

Central Dudley Area Committee – Tuesday 9th March 2010

Report of the Director of the Urban Environment

Proposed Prohibition of Waiting Order in Paint Cup Row, Dudley Wood

Purpose of Report

1. To seek Area Committee's views on proposals for the introduction of a Prohibition of Waiting Order in Paint Cup Row, Dudley Wood.

Background

2. Paint Cup Row, Dudley Wood, is a narrow street, with an average width of approximately 4 metres. For a length of approximately 41 metres leading towards its junction with Dudley Wood Road, there is a footway on the southern side only, but due to its minimal width of approximately 0.5 metres, it is effectively unusable.
3. With this in mind, concern has been expressed by Local Ward Councillors regarding the presence of parked vehicles in Paint Cup Row and the potential danger that this may pose for school children who regularly use this street when walking to and from the nearby Dudley Wood Primary School.
4. Furthermore, concerns have also been expressed that, in the event of an emergency situation, larger emergency vehicles could face difficulty gaining access to the remaining part of Paint Cup Row due to the presence of parked vehicles.
5. As such, it was considered appropriate to investigate the possibility of a Prohibition of Waiting Order in Paint Cup Row and the current proposals are shown in more detail on plan number HT2822/3, attached as Appendix B.
6. An initial consultation process was undertaken with letters, plans and questionnaires being sent to the Police, Local Ward Members and those residents who were most likely to be directly affected between 12th October 2009 and 6th November 2009 with the formal advertisement through press and on-street notices taking place between the 3rd. December 2009 and 31st December 2009.
7. A summary of the objections received in response to the initial consultation process and the formal advertisement are detailed in Appendix A and copies of the written representations received are available for inspection by the Cabinet Member for Transportation.

8. In considering the objections received, associated with local residents ability to park on the public highway, it is considered that safety of users of the highway takes precedence and the prohibition of waiting Order be implemented.

Finance

9. The costs associated with the introduction of the Order would be met from within existing budgets.

Law

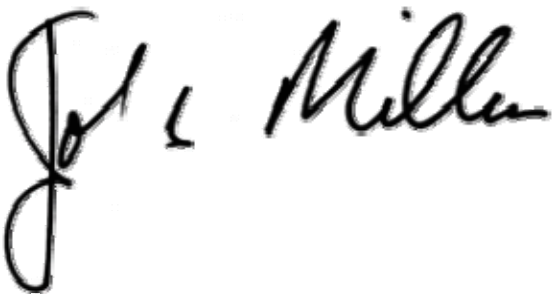
10. Traffic Regulation Orders are made under section 1 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.
11. Section 111 of the Local Government Act 1972 empowers the Council to do anything that is calculated to facilitate or is conducive to or is incidental to the discharge of any of its functions.

Equality Impact

12. The proposals contained within this report comply with the Council's Equality and Diversity Policy whilst also seeking to introduce measures that will be of direct benefit to children.

Recommendation

13. That the Area Committee's views on the proposed Safer Prohibition of Waiting Order in Paint Cup Row, Dudley, be forwarded to the Cabinet Member for Transportation.

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List of Background Papers

Correspondence received in response to consultation letters, on-street and press advertisements for the proposed Order.