TRAFFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL

Report to:	Executive Member for Highways, Parks and Environmental
	Services
Date:	September 2017
Report for:	Approval
Report of:	Principal Engineer, Traffic and Transportation, One Trafford

Report Title

HALE VILLAGE EAST PARKING SCHEME, HALE Proposed Permit Parking Scheme and Associated Waiting and Loading Restrictions: Consideration of Objections – Consultation April 2017

Summary

In response to long-standing requests from residents of the Hale Village area for measures to be introduced to control long-stay, on-street daytime parking in the area by non-residents, a set of proposals, comprising permit parking and associated waiting and loading restrictions, was developed and formally advertised during 2016, attracting 96 objections. Having carefully considered each of the objections, certain amendments to the proposals were made and a further public consultation undertaken in April 2017, which resulted in 25 objections to the proposals. The present report considers the objections received to the latest consultation. It is recommended, as a result, that the scheme, shown on drawings E8958/11-17, all revision A, for which funding has been allocated within the Council's capital programme, is implemented. These drawings detail the whole scheme to be implemented, including the restrictions that were approved by the Executive decision made on 8th December 2016 by the Councils Executive Member for Economic Growth, Highways and Infrastructure (title now Highways, Parks and Environmental Services) The changes being approved by this report are highlighted in blue text on the drawings.

Recommendations

Agreement is sought to the following:

- 1. That the objections be noted.
- 2. That, after careful consideration of the objections, authorisation be given to make the Traffic Regulation Order as advertised and detailed in Schedules 1, 2 and 3 to this report and to introduce the Order in whole or in part as soon as is practicable.
- 3. That the objectors are informed of the decision taken.

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1.0 BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Council has had long-standing requests from residents of Hale Village (especially Cecil Road, parts of Westgate, Leigh Road areas and, more recently, the Albert Road / Thorn Grove / Broom Road area) for measures to be implemented to control long-stay, daytime on-street parking by non-residents in the roads surrounding the village centre.
- 1.2 The number of requests increased following the introduction of the Hale West parking scheme in 2014, which introduced permit parking to the Bath Street, Bold Street, Brown Street and Byrom Street area and additional waiting restrictions in the roads to the Heath Road, Seddon Road and Peel Avenue area.
- 1.3 Observations undertaken at various times of the day and days of the week over an extended period have demonstrated that long-stay on-street parking by nonresidents in the weekday daytimes in roads near to Hale Village centre is extensive. Where it occurs, such parking can be detrimental to traffic flow, highway safety and residential amenity.
- 1.4 With the allocation of funding within the Council's capital programme to investigate, develop and implement a scheme to alleviate the identified issues, a set of proposals was developed for the Hale Village East area, comprising permit parking for residents, short-stay limited waiting, waiting and loading restrictions, with some amendments to existing parking and waiting/loading restrictions. These proposals were the subject of a formal consultation in 2016, which led to the receipt of 112 submissions of which 96 represented objections to the proposals.
- 1.5 There was widespread, in-principle support for the objectives of the scheme amongst those responding, including objectors, and the objections made were largely centred on specific, localised details of the scheme as they affected each individual objector. Having carefully considered each of the objections, certain amendments to the proposals were recommended. Some of the revised proposals required further formal consultation. It was therefore further recommended that, pending that consultation, other elements of the scheme, that could be implemented without further advertisement, should not be introduced, as to implement a partial scheme could result in undesirable impacts in areas of the village where amended proposals were still under consultation and consideration.
- 1.6 Approval was given to formally advertise the revised proposals, which were advertised in the local press on the 30th March 2017. The details were posted on the Council's website during the statutory consultation period and plans showing the revised proposals were delivered to properties in the scheme area. The consultation period ended on 20th April 2017. The revised scheme is as shown on drawings E8958/11, E8958/12, E8958/13, E8958/14, E8958/15, E8958/16 and E8958/17, all revision A.
- 1.7 The purpose of the present report is to consider the objections that were received in response to the latest formal consultation.

2.0 CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS

- 2.1 A total of 30 submissions were received in response to the formal consultation of which 25 represented objections to the proposals. Two responses were in support of the revised scheme and the remaining three were from residents seeking additions to the present proposals. A summary of all of these submissions and the Council's responses are included as Appendix A to this report.
- 2.2 A summary of the number of objections received by road is presented in Table 1 below.

