

WARDS: Norton, Pedmore & Stourbridge East, Wollaston & Stourbridge Town

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10

DUDLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

STOURBRIDGE AREA COMMITTEE – 31st JANUARY 2004

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE URBAN ENVIRONMENT

PROPOSALS FOR DISABLED PARKING PLACES PROGRAMME G

1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 The purpose of this report is to consult and invite comments from Committee regarding requests to be included in Programme G of the on-street Disabled Parking Places scheme.

2.0 BACKGROUND

2.1 Traffic Regulation Orders for the establishment of parking places near the homes of registered disabled persons are introduced twice every year.

2.2 These reserved spaces are provided for named individuals who do not have off-street parking facilities and whose level of disablement qualifies them for registration as Blue Badge holders. One permit is issued for each parking place, which is marked out on the carriageway as a white 'box'.

2.3 In the six month period up to April 2004 eight applications in your Committee's area were received.

2.4 Appendix A shows the list of applications in your Committee area which were not objected to, and which are recommended for introduction.

2.5 Appendix B shows the objection which was received in respect of Flat 10 Ash Court, Ibstock Drive. However, negotiations have been undertaken between the residents concerned. An amicable settlement has been reached and the space is therefore recommended for introduction in a slightly amended position.

2.6 Appendix C shows the existing disabled parking place which needs to be revoked.

2.7 Consultation

2.7.1 Letters regarding the applications were sent to the Police on 24/8/04.

2.7.2 The proposals were published in the “Express and Star” newspaper on 27/10/04 and also on-street between 27th October and 22nd November 2004.

2.7.3 Letter and plans were sent to relevant ward members on 24/08/04 and no objections were received.

2.8 Sustainable Transport

The introduction of on-street Disabled Parking Places assists registered disabled persons to park near their homes and to live in the community.

3.0 PROPOSALS

3.1 It is proposed that the Cabinet Member for Transportation be advised that the schemes detailed in Appendix A (which have not been objected to) should be introduced as advertised.

3.2 It is also proposed that the Committee advises the Cabinet Member for Transportation that the site shown in Appendix B should be introduced as advertised.

3.3 It is also proposed that the Committee advises the Cabinet Member for Transportation that the site shown in Appendix C should be revoked.

4.0 FINANCE

4.1 Implementation of on-street Disabled Parking Places Orders is estimated at £200 each and, subject to funding being made available, would be funded from the Highways Capital Budget.

5.0 LAW

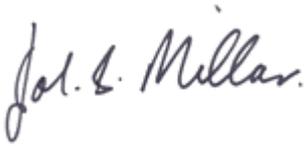
5.1 On-street Parking Places reserved for permit holders are made under Section 45(2) of the Road Traffic Regulations act 1984.

6.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

6.1 The proposals contained within this report are intended to benefit registered disabled persons. They comply with the Council’s Equal Opportunities Policy.

7.0 RECOMMENDATION

7.1 That Members support the proposal contained in Paragraph 3.0 of this report.



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Background documents used in the preparation of this report:-

24/08/04 Letter to Police
27/10/04 Notices of advertised proposals
24/08/04 Letter to Members

APPENDIX A

STOURBRIDGE AREA COMMITTEE

THE BOROUGH OF DUDLEY (DISABLED PARKING PLACES)
(APRIL 2004) (PROGRAMME G) ORDER 2004

SITES WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN OBJECTED TO AND WHICH ARE RECOMMENDED
FOR INTRODUCTION

- (i) 29 Hall Street, Stourbridge
- (ii) 33 Cornwall Road, Wollaston
- (iii) 81 Vicarage Road, Wollaston
- (iv) 22 Platts Crescent, Amblecote
- (v) 87 Parkfield Road, Stourbridge
- (vi) 51 Bagley Street, Stourbridge
- (vii) 65 Vicarage Road, Lye

APPENDIX B

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SITE WHICH HAS BEEN OBJECTED TO WHERE IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE PLACE BE INTRODUCED IN A SLIGHTLY AMENDED LOCATION

Objection	Address of Applicant	Points made by Objector	Council's Comments
Resident of Ash Court, Ibstock Drive, Stourbridge	10 Ash Court, Ibstock Drive, Stourbridge.	Flat on ground floor, applicant has large van-type vehicle which will obscure view from window and reduce light.	Negotiations have been facilitated between the residents and a location has been found which does not obscure window of objector.

APPENDIX C

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PLACE TO BE REVOKED

- (I) 17 West Street, Stourbridge –Permit holder moved.