

## **Instow 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 consultations be noted; and**
- (b) the residents parking scheme in Instow be implemented, subject to the list of properties eligible for permits be reviewed by the local County Councillor and Chair prior to the traffic order being made and sealed.**

### **1. Summary**

This report considers the results of the public consultation on the possible introduction of a residents parking scheme in Instow.

### **2. Introduction**

Following contact from local residents and discussions with the local County Councillor, proposals were drawn up to introduce residents parking restrictions in the Lane End Road area of Instow, as shown on the plan in Appendix I.

This report considers the responses submitted and makes recommendations on the next steps.

### **3. Consultations/Representations**

The consultations took place from 29 April until 3 June 2021 and households were sent details of how a residents parking scheme would work and invited to respond with their views.

The council received 33 responses to the consultation, 17 from addresses within the proposed area and 16 from outside the area.

21 responses indicated they supported the proposals with 12 indicating they opposed them.

A summary of the responses and the County Councils response can be found in Appendix II.

### **4. Proposal**

After consideration of the responses, shown in Appendix II, it is recommended that the restrictions are implemented as advertised. However, due to concern raised about the properties eligible to apply for permits, it is recommended that the list of eligible addresses is reviewed prior to the scheme going live.

Any changes to the addresses would then be notified to those affected properties.

## **5. Options**

An option of not doing anything has been considered and dismissed as this would not resolve the parking issues being experienced by the residents.

## **6. Financial Considerations**

A total of £20,000 has been set aside from the County-wide capital programme to fund Traffic Management Plans.

## **7. Legal Considerations**

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.

## **8. Environmental Impact Considerations (Including Climate Change)**

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

## **9. 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.

## **10. Risk Management Considerations**

No risks have been identified.

## **11. Public Health Impact**

It is considered that the proposed scheme will not impact public health.

## **12. Reasons for Recommendations**

After considering the comments, and that the majority of responses received are in favour of the scheme, it is recommended that the residents parking scheme is introduced.

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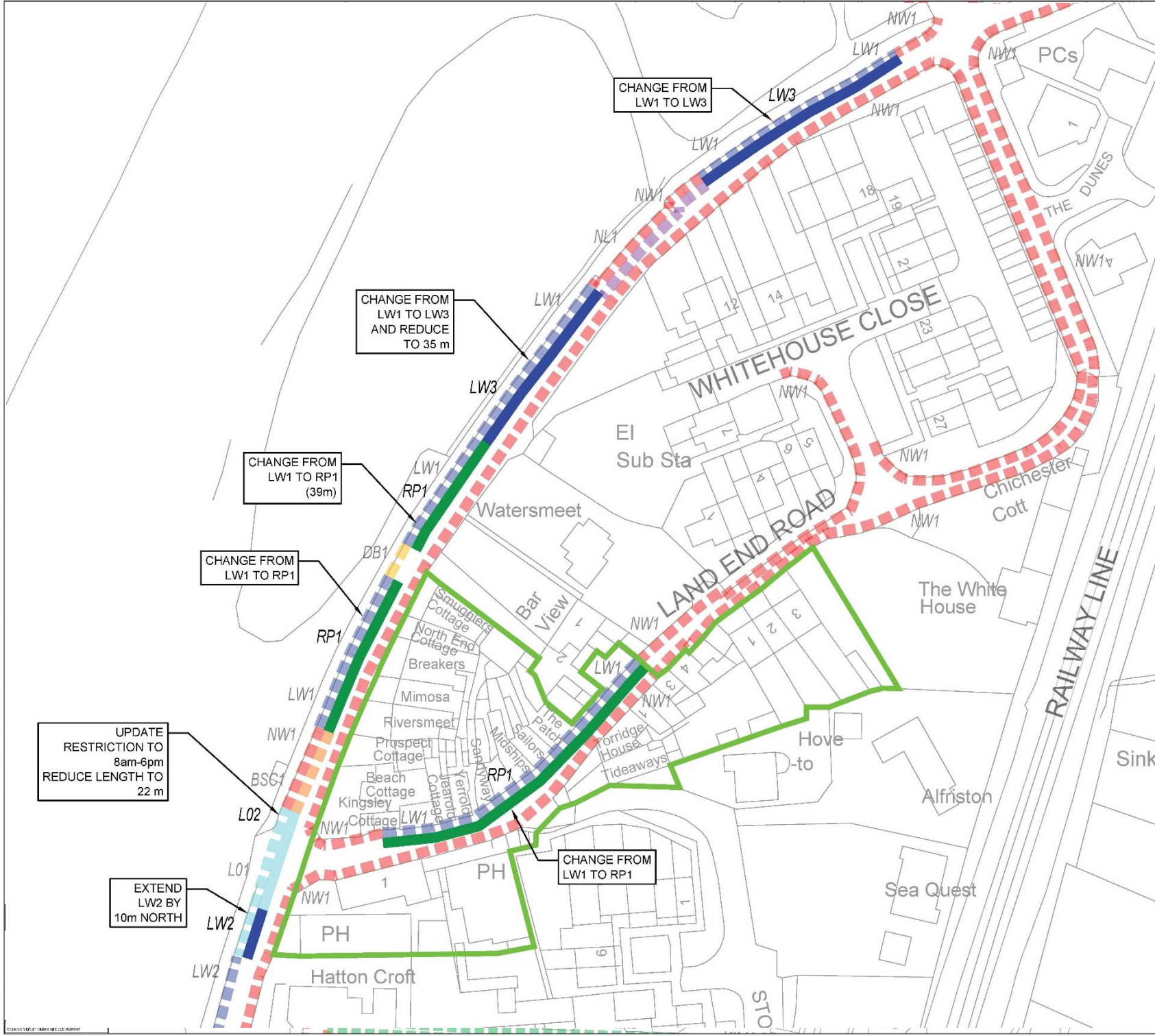
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# Appendix I To HIW/21/39



