

Officer Decision Report

Title: Temporary Traffic Regulation Order covering waiting restrictions around various natural beauty site across Buckinghamshire County to stop inappropriate parking.

Date decision taken:

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Local Members Affected

(Denham)
Councillor R Reed, Councillor B Harding, Councillor G Hollis, Councillor M Bradford, Councillor S Chhokar, Councillor D Smith and Councillor B Gibbs,

(Great Brickhill)
Councillor B Everitt and Councillor S Raven,

(Ivinghoe)
Councillor A Wright, Councillor S Jenkins, Councillor C Poll, Councillor D Town and Councillor P Cooper,

(Stoke Poges and Wexham)
Councillor R Bagge, Councillor W Matthews, Councillor L Sullivan, Councillor T Egleton, Councillor D Anthony, Councillor D Dhillon, Councillor M Lewis, Councillor P Griffin, Councillor J Jordan, Councillor R Sangster and Councillor M Bradford

Decision

Approve the publishing and making of a Temporary Traffic Regulation Order covering waiting and loading restrictions around various areas of outstanding natural beauty across Buckinghamshire to prevent obstructive parking as detailed in Appendix 1.

Reasons for the decision

1. The scheme aims to control the competing demands for the available parking space whilst preventing obstructive parking to improve both road safety and the environment for local residents and others by introducing “24 hour rural clearway” and “No stopping at any time on verge or footway” on Rowley Lane, Black Park Road, Billet Lane and

Bellswood Lane in the Stoke Poges and Wexham ward on Denham Court Drive, Black Park Road, Fulmer Common Road, Pinewood Road and Alderbourne Lane in the Denham ward on Brickhill Road in Great Brickhill ward and on Upper Icknield Way, Northfield Road and Westfield Road in Ivinghoe ward.

2. Funding for the consultation and implementation has been secured from the Country Parks department.

Authority to take this decision

Council scheme of delegation July 2015, TEE 3e.

Other options available, and their pros and cons

Not to proceed with this temporary order may result in the highway around these sites being obstructed by inappropriately parked vehicles. Which could result in emergency vehicles not being able to access through these areas.

Conflicts of interest

None

Feedback from Consultation

Cabinet Member for Logistics Councillor David Martin were consulted for which we received the following comments "For public safety reasons, including ensuring access to emergency vehicles, I support the installation of clearways and verge parking bans at all locations detailed in the Temporary Order for a period of 18 months. Prior to the expiration of the Temporary Order, parking reviews and local consultations should be undertaken to determine if the restrictions in force on any of the scheduled roads may be made permanent."

Leader of the council Councillor Martin Tett, Councillor Ray Sangster and Councillor Malcolm Bradford are all in support of the scheme. No comments have been received in objection to the scheme from the other councillors representing the wards this scheme affects.

Pitstone Parish Council commented "The parish council considered this correspondence at their full council meeting last night. They would like to thank Buckinghamshire Council for their efforts to try and resolve the current situation".

In line with national legislation notice will be published at least seven days before the making of the order and notice that the order has been made will be published within fourteen days. Copies of the signed Temporary Traffic Regulation Order will be added to the deposit documents and made available to the public.

Background papers

Appendix 1 – Draft Temporary Traffic regulation Order.

Other

Statement of reasons:

Due to Covid-19 and the restrictions placed on the public in relation to social distancing and travel areas of outstanding beauty across Buckinghamshire have become very popular, unfortunately most of these site have limited parking. The public are now parking in locations which may obstruct access for the emergency services.

Under Section 14(1) of the **Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, the specified reasons for considering this temporary change are:-

1. To avoid danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising.

2. For facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).

Your questions and views

If you have any questions about the matters contained in this paper please get in touch with the Contact Officer whose email address is given at the head of the paper.

Approval Signature

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Richard Barker". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'R' and a long, sweeping underline.

Richard Barker
Corporate Director Communities

Date 30 June 2020