

Cabinet Member for City Services

30 July 2018

Name of Cabinet Member:

Cabinet Member for City Services – Councillor J Innes

Director Approving Submission of the report:

Deputy Chief Executive (Place)

Ward(s) affected:

Upper Stoke

Title: Petition – Request for yellow lines and disabled bays on Mercer Avenue

Is this a key decision?

No

Executive Summary:

A petition of 90 signatures has been received requesting yellow lines and disabled bays outside St Albans Church, Mercer Avenue.

In accordance with the City Council's procedure for dealing with petitions, those relating to waiting restrictions are heard by the Cabinet Member for City Services. The Cabinet Member had considered this petition prior to this meeting and in response to the request made, requested that the petition was dealt with by letter (determination letter), rather than a formal report being submitted to a meeting, to be able to deal with the matter more efficiently.

The determination letter advised of the action proposed and approved. On receipt of the determination letter the petitioner advised they did not wish the petition to be progressed by letter and wanted the issue to be considered at a Cabinet Member for City Services meeting.

The cost of introducing waiting restrictions is funded from the Highways Maintenance and Investment Capital Programme budget through the Local Transport Plan.

Recommendations:

Cabinet Member for City Services is recommended to:

1. Note the petitioners concerns
2. Endorse that the actions confirmed by determination letter to the petition spokesperson are undertaken.

List of Appendices included:

Appendix A – Location Plan

Appendix B – Determination letter

Background Papers

None

Other useful documents:

None

Has it been or will it be considered by Scrutiny?

No

Has it been or will it be considered by any other Council Committee, Advisory Panel or other body?

No

Will this report go to Council?

No

Report title: Petition - Request for yellow lines and disabled bays on Mercer Avenue

1. Context (or background)

1.1 A petition of 90 signatures has been received requesting yellow lines and disabled bays outside St Albans Church, Mercer Avenue. The petition is supported by Councillor Bains.

1.2 The petition advises:

'St Albans Church, Mercer Avenue, Coventry. Yellow lines + disabled bays outside church.'

1.3 St Albans Church is located on Mercer Avenue at the junction with North Street. A location plan is shown in Appendix A.

1.4 In accordance with the City Council's procedure for dealing with petitions, those relating to waiting restrictions are heard by the Cabinet Member for City Services. The Cabinet Member considered the petition prior to this meeting and in response requested that the issue was dealt with by determination letter rather than a formal report being submitted to a meeting, to be able to deal with the matter more efficiently.

1.5 The determination letter (copy in Appendix B) advised that we are already undertaking the legal process to install double yellow lines for junction protection at the junction of Mercer Avenue and North Street. However on Mercer Avenue, between North Street and Coventry Street, it would not be an appropriate location for the introduction of parking restrictions, as this would displace parking to neighbouring residential roads.

2. Options considered and recommended proposal

2.1 The recommended proposals in regard to the issues raised have already been approved and are detailed in the determination letter (Appendix B) and item 1.5.

3. Results of consultation undertaken

3.1 No consultation has been undertaken.

4. Timetable for implementing this decision

4.1 The actions described have already been undertaken.

5. Comments from Director of Finance and Corporate Services

5.1 Financial implications

None

5.2 Legal implications

There are no legal implications of the recommended proposal.

6. Other implications

6.1 How will this contribute to achievement of the Council’s key objectives / corporate priorities (corporate plan/scorecard) / organisational blueprint / Local Area Agreement (or Coventry Sustainable Community Strategy)?

N/A.

6.2 How is risk being managed?

None

6.3 What is the impact on the organisation?

None

6.4 Equalities / EIA

No specific equalities impact assessment has been carried out.

6.5 Implications for (or impact on) the environment

None

6.6 Implications for partner organisations?

None

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Appendix A – Location plan



Appendix B – Copy of text of determination letter

Re: petition submitted on 14 February 2017 and 5 February 2018

Subject matter: Request for yellow lines and disabled bays on Mercer Avenue

I am writing with regard to the above petition and your request for yellow lines and disabled bays on Mercer Avenue.

The matter was discussed with Councillor Innes, Cabinet Member for City Services, who has requested that this be dealt with by way of letter rather than a formal report being submitted to a future meeting.

Mercer Avenue between North Street and Coventry Street would not be an appropriate location for the introduction of parking restrictions, as this would displace parking to neighbouring residential roads. However, we have advertised proposals for double yellow lines for junction protection at the junction of Mercer Avenue and North Street.

I would be grateful if you could please confirm in writing, either by email or letter, as soon as possible, that you agree that the petition be progressed by way of this letter. If you do not agree, a report responding to your petition will be prepared for consideration at a future Cabinet Member meeting. You will be invited to attend this meeting where you have the opportunity to speak on behalf of the petitioners.