		KEY	
CODE	RESTRICTION TYPE	EXISTING	PROPOSED
	<b>NO WAITING</b>		
NW1	NO WAITING AT ANY TIME	[Red]	[Red]
NW2	NO WAITING 9AM-6PM 01 MAY - 30 SEPT	[Green]	[Green]
NL1	<b>NO LOADING</b>		
	<b>LOADING ONLY</b>		
L01	LOADING ONLY 9AM-6PM	[Light Blue]	[Light Blue]
L02	LOADING ONLY 8AM-6PM	[Light Blue]	[Light Blue]
	<b>LIMITED WAITING</b>		
LW1	LIMITED WAITING 9AM-6PM 01 JUL-31 AUG 2 HRS NO RETURN WITHIN 2 HRS	[Blue]	[Blue]
LW2	LIMITED WAITING 8AM-6PM 01 MAY-30 SEPT 1 HR NO RETURN WITHIN 1 HR	[Blue]	[Blue]
LW3	LIMITED WAITING 8AM-6PM 01 MAY-30 SEPT 2 HR NO RETURN WITHIN 2 HR	[Blue]	[Blue]
RP1	RESIDENTS PARKING <b>PARKING PERMIT BOUNDARY</b>	[Green]	[Green]
	ELIGIBLE PROPERTIES BOUNDARY RESIDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO APPLY FOR: - ONE RESIDENT PERMIT - ONE ESSENTIAL VISITOR PERMIT (FOR RESIDENTS IN NEED OF CARE IN THE HOME)		[Green]
	<b>OTHER RESTRICTIONS</b>		
BSC1	BUS STOP CLEARWAY NO STOPPING	[Yellow]	[Yellow]
DB1	DISABLED BAY	[Orange]	[Orange]
P03	17/12/2020 JM UPDATED TO INCLUDE BUILDING NAMES	PK	PK
P02	06/11/2020 JM UPDATED TO INCLUDE PROPOSED RESTRICTIONS	PK	PK
P01	11/06/2020 AG FOR REFERENCE	JM	PK
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### Comments Submitted

Comment	Road	Response
It's very difficult to find parking e.g. parking in the evening is difficult due to pub/restaurant visitors or residents who work during the day find it hard to find parking in the evenings.	3 x Marine Parade 5 x Lane End Road	View noted.
Restriction times should be extended to allow more time for residents to park in the evening (e.g 8am-8pm).	4 x Lane End Road	The times of operation are proposed to be consistent with the existing limited waiting on Marine Parade.  Any extension would need to apply to all restrictions in the area.
Needs to regularly wait or park elsewhere until parking close to home becomes available.	1 x Lane End Road	View noted.
Residents parking will have a negative impact for staff and owners accessing business in the area.	1 x Out of area	View noted. Restrictions are being proposed to ensure that residents have greater access to the limited parking in the area.
Residents parking will primarily benefit holiday let properties.	1 x Out of area	Holiday let properties will not be eligible for permits.
Request for their property to be included within the eligible property boundary.	2 x Out of area	<b>It is recommended that the properties eligible is reviewed with the Local County Councillor and Chair of HATOC before the scheme is implemented.</b>
Residents asks why they have been excluded when other properties within the area have garages/private off-street parking.	1 x Out of area	See above.
Yellow lines and seasonal restrictions have accentuated the need for residents parking.	1 x Lane End Road	View noted. Restrictions are introduced to restrict and manage parking where is safe and unobstructive.
Other areas of Instow face similar parking issues and should also be considered.	4 x Out of area	View noted. This area was considered the highest priority due to the high level of properties without off-street parking.
Spaces are regularly taken up by holiday home guests/owners.	2 x Out of area	View noted.
The area covered by the scheme favours the area where most parish councillors live and disregard other residents.	1 x Out of area	View noted.
Visitors treat Lane End Close as a car park.	1 x Out of area	View noted.
Residents' cars have been damaged by visitors' cars.	1 x Out of area 1 x Marine Parade	Any damage is a criminal offence and should be reported to the police.
Residents parking will have a negative impact on parking on other roads on Instow.	7 x Out of area	View noted.
Request for Lane End Close to be included in proposals, either by including within the residents parking zone or by extending double yellow lines.	2 x Out of area	Once the scheme is operational, if additional restrictions are required, this can be considered as part of a future review of restrictions in North Devon.

