ITEM NO: 3 Appendix 3: Letters/Emails relating to the objection to the proposed parking restrictions in the area of Warren Crescent

From: Sarah Beesley [mailto:Sarah.Beesley@Arcadis-UK.com]

Sent: 22 March 2010 09:14

To: Muir, Graham

Subject: Parking Appeal - Warren Crescent Shirley

Mr Muir.

I hereby state my objections to the plans for making Warren Crescent a permit parking area. I apologise for the late submission, I was made aware of you intentions only recently.

I would appreciate that consideration for this area be taken realistically. Most houses have driveways and there is spaces at best of times, thus leading to the conclusion that residents are not inconvenienced by daytime use. As far as the visitors are concerned, parking facilities on Warren Crescent and adjacent streets are poor and grossly insufficient to warrant a fee. At present there is no provision made to accommodate stakeholders: namely a corner shop, Shirley Warren pre-school, Shirley Warren school, Warren Centre, Shirley Warren Action Church, Buffer Bears nursery, Shirley Warren Club in addition to key professionals working with Southampton General Hospital.

My child attends Buffer Bear nursery. My friend who has to drive him there with her son needs to be able to park safely in the area. Being deprived of this facility compromises the already limited childcare options available to us. The consequences of this could lead in a loss of employment and income for both our families.

Could you please advise where to follow the planning process with regards to this particular situation?

Your consideration will be greatly appreciated.

Kind regards,

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From: Muir, Graham [mailto:Graham.Muir@southampton.gov.uk]

Sent: Thu 25/03/2010 13:32

To: Sarah Beesley

Subject: FW: Parking Appeal - Warren Crescent Shirley

Dear Sarah Beesley

Thank you for your objection to the current proposals for permit parking in the Warren Crescent area, which we have now reviewed with the other correspondence we have received in response to our public notice. The proposals were put forward following residents highlighting issues with the extent of non-resident parking in the vicinity. It is Council policy to assist residents affected by high levels of non-resident parking through permit parking schemes and to promote the use of sustainable travel to reduce carbon emissions and reduce congestion. We are also mindful that residents in Warren Crescent are also affected by parent parking from the school run.

As you can see from the attached map, outside of the proposed areas of parking restrictions, there are a number of areas of unrestricted parking (excluding the School Keep Clear markings) that non-residents would be able to use as required, if available. The permit parking restrictions (if the scheme is approved through due process) which would operate between 8am and 6pm Mon to Fri also have a 2 hour Limited Waiting period. Whilst there is an exemption for picking or dropping off passengers (for up to 5 minutes) or up to 30 minutes for continuous loading or unloading, visitors could also park for up 2 hours on one occasion in the same street per day. We are also revising our proposals to extend the available 4 Hour Limited Waiting (see second map), to assist businesses and organisations providing wider community services (as you have noted), which may require more extended parking hours.

I would therefore hope that the in general parents making use of the Buffer Bears Nursery would be able to do so with minimal inconvenience. Where parents are also are seeking longer stay parking during their working hours, this will depend on the availability of the unrestricted kerbside in Warren Crescent or in other roads in the area. I have however attached a further briefing on initiatives being undertaken by the Southampton University Hospitals Trust which includes a park and ride facility that may also be of benefit.

Therefore whilst appreciating the points you have raised, I have concluded that reasons for proposing these restrictions are still valid and I regret that I am unable to uphold your objection. I hope that you will find this decision acceptable, but if, for any reason you do not, and you still wish to make an objection, you have a right to do so. Your objection would then be placed before the Council's Cabinet for consideration and a decision (unless the proposal is withdrawn for any reason). Should you wish to make an objection in this way, please write to me stating your reasons for doing so and making sure your email/letter reaches me no later than 16th April 2010. Please note that in the event you wish to make an objection and request that it be considered by the Council's Cabinet body, any such correspondence may be included within a Cabinet report accessible by the public or be subject to disclosure under Freedom of Information legislation.

If the matter requires to be taken to Cabinet for a decision, all objectors are provided with details of the meeting date and the web address see below at which any prospective Cabinet Meeting agenda and report would be available for access. Any member of the public may also attend these Cabinet Meetings and may be invited to speak for or against the proposals at the discretion of the Chair of the Meeting. The outcome of the meeting is accessible from the same pages as a decision notice.

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http://www.southampton.gov.uk/modernGov/ieListMeetings.aspx?Cld=126&Year=2010 (there are no items related to this matter, but examples can be viewed of similar items e.g. 15th March 2pm meeting)

If you require any further information please contact me.

Regards

Graham Muir Traffic Engineer, Highways and Parking **Southampton City Council** 023 8083 2337

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From: Sarah Beesley [mailto:Sarah.Beesley@Arcadis-UK.com]

Sent: 08 April 2010 09:01 **To:** Muir, Graham; Lee, Bob

Subject: RE: Parking Appeal - Warren Crescent Shirley

Dear Mr Muir,

I understand the situation and your reasons to decline my objections, however I am concerned the parking strategy in the whole area is widely inadequate. As a local resident myself, I would rather support the implementation of multi-storey car park to accommodate the extensive requirements generated by the local businesses (namely and mainly Southampton General Hospital). Sustainable travelling seems very much out of context for a hospital and other businesses with such large catchment and requiring users to be dropped as close by as possible, unless of course there are proposal to make Southampton public transports worth using? As you mention the Park and Ride facilities at the hospital, I believe these facilities are subject to a mere 2 years waiting list for the SGH and are solely limited to staff.

Assuming the restrictions about to be imposed on Warren Crescent and the surrounding streets form part of a greater strategy, I wish to pursue my appeal further. Like other residents and other stakeholders, I would be interested in finding out what is done to address the real issues of traffic management and improvements to the town's infrastructure to bring us a step closer to modern times and realistic utilisation of means of transport.

Many thanks for your consideration and demonstrating good practice is in place at the Council.

Kind regards,

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