Mid Devon Highways and Traffic Orders Committee 9 March 2021

Local Waiting Restriction Programme

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) work on the local waiting restriction programme is noted;
- (b) the recommendations contained in Appendix II to this report are agreed.

1. Summary

This report is to consider the submissions to the statutory consultation on the restrictions proposed in the Mid Devon area, as part of the local waiting restriction programme.

2. Background

In early 2020, a list of requests for new or amended waiting restrictions for the Mid Devon area was collated by the council. These requests have been considered by officers and proposals drafted. Officers have consulted the relevant local County Councillors and Chair/Vice Chair before they were advertised from 1 January until 9 February 2021.

A summary of the proposals advertised can be found in Appendix I and the associated plans have been attached as supplementary information to this report.

3. Consultations/Representations

Details of the objections received to these proposals, and the County Council's response are shown in Appendix II to this report.

Following advertisement:

- Proposals which did not attract objections will be implemented.
- Proposals that received objections are detailed in Appendix II to this report with recommendations for each location.

4. Financial Considerations

The total costs of the scheme will be funded from the Minor Traffic Management Improvements budget, funded by Local Transport Plan grant.

There is a cost to the Council in advertising a new Traffic Order for each Committee Area, this will be approximately £1,500. In addition, the costs of any changes to signing or lining will be attributed to that Order.

5. Legal Considerations

The lawful implications and consequences of the proposal have been considered and taken into account in the preparation of this report.

When making a Traffic Regulation Order it is the County Council's 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. It is considered that the proposals comply with Section 122 of the Act as they practically secure the safe and expeditious movement of traffic.

6. Environmental Impact Considerations (Including Climate Change)

The proposals are intended to rationalise on street parking and improve mobility and access within the district and are designed to:

- Enable enforcement to be undertaken efficiently.
- Encourage commuters to make more sustainable travel choices e.g. Car Share, Public Transport, Walking and Cycling.
- Assist pedestrians and other vulnerable road users in crossing the highway.

The Environmental effects of the scheme are therefore positive.

7. Equality Considerations

There are not considered to be any equality issues associated with the proposals. The impact will therefore be neutral.

8. Risk Management Considerations

No risks have been identified.

9. Public Health Impact

There is not considered to be any public health impact.

10. Reasons for Recommendations

The proposals rationalise existing parking arrangements within the HATOC area by:

- Enabling enforcement to be undertaken efficiently.
- Encouraging those working in the town to make more sustainable travel choices e.g. Car Share, Public Transport, Walking and Cycling.
- Assist pedestrians and other vulnerable road users in crossing the highway.

The proposals contribute to the safe and expeditious movement of traffic in Mid Devon and therefore comply with Section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

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Electoral Divisions: All in Mid Devon

Local Government Act 1972: List of Background Papers

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Background PaperDateFile ReferenceNil

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Details of Proposals Advertised

Councillor	Plan Reference	Location	Parish/Town	Proposals	Statement of Reasons
John Berry	ENV5808/001	Millway Gardens	Bradninch	Request for No Waiting At Any Time.	To improve visibility exiting junctions.
John Berry	ENV5808/002	New Street	Cullompton	No Waiting At Any Time outside Nos. 9 to 15 New Street.	Parking in between APMs still causing obstruction for entrances to cottages behind New Street.
John Berry	ENV5808/003	Queens Square	Cullompton	Introduce No Waiting At Any Time on a both sides of a section of Queen Square.	Parking causing obstruction - emergency service vehicles unable to get through.
Margaret Squires	ENV5808/004	Road past St James Church	Chawleigh	Introduce No Waiting At Any Time outside of the Hall.	To prevent obstructive parking causing visibility issues.
Margaret Squires	ENV5808/005	Silverdale	Silverton	Introduce No Waiting At Any Time between High Street and no. 2 and at the junction with the northern spur.	Obstructive parking/visibility issues.
Nick Way	ENV5808/006	A3072	Bow	Amend lengths of No Waiting to No Waiting At Any Time outside Wych Wood.	To prevent obstructive parking.
Nick Way	ENV5808/007	Church Lane	Cheriton Bishop	Introduce No Waiting At Any Time on eastern side of the junction with the C50.	To prevent obstructive parking.
Nick Way	ENV5808/008	Alexandra Road	Crediton	Introduce Limited Waiting on the south side of the road between the junctions of St Martins Lane and Peoples Park Road.	To prevent obstructive parking (widely used by students at Queen Elizabeth School).

