

Title of meeting: Cabinet Member for Transport Decision Meeting

Date of meeting: 30 January 2024

Subject: TRO 26B/2023 - Various Parking and Waiting Restrictions

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Cabinet Member: Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson, Cabinet Member for

Transport

Wards affected: Paulsgrove and Central Southsea

Key decision: No

Full Council decision: No

1. Purpose of report

1.1 To consider the public response to the proposed parking and waiting restrictions in several locations in Portsmouth.

In this report, TRO means Traffic Regulation Order.

Appendix A: The public proposal notice for TRO 26/2023

Appendix B: Public views submitted.

Appendix C: Plans for Sennen Place and Pepys Close

2. Recommendations

It is recommended to the Cabinet Member for Transport that:

- 2.1 The proposed No Waiting At Any Time restriction in Sennen Place adjacent to No. 36 is approved.
- 2.2 The proposed removal of the Permit holders only 4.30-6.30pm bay outside No. 8 Pepys Close to facilitate off road parking facility is approved.
- 2.3 It is noted that the remainder of TRO 26/2023 is being brought into operation under TRO 26A/2023 and is in the process of being implemented.



Any proposals approved following this report will be brought into operation under TRO 26B/2023.

3. Background

- 3.1 Parking restrictions and amendments are considered and may be proposed where concerns are raised by residents, councillors, the public and/or emergency, public or delivery services in relation to road safety and traffic management, and/or to accommodate a change to the highway network. Traffic Regulation Orders are put forward each year in response to such concerns and requests, raised about locations across the city.
- 3.2 Parking congestion has continued to increase in most parts of the city. This has led to some drivers parking in places they would not have considered previously, such as on bends or within road junctions. Parking in some of the less suitable locations has either become normal practice, or road safety issues would occur if motorists chose to park there in future. Therefore, it has been necessary to consider new parking restrictions in some locations.
- 3.3 TRO 26/2023 contained a number of proposals and the notice informing the public of the proposals is included as Appendix A. Two of the proposals received objections and those are detailed in this report. The other proposals have been approved under delegated powers and are being introduced separately to those under consideration in this report.

Sennen Place

- 3.4 A request to extend the double yellow lines at the entrance to Sennen Place was to prevent accidents was received from a member of the public. The north-western access route for Sennen Place is protected by No Waiting At Any Time, double yellow lines, except for 10 metres that is unrestricted. The request was considered and the proposal is to close this unrestricted gap to prevent on-street parking within this section of the access road. The proposal received one objection and one comment in support.
- 3.5 Visibility of oncoming vehicles is compromised by both parking in this area and the road layout, when accessing or exiting the area. This has led to opposing vehicles to come into conflict. Whilst the road layout cannot be altered an improvement is possible with restricting the parking.
- The road has a footpath on both sides of the road. The north-western footpath is protected by wooden bollards. However, the footpath on the eastern side is not protected and there is little scope to add protection. This footway is the main footway leading to the majority of properties on the North-western side of Sennen Place and to the roads beyond. The footway is shallow and level with the road, mainly being defined by a brickwork layout. This lack of protection means that drivers utilise the footway to avoid oncoming vehicles, which could lead to conflict with pedestrians and cyclists.



3.7 Properties in Sennen Place have garages and off-street parking facilities. There is further unrestricted parking available nearby on Lock View.

Pepys Close

3.8 The parking bay proposed for removal is within the ME Residents' Parking Zone and the proposal received one objection. The removal of a parking bay for one vehicle is to allow access to an off-road parking facility. A dropped kerb, with associated permissions has already been granted and constructed. Although onstreet parking for one vehicle is proposed for removal, the off-street parking facility is for several vehicles so additional parking has been created by the homeowner.

4. Consultation and notification

- 4.1 The statutory consultation (publication of a Notice of Intent) is a legal obligation and is an opportunity for anyone affected by the proposed restrictions to give their views and to indicate if they support or object to the proposals. Each response is considered on its own merits, and any questions are answered.
- 4.2 The Notice of Intent was published in the Portsmouth News and on the Council's Website on 23 June 2023. Notices were also erected on street furniture in the vicinity of the proposed changes to the restrictions.
- 4.3 A copy of the Notice of Intent is included in Appendix A, each objection is shown in Appendix B with the personal details redacted.

