

Cabinet Member for City Services

9<sup>th</sup> September 2019

**Name of Cabinet Member:**

Cabinet Member for City Services – Councillor P Hetherton

**Director Approving Submission of the report:**

Deputy Chief Executive (Place)

**Ward(s) affected:**

Foleshill

**Title:** Petition – Objection to the Double Yellow Lines on the Bend at Ena Road

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**Is this a key decision?**

No

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**Executive Summary:**

A petition of 64 signatures has been received requesting the removal of the double yellow lines (no waiting at any time) from one of the bends on Ena Road (outside 1 Ena Road). Double yellow lines were installed on both bends on Ena Road in 2018.

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 the 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 reasons for the installation of the double yellow lines, the issues taken into consideration and the approved action in response to the petition, which was not to remove the double yellow lines. 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 or making changes to 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 (as detailed in paragraph 1.9 of the report).

**List of Appendices included:**

Appendix A – Location Plan

Appendix B – Determination Letter and Petitioners Response

**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 – Objection to the Double Yellow Lines on the Bend at Ena Road

## **1. Context (or background)**

- 1.1 A petition of 64 signatures has been received requesting the removal of the double yellow lines (no waiting at any time) from one of the bends on Ena Road (outside 1 Ena Road).
- 1.2 The petition contains a covering letter with many personal details and also advises:  
  
*'We the undersigned, petition against the double yellow lines on one of the curves at Ena Road.'*
- 1.3 Ena Road together with Newland Road and Thornhill Road forms a 'loop' of roads accessed from Leicester Causeway. The roads are one way and access through the area can only be gained by travelling from Newland Road to Ena Road and through to Thornhill Road before exiting on to Leicester Causeway. There is a bend each end of Ena Road and the road also narrows at these locations. A location plan is shown in Appendix A.
- 1.4 Double yellow lines were proposed on the bends at each end of Ena Road in response to a request from Waste Services; parked vehicles were creating access issues resulting in missed collections.
- 1.5 To install double yellow lines (no waiting at any time) requires a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO). The statutory legal procedure to install a TRO includes the advertisement of the proposal and a 21 day objection period.
- 1.6 The TRO was advertised in the local press and notices were posted on lamp columns in the area of the proposed restrictions on 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018, advising that any formal objections should be made in writing by 19<sup>th</sup> April 2018. In addition, letters were also sent to residents who would be directly affected, due to waiting restrictions being installed on the public highway outside their property. No objections were received to the Ena Road proposals and the TRO became operational on 28<sup>th</sup> August 2018.
- 1.7 The covering letter with the petition refers to personal details, therefore these have not been detailed in this report. However, the Cabinet Member for City Services received these details to assist in the consideration of the petition.
- 1.8 In accordance with the City Council's procedure for dealing with petitions, those relating to waiting restrictions and road safety 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.
- 1.9 The determination letter (copy in Appendix B) advised that the double yellow lines were implemented in the summer of 2018; no objections to the proposals had been received. It also advised that the no waiting restriction applies to the back of the footway and that the area outside no. 1 is not suitable for parking due to the adjacent pedestrian accesses, in particular to the play area. Therefore, it was not proposed to remove the double yellow lines.

## **2. Options considered and recommended proposal**

- 2.1 The recommended proposal to the issue raised has already been approved and is detailed in the determination letter (Appendix B) and paragraph 1.9 of the report.

**3. Results of consultation undertaken**

3.1 No formal consultation has been undertaken since the implementation of the double yellow lines.

**4. Timetable for implementing this decision**

4.1 No further action is proposed.

**5. Comments from Director of Finance and Corporate Services**

5.1 Financial implications

The Council is not expected to incur any additional costs in relation to the option presented, which is to retain the double yellow lines.

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) Climate Change and the Environment**

None

**6.6 Implications for partner organisations?**

None

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Appendix A – Location plan



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## **Appendix B – Copy of text of determination letter & petitioner’s response**

**Re: petition submitted on** 13 February 2019

**Subject matter:** Against the double yellow lines at the bend on Ena Road

I am writing with regard to the above petition against the double yellow lines at the bend on Ena Road.

The matter was discussed with Councillor Hetherton, 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, so that it can be dealt with more quickly.

The double yellow lines were implemented in the summer of 2018 in response to a request from the Council’s Waste Services Team. No objections to the proposals were received. The restriction applies to the back of the pavement and the area outside your property is not suitable for parking due to the adjacent pedestrian accesses, in particular to the play area. Therefore, no amendment to the restrictions is proposed.

I would be grateful if you could please confirm in writing, either by email or letter, 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.

### **Additional information provided by petitioner**

Thank you for your email regarding the petition against the double yellow lines at the bend of Ena Road.

Where my vehicle is parked is not causing an obstruction to other road users including pedestrians.

In light of this, may I kindly request a senior traffic management officer come and visit to discuss the area.

I would be grateful if a report can be produced and sent to a future cabinet meeting, where I can be invited to speak on behalf of the petitioners.