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Nick Way	ENV5808/009	Spruce Park	Crediton	Introduce No Waiting At Any Time at the junction with the southern spur.	Junction protection.
Nick Way	ENV5808/010	Exeter Road	Crediton	Introduce No Waiting At Any Time at the junction with Four Mills Lane.	Obstructive parking.
Nick Way	ENV5808/011	St Martins Lane	Crediton	Extend No Waiting At Any Time from the junction with Alexandra Road.	Remove 2-3 parking spaces as traffic currently backing up during peak times.
Nick Way	ENV5808/012	o/s 2 Threshers	Crediton	Extend No Waiting At Any Time.	Obstructive parking.
Nick Way	ENV5808/013	Down End, Lords Meadow	Crediton	Removal of limited waiting to allow unrestricted parking.	Limited Waiting is hardly ever used.
Nick Way	ENV5808/014	Old Tiverton Road	Crediton	Extend the No Waiting At Any Time on western side of the junction with Blagdon.	Obstructive parking in front of vehicular/ pedestrian access
Nick Way	ENV5808/015	Union Road	Crediton	Upgrade a length of existing No Waiting to No Waiting At Any Time.	Obstructive parking causing exiting issues for Church Street.
Polly Colthorpe	ENV5808/016	Little Silver	Tiverton	Introduce No Waiting At Any Time at junction of Collipriest Road.	Junction protection.
Polly Colthorpe	ENV5808/017	Fore Street	Tiverton	Extend No Waiting At Any Time at junction with St Andrews Hill and Angel Hill.	To prevent parking on the junction.
Polly Colthorpe	ENV5808/018	Barrington Street	Tiverton	Introduce School Keep Clear outside Castle Primary School.	To prevent vehicle blocking and improve pupil safety.

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Polly Colthorpe	ENV5808/019	Bolham Lane	Tiverton	Introduce No Waiting At Any Time along the Iane.	To prevent parking on blind corner.

Summary of Submissions

Plan ENV5808/001 – Millway Gardens, Bradninch 1 respondent – Bradninch Town Council	
Comment	Devon County Council Response
Objections	Reason for Proposal
1 objection from Bradninch Town Council as they feel	Request for No Waiting At Any Time
the proposed No Waiting on Millway, opposite Millway Gardens (adjacent to gate 26) is too long and want it	to improve visibility exiting junctions.
reduced by 1 car length.	Officer Comments
	Support noted.
Support	
The town council supports the No Waiting at the junction of Millway Gardens/Millway.	The proposed restriction prevents parking within 20 metres of the junction, as detailed in the Highway Code.
Recommendation: Implement restrictions as advertised.	

Plan ENV5808/002 – New Street, Cullompton 3 respondents – 2 residents of New Street and 1 resident of Willand		
Comment	Devon County Council Response	
 Objections 2 respondents objected on the grounds: 1 respondent said there are no current parking issues blocking the streets. 1 respondent said there is limited parking available for the residents of New Street if they can't park here at night. 	Reason for Proposal No Waiting At Any Time outside Nos. 9 to 15 New Street as parking in between the Access Protection Markings is still causing obstruction for entrances to cottages behind New Street.	
Supporting 1 respondent supported the proposal on the grounds that they want No Waiting At Any Time the whole length as cars damage the kerbs and block the pavements. Emergency vehicles struggle and cars must mount the kerb to avoid parked cars.	Officer Comments Parking is permitted at locations where it does not cause a problem. However, the parking outside 11 restricts the turning movement and the restriction is proposed to ensure access to Floods Lane and the parking behind no. 9.	
Recommendation: Implement restrictions as advertised.	·	

