



<b>Report to:</b>	Sutton South, Cheam and Belmont Local Committee	<b>Date:</b>	10 September 2015
<b>Report title:</b>	Minor Parking Requests Funding 2015-16		
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<b>Ward/Areas affected:</b>	Sutton South, Cheam and Belmont		
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<b>Open/Exempt:</b>	Open		
<b>Signed:</b>		<b>Date:</b>	27 August 2015

## 1 Summary

- 1.1 This report outlines the process undertaken in respect of the prioritisation and request for funding of minor parking schemes within the Sutton South, Cheam and Belmont area for 2015-16.

## 2 Recommendations

It is requested that the Committee:

- 2.1 approves a total of £9,000, financed from the Local Transport Fund of £15,749 allocated to this committee, and this funding be used to cover the investigation, Traffic Management Order and implementation costs for the schemes listed below.
- 2.2 Delegates responsibility to process, consider and resolve any objections received to the Traffic Management Orders to the Executive Head of Safer and Stronger Communities, in consultation with ward councillors and the Local Committee Chair.

### Belmont Ward

#### **Downs Road**

Introduction of 'at any time' loading restriction (double kerb marks) to prevent obstruction of driveways, improve sightlines, and improve road safety.

#### **Hillside Road**

Introduction of 'at any time' waiting restriction (double yellow lines) protection markings to prevent obstruction, obstruction of driveways, improve sightlines, and improve road safety.

### Cheam Ward

#### **Kingsdown Road**

Introduction of 'at any time' waiting restriction (double yellow lines) protection markings to prevent obstruction, obstruction of driveways, improve sightlines, and improve road.



### **Mickleham Gardens junction with Pond Hill Gardens**

Introduction of 'at any time' waiting restriction (double yellow lines) junction protection markings to prevent obstruction, improve sightlines, and improve road safety.

### **Sutton South Ward**

#### **Tapestry Close**

Introduction of 'at any time' waiting restriction (double yellow lines) protection markings to prevent obstruction, obstruction of driveways, improve sightlines, and improve road safety.

### **3 Background**

- 3.1 Requests for new or amended parking restrictions are received by officers from local residents, Ward Councillors and MPs on behalf of their constituents on a regular basis.
- 3.2 These requests are considered by officers, checked to see if practicable and added to a database awaiting future consideration, when and if, suitable funding should become available.
- 3.3 At present borough-wide there are somewhere in the region of 320 requests for minor parking arrangements covering 256 streets. In the Sutton South, Cheam and Belmont Local Committee area there are currently 25 requests for 20 streets.
- 3.4 Funding for parking restrictions is usually requested from one of two funding streams:

#### **Local Transport Fund (LTF)**

A discretionary sum of £100,000 from Transport for London's (TfL) annual Local Implementation Plan (LIP) allocation to the borough split between all Local Committees.

#### **Public Realm Funding**

Council capital funding allocated annually per capita across all Local Committees based on the population per area.

### **4 Process**

- 4.1 Once identified and approved, all parking restrictions require further investigation which would normally include the following:-
  - Site visits; problem diagnosis, analysis, solution development, traffic flow and safety assessment;
  - Production of scheme drawings;
  - Informal public consultation with residents/businesses;
  - Revision of scheme drawings following informal consultation (if required);
  - Formal Traffic Order consultation to enable Council enforcement;
  - Determination of responses and objections;
  - Issuing a works instruction to contractors and supervising the implementation on the ground;
  - Liaison with Councillors, members of the public, road users and businesses; and
  - Liaising with Parking Services over matters of enforcement.



- 4.2 As part of the formal consultation process notices are advertised in a local paper and The London Gazette. Whenever possible a number of parking schemes are combined into one Traffic Management Order to reduce costs and make more effective use of limited resources. However, a typical traffic order costs about £2,000 to £3,000 excluding non statutory consultation and design costs.
- 4.3 As the proposals are to be treated as a single batch, all of the processes will be streamlined to ensure value for money. The budget request therefore covers all of the proposals for this batch.
- 4.4 Requests for parking restrictions are often received in response to issues raised by a sole resident which can, on occasion, be a perceived rather than actual problem.
- 4.5 As a result schemes identified for priority action need to represent those where there are recognised safety issues and which are likely to be supported, rather than generating objections. However, it should be noted that the Council does have the authority to override objections were it to consider that restrictions were necessary on road safety grounds.

## **5 Options Considered**

- 5.1 Information relating to the assessment of the 25 requests for 20 streets within the Sutton South, Cheam and Belmont Local Committee area was circulated for consideration to the Chair and Vice Chair at a meeting held on 24 August 2015.
- 5.2 At the same meeting held on 24 August 2015 schemes were selected for the 2015-16 programme, taking into account the Local Transport Fund (LTF) budget for the year.

## **6 Impacts and Implications**

### Financial

- 6.1 The costs of design, informal consultation, statutory Traffic Order consultation and implementation of £9,000 can be funded from the LTF Capital Funding.

### Legal

- 6.2 Any proposed Traffic Order would be made in accordance with the detailed provisions of the Local Authorities Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996 (SI No.1996/2989). This includes consultation, publication of notice of any proposed order, consideration of any objections received before any Order is confirmed and giving notice of any order made.



**7 Appendices and Background Documents**

Appendix Letter	Title
None	n/a

Background Documents
None

Audit Trail		
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Consultation with other officers		
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Finance	Yes	Tony Cooke
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