Name of Road	Total Number of Responses Received	Number of Objections Received
Scheme Area:		
Albert Road	4	3
Albert Road East	4	4*
Ashley Road ('High Street' area)	5	5
Ashley Road (Residential area)	1	0
Broomfield Lane	1	0
Broom Road	1	0
Cecil Road	5	5
Leigh Road	2	2
Thorn Grove	2	2
Victoria Road	1	1
Westgate	2	1
Total:	28	23
Out of Scheme Area:		
Hale Road	1	1
Other	1	1
Total:	2	2
Overall Total:	30	25

* - one of these objections was accompanied by a letter signed by 6 residents of Albert Road East, 3 residents of Albert Road and 1 resident of Thorn Grove, some of whom objected in their own right (see paragraph 2.15)

Table 1 Number of Responses and Objections Received by Road

Objections from Outside the Scheme Area

- 2.3 From Table 1 above it will be seen that of the 30 responses received to the consultation 2 (7%) were received from outside of the scheme area.
- 2.4 One objection was received from a resident of Hale Road who usually parks their vehicle within the current scheme area and as they would not be entitled to a permit to continue to park in the area they object on the grounds that they would be left with nowhere to park. The objector's property benefits from off-street parking, but it is acknowledged that this provides only a single parking space and that if more than one car is owned and needs to be parked on-street during the proposed operational hours of the scheme, the ability to find a

parking space off Hale Road may become more difficult. There will, however, be areas within the scheme that remain unrestricted and while these may be less convenient and demand for them greater, this is not considered to be sufficient grounds for amendment or abandonment of the present proposals, which it is considered have overall benefits for the local business and residential community. It is therefore considered that the objection should be over-ruled. In response to an objection received from the respondent to the earlier consultation, the Council confirmed that the 'tree' roads to the north of Hale Road that are currently unrestricted are on the list of requests for permit parking for future consideration as and when funds become available, and that the specific needs of Hale Road residents could be considered at that time.

2.5 The second out-of-area objection was received from a worker in Hale village who objects strongly to the proposals on the grounds that these will have a substantial impact on all those who work in the village and the immediate vicinity, and they believe that the proposals will have an adverse impact on the continued success and prosperity of the village and employment growth within it. The scheme intentionally does not give priority to on-street parking for local workers and commuters within the village centre (about which the Council has received many long-standing complaints), in line with national sustainable transport policies. The Council believes that it is necessary, for the prosperity of the village, to ensure that there are short-stay parking opportunities for business customers and visitors close to the village centre and considers therefore that the currently proposed on-street parking scheme is appropriate and that the objection should be over-ruled.

Objections from Within the Scheme Area

- 2.6 Therefore, a total of 28 responses were received from within the proposed scheme area, 23 of which represent objections to the proposals. The objections principally relate to particular details of the scheme as they directly affect each individual respondent.
- 2.7 It will be seen from Table 1 above that the main sources of objections to the revised proposals, were from businesses located on Ashley Road (5 objections, 22% of in-area objections received), from three residents, a business and an office worker on Cecil Road (5 objections, 22% of in-area objections received), from residents of Albert Road East (4 objections, 17% of in-area objections received) and from residents of Albert Road (3 objections, 13% of in-area objections received). Together, these objections represented 74% of those received from within the scheme area. Two were received from residents of both Leigh Road and Thorn Grove, one from a business on Victoria Road and one from a resident of Westgate.

Ashley Road and Victoria Road businesses

2.8 The objections received from businesses located on Ashley Road and Victoria Road are similar in nature. There is a general view that the proposed scheme, in combination with recent increases in off-street car parking charges, is detrimental to the continued prosperity of the village and will lead to increased on-street parking and a displacement of long-stay parking to roads further from the centre of the village. The latter will add, one objector says, to the lengthy and fraught commutes of staff, whilst another seeks permits to allow for

operational parking to take place on-street near to their business premises. The Victoria Road objector also believes that additional, affordable car parking should be provided before the present restrictions are introduced.

