

**BURSLEDON, HAMBLE-LE-RICE AND HOUND LOCAL AREA  
COMMITTEE**

**Thursday, 24 September 2020**

**TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER,  
VARIOUS ROADS BURSLEDON, HAMBLE & HOUND AREA  
Report of the Traffic Management Engineer**

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**Recommendation(s)**

It is recommended that the Committee approve the making of a Traffic Regulation Order to:

- i. introduce waiting restrictions in Priory Road, access road to Nos 6-24 evens Priory Road, St Edwards Road, Grange Road Service Road, Coronation Parade, Deanfield Close and Queen's View; and
- ii. introduce waiting and parking restrictions in Coronation Parade

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**Summary**

A proposal to introduce waiting and parking restrictions in various roads in Hamble and Netley was advertised on 17 July 2020. Representations were received both in support of and objection to the restrictions. This report summarises the comments received and recommends how to proceed

**Statutory Powers**

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984; Traffic Management Act 2004.

**Legal Agreements**

Agency Agreement between Hampshire County Council and Eastleigh Borough Council dated 10 September 2019

## Strategic Implications

1. Creating an excellent environment for all by removing obstructive and inconsiderate parking, and by providing time-limited parking places and disabled parking places outside local shops

## Introduction

2. Various roads in the Local Area have been investigated in response to reported problems such as obstructive parking. Site investigations were undertaken to assess the issues being experienced by road users, and to decide on appropriate measures to mitigate the issues. The proposed amendments to the restrictions in Coronation Parade are to complement the revised road layout following improvement works in 2019.
3. This report details the comments received during the public consultation period. The Committee is asked to consider the comments received, before making a decision to introduce, amend or withdraw the proposed Traffic Regulation Order.

## Detail

4. Consultation was undertaken by means of a Public Notice on the Eastleigh Borough Council website, published in the Hampshire Independent newspaper, and posted on street furniture in the vicinity of the proposed restrictions. The Public Notice was also posted to properties directly affected by the proposals. Plans showing the proposed restrictions are in appendix 1.
5. Six representations were received, four in relation to Priory Road, one in relation to Deanfield Close and one from Hound Parish Council. Of the four representations in relation to Priory Road, two had originally misunderstood the proposals and thought that the intention was to introduce waiting restrictions on the carriageway. They have now withdrawn their objections. The remaining objections are summarised below, along with the Engineer's response. The full (redacted) text of the representations can be found in Appendix 2
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Comment	Engineer's response
A resident of Priory Road has commented that, although the proposals do not directly affect her, they will cause parking problems in the area – residents park on the verge because they have more cars than can be accommodated on the carriageway. She is concerned that the proposals will exacerbate the occasions when her driveway is	<p>The grass verge is intended as an amenity for the enjoyment of residents. Parking on the verge causes damage to the grassed area and the kerbstones.</p> <p>It is vehicle driver's responsibility to find appropriate and legal places to park, although this may be a short</p>

<p>obstructed.</p>	<p>walk from their residence.</p> <p>The resident has an access protection marking to be installed; this highlights a dropped kerb which should be kept clear of parked cars.</p>
<p>Another resident objects on the grounds that the proposals will reduce the space available for residents to park. The council should sort out neighbours' vans, and a resident running a garage from home. The council has created a lot of problems by amalgamating schools</p>	<p>The grass verge is intended as an amenity for the enjoyment of residents. Parking on the verge causes damage to the grassed area and the kerbstones.</p> <p>It is vehicle driver's responsibility to find appropriate and legal places to park. Residents may have to find kerbside parking further away from their homes</p> <p>Businesses being run from residential premises can be reported to Planning Enforcement.</p> <p>Hampshire County Council's school travel officer works with schools to promote sustainable travel to school and to encourage parents to park with consideration to residents.</p>
<p>Hound Parish Council supports the proposals within its area and comments that effective enforcement will be required</p>	<p>The comments have been noted, and Parking Services will be made aware of new restrictions that are introduced</p>
<p>A resident of Deanfield Close comments that vehicles displaced by the proposed restriction at the entrance to Deanfield Close may park elsewhere in the close, which could block footways and prevent access for emergency vehicles.</p>	<p>At this stage it is not clear where displaced vehicles might be parked. Motorists are encouraged to park legally and with due consideration for other road users, although this may mean parking further away than they might prefer. Instances of obstruction of the highway can be reported to the Police. Requests for further waiting restrictions would be investigated for possible inclusion in a future scheme.</p>

## **Financial Implications**

7. The costs of the TRO and associated road markings are funded from the core TRO Programme budget as part of the “Various roads” allocations, at a cost of approximately £4000. The cost of signs and road markings for the Coronation Parade element of the works were funded from the Coronation Parade improvement scheme.

## **Risk Assessment**

8. If the proposals are not implemented, it is likely that the issues with verge parking and obstructive parking will continue in the Priory Road area, Queens View and Deanfield Close. The marked restrictions in Coronation Parade would not be able to be enforced, which has reputational and financial implications for the council.

## **Equality and Diversity Implications**

The Equality Act is relevant to the decision and an Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) has been carried out and attached as Appendix 3 to the report. In summary the EqIA shows that:

- There is a positive impact to disabled road users by introducing two disabled persons’ parking bays in Coronation Parade
- There are minor positive impacts in Deanfield Close and Queens View by prohibiting waiting at the kerbside, thereby discouraging drivers from obstructing footways and driveways

## **9. Climate Change and Environmental Implications**

10. The proposals should not increase Greenhouse Gas/CO<sub>2</sub>, or damage ecology or the environment. Short-stay parking in Coronation Parade provides a turnover of vehicles, allowing customers to park close to the shops, reducing the time taken to look for parking places. Prohibiting vehicles parking on the grass verge in the Priory Road area should have a positive environmental impact by improving soil structure which allows grass to grow, thus increasing rainwater absorption and CO<sub>2</sub> absorption and reducing run-off.

## **Conclusion**

11. The proposals have due regard to the requirement of S122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act, by securing the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians) and the provision of suitable and adequate parking facilities on the highway. The proposed waiting restrictions attracted objections, comments and an expression of support. This report takes into consideration all the representations received and recommends that the committee approves the introduction of the restrictions as advertised.

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Appendices Attached: 3

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 - SECTION 100D**

The following is a list of documents which disclose facts or matters on which this report or an important part of it is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. This list does not include any published works or documents which would disclose exempt or confidential information.

None