

LONDON BOROUGH OF HARROW

TRAFFIC AND ROAD SAFETY ADVISORY PANEL

TUESDAY 21 JUNE 2005

Petition Suggesting Traffic Options to Improve Parking on Georgian Way, Harrow Hill

Reference from Council – 21 April 2005

- 1(i) At the meeting of Council held on 21 April 2005, the following petition recommending a number of traffic options for Georgian Way, Harrow Hill was presented:

<u>Submitted By</u>	<u>Number of Signatures</u>
Councillor Mrs Kinnear	26

- 1(ii) The petition stood referred to the Traffic and Road Safety Advisory Panel for consideration as follows:-

(Minute Number 304 (2)):

‘Submitted by Councillor Mrs Kinnear, containing some 26 signatures of residents of “Georgian Way, Harrow Hill” referring to the ongoing problems of St. Dominic’s School students parking in their road and recommending a number of traffic options to be considered by the Council at the earliest opportunity.’

- 1(iii) The petition is in the following terms:-

‘We, the undersigned, hereby request, in view of the ongoing problems of St. Dominic School students parking in our road that the following options for new regulations be considered at the earliest opportunity’

[Note: The petition comprised a series of identical letters one signed by each petitioner a single copy is attached as **APPENDIX A** of this report, together with additional comments made by petitioners during further investigations by officers at **APPENDIX B**].

2. The Director of Area Services, Urban Living advised as follows:

2.1 Investigations by officers has confirmed that the configuration of the junction of Georgian Way and Mount Park Avenue is such that parking within 10 metres in any direction would be likely to cause access problems. After due consideration it is concluded that the highway would benefit from an “At any time” (double yellow line) waiting restriction at the junction as shown at **APPENDIX C**.

2.2 It will be seen from the plan at **APPENDIX C** that Georgian Way is a cul-de-sac with a turning head at its end. It is important that this turning facility be kept

clear of parked vehicles to enable large vehicles to turn and travel back to Mount Park Avenue in forward gear. It is therefore concluded that an “At any time” waiting restriction be provided as shown on the plan at **APPENDIX C**.

- 2.3 The carriageway width is 5.5 metres. This width is insufficient to accommodate parking on both sides of the carriageway. However the width is sufficient to accommodate parking on one side. If parking were restricted to one side then the parking capacity of the road would be optimised and it would be less likely that the road would be obstructed. If a single line waiting restriction were introduced on one side of the road, in operation for one hour in the morning and one hour in the afternoon, then it would be likely that all parking would take place on the other side of the road and that nuisance and inconvenience to both residents and other users would be much reduced.
- 2.4 The options considered at paragraphs 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3 are considered preferable to the implementation of a controlled parking zone (CPZ) because of the concern that displaced parking would be problematic. In the wider context, the principle a CPZ on “The Hill” has not been supported previously and is not recommended.
- 2.5 It would be necessary to consult the residents, before drafting the required traffic regulation orders, to discover the residents’ preferences in respect of the operation times of the controls and which side of the road the single line should be.
- 2.6 The estimated cost of proposals is £5,000, which can be funded from the Traffic Management Budget.
- 2.7 **It is recommended that the Panel recommend to the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Transport that officers be instructed to consult the residents and, subject to the results of the consultation, advertise all necessary traffic orders and, subject to the consideration of any objections to the making of the orders, implement the waiting restrictions as shown on the plan at APPENDIX C.**

FOR CONSIDERATION

Background Documents: Petition presented to Council on 21 April 2005.
Minutes of the Council meeting on 21 April 2005.

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