident Parking Permit Restriction is proposed.

- A petition regarding the proposed resident permit was circulated at Elmdale Gardens. The results came back in favour of introducing a Resident Parking Permit with restrictions running Monday to Saturday with restricted hour in the morning and a restricted hour in the evening.

A few objections received were from residents of Wycombe Road who park their vehicles on Elmdale Gardens in the evening and were worried that they would not be able to continue to do so.

- The proposed restrictions for Elmdale Gardens are to have one restricted hour in the morning and another hour in the afternoon, where only holders of the Resident Parking Permit would be able to park on-street. In the evening, no resident parking permit restrictions would be in effect, so residents who use Elmdale Gardens to park would be able to continue doing so without penalty if the vehicle is removed before the restrictions come back into effect the following day.

Objections received regarding the Resident Parking Permit proposals for Chiltern Close and Park Meadow centred mainly around residents being against the principle of paying for resident parking permits. Another point raised within these objections was that there was a belief that there is no parking problem on either Chiltern Close or Park Meadow.

- Upon receipt of the responses to this proposal, Transport for Buckinghamshire have decided not proceed with the proposal to implement a Resident Parking Permit scheme in Chiltern Close and Park Meadow.

General

There was some concern that the existing and new restrictions will not be enforced.

- The current restrictions are enforced on a daily basis, once the new restrictions have been formalised on the Traffic Regulation Order enforcement activities of the new restrictions can be commence.

- 1.20 These proposed restrictions fall within the electoral division of The Risboroughs (Cllr Bill Bendyshe-Brown).

Following the consultation and review of the responses to the Statutory Consultation Councillor Bill Bendyshe-Brown was asked for his comments, which are laid out below:

“ I fully support this Waiting Restrictions Scheme”

I. Communication Issues

- 1.21 All consultees and responders to the consultation will be contacted by either email or letter and will be informed of the decision and where they can find the details of the Statutory Consultation and the decision taken. This report will be published on the county council's web page.

J. Progress Monitoring

- 1.22 If implemented, the enforcement of the restrictions would provide ongoing monitoring of the scheme.

K. Review

- 1.22 No further review of Waiting Restrictions in The Risboroughs are proposed at present but if implemented the restrictions will be monitored via enforcement.
-

Background Papers

None

Appendices to Report

Appendix A: Responses to Statutory Consultation on Mill Lane proposals,
Princes Risborough 2019

Appendix B: Responses to Statutory Consultation (all other proposals)

Appendix C: Schedule

Appendix D: Overview Plan and Plans of Princes Risborough Proposed Waiting
Restrictions (Parking Traffic Regulation Order Tiles)

Appendix E: Princes Risborough Waiting Restrictions,
Statement of Reasons, Notices and Traffic Regulation Order

Links to current documentation

Your questions and views

If you have any questions about the matters contained in this paper please get in touch with the Contact Officer whose telephone number and email address are given at the top of the paper.

If you have any views on this paper that you would like the Cabinet Member to consider, or if you wish to object to the proposed decision, please inform the Member Services Team by 5pm on 28th July 2019. This can be done by telephone (to 01296 382434) or by email to democracy@buckscc.gov.uk