Comment	Devon County Council Response
Objection	Reason for Proposal
1 respondent objected on the grounds that there are no	Introduce No Waiting At Any Time on
current parking issues blocking the streets.	a both sides of a section of Queen
	Square to prevent parking causing
Supporting	obstruction where emergency service
2 respondents both supported the proposal on the	vehicles are unable to get through.
grounds:	
Lack of visibility for traffic leaving Lower Mill Lane.	Officer Comments
Wants the proposal extended around 2 Queens	Parking is permitted at locations
Square to improve visibility from Lower Mill Lane.	where it does not cause a problem.
	Due to the width of the road, it is
	considered that parking would be
	likely to cause an obstruction.
	Further restrictions outside No. 2
	could be considered at a later review.

Implement restrictions as advertised.

Plan ENV5808/005 – Silverdale, Silverton 2 respondents – 1 resident of Silverdale & 1 resident of Park Close, Silverton on the behalf of a Silverdale resident		
Comment	Devon County Council Response	
 Objection respondent objected on the grounds that parking opposite the drive will make it difficult to use. Suggestion respondent proposed extending the No Waiting At Any Time to the opposite side for the same length to prevent further parking problems. 	Reason for ProposalIntroduce No Waiting At Any Timebetween High Street and no. 2 and atthe junction with the northern spurbecause of obstructive parking/visibility issues.Officer CommentsIt is considered the road is wideenough to allow manoeuvring in andout of the driveways with parkingopposite, however if problems doarise then further restrictions can be	

Implement restrictions as advertised.

Plan ENV5808/006 – A3072, Bow 14 respondents – 10 residents of Bow, including Bow Parish Council, 2 residents of Devon

Devon	
Comment	Devon County Council Response
 Objections 13 respondents objected on the grounds: 12 respondents stated that there is limited parking already in Bow and with 1 one these respondents saying that 12 houses use these spaces and there isn't enough room in the town to park elsewhere. 9 respondents say that cars parked are currently a good speed reduction as the town suffers from speeding vehicles. 3 respondents said there is already substantial No Waiting At Any Time around this location. 5 respondents said displacement of parking will cause issues, 1 stating it will increase aggravation between residents. 3 respondents awid this not a safety issue as pulling out of driveways onto main roads is part of living in villages/towns/cities. With 1 further explaining the proposals would create more of danger due to the increased speed of cars, its safer to pull out at the tail-end of traffic. Bow Parish Council do not support. Support 1 respondent subported on the grounds they have had previous issues with people parking over drive or so close they are having difficulty getting out. Suggestions 2 respondent submitted suggestion which are: 1 respondent asking to put No Waiting At Any Time around the junction from A3072 to Zeal Monachorum. 1 respondent is asking for a single priority lane and bays on the road which will mean cars wont park on the pavement and will act as a speed reducer. 	 Devon County Council Response Reason for Proposal Amend lengths of No Waiting to No Waiting At Any Time outside Wych Wood to prevent obstructive parking. Officer Comments In light of the comments received it is recommended that the proposals are reduced by 5 metres (approx. one car length). This will still improve the visibility when exiting whilst retaining as much on-street parking as possible. Parking is permitted at locations where it does not cause a problem. Due to the visibility issues it is considered that parked cars should be removed to secure improved visibility when exiting. There are already yellow lines around the Zeal Monachorum junction. If further restrictions are requested, they should be discussed with the local County Councillor and the parish council and could be considered as part of a future review.
Recommendation:	

That the proposed restriction is shortened by 5 metres at the western end.

