



Report to Leader (Transport Portfolio)

Decision Date: 4 August 2012

Reference number: TR23.22

Title: High Street, Ivinghoe Waiting Restriction.

Cabinet members: Councillor Steve Broadbent

Relevant councillor(s): Councillors: Peter Brazier, Chris Poll, and Derek Town.

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Ward(s) affected: Ivinghoe.

Summary

'No Waiting At Any Time' restrictions on Groomsby Drive, Green Lane, and High Street, Ivinghoe were proposed by the Ivinghoe Parish Council. Transport for Buckinghamshire recommends that restrictions are imposed by way of a traffic regulation order to encourage compliance with the Highway Code where a specific problem is identified.

The measures have been proposed to encourage compliance with Highway Code Rule 243 which states no vehicles shall park; opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space or near a school entrance

Recommendations:

It is recommended that the Leader:

- a) **Consider the feedback received at the Statutory Consultation**
- b) **Authorises the making of the Traffic Regulation Order as set out in this report, for the installation of 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions at High Street, Ivinghoe.**
- c) **Agrees that responders to the Statutory Consultation are informed of the decision, and to implement the traffic regulation order and related works.**

Reason for decision: Transport for Buckinghamshire (TfB) has been commissioned by Ivinghoe Parish Council to introduce 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions to encourage compliance with Highway Code Rule 243. The effect of the decision will improve visibility at the junctions and improve safety

Executive summary

1.1 This Key Decision Report relates to a proposal to introduce 'No Waiting At Any Time' restrictions on High Street, Ivinghoe in the vicinity of the junctions with Groomsby Drive and Green Lane. It includes the outcome of a statutory consultation.

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1.2 The scheme went out to statutory consultation between 27th April – 11th July 2022. Direct mail was sent as required and the proposals were published.

1.3 The proposals were put forward by Ivinghoe Parish Council to address safety concerns surrounding vehicles parking on junctions affecting visibility for vehicles accessing/egressing the High Street. Such parking seriously reduces visibility for pedestrians crossing the road and presents a danger to vehicle drivers as they emerge from both Groomsby Drive and Green Lane onto the High Street.

1.4 Ivinghoe Parish Council as well as the Local Members for the Ivinghoe ward provided their comments, these have been included in the consultation and communication section in this report below (1.15).

1.5 Three of the Consultation responses were objections to the proposals. Residents raise concerns about the lack of alternative off-street parking and regarding the Hub cafe's reopening exacerbating parking issues. The proposed restrictions are only to be applied to the length of the road in the vicinity of the junctions and on the bend where parking is considered to be dangerous. There were also concerns about motorists increasing their speed if vehicles were not present on the bend but overall, these measures are considered to improve safety.

Other options considered

As an alternative, it would be possible to partially implement the proposals which were subject to the statutory consultation, or not to implement the proposals at all. However, these options would not address the current safety concerns which exist and have therefore been discounted.

Legal and financial implications

- 1.6 Section 122 of The Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 places a duty on Buckinghamshire Council to secure the expeditious, convenient, and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians), on its highways.
- 1.7 Regulation 14 of the Local Authorities Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996 states that an order-making authority may modify an order – whether in receipt of any objections or otherwise – before it is then made.
- 1.8 When the decision is taken and recommendations are agreed upon, the Traffic Regulation Order will be made. The responders to the consultation and persons likely to be affected will be informed of the decision made.
- 1.9 Following the Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996, the TRO will then be made and publicised by Buckinghamshire Council.
- 1.10 If approved, this key decision will be the authority for Legal Services to 'make' the TRO and advertise the Notice of Making in the local press following the Procedure Regulations.
- 1.11 The Ivinghoe Parish Council requested the scheme which is being entirely funded by Community Board funds. The budget for this scheme is £8,751.55 which includes design and construction. The indicative implementation is currently 23/08/2022 - 24/08/2022 however, these dates are subject to change upon handover to the construction team.

Corporate implications

- 1.12 This section will need to include the relevant corporate plan priority relating to this report and refer to any other implications that need to be taken into account such as:-
 - Property – None identified
 - HR – None identified
 - Climate change – The measures will strengthen pedestrian safety, encouraging locals to choose sustainable modes of transportation.
 - Sustainability – None identified
 - Equality – Equality Act 2010. This proposal will not have any disproportionate effect on people with protected characteristics. This scheme will introduce 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions on multiple junctions throughout Ivinghoe. These measures will not only encourage compliance with Highway Code Rule 243 but will also improve visibility for road users accessing and egressing from junctions and bends. It is relevant to note that holders of Blue Badges can park on double yellow lines albeit for a limited time only

- Data protection – A privacy statement was included on the online Citizen Space consultation page which stated the following:
- *‘We will use the information you provide only for this consultation. We will store the information securely, in line with data protection laws. The law states that we must make responses available for public inspection, but we will not share or publish any personal details.’*
- Value for money - The costs associated with this scheme have been allocated within the agreed budget and sufficient remains to implement the ‘No Waiting at Any Time’ restriction measures on the ground.

Consultation and Communication

1.13 In compliance with the Local Authorities Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996, a statutory consultation was undertaken between 27th April – 11th July 2022. A summary of the feedback is shown in Appendix A.

1.14 The full written responses to the statutory consultation are contained in Appendix B. These have been reviewed and considered against the proposals as advertised.

1.15 The proposed ‘No Waiting at Any Time’ restrictions are situated in the Ivinghoe electoral ward which is covered by the following councillors:

- Councillor Peter Brazier
- Councillor Chris Poll
- Councillor Derek Town

TfB invited all Local Members to provide a comment on the ‘No Waiting at Any Time’ restrictions proposals advertised at statutory consultation. We have received the following comments below:

1.16 Councillor Peter Brazier stated the following:

“Of course I support. As an approved Community Board scheme, it would have already required the support of not only the 3 local ward members but the support of the Wing Ward Members in the Community Board.”.

Councillor Derek Town stated the following:

“Supported, same as community board”

1.17 As outlined in section 1.15 above, two ward Members agreed with this amendment, and this has been reflected in the recommendations.

1.18 Thames Valley Police have responded stating that they have no objection to the proposals. The officer's comment is shown below.



'As spoken, I understand that as a result of residents' complaints to the local parish council and the issues it causes to all road users in terms of visibility at this location, this is seen as a solution to be self-enforcing to make this stretch of carriageway safer for all road users.'

Next Steps and Review

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 decision taken. The report will be published on the council's webpage. Legal Services will be instructed to make a Traffic Regulation Order which gives effect to this decision.

Background Papers

Appendix A: Summary of Objections & Feedback
Appendix B: Responses to Statutory Consultation
Appendix C: Consultation Plans

Your questions and views (for key decisions)

If you have any questions about the matters contained in this report, please get in touch with the author of this report. If you have any views that you would like the cabinet member to consider, please inform the democratic services team. This can be done by telephone at 01296 382343 or email at democracy@buckinghamshire.gov.uk