2.9 Contrary to the objectors' views, the on-street parking proposals are designed to promote the continued prosperity of the village, by providing short-stay parking opportunities for customers and visitors of businesses. The scheme intentionally does not give priority to on-street parking for local workers and commuters (about which the Council has received many long-standing complaints), in line with national sustainable transport policies. The Council acknowledges that the scheme may displace long-stay daytime parking to unrestricted roads further from the village, but believes that it is necessary, for the prosperity of the village, to ensure that there are short-stay parking opportunities for business customers and visitors close to the village centre. Similarly, current charges in Council-owned public car parks in Hale (which were set as part of the overall Council budget review and following the consideration of comments received during a 6-week consultation period), whilst not precluding all-day parking, favour short-stay parking in order to support the local economy. It is current Council policy not to issue permits to businesses that would facilitate commuter parking at the expense of residents' or short-stay shoppers' parking. It is considered that the proposed mix of 1-hour and 2-hour limited waiting bays in and around the village centre would enable the operational parking needs of the business seeking permits for this purpose and of others with similar parking requirements to be effectively managed. Onstreet and public off-street parking space is finite, and therefore has to be managed so as to best meet the needs of the community that it serves. As a result, the Council believes that the currently proposed on-street parking scheme is appropriate and it is considered, therefore, that these objections should be over-ruled.

Cecil Road

- 2.10 The objections from a Cecil Road business and an office worker are similar in nature to those received from businesses located on Ashley Road in that they consider that the proposals will not benefit the continued success and prosperity of the village, will have a significant adverse effect on businesses and their ability to recruit, will adversely affect all those who work in the village and will require employees' to find an on-street parking space further away. The Council's response to these objections (provided in respect of each objection in Appendix A) is as set out in paragraph 2.9 above and it is therefore considered that these objections should be over-ruled.
- 2.11 The objections from the residents of Cecil Road relate, principally, to a perceived lack of parking space that would be available for all the Cecil Road residents following introduction of the scheme. All make suggestions for alterations to the access and egress arrangements for the Cecil Road car park, including closing an access from Cecil Road to reduce traffic flows and creating more on-street spaces as a result. All three refer to the importance of the land between 62 and 72 Cecil Road as a parking area for residents.
- 2.12 Following receipt of a number of objections made by Cecil Road residents to the original proposals (which sought to introduce additional permit parking bays on Cecil Road) the Council amended the proposals to largely remove these

additional bays. The revised proposals generally preserve the status quo, with some modest increase in limited waiting and some permit parking for residents. Amendments to the car park accesses, as variously suggested, are considered to be impracticable for the reasons given in Appendix A if the currently proposed community hub development is completed. The objectors' comments regarding the land adjacent to number 72 Cecil Road are noted, but the implications of any change of status of this land for on-street parking would need to be considered at the appropriate time and should not, in the Council's view, delay implementation of the present proposals. As a result, the Council believes that the revised proposals broadly take account of the views of Cecil Road residents who objected previously and it is therefore considered that these objections should be over-ruled.

Albert Road, Albert Road East and Thorn Grove

- 2.13 In response to objections to the original proposals from residents of Albert Road, Albert Road East and Thorn Grove, a number of minor amendments were made to the proposals for Albert Road/Albert Road East.
- Residents of Albert Road East previously objected largely on the basis that the 2.14 proposals would not leave enough on-street parking for residents and their visitors and consequently the length of waiting restriction proposed for the westerly side was reduced at its southerly end to provide four unrestricted parking spaces. One of the four current objections to the revised scheme is made to this reduction in the length of waiting restrictions on the westerly side on road safety grounds as this is where they cross the road. They also object to maintaining on-street parking in this location for the benefit of residents with second cars and only one off-street parking space and express the view that, with good public transport links, there should be no need for people to have to commute to work in Hale by car. The Council believes that the revised proposals would continue to offer opportunities for pedestrians to find a suitable place to cross the road, if not in this precise location, and the removal of pavement parking would enhance pedestrian safety overall. The Council has previously acknowledged that parking for residents of 2-20 Albert Road East and their visitors is at a premium, considers that the scheme does not favour on-street commuter parking overall and continues to view the reduction in the length of waiting restriction as the best compromise that can be achieved between residents' needs for on-street parking and the need to prevent undesirable pavement parking and promote traffic flow. As a result, it is considered that the objection should be over-ruled.
- 2.15 The remaining three objections are essentially identical, one supported by a letter signed by ten residents, including six residents of Albert Road East, three residents of Albert Road and one resident of Thorn Grove. The objections are made on the grounds that a lack of residents' parking is proposed on Albert Road East. They state that the scheme will undoubtedly increase pressure on the remaining available space on Albert Road East; they say that there is already extreme pressure on parking for residents on Albert Road East due to all-day parking by commuters and employees of nearby businesses. To illustrate their point, they indicate that four residences on Albert Road East have no drives and 7 cars; four residences on Hale Road have no drives and seek parking on Albert Road East; residents' parking on Thorn Grove will not accommodate all residents' cars; a number of residents are at home during the

