

HALESOWEN AREA COMMITTEE – 9 November 2011

Report of the Director of the Urban Environment

Proposed Traffic Regulation Orders to Control Waiting and Moving Vehicles in the Greater Halesowen Area.

Purpose of Report

1. To seek the Committee's support for the introduction of two Traffic Regulation Orders in the Halesowen area

Background

2. Proposals resulting from requests from residents and businesses in a large area around Halesowen were advertised as set out below.
3. A letter was sent to the Police on 20 May 2010. Letters were sent to Ward Members on 21 May 2010 and 15 February 2011.
4. The proposals were advertised in the "Express and Star" newspaper on 14 March 2011 and also on street from 14 March 2011 to 8 April 2011.
5. Following advertisements, site meetings were held with Lutley Councillors.
6. The majority of the proposals received no objections. These unopposed sections were proceeded with to avoid delay.
7. The objections and recommendations are detailed in Appendix A.

Sustainable Transport

8. Measures to improve pedestrians' and cyclists' visibility around bends and junctions together with reducing obstructive parking would assist sustainable methods of travel.

Finance

9. The estimated cost of implementing the Traffic Regulation Orders referred to in this report is approximately £30,000, which can be met from the 2011-12 Minor Capital Allocation.

Law

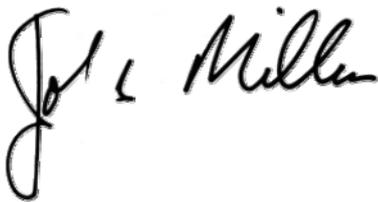
10. Traffic Regulation Orders are made under powers contained in Section 1 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, subject to regulations laid down by the Secretary of State.

Equality Impact

11. The proposal contained within this report comply with the Councils Equality and Diversity Policy, whilst also seeking to introduce measures to benefit vulnerable road users.

Recommendation

12. That members support and recommend the introduction of the two Orders to the Cabinet Member for Transportation, with the amendments recommended in Appendix A and Appendix B of this report.



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List of Background Papers

1. Letter to Police dated 20 May 2010.
2. Letters to Ward Councillors dated 21 May 2010.
3. Letters to Ward Councillors dated 15 February 2011.
4. 78 Letters and emails of objection to the Orders.
5. 6 letters of support for the Orders.
6. A petition of 39 signatures relating to Brookwillow Road.
7. A petition of 44 signatures relating to Chadbury Road.
8. A petition of 93 signatures relating to Hill Bank Road.
9. A petition of 84 signatures relating to Shenston Avenue.
10. A petition of 87 signatures relating to Spies Lane and adjacent roads.
11. A petition of 694 signature