Comment	Road	Response
Residents from outside of the consultation area have previously requested to be included in the review.	1 x Out of area	Noted.
Visitors park inconsiderately and cause access problems for residents and emergency services.	1 x Out of area	View noted. It is the responsibility of drivers to park sensibly and to not obstruct driveways.
Requests that business and visitor permits are offered to holiday lets.	1 x Lane End Road	Due to the limited parking availability in the area this would not be appropriate.
Requests that permits for regularly visiting cleaners and maintenance persons are made available.	1 x Lane End Road	Trade permits are available for maintenance. Further details available at <a href="http://devon.cc/tradepermits">http://devon.cc/tradepermits</a>
Request for the last part of New Road to be made into a residents permit parking area.	2 x Out of area	Once the scheme is operational, if additional restrictions are required, this can be considered as part of a future review of restrictions in North Devon.
Respondent is in support provided the permits applies for the residence as opposed to a particular car.	1 x Lane End Road	Permits are issued to individual vehicles.
Visitors use private driveways for parking.	1 x Out of area	Noted.
Previously proposed schemes covering Marine Parade and Lane End have been objected against before.	2 x Out of area	Noted.
Residents were aware of parking problems before they moved into the area.	1 x Out of area	View noted.
Resident asks why public houses have been included within the boundary.	1 x Out of area	<p>The properties were included in the proposed scheme to allow for any residents that may live at the address. However, the business element would not be eligible for any permits.</p> <p><b>In addition, it is recommended that the properties eligible is reviewed with the Local County Councillor and Chair of HATOC before the scheme is implemented.</b></p>
Existing proposals would prevent properties on the edge of the boundary from parking all year round. Consider changing the restrictions to be seasonal between March and October.	1 x Out of area	It is proposed that the scheme applies all year round to provide eligible residents with priority to park near their homes.
Would like to know if properties used as holiday houses have the right to apply.	1 x Out of area	Permits will only be issued to Residents and Essential Visitors.
Would like to know if residents parking is for permanent householders living at the properties or for holidays makers.	1 x Out of area	Permits will only be issued to Residents.
Respondent believes the proposals discriminate against residents outside of the area who don't have access to on-site parking.	1 x Out of area	View noted. Respondents property is not adjacent to the proposed area and any extension would need to include.
Request for a length of residents parking to be introduced by the junction of Marine Parade/Kiln Close.	1 x Out of area	This is not within the area being considered at this time.
Respondent hopes traffic wardens will enforce any new restrictions.	1 x Marine Parade	The civil enforcement officers will enforce the restrictions.

<b>Comment</b>	<b>Road</b>	<b>Response</b>
Lane End Close also suffers from visitor and construction worker parking.	1 x Out of area	Noted.
There is insufficient visitor parking in Instow, with the main car park in poor condition. Respondent wants to know how money earned from the car parking charges has been used if not for maintaining the car park.	1 x Out of area	Off-street car parks are not the jurisdiction of the highway authority. However, they remain available to visitors that may be displaced by the residents parking scheme.
Residents parking will reduce parking for visitors and impact local businesses.	1 x Out of area	View noted. This is accepted in order to provide dedicated parking for local residents. Visitor parking is still available on Marine Parade or the off-street car parks.
Respondent requests that alternative visitor parking solutions should be investigated to protect residents, such as looking into a park-and-ride for the town.	1 x Out of area	The council does not have the resources to introduce a park and ride service for Instow. The council has a duty to manage parking on the public highway and we have retained as much limited waiting as possible for visitors to the area.
Requests that, if proposals go ahead, additional double yellow lines should be used to protect some small roads outside of the scheme such as Lane End Close.	1 x Out of area	Once the scheme is operational, if additional restrictions are required, this can be considered as part of a future review of restrictions in North Devon.