



Hendon Area Committee 21 October 2015

Title	Southbourne Avenue, Edgware
Report of	Commissioning Director - Environment
Wards	Edgware
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Urgent	No
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Summary

This report informs the Hendon Area Committee of the review of parking in Southbourne Avenue, Edgware and recommends the implementation of footway parking bays at the south-western end of the road were vehicles are currently parking fully on the carriageway.

Recommendations

- 1. That the Hendon Area Committee notes the review of parking in Southbourne Avenue, Edgware;
- 2. That the Hendon Area Committee approves the proposal to implement four (4) additional footway parking bays on the South-western end of Southbourne Avenue as indicated in drawing No. 87775.dwg.
- 3. That the Hendon Area Committee adds this scheme (which has an estimated cost of £25,000 or less) to its work programme;
- 4. That the Hendon Area Committee confirms that the proposal to amend the existing layout of footway parking bays in the remainder of Southbourne Avenue is not implemented.

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1 Concerns have been raised by local residents and ward Councillors regarding parking related issues in Southbourne Avenue. A petition was submitted and reported to the 2 July Residents' Forum with 54 signatures. The concerns raised were that cars were parking fully on the carriageway at the Southwestern end of Southbourne Avenue blocking the road for emergency services and larger vehicles. In addition, it was considered that additional footway parking bays could be implemented in the rest of the road. It was recorded at the Residents' Forum that officers would revisit the site to ascertain potential actions.
- 1.2 The majority of Southbourne Avenue is subject to footway parking controls or double yellow lines. However, there is a section at the south-western end on the road that is currently uncontrolled. In this section cars park fully on the road and on both sides of the road and this results in the road becoming impassable for larger vehicles such as refuse vehicles and emergency services.
- 1.3 Therefore, it is recommended that the proposed four (4) additional footway parking bays are implemented in this section of road and the bays are shown on Drawing No. 87775.dwg. Whilst the review was undertaken the remainder of the road was also surveyed to see if any additional bays could be installed to increase capacity on the road.
- 1.4 The remainder of Southbourne Avenue was re-visited to see if any additional footway parking bays could be installed. The criterion agreed in the Barnet Adopted Parking Policy was applied in the review of the existing footway parking bays. During the review it was noted that parking was taking place in locations that blocked driveways and a number of the footway parking bays were of insufficient length or obstructed by trees. Therefore, although a couple of additional bays could be added there were also a small number that needed to be removed from the design. There are currently 21 footway parking bays on the road and the revised proposals result in a loss of two (2) spaces. Therefore subject to the agreement of the Committee it is not proposed to amend the existing layout of footway parking bays in the remainder of Southbourne Avenue.
- 1.5 The estimated costs implementing the additional bays and revised signage is £1,000 (based on prices contained in Year 2, Volume 4 Adjusted Rates LoHAC Northwest1).

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 The proposal in this report seeks to address the concerns of local residents and to improve access and safety.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

3.1 The options to review the parking layout in the remainder of Southbourne Avenue is not being progressed as it results in a reduction in overall parking spaces for the residents of the road.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

4.1 Post decision implementations will depend on the decision taken by the Committee

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

5.1.1 The Council's Corporate Plan states in its strategic objectives that it will work with local partners to create the right environment to promote responsible growth, development and success across the Borough. In particular the Council will maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough. The plan also acknowledges that the future success of the Borough depends on effective transport networks.

5.2 Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)

- 5.2.1 The estimated cost of implementing the additional bays and revised signage is £1,000 (based on prices contained in Year 2, Volume 4 Adjusted Rates LoHAC Northwest1).
- 5.2.2 Indicative costs for the highlighted options are approximate and shown at projected 2015 prices.
- 5.2.3 The work will be carried out under the existing LOHAC term maintenance contractual arrangement.

5.3 Social Value

None in the context of this report.

5.4 Legal and Constitutional References

- 5.4.1 There are no legal references in the context of this report.
- 5.4.2 The Council's Constitution Responsibility for Functions Annex A: Area Committees (Section 15A) provides that the Hendon Area Committee is authorised to discharge various functions including local highways and safety schemes, within the Hendon area in accordance with the budget and policy framework.
- 5.4.3 Section 16 of The Traffic Management Act 2004 places a duty on the Council as the local traffic authority for the Barnet administrative area to manage its road network to secure the expeditious movement of traffic on its road network. The network must be managed with a view to achieving the objective

of the duty, so far as may be reasonably practicable, having regard to the Council's other obligations, policies and objectives. The action the Council may take in performing the duty includes the exercise of any powers affecting the use of the network, whether or not those powers were conferred on the Council in its capacity as a traffic authority.

5.5 **Risk Management**

5.5.1 None in the context of this report. Risk management may be required for work resulting from this report.

5.6 Equalities and Diversity

- 5.6.1 The 2010 Equality Act outlines the provisions of the Public Sector Equalities Duty which requires Public Bodies to have due regard to the need to:
 - eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Equality Act 2010
 - advance equality of opportunity between people from different groups
 - foster good relations between people from different groups.
- 5.6.2 Proposed changes associated with the proposal are not expected to disproportionately disadvantage or benefit members of the community.

5.7 **Consultation and Engagement**

5.7.1 Consultation and engagement with residents and Ward Councillors will be undertaken as required.

5.8 **Insight**

5.8.1 No issues in relation to this report.

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 6.1 Hendon Area Residents Forum Meeting Minutes 2 July 2015. http://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s25895/Minutes%20of%20the%20Hendon%20Residents%20Forum.pdf
- 6.2 Report on the Parking Policy to the 24 November 2014 Environment Committee

http://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s19227/Parking%20Policy%20-%20the%20results%20of%20public%20consultation%20excerise.pdf