

# FAREHAM

## BOROUGH COUNCIL

### Report to the Executive Member for Public Protection for Decision

<b>Portfolio:</b>	Public Protection
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Traffic Regulation Order - Proposed Waiting Restrictions - Queens Road, Fareham</b>
<b>Report of:</b>	Director of Regulatory and Democratic Services
<b>Strategy/Policy:</b>	
<b>Corporate Objective:</b>	A safe and healthy place to live and work

**Purpose:**

To inform the Executive Member of the outcome of the statutory advertisement of a proposal to introduce waiting restrictions and to obtain authorisation to implement a Traffic Regulation Order.

**Executive summary:**

This report addresses concerns in respect of parking in Queens Road which obstructs vehicular accesses. Following consultations it is proposed to introduce waiting restrictions at this junction area.

**Recommendation:**

That the waiting restrictions as shown at Appendix A are introduced as advertised.

**Reason:**

To improve road safety and to reduce the risk of obstructions.

**Cost of Proposals:**

The cost of the proposal will be met from the Traffic Management budget.

**Risk Assessment:**

There are no identified risks associated with this proposal.

Appendices [Appendix A : Scheme drawing](#)

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### Executive Briefing Paper

**Date:** 23 July 2013

**Subject:** Traffic Regulation Order - Proposed Waiting Restrictions - Queens Road, Fareham

**Briefing by:** Director of Regulatory and Democratic Services

**Portfolio:** Public Protection

#### Supporting Information

##### Background

1. Queens Road lies to the southwest of Fareham town centre and is one of the streets which forms part of the existing Residents Parking area.
2. A number of vehicular entrances lie along this road, and in common with other streets within the residents parking areas, some of these are protected by white bar markings.
3. However, unless there are exceptional circumstances it is no longer policy to provide white bar markings since legislation now exists to permit enforcement action where dropped kerbs are obstructed. Exceptions are sometimes made where vehicular entrances are communal rather than just belonging to single household.
4. In Queens Road two particular communal vehicular entrance points exist along its northern side, which have been subject to complaints about obstructions. These are shown on the drawing at Appendix A.
5. The westernmost of these two is presently protected by a single yellow line which prohibits waiting 7am-8pm on Mondays to Saturdays. This restriction was introduced before the recent housing development was completed, but it is not appropriate to park in front of this entrance at any time.
6. The easternmost of these lies across the exit from the Masonic Club car park. It forms part of the residents parking zone but is protected by a white bar marking within the parking bay. Parking should not take place across this communal access point, however complaints have been received that parking does on occasions take place here obstructing the entrance/exit despite the white bar marking.
7. The white bar is advisory and therefore not enforceable by Fareham Borough Council's Civil Enforcement Officers (or the police). This situation would be

helped if it was protected by double yellow lines, which would then be enforceable.

### **Consultations**

8. The Ward Councillors, County Councillor and Police were consulted on this proposal and all expressed their support.
9. The Statutory Consultees were consulted and no objections were received.

### **Representations**

10. A single objection was received in response to the formal advertisement of this proposal, to complain that there was already much pressure on the existing residents parking places.
11. It was explained to the objector that this proposal only loses half a car length of usable residents parking space, which is for safety purposes so that users of the car park can have slightly improved visibility when leaving the car park. They did not respond further.

### **Conclusion**

12. It is recommended that the proposed waiting restrictions are implemented as advertised and detailed at Appendix A.