5. Reasons for recommendations

- 5.1 In view of the objection and support from residents in Sennen Place, it is considered that on balance the reduction in risk to drivers and vulnerable road users outweighs the loss of parking facility for two vehicles.
- 5.2 It is recommended that the removal of the parking bay outside No. 8 Pepys Close is approved as a parked car in this bay will create an obstruction to the householder from utilising their off-street parking.

6. Integrated impact assessment

6.1 A full Integrated Impact Assessment (IIA) accompanies this report, in Appendix D.

7. Legal implications

7.1 The council, as traffic authority for the City of Portsmouth, may by Order designate



parking places on highways in their area for vehicles or vehicles of any class specified in the order and may make charges for vehicles left in such parking places. It may also provide off-street parking places on similar terms.

- 7.2 In determining what places can be so designated the council is required to consider both the interests of traffic and those of the owners and occupiers of adjoining property and in particular shall have regard to:
 - (a) the need for maintaining the free flow of traffic
 - (b) the need for maintaining reasonable access to premises and
 - (c) the extent to which off-street parking accommodation is available in the neighbourhood
- 7.3 A local authority can by order under section 45 of the 1984 Act designate parking places on the highway (on-street parking), for vehicles or vehicles of any specified class in the order and may charge for such parking as prescribed under section 46. Such Orders may designate a parking place for use only by such person or vehicles or such person or vehicles of a class specified in the order and may specify that such charges or restrictions are to apply at specified times only. Any variations to such orders must be made by traffic order in the same way as the original order.
- A proposed traffic order must be advertised, and the statutory consultees notified and given a 3-week period (21 days) in which to register any support or objections. If objections are received to the proposed order the matter must go before the appropriate executive member for a decision whether or not to make the order, taking into account any comments received from the public and/or the statutory consultees during the consultation period.

8. Director of Finance's comments

| 8.1 | All costs associated with the recommendations in this report are covered under the |
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| | On Street Parking budget. |

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Appendices:

Appendix A: public proposal notice for TRO 26/2023

Appendix B: public views submitted (redacted)

Appendix C: Plans for Sennen Place and Pepys Close

Appendix D: Integrated Impact Assessment

Background list of documents: Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972

The following documents disclose facts or matters, which have been relied upon to a material extent by the author in preparing this report:

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Appendix A

THE PORTSMOUTH CITY COUNCIL (VARIOUS ROADS) (PARKING PLACES, WAITING RESTRICTIONS AND AMENDMENTS) (NO. 26) ORDER 2023

Notice is hereby given that the Portsmouth City Council proposes to make the above Order under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. The effects of the Order would be as follows:

1. To introduce no waiting at any time restrictions in the following lengths of road:

CHIDHAM ROAD, *east side,* from a point 7 metres south of its junction with Chalkridge Road southwards for 3 metres;

CLAXTON STREET, *south-west side*, from a point 24 metres north-west of its junction with Railway View north-westwards to its north-western closed end; *north-east side* from to a point 25 metres north-west of its junction with Railway View north-westwards to its north-western closed end:

COURT LANE, *east side*, from its junction with Old Manor Way northwards for 10 metres; **FOSTER ROAD**, *south-west side* from a point 10 metres north of its junction with Hale Street North to a point 10 metres south of that junction;

HAWTHORN CRESCENT, *south side*, from a point 30 metres southeast of its junction with Wembley Grove to a point 8 metres south-east of that point;

METHUEN ROAD, *south side*, from a point 61 metres east of its junction with Hatfield Road in an easterly direction for a distance of 20 metres;

PARKSTONE LANE, *south side* from its junction with Craneswater Avenue in a westerly direction for a distance of 15 metres;

MOORINGS WAY, *south-east side*, from a point 7 metres west of its junction with Salterns Avenue south-westwards for 11 metres;

THE HARD, south-west side from a point 32 metres north-west of the projected west side of Victory Road in a south-easterly direction for a distance of 121 metres. (in place of Pay & Display parking places 8am - 6pm);

PHOENIX SQUARE, *both sides of the southern turning head*, from a point 5 metres north of the southern end in a northerly direction for a distance of 3 metres, *south side* from a point 10 metres west of the southern turning head to a point 10 metres east of that turning head:

ROCHFORD ROAD *north side,* from a point 10 metres west of its junction with Allaway Avenue to a point 3 metres east of its junction with Mellor Close;

SENNEN PLACE *north-west side*, from its junction with Lock View to a point 3 metres north-east of its intersection with the extended south-western building line of number 36 Sennen Place;

SIMPSON ROAD, *south side,* from a point 33 metres west of its junction with Simpson Road access road in a westerly direction for 10 metres; and

VILLIERS ROAD, *north side,* from a point 4 metres west of its junction with Clarence Road westwards for 4 metres.



