



Decision Ref. No.

EH/045/10 BOO117 PART

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Subject: THE HERTFORDSHIRE (VARIOUS ROADS, HERTFORD) (RESTRICTION OF WAITING) AND (REVOCATION) ORDER 2017

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Executive Member: Terry Douris
Portfolio: Highways

1. **Decision:**

- To proceed with the implementation of "No waiting at any time" waiting restrictions as advertised on parts of Ware Road.
- To proceed with revoking part of waiting restrictions along Ware Road, under the Ware Viaduct.

2. **Reasons for the decision:**

- The proposals are to introduce No waiting at any time waiting restrictions following concerns received about the current on-street parking causing reduced forward visibility and obstructing access fronting Lance House.
- Revoking part of the double yellow lines near A10 Viaduct to create parking places.

The proposed schemes were designed to:

- Maintain access and visibility for both pedestrians and vehicular traffic,
- Ensure free flow of traffic and
- Discourage inconsiderate parking.
- Create parking places near A10 Viaduct.

2.1 **Informal consultation stage 2nd – 23rd September 2016:**

Consultees' consulted:	12
Replies:	1
Support:	None
No Objection:	1
Object:	None
Residents consulted:	11
Replies:	3
Support:	3
Object:	None

2.2 **Formal consultation stage (2nd February 2017 – 23rd February 2017)**

Consultees' replies:	1
Support:	None
No Objection	1
Object:	None

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Residents' replies:	3
Support:	1
Object:	1
Support/Comments:	1

Residents/businesses that were informally consulted were informed of the consultation results. The schemes were to progress to formal consultation.

During formal consultation, we received a reply from the Hertfordshire Constabulary (HC) who raised no objection.

There was 1 objection received from a member of the public during the formal stage, the objector wanted similar measures to be taken in front of her property. Despite exchanges of e-mails and letters detailing advice within the Highway Code and regulations to promote double yellow lines and parking guidelines the objector has not suggested her objection has been resolved to her satisfaction.

The objection to the scheme has been overruled; therefore the decision is to proceed to sealing of the Order as advertised.

The measures are consistent with the Highway Code (clause 243) which states that *"Do not stop or park anywhere you would prevent access for Emergency Services, at or near a bus or tram stop or taxi rank, opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space, opposite a traffic island or (if this would cause an obstruction) another parked vehicle, where the kerb has been lowered to help wheelchair users and powered mobility vehicles, in front of an entrance to a property, on a bend, where you would obstruct cyclists' use of cycle facilities except when forced to do so by stationary traffic."*

Having fully considered the grounds of the objection, the decision is to overrule the objection and proceed to sealing of the Order as advertised.

3.1 Alternative options considered and rejected ²

There were no other alternative options considered, the original options remained unchanged throughout the process.

4. Consultation:

- (a) Comments of Executive Member ^{2 3}
Consulted on 25th April 2017 and confirmed agreement for proposed decision and for scheme to proceed via e-mail on the same day.
- (b) Comments of other consultees ⁴
The list below shows the local county member(s) and other Consultees who were consulted at informal stage of the process;
 - Consultees consulted at Informal consultation stage:
CCllr. Andrew Stevenson,
District Councillors: (Jan Goodeve and Mari Stevenson),
East Herts District Council (EHDC) enquiries,
Ware Town Council-Town Clerk,
Peter Nicholls – Hertfordshire Constabulary (HC),

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Frank Gollogly - Fire & Rescue Service,
Network Management East Herts,
Gary Skinner – PTU,
Darren Meads, Tracy Winder - Ambulance Services.

- **Consultees consulted at formal consultation stage:**

CClir. Andrew Stevenson,
Frank Gollogly- Fire & Rescue Service,
John Hurst, Christopher Richards – Quality Monitoring/Enforcement Team,
Peter Nicholls - HC,
Dominique Kingsbury –EHDC
Traffic Orders – (trafficcorders@here.com),
Tracy Winder - Ambulance Service,
Hertfordshire County Council Land Charges and
Network Management East Herts.

The HC stated they had no objection; the assumption is that EHDC are then willing to enforce.

The decision to proceed was supported by County Councillor Andrew Stevenson and confirmed by e-mail on the 9th April 2017.

5. Following consultation with, and the concurrence of the Executive Member, I am proceeding with the proposed decision.

Signed:

Nell Richardson

Title: Highway Locality Manager

Date: 26th 04 - 2017

6. Copies of agreed document to:

- All consultees
- Chairman, and Vice-Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- Hard & electronic copy (for public inspection both at County Hall and on www.hertfordshire.gov.uk) Assistant Head of Member Services - Room 211 County Hall.

¹ for guidance see Chief Legal Officer's note "Taking Decisions"

² record any conflict of interest declared by any Executive Member consulted. If an Executive Member declares a conflict of interest DO NOT PROCEED without seeking advice from the Chief Legal Officer

³ If the matter has general significance for the Council and/or is, or is likely to be, controversial, then the officer shall consult the appropriate Executive Member before proceeding. In some cases it will be necessary to consult more than one Executive Member, and in some cases the Leader of the Council will need to be consulted

⁴ If the matter has local significance, but no general significance for the Council and no controversial aspects, the officer shall consult or inform the local member in writing (or by e mail) and proceed. It is essential that all officers responsible for delivering services ensure that local members are kept well briefed on issues affecting their areas.