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Exeter Highways and Traffic Orders Committee 9 July 2019

Monks Road Area Residents Parking

Report of the Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste

Please note that the following recommendations are subject to consideration and determination by the Committee before taking effect.

Recommendation: It is recommended that:

- (a) the results of the consultation be noted;
- (b) the committee approve the implementation of a residents parking scheme in the Monks Road area, subject to the modifications detailed in section 3 of this report; and
- (c) the decision on any comments submitted on the proposed modifications detailed in section 3 of this report is delegated to the Chief Officer in consultation with Local Member and Chair.

1. Background/Introduction

Residents parking for the Monks Road area was first considered in 1999. Since then the council consulted local residents in 2006 and 2015. On these three occasions the residents were not in favour of a scheme and the proposals were not progressed.

Following the extension of the adjacent S2 zone in 2018, there was increasing requests from local residents to reconsider proposals and in January 2018 members considered a petition from residents of the Priory Road area and agreed to consult residents on whether they would be supportive of a scheme. The results of the consultation were presented to this committee on 9 April 2019 when it was resolved to advertise a scheme. This report details the results of this statutory consultation.

2. Consultations

The statutory consultation for the traffic regulation order took place between 23 May and 14 June 2019. The consultation was advertised in the Express and Echo and on-street and residents were also sent a postcard highlighting the advert. Details of the proposals were available at Exeter Civic Centre, County Hall, Mount Pleasant Health Centre and on the council's website.

During the consultation the council received 231 responses from 192 addresses.

The results of whether residents support or oppose the introduction of residents parking are shown in the table in Appendix I and on the map in Appendix II.

A summary of the comments submitted, and the County Council's response can be found in Appendix III.

3. Proposal

Of the 231 responses to the consultation, 187 were from properties within the consultation area with the majority of these addresses (68%) in favour of the introduction of residents parking restrictions.

It is noted that responses from residents in Greyfriars Road, Mount Pleasant Road, Pinhoe Road and Whitefriars Walk indicate residents do not support the introduction of restrictions. However, given the overwhelming support from the adjacent streets it is felt that to omit these roads would create an unacceptable pressure on parking on these roads and therefore it is proposed that restrictions be introduced on all roads in the proposed scheme.

After consideration of the comments it is proposed that some of the restrictions are modified from the proposals advertised. These are:

- to change the proposed Limited Waiting bay in Cloister Road, adjacent to 185 Monks Road, to Residents Parking At Any Time Zone T3
- to change the proposed no waiting at any time outside 257 & 259 Monks Road, to Residents Parking At Any Time Zone T3
- to change the proposed Limited Waiting bay outside to 263 Monks Road, to Residents Parking At Any Time Zone T3

This would allow additional parking options for residents at these locations.

Modifications of this nature will require more local consultation and it is recommended that this is carried out and that the final decision on these elements is delegated to the Chief Officer in consultation with the Local Councillor and Chair of HATOC.

There are a number of requests to consider changes to existing lengths of No Waiting At Any Time. It is not possible to consider these as part of this traffic regulation order, but the requests will be considered as part of a future review of restrictions in Exeter.

4. Options/Alternatives

The option of doing nothing has been considered but would not be in keeping with the results of the consultations undertaken.

An option to reduce the area has been considered but due to the potential displacement it is proposed that restrictions be introduced on all roads in the proposed scheme.

5. Financial Considerations

A total of £50,000 has been allocated from the on-street parking account to fund Traffic Management Plans on a County-wide basis. It intended to draw upon this funding to progress the traffic regulation order and consultations proposed in this report.

6. Environmental Impact Considerations (Including Climate Change)

The introduction of restrictions would remove commuter parking in residential areas. This will encourage sustainable travel and reduce traffic looking for a parking space and improve air quality.

7. Equality Considerations

No new policies are being recommended in this report but an Equality Impact and Needs Assessment has been completed for new residents parking schemes.

