

Cabinet Member for City Services

26 January 2022

**Name of Cabinet Member:**

Cabinet Member for City Services – Councillor P Hetherton

**Director Approving Submission of the report:**

Director of Transportation and Highways

**Ward(s) affected:**

Foleshill

**Title:**

Petition - Insufficient Parking in Peel Street

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**Is this a key decision?**

No

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**Executive Summary:**

A petition with 14 signatures was received requesting that the build-outs and dangerous trees in Peel Street be removed to create additional on-street parking.

In accordance with the City Council's procedure for dealing with petitions, those relating to on-street parking are heard by the Cabinet Member for City Services. The Cabinet Member had considered the petition prior to this meeting and 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 that the Council is unable to fund the creation of additional on-street parking from the Traffic Management budget due to limited funding, and that the trees are inspected periodically to see if any maintenance is required.

On receipt of the determination letter, the petition organiser advised that she wanted the issue to be considered at a Cabinet Member for City Services meeting.

The cost of changes to on-street parking provision 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 the actions confirmed by determination letter to the petition organiser (as detailed in paragraph 1.5 of the report).

**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 - Insufficient Parking in Peel Street

**1. Context (or background)**

1.1 A petition with 14 signatures was received requesting that the build-outs and dangerous trees in Peel Street be removed to create additional on-street parking. The petition was sponsored by Councillor Nazir.

1.2 The petition reads as follows:

*“Problem – Insufficient parking  
Required solution - Removal of the dangerous overgrown trees and surrounding verge to create more parking spaces”*

1.3 Peel Street is a residential road off Stoney Stanton Road. Sections of the kerb on the southern side of the road are built out to create grass verges with trees. A location plan is shown in Appendix A to the report.

1.4 In accordance with the City Council's procedure for dealing with petitions, those relating to road safety and parking issues 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 to the report) advised that, due to limited budgets, the Council is unable to fund the creation of additional on-street parking, and that the trees are inspected periodically to see if any maintenance is required.

1.6 The trees on Peel Street are inspected every three years. The most recent inspection was in August 2021 and all remedial works were completed by November.

**2. Options considered and recommended proposal**

2.1 The recommended actions in response to the issues raised have already been approved and are detailed in paragraph 1.5 and in the determination letter (Appendix B to the report).

**3. Results of consultation undertaken**

3.1 No formal consultation has been undertaken.

**4. Timetable for implementing this decision**

4.1 The agreed actions have already been implemented.

**5. Comments from the Chief Operating Officer (Section 151 Officer) and the Director of Law and Governance**

**5.1 Financial implications**

There are no financial implications to the Council of the recommended actions (paragraph 1.5).

The cost of changes to on-street parking provision is funded from the Highways Maintenance and Investment Capital Programme budget through the Local Transport Plan. The scheduling of works is based on the priority of the scheme and the funds available.

## **5.2 Legal implications**

There are no legal implications of the recommended proposal.

## **6. Other implications**

### **6.1 How will this contribute to the Council Plan ([www.coventry.gov.uk/councilplan/](http://www.coventry.gov.uk/councilplan/))?**

N/A.

### **6.2 How is risk being managed?**

N/A.

### **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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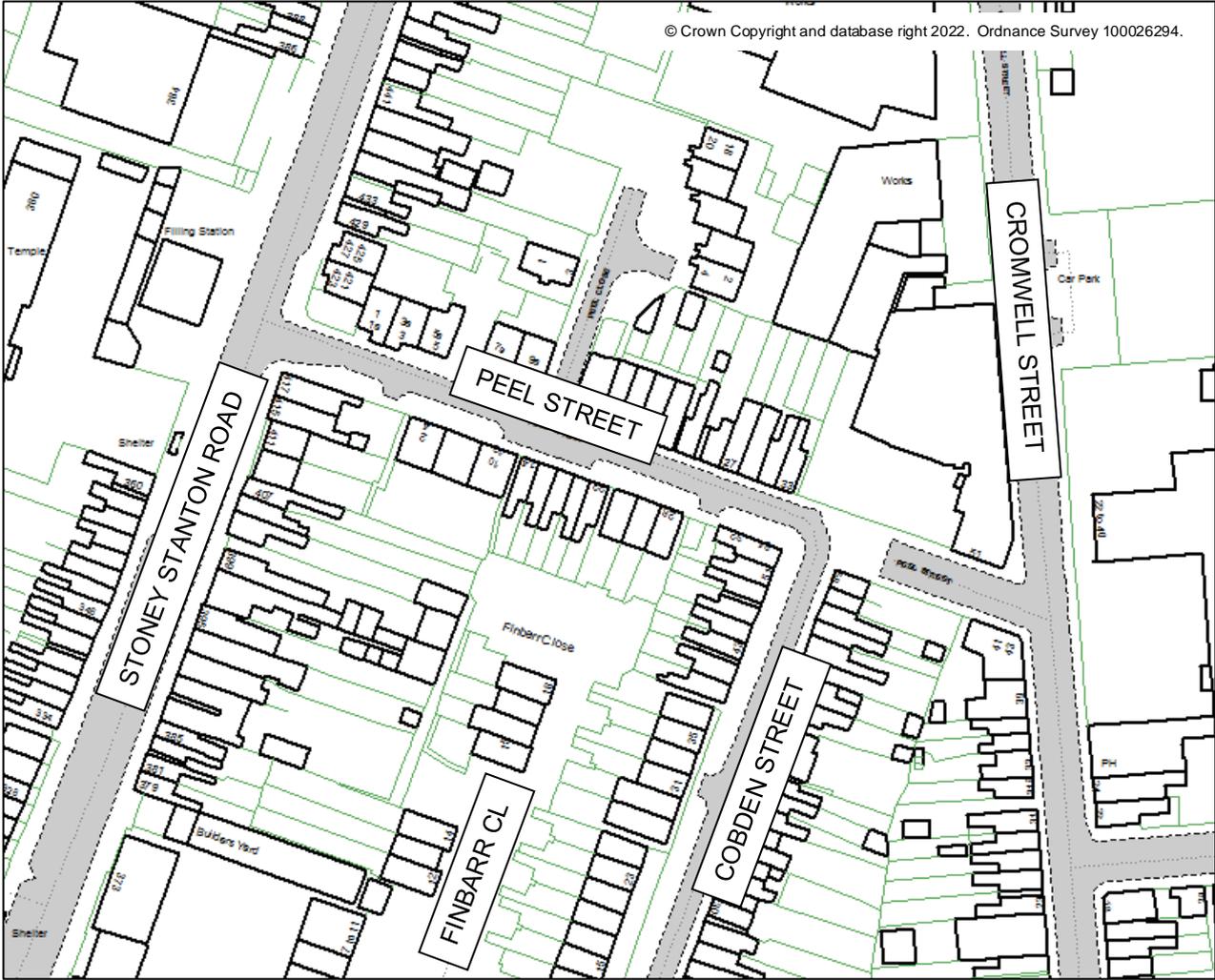
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Appendix A – Location plan



## **Appendix B – Copy of text of determination letter**

I am writing with regard to the above petition and your request for the build-outs and trees (which you state are dangerous) in Peel Street to be removed to create additional on-street parking.

The matter was discussed with Councillor Hetherington, 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.

Due to limited budgets, we are unable to fund the creation of additional on-street parking. With regards to the trees on Peel Street, these are inspected periodically to see if any maintenance is required.

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.