Plan ENV5808/007 – Church Lane, Cheriton Bishop 7 respondents – 6 residents of Cheriton Bishop & Cheriton Bishop Parish Council			
Comment	Devon County Council Response		
 Objections 5 respondents objected on the grounds: 2 respondents state there are no traffic problems at this location that isn't expected in a village this size. 2 respondents stated there are no parking problems. 1 respondent said removing this parking could cause displacement in residential areas and the main road. 	Reason for Proposal Introduce No Waiting At Any Time on eastern side of the junction with the C50 to prevent obstructive parking.		

 1 respondent said parking acts to slow traffic, and speed is more of problem than parking. Cheriton Bishop Parish Council oppose the suggested No Waiting At Any Time proposal. Support 2 respondents supported on the grounds of: 1 respondent stated cars parked at this junction create a safety hazard. 1 respondent wanted an extension to both sides of Church Lane. Suggestions Cheriton Bishop Parish Council would support the proposal if the length of No Waiting At Any Time was reduced to retain more parking on Church Lane to 	Officer Comments Parking is permitted at locations where it does not cause a problem. It is considered that parking at the junction does cause problems however there is scope to shorten the proposed restriction to retain some parking.
prevent displacement. Recommendation:	

That the proposed restriction is shortened by 10 metres at the northern end.

Plan ENV5808/008 – Alexandra Road, Crediton 12 respondents – 8 residents of Alexandra Road, 1 resident of St Lawrence's Green, 1 resident of Churchill Drive, 1 resident of Western Villas and Crediton Town Council.

Comment	Devon County Council Response
 Objections 9 respondents objected on the grounds: 9 respondents stated the proposal restrict local residents from parking near their property. 1 respondent said introducing limited waiting won't prevent obstructive parking. 3 respondents said this will cause displacement issues Crediton Town Council object to the Limited Waiting proposal. 	Reason for Proposal Introduce Limited Waiting on the south side of the road between the junctions of St Martins Lane and Peoples Park Road to prevent obstructive parking (widely used by students at Queen Elizabeth School). Officer Comments
• 2 respondents state that the current issues are worth putting up with compared to this proposal with 1 stating this is an overreaction.	Given the level of opposition it is recommended that the proposals are not progressed.
 Support 3 respondents supported on the grounds of: 3 respondents stated having issues leaving their driveway either by blocking or with safety leaving due to visibility. Crediton Town Council approve the No Waiting At Any Time on the proposal. 	
Suggestions 4 of those who objected suggested including residents parking with 1 explaining that it would be an empty bay most of the day which residents could not use, like St Lawrence's Green.	
Recommendation: It is recommended that the proposals are not progressed.	

Plan ENV5808/009 – Spruce Park, Crediton 3 respondents – 1 resident from Saxon Close, 1 resident from Bowden Hill and Crediton Town Council.

Comment	Devon County Council Response
Objections 1 respondent objected on the grounds there is no need to introduce measures as there are no parking problems.	Reason for Proposal Introduce No Waiting At Any Time at the junction with the southern spur for junction protection.
Support 2 respondents (including Credition Town Council) support the proposal.	Officer Comments The highway code makes it clear that vehicles should not park at a junction.
Suggestions 1 resident who supported also wanted No Waiting At Any Time on the junction of Park Road and Dokkum Road.	Further restrictions can be considered as part of a future review.
Recommendation: Implement restrictions as advertised.	

Plan ENV5808/010 – Exeter Road, Crediton

11 respondents – 5 residents from Exeter Road, 5 residents from in Crediton and Crediton Town Council.