2. To delete the following parking place:

ST DAVID'S ROAD, Waiting limited to 3 hours, no return within 4 hours or LB permit holders; west side, from a point 61 metres north of its junction with Victoria Road North in a northerly direction for a distance of 6 metres

3. To remove part of the following parking places:

METHUEN ROAD Residents Parking Places (MH Zone) 6pm – 8pm, south side, reduction of 2 metres at the eastern end of the parking bay outside No 151; **PEPYS CLOSE, Permit holders only 4.30-6.30pm** west side, outside No 8, to accommodate a dropped kerb;

COURTMOUNT GROVE, Permit holders only 6pm - 8pm *south side,* outside No. 22 to accommodate a dropped kerb and

CHIDHAM ROAD, Residents Parking Place - Non Residents 2 Hours Exemption, No Return Within 4 Hours Mon-Fri 6am-6pm, east side, outside No. 30 Chalkridge Road to accommodate a dropped kerb.

4. To update the existing traffic orders relating to "No waiting at any time" restrictions to ensure consistency on the following roads (these would not make any changes on the public highway):

FARLINGTON ROAD, from a point 5 metres north of its junction with Chichester Rd to a point 8 metres south of that junction;

PARKSTONE LANE, *south side*, from its junction with Parkstone Avenue in an easterly direction for a distance of 41 metres;

SHEFFIELD ROAD Both sides, from a point 2 metres west of its easternmost end eastwards to its eastern closed end (including turning head); and **AIRSPEED ROAD**, *all sides*, for their entire lengths

- 5. Copies of the draft Order, plans and Statement of Reasons are available to view on Portsmouth City Council's website: Search "Traffic Regulation Orders 2023" at www.portsmouth.gov.uk. Alternatively, they can be viewed at the Civic Offices, Guildhall Square, PO1 2AL, Monday to Friday between 9am - 4pm. Printed copies can be obtained by calling 023 9268 8501.
- 6. Persons wishing to object to these proposals must do so by sending their representations to TROteam@portsmouthcc.gov.uk or by post to TRO team, Portsmouth City Council, Civic Offices, Portsmouth PO1 2NE, quoting ref TRO 26/2023 within 21 days of the date of this Notice (i.e. by 14 July 2023) stating the grounds for the objection. Under requirements of current access to information legislation, please note that all representations submitted in response to this Notice, may be made available for public inspection. Full details of the Council's Data Protection privacy notice can be viewed on the website.

23 June 2023 Felicity Tidbury, Assistant Director of Regeneration (Transport) Portsmouth City Council



Appendix B

Support to No Waiting At Any Time proposals in Sennen Place under TRO 26/2023

1. Resident, Sennen Place

I applaud and fully support your proposed decision to make the corner of this road far safer for all residents and members of the public, I have reported dangerous incidents of near head on collisions and pedestrians having to jump out of the way after cars have mounted the pavement due to the narrow entrance being blocked by commercial and private vehicles. You may also be aware of the recent accident involving a cyclist and an elderly driver who swung out past the commercial vehicle, clipping the cyclist and knocking him off his bike – your decision to extend the yellow lines will save further accidents – Well done!

Objection to No Waiting At Any Time proposals in Sennen Place under TRO 26/2023

1. Resident, Sennen Place

Further to a notice tied to a lamp post in Sennen place.

I would like to ask why the extra yellow lines are to be extended on the north-side of property 36 Sennen place.

There has not been any accidents in the estate.

Please take this as my objection to the new lines.

Can you please let me know why this needs to take place



Objection to removal of a Permit holders only 4.30-6.30pm bay proposals in Pepys Close under TRO 26/2023

2. Resident, unknown

I would like to object to the dropped kerb at Pepys Close.



Appendix C





