

REPORT FROM: HOUSING, HEALTH AND ENGINEERING MANAGER

TO: WEST CRAVEN COMMITTEE

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PROPOSED INTRODUCTION OF A RESIDENTS-ONLY PARKING SCHEME: PARK VIEW TERRACE, SALTERFORTH

PURPOSE OF REPORT

Following the request from residents of Park View Terrace in Salterforth to this Committee on 7 July 2020, it was resolved that the Housing, Health and Engineering Manager be requested to undertake a survey for the possible introduction of a residents-only parking scheme and report back to this Committee on the outcome of the survey.

RECOMMENDATION

(1) That, due to the results of the survey providing a majority in favour of the introduction of a residents-only parking scheme, a further traffic survey should be carried out to ascertain the parking issues on site and to report back to this Committee with the findings.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

(1) The results of the survey provide evidence to support further investigation into the introduction of a scheme for Park View Terrace, Salterforth.

BACKGROUND

- 1. A petition was received from residents requesting that consideration be given to introducing a residents-only parking scheme for 1–10 Park View Terrace, Salterforth.
- 2. At this Committee on 7 July 2020 it was requested that a survey be conducted and the results of the survey be submitted to a future meeting.
- 3. A previous request for residents-only parking on Park View Terrace was refused in November 2011. At that time, despite the majority of residents being in favour of a scheme, the traffic surveys did not provide evidence to support its introduction.

- 4. Due to circumstances surrounding Covid-19 and the lockdown, it was felt that any kind of survey should be put on hold until local businesses were re-opened and children were back at school. This would give a better reflection of normal parking patterns.
- 5. Ordinarily, surveys conducted for residents-only parking have included a questionnaire to the residents and a simultaneous on-site traffic study. It was felt that it was more efficient to initially just carry out the questionnaire as this can determine whether the scheme is likely to meet the criteria set down by Lancashire County Council (see **Appendix 1 of the Long Ing Lane report elsewhere on the agenda**) without the need for a traffic study.

ISSUE

- 6. A questionnaire regarding the possibility of introducing a residents-only parking was sent to the residents in August 2020. The residents of 1–11 Park View Terrace, Salterforth, were consulted.
- 7. LCC requires that the proposal should be acceptable to the greater proportion of the residents. A 75 per cent response rate from households, with more than 50 per cent of these being in favour of the scheme, is considered acceptable.
- 8. A plan showing the area and the extent of the proposed residents-only parking bay can be found in Appendix 1.

SURVEY RESULTS

- 9. A total of 11 residential properties were surveyed, with 7 replies (64 per cent).
- 11. For the purposes of this survey, it was noted on the questionnaire that any residents who did not reply to the survey did not want residents-only parking introduced.
- 12. Those who did reply were all in favour of the introduction of residents-only parking and, despite the fact that the response rate does not meet the criteria set down by LCC given that there are only a small number of properties being surveyed, it does seem reasonable to assume that, in the main, a scheme would be welcomed by residents.
- 13. The original petition was put forward due to residents being dissatisfied with not being able to park near to their property due to cars being left there by visitors to the nearby pub and park, and by walkers leaving their cars there all day. Residents added in their questionnaire reply that there was sufficient space for just the residents to park but not enough room to allow non-residential cars.

CONCLUSION

14. As a high percentage of the residents responded in favour of the scheme, the results indicate a strong majority in favour of the scheme. It is recommended that a further traffic study is completed to ascertain the parking problems on site.

IMPLICATIONS

Policy: None arising directly from the report.

Financial: None arising directly from the report.

Legal: In order to enforce a residents-only parking scheme, a Traffic Regulation Order would have to be made. This would be done by Lancashire County Council once full approval was given by them.

Risk Management: None arising directly from the report.

Health and Safety: None arising directly from the report.

Sustainability: None arising directly from the report.

Community Safety: None arising directly from the report.

Equality and Diversity: None arising directly from the report.

APPENDICES

Appendix 1: Plan of Proposed Residents-Only Parking Area.

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

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