

# Report to the Leader (Transport portfolio)

**Decision Date:** 15 September 2022

Reference number: TR27.22

Title: Burcott Lane, Bierton- Waiting Restriction

Cabinet Member(s): Bill Chapple, Michael Collins & Julie Ward

Contact officer: Leigh Brown- Design Services- Transport for

Buckinghamshire

Ward(s) affected: Aston Clinton and Bierton

Recommendations: a) Consider the feedback received at Statutory

Consultation

B) Approve the making of the Traffic Regulation Order

as set out in this report, for the installation of no

waiting at any time restrictions on Burcott Lane junction

(as showed in appendix C)

C) That responders to the Statutory Consultation be

informed of the decision as well as implement the

traffic regulation order and related works.

**Reason for decision:** These proposals are being promoted under the

provisions of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 which allow the Local Authority to take measures under Section

1 for the following reasons: -

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).

## 1. Executive summary

- 1.1 The scheme was proposed by Bierton Parish Council after several residents approached them expressing their concerns with regards to a parking issue at Burcott Lane, Bierton.
- 1.2 This proposal being put to Statutory Consultation consists of No Waiting At Any Time restrictions (double yellow lines) at Burcott Lane's junction with A418 Aylesbury Road. The intentions of the restriction proposed is to alleviate congestion at the junction and improve safety for all motorists using the junction.

# 2. Content of report

- 2.1 The scheme went out to consultation between 15<sup>th</sup> June– 6<sup>th</sup> July 2022.
- 2.2 The proposals were put forward by Bierton Parish Council to address safety concerns surrounding vehicles parking on junctions affecting visibility for vehicles accessing/egressing the junction; and to address congestion issues outside Burcott Lane.
- 2.3 Bierton End Parish Council as well as the Local Members of ward provided their comments, these have been included in the consultation and communication section in this report below.
- 2.4 TfB liaised with the Parking Team regarding this matter and they stated the following: "If the Councillor is insistent on a miss match in lengths or matching both sides to the residential side leaving the other side less than 10 metres, you need to get the agreed ward councillors instructions in writing (must be at least 2 of the 3 ward councillors) which must then be detailed in the key decision report as this is a controversial decision".
- 2.5 Councillors Bill Chapple and Julie Ward confirmed that they wish for the double yellow lines to be but in place. As such the map tile (HN67) has been amended which can be seen in Appendix C.

#### 3. Other options considered

3.1 No other options were considered as part of the proposed Highway Code junction protection measures

#### 4. Legal and financial implications

- 4.1 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.
- 4.2 Regulation 14 of the Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996 state that an order making authority may modify an order whether in receipt of any objections or otherwise before it is then made.
- 4.3 When the decision is taken and recommendations agreed, 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.
- 4.4 In accordance with the Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996, the TRO will then be made and publicised by Buckinghamshire Council.
- 4.5 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 in accordance with the Procedure Regulations.
- 4.6 The Bierton Parish Council requested the scheme which is being entirely funded by the Wendover Community Board and has no financial implications on the Council. The budget for this scheme is £6152.74 which includes a design and consultation budget of £4503.28 and construction budget of £1649.46.
- 4.7 The indicative implementation is currently 20/01/2023 23/01/2023 however, these dates are subject to change upon handover to the construction team.

# 5. Corporate implications

- 5.1 This section will need to include the relevant corporate plan priority relating to this report and refer to any other implication that need to be considered such as:
  - a) Property- None identified
  - b) HR- None identified
  - c) Climate change- None identified
  - d) Sustainability- None identified
  - e) Equality Equality Act 2010. This proposal will not have any disproportionate effect upon people with protected characteristics. This scheme will introduce waiting restrictions on multiples junctions throughout Wooburn Green and Bourne End. 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.
- f) 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 the purpose of 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".
- g) Value for money The costs associated with this scheme has been allocated within the agreed budget and sufficient remains to implement the waiting restriction measures on the ground.

#### 6. Local councillors & community boards consultation & views

- 6.1 In compliance with the Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996, a statutory consultation was undertaken between 15<sup>th</sup> July 6<sup>th</sup> June. A summary of the feedback is shown in Appendix A.
- 6.2 All the responds confirmed that the residents acknowledge the issue, including who objected the scheme (apart form one objection that have no comment supporting it).
- 6.3 Yet who objected believe that alternative traffic calming scheme should be implemented. "I feel that people have to park somewhere, The overall issue is that the Aylesbury road needs traffic calming vehicles are exceeding the 30mph speed limit considerably, the junction of Burcott lane and Aylesbury road is on a bend so a view to the right Is very restricted. A 7.5 ton weight limit would also help because the vehicles that park in Burcott lane could then park on Aylesbury road. The new link road has been built which effectively by passes Bierton an alternative route is available for a weight limit."
- 6.4 The following table represents the results from the online survey:

Proposals	Unsure about	Objects to	Supports	Total
	the proposals	the proposals	the	
			proposals	
Do you support the proposal for the	0	4	106	110
prohibition of Motor Vehicles on the				
section of Russet Street, Aylesbury				

- 6.5 The full written responses to the statutory consultation are contained in Appendix B. These have been reviewed and considered against the proposals as advertised.
- 6.6 The proposed waiting restrictions are situated in Burcott Lane is covered by the following councillors: Councillor Bill Chapple, Councillor Julie Ward and Councillor Michael Collins.
- 6.7 TfB invited all Local Members to provide a comment on the waiting restrictions proposals advertised at statutory consultation. We have received the following comments below:

Councillor Bill Chapple stated the following: "I fully support the introduction of yellow lines in this location".

Also, Councillor Julie Ward supported the scheme proposal by saying: "I support the proposal. Parking up to this junction has become incredibly hazardous. As with any restriction, those determined to park on the immediate area will simply displace further along and while I understand that may be an inconvenience for some, I believe this is far outweighed by the safety enhancements this brings to the junction".

- 6.8 As outlined in sections 6.4 above, all three ward Members are aware of the scheme were two of them agreed with this amendment, and this has been reflected in the recommendations.
- 6.9 Neil Biggs, form Thames Valley Police have responded stating that "I can confirm that Thames Valley Police have no objection to these proposals."

# 7. Communication, engagement & further consultation

7.1 The results of this consultations were enough to decide, and no further consultation is required.

#### 8. Next steps and review

8.1 All consultees and respondents to the consultation will be contacted by either email or letter and will be informed of the decision and where they can find the detailed of the statutory consultation and the decision taken. The report will be published on the Council's webpage.

#### 9. Background papers

- 9.1 Appendix A: Summary of feedback
- 9.2 Appendix B: Responses comments
- 9.3 Appendix C: TRO Tiles

# 10. Your questions and views (for key decisions)

10.1 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 01296 382343 or email <a href="mailto:democracy@buckinghamshire.gov.uk">democracy@buckinghamshire.gov.uk</a>