8. Legal Considerations

When making a Traffic Regulation Order it is the County Council responsibility to ensure that all relevant legislation is complied with. This includes Section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 that states that it is the duty of a local authority, so far as practicable, secures the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of traffic and provision of parking facilities.

9. Risk Management Considerations

No risks have been identified.

10. Public Health Impact

The scheme will have a positive public health impact by encouraging sustainable travel for commuters. Including walking and cycling, with associated health benefits. Supporting active travel, such as walking and cycling, is a key component of the Devon 'Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

11. Reasons for Recommendations

The recommendation to progress with a traffic regulation order for the Monks Road area is based on the results of the statutory consultation.

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Local Government Act 1972: List of Background Papers

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None

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Do you support the introduction of residents parking in your street/area?

Breakdown of responses by Road

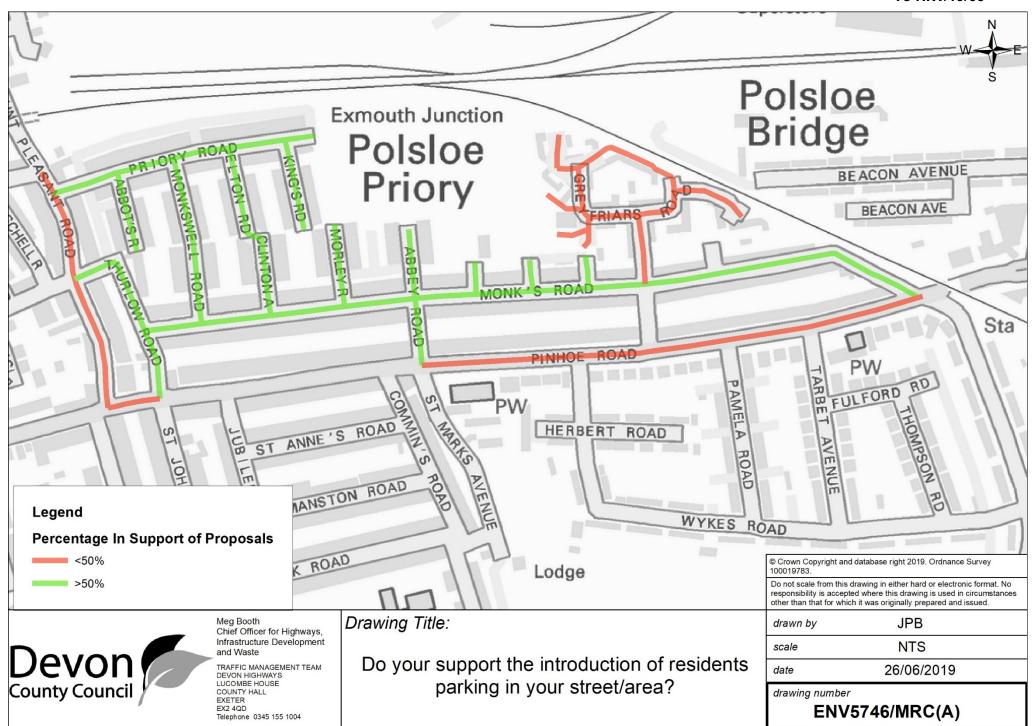
	Correspondence				
Road	Yes	%	No	%	Total
OUT OF AREA/UNKNOWN	1	20.0%	4	80.0%	5
ABBEY ROAD	13	86.7%	2	13.3%	15
ABBOTS ROAD	9	100%			9
CLINTON AVENUE	5	100%			5
DEVON ROAD	1	100%			1
ELTON ROAD	10	83.3%	2	16.7%	12
GREYFRIARS ROAD	3	30.0%	7	70.0%	10
KINGS ROAD	2	100%			2
MONKS ROAD	56	67.5%	27	32.5%	83
MONKSWELL ROAD	13	92.9%	1	7.1%	14
MORLEY ROAD	6	75.0%	2	25.0%	8
MOUNT PLEASANT ROAD	1	33.3%	2	66.7%	3
PINHOE ROAD	2	9.5%	19	90.5%	21
PRIORY ROAD	30	83.3%	6	16.7%	36
THURLOW ROAD	5	83.3%	1	16.7%	6
WHITEFRIARS WALK			1	100%	1
	157	68.0%	74	32.0%	231