Comment	Devon County Council Response
 Objections respondents objected on the grounds: 5 respondents say limited parking for residents here and this will create more difficulty. 2 respondents stated this will affect local business. Crediton Town Council object due to no historic issues of obstructive parking. 1 respondent said parked cars act as a speed reduction to moving traffic. 2 respondents want more spaces created to residents. Suggestions resident suggested making Four Mills Lane a one-way system from the station to prevent speeding, creating a danger to pedestrians, and the road being used as a rat run. 	 Reason for Proposal Introduce No Waiting At Any Time at the junction with Four Mills Lane because of obstructive parking. Officer Comments Parking is permitted at locations where it does not cause a problem. It is considered that parking at the junction does cause problems however there is scope to relax the proposed restriction and retain two parking spaces within the hatched area.
Recommendation: That the proposed restriction is relaxed to retain 2 parking spaces within the hatched marking on the carriageway. These two parking spaces would be approximately in the middle of the proposed restriction directly opposite No.10 Exeter Road.	

Comment	Devon County Council Response
Support Crediton Town Council support the proposal.	Reason for Proposal Extend No Waiting At Any Time from the junction with Alexandra Road to remove 2-3 parking spaces as traffic currently backing up during peak times.
	Officer Comments Support noted.

Plan ENV5808/012 – Threshers, Crediton 3 respondents – 1 resident of Threshers, 1 resident of Landscore and Crediton Town Council.

Comment	Devon County Council Response
Objection 2 respondents objected to any restrictions as this reduces the limited space for residents.	Reason for Proposal Extend No Waiting At Any Time to prevent obstructive parking.
 Support Crediton Town Council support the proposal. 1 resident supported No Waiting At Any Time on the North side. 	Officer Comments The proposed restrictions seek to protect the pedestrian dropped kerbs where vehicles should not be parked.
Suggestions 1 respondent wanted residents parking introducing.	
Recommendation: Implement restrictions as advertised.	

Plan ENV5808/013 – Down End, Crediton 1 respondent – Crediton Town Council.	
Comment	Devon County Council Response
Support Crediton Town Council support the proposal.	Reason for ProposalRemoval of limited waiting to allowunrestricted parking as the LimitedWaiting is hardly ever used.Officer CommentsSupport noted.
Recommendation: Implement restrictions as advertised.	

Plan ENV5808/014 – Old Tiverton Road, Crediton 3 respondents – 1 resident of Blagdon Terrace, 1 resident of Old Tiverton Road and Crediton Town Council.

Comment	Devon County Council Response
Objection	Reason for Proposal
2 respondents object to the proposal on the grounds of:	Extend the No Waiting At Any Time
• 1 respondent objected stating this will limit parking	on western side of the junction with
and the reason for this request was not reasonable.	Blagdon to prevent obstructive
• 1 respondent said there is currently limited parking	parking in front of vehicular/
available and this would mean residents would have	pedestrian access.
to park further away.	Officer Comments
Support	Parking is permitted at locations
Crediton Town Council support the proposal.	where it does not cause a problem. It
oreation rown obtainer support the proposal.	is considered that parking at this
Suggestions	location causes obstructions for the
1 respondent ask for daily permits to park on the No	adjacent access.
Waiting At Any Time.	
Recommendation:	
Implement restrictions as advertised.	

Plan ENV5808/015 – Union Road, Crediton
282 respondents – 104 residents of Crediton including Crediton Town Council, 138
residents from elsewhere in Devon and 40 respondents from outside of Devon.

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Comment	Devon County Council Response
We are aware that a social media post by the 'Union Road Moto Velo' café on this proposal has generated objections from across the country.	Reason for Proposal Upgrade a length of existing No Waiting to No Waiting At Any Time because of obstructive parking
Objections	causing exiting issues for Church
278 respondents objected on the grounds of:	Street.
 211 respondents said this would have a negative impact on local businesses. 150 respondents think there is no need for this restriction as there are no traffic issues at this location. 9 respondents want the one-way system on Church Street reversed. Crediton Town Council object stating there are no historical issues of obstructive parking. 1 respondent mentioned the café is used by community groups and this will limit access to the groups. 2 respondents mentioned this area is used by parents to drop children to the nursery or school. 5 respondents believed this would replace the 	Officer Comments Whilst there has been a significant number of responses to this proposal it is worth highlighting that existing restrictions already prohibits parking in this location Monday to Saturday between 8am and 6pm. Parking is permitted at locations where it does not cause a problem. It is considered that parking at this location causes obstructions for traffic turning right when exiting Church Street.
 unrestricted or limited waiting parking. 7 respondents mentioned that people parking for church are causing traffic problems and that the No Waiting At Any Time should be on side of Church Street not outside the Café. 	We are aware that the existing restriction is abused and the upgrade to double yellow lines will secure and maintain egress from Church Street

