

**REPORT FOR: Traffic and Road Safety
Advisory Panel**

Date of Meeting: 6 February 2013

Subject: **INFORMATION REPORT**

Petitions relating to:

1. South Hill Grove - request for waiting restrictions
2. Rosslyn Crescent and Frogna Avenue - opposition to extending hours of CPZ
3. Dove Park, Hatch End - opposition to parking charges but support for CPZ

Responsible Officer: Caroline Bruce - Corporate Director, Environment & Enterprise

Exempt: No

Enclosures: None

Section 1 – Summary and Recommendations

This report sets out details of the petitions that have been received since the last meeting of TARSAP and provides details of the Council's investigations and findings where these have been undertaken.

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Section 2 – Report

South Hill Grove - request for waiting restrictions

- 2.1 A petition has been received from south Hill Grove containing 20 signatures (19 households). The petition states:

“We the undersigned (to say nothing of the refuse collection crews) will be most grateful if you could authorise double yellow lines to be put down one side of the road and, for 15-20 yards on Woodend Road, to the right and left of the exit from the Grove. With parking right up to and at times actually on the exit, leaving the Grove is always fraught with danger.”

- 2.2 Members may be aware that South Hill Grove is not included within the surrounding Sudbury Hill Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) that has been in place for a number of years now. This is probably because at the time that consultation was undertaken on this CPZ the residents chose not to be included within it.

- 2.3 The introduction of large areas of double yellow lines as requested by the petitioners would reduce kerbside space for residential parking and could have a wider detrimental impact on other roads in the area as a consequence of displaced parking if this road were to be treated in isolation. For that reason it would be more appropriate for this request to be considered as a part of a wider review of the parking issues in the area so that any detrimental impacts can be minimised. In this way the council can gather together all the issues that have been raised in an area and introduce measures that would deal with as many of these as possible.

- 2.4 The petition will therefore be considered as part of a parking review for the Sudbury Hill CPZ area whenever this is included in the annual parking management programme. There is an item on the agenda to consider the parking programme for 2013/14 and the current list of works under consideration includes the Sudbury Hill area.

Rosslyn Crescent and Frognal Avenue - opposition to extending hours of CPZ

- 2.5 A petition has been received containing 87 signatures (61 households) from Rosslyn Crescent and Frognal Avenue. There is a CPZ scheme currently being developed in this area and 41 of the signatures are within the consultation area and 47 are outside. The petition states:

“Petition Against Even More Punitive Parking restrictions! Regarding the traffic scheme parking review affecting Rosslyn crescent and Frognal Avenue. I strongly and unequivocally oppose the new proposed measures in a parking zone that is already very confusing and punitive”

- 2.6 The background to this petition is that when a revised planning application was submitted for the Harrow Central Mosque on the corner of Rosslyn Crescent and Station Road a number of local residents contacted the planning department about their concerns over the impact on local parking. At the time of the planning application residents indicated that they would like a 24 hour / 7 day per week CPZ which would then operate at the same times as the existing CPZ zone R in Woodlands Road which lies immediately south of the above area. The current Controlled Parking Zone (zone P), covers Rosslyn Crescent and Frogal Avenue only operates Mon to Sun and 8.30am to 8.30pm.
- 2.7 These concerns were taken into account and when the planning permission was granted a section 106 agreement was entered into and developer contributions (£15k) provided to develop and implement a parking scheme to mitigate any detrimental impact. That parking scheme is currently being developed in the current financial year and there is a separate item on the agenda which reports the outcome of a recent consultation.
- 2.8 A public consultation was carried out in November 2012 to establish if there was majority support to extend the operational hours of the existing CPZ as indicated at the time of the planning application and it was this consultation that has resulted in the petition being submitted to the Panel. The lead petitioner has been advised that the petition and the results of the public consultation will be reported to this Panel meeting. This petition is therefore considered as part of the Rosslyn Crescent CPZ agenda item.

Dove Park, Hatch End - opposition to parking charges but support for CPZ

- 2.9 A petition has been received containing 50 signatures representing 46 households in Dove Park. The petition states:
- “Introduction of Pay and Display-Petition We, the undersigned, residents of Dove Park, object strongly to the proposed parking meters in the bays along the Uxbridge Road at Hatch End, plus charging at the Grimsdyke Road car park. Commuters will not use the station car park as it is too expensive to stay all day. Dove Park is nearby and it is used by those not wanting to pay. This makes parking for residents, their family, friends, carers and helpers difficult to park near their flats, and the problem will become even worse. We favour the CPZ two hours a day-preferably for one hour in the morning and one afternoon; between 4-5 pm to stop parents parking haphazardly near the entrance to the flats, when collecting children from the school coaches parked by the bus-stop”*
- 2.10 The background to this petition is that there have recently been two consultations carried out in Hatch End on proposals to introduce parking controls which were both recommended by the panel. The first relates to a statutory consultation on introducing parking charges in Grimsdyke car park (20p / hour) and in the new on-street bays on Uxbridge Road by the Station (10p / 20mins). The second relates to proposals for a CPZ in

residential roads in Hatch End. The panel has previously considered petitions from a number of roads in Hatch End asking for residential parking controls to deal with existing parking problems.

- 2.11 The lead petitioner has been advised that the petition and the results of the public consultation will be reported to this Panel meeting. This petition is therefore considered as part of the Hatch End CPZ agenda item.

Section 3 – Further Information

- 3.1. The purpose of this report is to inform the Panel about any new petitions received since the last meeting. No updates on the progress made with previous petitions will be reported at future meetings as officers will liaise with the Chair of TARSAP and the Portfolio Holder directly regarding any updates.

Section 4 – Financial Implications

- 4.1. There are no direct financial implications. Any suggested measures in the report that require further investigation would be taken forward using existing resources and funding.

Section 5 - Equalities implications

- 5.1 Was an Equality Impact Assessment carried out? No.
- 5.2 The petitions raise issues about existing schemes in the transportation works programme as well as new areas for investigation. The officer's response indicates a suggested way forward in each case. An equality impact assessment (EqIA) will be carried out if members subsequently decide that officers should develop detailed schemes or proposals to address any of the concerns raised in the petitions.

Section 6 – Corporate Priorities

- 6.1. Any suggested measures in the report accord with our corporate priorities:
- Keeping neighbourhoods clean, green and safe
 - United and involved communities: a Council that listens and leads
 - Supporting and protecting people who are most in need
 - Supporting our Town Centre, our local shopping centres and businesses

Section 7 - Statutory Officer Clearance

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Date: 15/01/13

Section 8 - Contact Details and Background Papers

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Background Papers:

Previous TARSAP reports