Addresses

Yes	%	No	%	Total
1	20.0%	4	80.0%	5
11	84.6%	2	15.4%	13
7	100%			7
4	100%			4
1	100%			1
8	80.0%	2	20.0%	10
3	33.3%	6	66.7%	9
2	100%			2
43	64.2%	24	35.8%	67
12	92.3%	1	7.7%	13
5	83.3%	1	16.7%	6
1	33.3%	2	66.7%	3
2	11.1%	16	88.9%	18
24	85.7%	4	14.3%	28
4	80.0%	1	20.0%	5
		1	100%	1
128	66.7%	64	33.3%	192

Properties

Floperties			
Count	% return		
0	0.0%		
18	72.2%		
20	35.0%		
18	22.2%		
12	8.3%		
23	43.5%		
87	10.3%		
24	8.3%		
258	26.0%		
43	30.2%		
20	30.0%		
66	4.5%		
119	15.1%		
83	33.7%		
11	45.5%		
13	7.7%		
815	22.9%		
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Appendix III To HIW/19/65

Comments Submitted

Location	Comment	No. of responses	Response
Abbey Road Clinton Avenue Elton Road Monks Road Monkswell Road Morley Road Pinhoe Road Priory Road	Parking problems are due to too many residents cars.	1 1 7 1 3 2 2	Comment noted. The aim of a residents parking scheme is to remove vehicles that are not associated with the area, it does not aim to prevent residents from parking their own vehicles. However, as new residents move into the area they will be limited to a maximum of 2 permits so over time there should be less residents vehicles on-street.
Abbey Road Abbots Road Clinton Avenue Elton Road Greyfriars Road Kings Road Monks Road Monkswell Road Morley Road Mount Pleasant Road Prinhoe Road Thurlow Road	Students park here.	2 1 1 2 1 1 12 5 2 1 2 9	Comment noted.
General Abbey Road Abbots Road Clinton Avenue Devon Road Elton Road Kings Road Monks Road Monkswell Road Morley Road Priory Road Thurlow Road	Commuters park here.	1 3 5 3 1 1 1 14 5 1 15 2	Comment noted.
Greyfriars Road Monks Road Morley Road Pinhoe Road	Public transport should be improved so that commuters can use that instead of their cars.	1 1 1 1	Comment noted.

Location	Comment	No. of responses	Response
Monks Road Pinhoe Road	Introducing residents parking will only displace the problem.	2 2	Any restriction on parking may move the issue to other areas. It is considered that there is a limit to how far people are prepared to walk to get to their destination.
Abbey Road Clinton Avenue Elton Road Monks Road Monkswell Road Morley Road Pinhoe Road Priory Road	Residents parking will make it more difficult to have visitors.	1 1 1 4 1 2 6 2	Limited waiting bays have been included in the design of the scheme and visitor permits will be available to purchase. The introduction of restrictions will remove a number of vehicles parking in the area and hopefully make it easier for visitors to find a space.
Elton Road Monks Road	Support for No Waiting At Any Time in the service roads.	2	Comment noted.
Abbots Road Clinton Avenue Monks Road Monkswell Road Pinhoe Road Priory Road	Residents from other zones park here.	2 1 1 1 1 4	If the residents parking scheme is implemented as advertised residents from other schemes would not be able to park here.
Abbey Road Abbots Road Devon Road Monks Road Monkswell Road Priory Road Thurlow Road	Shoppers park here to go into the city centre.	1 1 1 3 1 3 1	Comment noted.
Abbots Road Monks Road Monkswell Road Priory Road	Football supporters park here.	2 3 2 3	Comment noted. This is why the scheme applies on all days.
Abbey Road Abbots Road Greyfriars Road Kings Road Monks Road Monkswell Road Morley Road Pinhoe Road Priory Road	Vehicles are parked badly causing obstructions.	2 3 1 1 5 3 1 1 4	It is proposed that all junctions will have protective No Waiting At Any Time marked to prevent obstructive parking. If new restrictions are introduced then there will be more CEOs in the area to enforce the existing restrictions.

