

Name of meeting:	Cabinet Committee - Local Issues	
Date:	25 Sept 2019	
Title of report:	Objections to Kirklees TR No 4 Order 2019, Proposed No Waiting At Any Time restrictions, South Street and Warren Street, Savile Town	

Purpose of report: To consider objections received to the above advertised Traffic Regulation Order

Key Decision - Is it likely to result in spending or saving £250k or more, or to have a significant effect on two or more electoral wards?	No
Key Decision - Is it in the <u>Council's Forward</u> <u>Plan (key decisions and private reports?)</u>	No
The Decision - Is it eligible for call in by Scrutiny?	Yes
Date signed off by <u>Strategic Director</u> & name	Karl Battersby - 5.09.2019
Is it also signed off by the Service Director (Finance)?	Eamonn Croston - 16.09.2019
Is it also signed off by the Service Director for Legal Governance and Commissioning?	Julie Muscroft - 5.09.2019
Cabinet member portfolio	Councillor Rob Walker - Culture and Environment

Electoral wards affected: Dewsbury South

Ward councillors consulted: Yes

Public or private: Public

(Have you considered GDPR?) Yes

Summary

To consider objections received in response the public advertisement of Kirklees (TR) (No 4) Order 2019 - The proposed introduction of additional 'No Waiting At Any Time' parking restrictions on South Street, and Warren Street Savile Town. The South St restrictions are required in support of a planning application and the Warren St restrictions are the re-advertisement of 'No Waiting At Any Time' parking restrictions, on which were prevented from being installed due to the building works taking place at the Education Centre there.

1. Information required to take a decision

The restrictions on South St, contained in Traffic Regulation Order (TRO), have been proposed in connection with Planning Application Number - **2016/70/93734/E.** Planning permission was granted for "DEMOLITION OF THE EXISTING BUILDING AND ERECTION OF 3 STOREY EDUCATIONAL FACILITY" at South Street. This application was a "variation of condition 2 (Plans and specifications) on previous planning permission 2013/93747.

The approval proposed that, as part of the planning conditions, the provision of drop off and pick up zones on South Street must be provided. These documents can be viewed online at the Planning Services website at <u>www.kirklees.gov.uk/planning</u>. However, a 'drop off and pick up' zones cannot be implemented, as there are no legal mechanisms to do so. For that reason, it was proposed to use double yellows to facilitate this requirement, as there is an exemption for "alighting and boarding a motor vehicle" in any TRO for double yellow lines. In practice, this would operate in the same way as the desired "drop off/pick up" zone.

The developer has committed, through a Section 278 Agreement, to implement these improvements work prior to the development being occupied, to maximise the safety benefits this will bring at this busy junction.

The restrictions on Warren St are 42 metres of 'No Waiting At Any Time' from the junction of South Street and are those which were historically approved from a previous legal order - TRO No 12 2015. When the previous order was sealed and implemented, to which no objections were received in 2015, this length of restriction had to be omitted because of the building works taking place at the Education Centre. Due to the length of time that has elapsed it is now necessary to re-advertise this section on Warren Street.

The TRO was publicly advertised between 19 April 2019 and 19 May 2019, and during that period 45 objections have been received from the residents of Warren Street. The objections stem from the planning permission being granted which will, in the resident's view, make the current parking situation worse. They are concerned that the education centre is likely to generate significant additional demand for on-street parking on South Street/Warren Street and if the proposals go ahead the resulting indiscriminate parking would be detrimental to highway safety and the free flow of traffic, as well as making it more difficult for residents to park near their homes. A petition has also been received signed by 140 from residents throughout the Savile Town area, who also have the same concerns.

In response:

The proposed restrictions will allow the drop off, and pick up, of passengers at school opening and closing times when congestion is expected to be at its worst, but also restrict parking throughout the day as drivers will only be allowed to pull up for a short

period of time to load and unload. The scheme will reduce congestion in the area and improve visibility and access at and around the junction where child pedestrian accidents have previously been recorded.

There are 10 metres of existing 'No Waiting At Any Time' parking restrictions on South Street from the junction of Warren Street. These proposals are intended to extend the current length by 35m, to 45 metres, removing parking for 7 vehicles from the south side of South St. Residents on South Street will still have an opportunity to park outside their homes as the restrictions are wholly outside the education centre and this area has, during construction of the education centre, been unavailable for on street parking. The majority of these residents have access to off-street parking at the rear of their properties.

The 42m of restriction advertised on Warren St is, as it was previously, intended to restrict parking on approach to the busy junction with South St, to improve visibility for emerging traffic and ease turning movements.

2. Implications for the Council

The proposed works were considered necessary at planning application stage and approved by Planning Committee. These proposals are to mitigate the impact of the development on the highway network.

If the TRO is not implemented, it is likely the benefits of reducing congestion and improving safety and visibility at the junction outside the education centre will not be realised on South Street. It will also mean that the proposed restrictions on Warren Street, previously approved, cannot be installed.

3. **Consultees and their opinions**

The three Local Ward Councillors were consulted on the proposed restrictions here. Councillor Masood Ahmed and Councillor Gulfam Asif offered support to the scheme.

West Yorkshire Police also welcomed the implementation of 'No Waiting At Any Time' restrictions at this location.

4. Next steps and timelines

Cabinet Committee Local Issues to consider the objections raised during the formal advertising period for this TRO, and the information contained in this report, and reach a decision on whether or not the TRO is to be implemented as advertised

5. Officer recommendations and reasons

That the objections be overruled and the TRO proposals are implemented, as advertised, to allow the approved planning conditions to be discharged with regard to the drop and go zone and allow the previously approved waiting restrictions on Warren Street be implemented.

6. Cabinet portfolio holder's recommendations

Cllr Rob Walker supports the officer proposal as written.

7. Contact officer

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8. Background Papers and History of Decisions

Traffic Regulation No 12 Order 2015.

9. **Director responsible**

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