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Report to the Executive Member for Public Protection for Decision

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| Portfolio: | Public Protection |
| Subject: | Traffic Regulation Order – Proposed Waiting Restrictions, Funtley Hill |
| Report of: | Director of Environmental Services |
| Strategy/Policy: | |
| Corporate Objective: | 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 amend a length of waiting restrictions and to obtain authorisation to implement a Traffic Regulation Order.

Executive summary:

In response to complaints, this report proposes a change to existing waiting restrictions in Funtley Hill.

Recommendation:

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

Reason:

To remove hazardous parking in Funtley Hill and to improve road safety.

Cost of Proposals:

The cost of the proposal will be met by 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: 2 July 2014

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Briefing by: Director of Environmental Services

Portfolio: Public Protection

Supporting Information

Background

1. The section of Funtley Hill under consideration lies shortly to the south of a sharp bend in the road, and a number of complaints had been received about the hazards caused by parking close to this bend.
2. Waiting restrictions were introduced into the lower part of Funtley Hill in October 2013 to address the parking concerns, but a short gap was left in the restrictions where parking was less of a hazard.
3. The reason for this being less hazardous was because parking could take place off the carriageway in this short section, behind the kerb and on the verge.
4. Since the introduction of the restrictions in 2013, the parking situation has improved and comments have been received expressing appreciation about the reduction of the hazards. However, parking in the short unrestricted section has worsened as it has become dominated by a small number of vehicles, often vans, and sometimes double parking now takes place here.
5. Letters were sent to all frontagers some weeks after the restrictions were introduced, asking them to exercise consideration in this, and stating that the gap in the restrictions may need to be filled in if there was not an improvement, but the situation has not improved.
6. It is therefore proposed that the gap in the waiting restrictions as shown on the accompanying drawing should be filled so that double yellow lining applies through this length.

Consultations

7. The Ward Councillors, County Councillor and Police were consulted on this proposal and all expressed their support. It should be noted that the Police registered concern that the removal of parked vehicles may lead to higher

speeds. However, on balance it is considered that the hazards presented by the parked vehicles is greater than the hazards of higher speeds, because the bend itself serves to prevent speeds from becoming too excessive.

8. The Statutory Consultees were consulted and no objections were received.

Representations

9. The proposal was formally advertised in May 2014 and no objections were received.

Conclusion

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