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Elton Road Kings Road Monks Road Morley Road Mount Pleasant Road	The university should be discouraging students from bringing cars to university with them.	3 1 1 1 1	Exeter University actively discourage students not to bring cars with them.
Abbots Road Greyfriars Road Monks Road Morley Road Thurlow Road	Permits should be limited to two per household.	1 1 2 3 1	When a new scheme is implemented residents are permitted to have as many permits as they have cars. Once the scheme is live, new residents moving in to the area will be limited to a maximum of 2 permits.
Priory Road	Request for No Waiting At Any Time in the service road next to 1 Priory Road.	1	We are unable to add restrictions to this proposal but this will be passed on for consideration in a future review.
Monks Road	Residents should be given as many permits as they need, for houses of multiple occupancy there may not be enough permits for all of the residents.	3	At the start of a new residents parking scheme residents are able to buy permits for all vehicles based at that address. However, as new residents move into the area they will be limited to a maximum of 2 permits per address and should be aware of this when moving in.
General Monks Road Mount Pleasant Road Pinhoe Road Whitefriars Walk	There is no problem parking here.	1 4 1 10 1	Comment noted. These plans were drafted because Devon County Council received reports that parking had worsened in the area and residents were struggling to find parking near their homes.
Monks Road Thurlow Road	Residents parking would reduce congestion.	1 1	Comment noted.
Abbey Road Clinton Avenue Monkswell Road	Restriction times should be Monday to Friday 10am-4pm.	1 1 1	The proposed times of operation are based on those requested by residents during previous consultations.
Abbey Road Monks Road Monkswell Road	Supports the restriction times proposed.	1 4 1	Comment noted.

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Priory Road	Why is residents parking extended to the service roads, they are too narrow to park in.	1	The service roads are within the zonal area and therefore covered by the restriction which will prevent non-permit holders parking there.
Pinhoe Road	Remove the parking restrictions in other areas.	1	We would not consider removing restrictions in other areas of the city as they have been introduced to manage traffic and parking in those areas and are supported by the residents in those areas.
Priory Road	Can Civil Enforcement Officers issue Penalty Charge notices to cars in the service roads (with or without a residents parking permit)?	1	Civil Enforcement Officers can issue a penalty charge notice to cars without a resident parking permit parking in the service roads. Motorists should not park in the service roads as they should be kept free for access. It is anticipated that once the scheme starts residents will have more space on-street to park.
Monks Road	Request for Monks road to become one way - running from east to west (from Thurlow Road towards Polsloe Bridge).	1	This request cannot be considered within the scope of this traffic order.
Pinhoe Road	The first residents permit should be free then charges to apply for households with more than one car.	1	The cost of a residents parking permit is calculated to cover the cost to implement, enforce and maintain the scheme.
Monks Road Pinhoe Road	Does not want to pay for a residents permit.	5 1	The cost of a residents parking permit is calculated to cover the cost to implement, enforce and maintain the scheme.
Priory Road	If a resident does not own a car will they still be allocated a parking space?	2	As part of the proposed scheme there will be no allocated spaces.