 101 out of 104 respondents from Crediton object. Union Road Moto Velo submitted a response stating they have 6 rooms in their B&B and which bring money for other businesses within Crediton and worried this proposal will kill local business. 	and provide a clear restriction for drivers to understand.
 Support 4 respondents supported the proposals on the grounds of. 4 respondents said that current parking is tight and can be hazardous and this would increase safety. 1 respondent mentions that parking demand on a Sunday creates a danger. 2 respondents mention that the road is not wide enough for cars and bikes to park, 2-way traffic and trying to pull out of Church Street. 3 out of the 104 respondents from Crediton support the proposal. 	
Recommendation: Implement restrictions as advertised.	

Plan ENV5808/016 – Little Silver, Tiverton 1 respondent from Higher Rewe, Shobrooke, Crediton	
Comment	Devon County Council Response
Objections 1 respondent objected on the grounds that there are no traffic issues at this location.	Reason for Proposal Introduce No Waiting At Any Time at junction of Collipriest Road for junction protection.
	Officer Comments The highway code makes it clear that vehicles should not park at a junction.
Recommendation: Implement restrictions as advertised.	

Plan ENV5808/019 – Bolham Lane, Tiverton (Road From Chettiscombe Cross to Lea Road) 16 respondents – 6 respondents from Waylands Corner, 4 respondents from Haynes Court, 3 respondents from Marley Close, 2 respondents from Chapel Street and 1 resident of Alsa Brook Meadow, Tiverton.

Comment	Devon County Council Response
 Objections 15 respondents objected on the grounds: 12 respondents stated that there is already limited parking compared to demand in the area and worried about displacement further into the housing estate 	Reason for Proposal Introduce No Waiting At Any Time along the lane to prevent parking on blind corner.
 causing issues. 4 respondents stated that parked vehicles help prevent speeding drivers, removing them will create a hazard. 	Officer Comments Parking is permitted at locations where it does not cause a problem. It is considered that parking at locations

 Support 2 respondents supported the no waiting near Lea Road only. 2 respondents support the no waiting on the junction at Waylands Corner for visibility reasons. 	along the road causes obstruction and visibility problems. The road is not wide enough to allow parking on the carriageway and have running traffic.
 Suggestions The following suggestions were made by respondents: 1 respondent proposed a chicane in the road rather than No Waiting At Any Time. 1 respondent proposed the No Waiting only being on the east side between Lea Road and Marley Road. 1 respondent proposed that the No Waiting should be between Lea Road and the lay by on the South West side. 3 respondents want grassland cut back to create parking. 1 respondent wanted the turning area near Lea Road to be turned into a parking area. 1 respondent wanted the scheme extended to include the junctions from Waylands Corner as far as the bridge. 	The county council does not have the resources to make the physical changes to create additional parking. This would also be against the councils aims of reducing car use in light of the climate emergency.
Recommendation: Implement restrictions as advertised.	·

Plan ENV5808 – Multiple or No Scheme Selected 3 respondents – 1 respondent from Kingsteignton, 1 from Tiverton and 1 from Sandford	
Comment	Devon County Council Response
 Objections 3 respondents objected but failed to identify which proposals they were responding to. 1 respondent submitted that they want free parking across all villages and market towns and that parking restrictions push people to shop online. 	Officer Comments The parking restrictions in each town have been introduced to manage the demand for parking in those communities.
Recommendation:	
No action necessary.	