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General Monkswell Road	Request for No Waiting At Any Time in all service roads.	1 1	Cars should not be parking in service roads as they cause an obstruction. In many of the service roads in this area it would be difficult to mark double yellow lines because the surface of the road is in poor condition and not suitable for lining.
Abbots Road Monks Road Monkswell Road Morley Road Priory Road	Cars park in service roads when they should not as it causes an obstruction.	1 3 4 2 4	It would not be appropriate to introduce No Waiting to all back lanes due to the road surface and maintenance needs. It is hoped that the introduction of a residents parking scheme will reduce pressure on these lanes, reducing the parking that currently takes place.
Mount Pleasant Road	Will No Waiting At Any time be marked in Thurlow Road behind the properties with access on Mount Pleasant Road?	1	The dropped kerbs for 110 & 111 will have no waiting at any time. The remaining accesses will be within the proposed residents parking zonal restriction which means that only residents of the property displaying a permit may park there. The civil enforcement officers can issue a penalty charge notice to vehicles that do not meet this criteria.
Monks Road	Respondent opposes extension of No Waiting At Any Time outside 210 Monks Road.	6	No Waiting At Any Time has been proposed outside 210 Monks Road to prevent the service lane and dropped crossing from being obstructed.
Monks Road	Opposes the introduction of double yellow lines on the inside and outside of the bend as they remove more parking.	1	After further consideration it is recommended that a modification is proposed to change the proposed no waiting at any time outside 257 & 259 Monks Road, to Residents Parking At Any Time Zone T3 to increase parking availability for local residents.
Monks Road Pinhoe Road	No guarantee of a space.	1 1	If residents parking is implemented there should be more parking available for residents.

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Elton Road	Respondent concerned that they will not get enough visitor permits.	1	The number of visitor permits is standard across all resident parking schemes in the county. The number of visitor permits allows for residents to receive visitors, whilst still giving residents priority over the available parking space.
Priory Road	How will residents parking affect blue badge holders?	1	Blue badge holders are exempt from residents parking restrictions so they would not have to buy a residents parking permit as long as the blue badge was displayed in their vehicle when parking in the residents parking zone/bay. Blue badge holders must consider whether they would take their blue badges out with them when travelling in another car and leave their car in a residents zone without a permit.
Monks Road	There should be parking made available for students in the city.	1	Comment noted. Exeter University actively discourage students not to bring cars with them.
Monks Road Monkswell Road Morley Road Priory Road	Students bring too many cars into the area.	2 1 2 1	Comment noted. Exeter University actively discourage students not to bring cars with them.
Abbots Road Monks Road Monkswell Road Priory Road Thurlow Road	Parking has got worse since residents parking was introduced in other areas.	1 5 2 2 1	Comment noted.
Priory Road	Residents are unaware that they will have to pay for parking as it is not made clear in the information provided.	1	The cost of a residents parking permit is stated on the advert which has been published in the local press, made available locally, online and posted on affected streets. Information on the cost of permits was included in previous consultation information circulated to all residents in November 2018 and can also be found on the Devon County Council website.
Monks Road Monkswell Road	Respondent is a landlord.	1 1	Comment noted.

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Monkswell Road	Would landlords be eligible for permits in the new zone?	1	Landlords can apply for the annual landlord and letting agent dispensation permit. Details are available on the Devon County Council website.
Monks Road	We have a relative come to care for our children, is there a permit we can get for them?	1	You may be eligible for an essential visitors permit, more information can be found on the Devon County Council website.
Monks Road Pinhoe Road	Respondent feels that there should be some residents parking available in Cloister Road.	4 1	These comments have been noted, and as a result it is recommended that a modification is proposed to change the proposed Limited Waiting bay adjacent to 185 Monks Road, to Residents Parking At Any Time Zone T3.
Monks Road	Why are so many limited waiting spaces proposed for Cloister Road?	1	Limited waiting bays have been proposed in various locations around the Monks Road area to enable residents/businesses to have visitors/customers. We are unable to mark limited waiting bays in streets with zonal residents parking which is why bays are provided at the edge of the zone. However, see recommendation above.
Greyfriars Road	Visitor permits should be free.	1	The cost of a residents parking permit is calculated to cover the cost to implement, enforce and maintain the scheme.
Greyfriars Road	Will visitor permits have to be used for tradesmen?	1	Tradesmen will be eligible for dispensation permits which exempt them from residents parking restrictions. This scheme applies across Devon so many Tradesmen will already be aware and involved in the scheme.
Abbey Road Clinton Avenue	Respondent would prefer to have more limited waiting bays mixed in with residents parking rather than in just a few places.	1 1	Limited waiting bays have been proposed in various locations around the Monks Road area to enable residents/businesses to have visitors/customers. We are unable to mark limited waiting bays in streets with zonal residents parking.

Location	Comment	No. of responses	Response
Thurlow Road	Respondent is a business owner in the area.	1	Noted.
Thurlow Road	Will parking provision be made for the businesses in the area?	1	There are limited waiting bays proposed throughout the scheme and where businesses are present there has been provision made for customers. Vehicles that are essential for the day to day operation of the business would also be eligible to apply for business permits.
Monks Road Pinhoe Road	Does not support the 2 hour limited waiting at the end of Monks Road (near the railway track).	4 1	Limited waiting bays have been proposed in various locations around the Monks Road area to enable residents/businesses to have visitors/customers. We are unable to mark limited waiting bays in streets with zonal residents parking which is why bays are provided at the edge of the zone.
Morley Road	Where can I view results of this consultation and previous ones?	1	Details of this and previous consultations can be viewed on our website; http://devon.cc/exeterresidentparking
Monks Road Pinhoe Road	Could a review of the limited waiting at the end of Monks Road take place? It will limit parking for residents at that end of the road	1 2	These comments have been noted, and as a result it is recommended that a modification is proposed to change the proposed Limited Waiting bay outside to 263 Monks Road, to Residents Parking At Any Time Zone T3.
	and from Pinhoe Road.		It is also proposed that the extent of No Waiting At Any Time on the north-east side be considered as part of a future review of restrictions as it is not possible to do this as part of the current traffic regulation order.

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Monks Road	Suggestion that the No Waiting At Any Time next to the railway track be reduced and Limited Waiting spaces put there so that residents parking space can be put opposite.	1	See above.
Morley Road	Suggestion that a 6 month trial of residents parking is carried out and if the situation does not improve that it be returned back to unrestricted parking.	1	It is not possible or cost effective to introduce a 6 month trial.
Pinhoe Road	Could some two hour spaces be put outside the church on Pinhoe Road instead of those proposed at the end of Monks Road?	2	The proposed scheme does not include the south side of Pinhoe Road and therefore it is not appropriate to introduce restrictions on this side for this scheme.
Monks Road	Reducing parking next to the railway line on Monks Road may cause an increase in travelling speeds.	3	It is not proposed to reduce the amount of parking adjacent to the railway line and it is not envisaged that the restrictions will affect the speed of traffic.
Monks Road	Are residents of Pinhoe Road proposed to be part of the new scheme?	1	It is proposed that even numbers 94 to 268 be included in the T3 scheme.

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Pinhoe Road	Will residents of Pinhoe Road be limited to zone T3? What happens to T3 permit holders if a new zone is introduced to the streets of the other side of Pinhoe Road in the future?	1	There are no plans to make any other roads in the area residents parking at this time. If a scheme were proposed then a decision would be made at that time. Residents would be able to comment on the proposals as part of the statutory consultation for that scheme.
Monks Road	Staff attending a supported living house every day will not be able to park if residents parking is introduced.	1	The residents may be eligible for an Essential Visitors Permit or the workers may be eligible for a carers exemption permit. Details of these can be found on the Devon County Council website. In addition, there are limited waiting bays proposed as part of the scheme which staff could also use.
Elton Road	Student houses should be limited to two permits per house.	1	At the start of a new residents parking scheme residents are able to buy permits for all vehicles based at that address. If new residents move in after the implementation of a new scheme they will only be eligible for two permits per property.