day and need parking; 2-car households with drives are already forced to juggle cars, blocking one car in; it is impossible for visitors and tradesmen to park. As a result, they would welcome the extension of residents' permit parking to include Albert Road East.

- 2.16 Albert Road East is too narrow to allow parking on both sides of the carriageway, wholly on the road, and this leads currently to undesirable pavement parking. Extensive parking also impedes traffic flow on this link to Hale Road. Due to the narrowness of the road, permit parking would not provide additional on-street residents' parking space whilst addressing the current issues of bilateral and pavement parking that impede traffic flow and compromise pedestrian movement and safety. A length of waiting restrictions on the westerly side of Albert Road East is therefore necessary to facilitate traffic flow and remove potentially obstructive parking pressures identified by the objectors and is considered to represent the best compromise that can be achieved in this location. It is therefore considered that these objections should be over-ruled.
- 2.17 One objection from a resident of Thorn Grove and one from a resident of Albert Road object to the proposed No Waiting At Any Time (NWAAT) restrictions on Albert Road at the junction with Thorn Grove. The Thorn Grove resident believes that both proposed lengths of NWAAT on Albert Road should be replaced by permit parking spaces, whilst the Albert Road resident objects to the specific length to the frontage of 16 Albert Road on the grounds that the current access highlight marking is sufficient to prevent parking and this area is currently used by carers as a 'drop-off' point when their children are returned home. The Council is of the view that parking at the junction of Thorn Grove and Albert Road is detrimental to highway safety and that the two lengths of NWAAT restriction proposed are the minimum necessary in the interests of highway safety, to prohibit parking close to the junction with Thorn Grove in order to promote visibility for drivers emerging onto Albert Road at this junction. The proposed restrictions would continue to allow vehicles to stop on the yellow lines to allow passengers to be picked up and set down and would not, therefore, prevent the current practice to which the Albert Road objector refers. The Council considers that the best interests of highway safety are served by the introduction of these short lengths of NWAAT restriction and it is therefore considered that these objections should be over-ruled.
- 2.18 One of the Thorn Grove respondents, purporting to represent the Thorn Grove residents, points out that the parking spaces available in Thorn Grove are inadequate for the number of houses and they consider that the present proposals will reduce available on-street parking. They say that all-day parking by commuters and employees of businesses in Hale is the main problem and they make various suggestions, each involving extending residents' permit parking to Albert Road and Albert Road East in one form or another. Providing permit parking spaces to the frontage of numbers 27 and 29 Albert Road is a suggestion offered by the second Thorn Grove objector and by an Albert Road objector, and to the frontage of 2-14 Albert Road by another of the Albert Road objectors.
- 2.19 Under the terms of the proposals, Thorn Grove residents would be eligible for

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permits, which would entitle the holders to park anywhere within Zone AE including, for example, within the Albert Road Past this Point area. To maximise the parking spaces available, the threshold of the Albert Road Past this Point area has been adjusted under the current proposals to bring two additional spaces into the permit zone. Experience from other similar schemes introduced would suggest that there would be opportunities for permit holders to find a convenient parking space during the operative hours, albeit possibly not directly outside their own property. The Council is therefore of the view that the proposals make adequate provision for the 'overspill' parking from Thorn Grove. Similarly, the No Waiting, Monday – Saturday, 8am – 6pm waiting restriction proposed for the westerly side of Albert Road has been amended to remove the restriction to the frontage of number 37 where the road is wider and a vehicle could reasonably be parked without interfering with traffic flow. With regard to extending permit parking to Albert Road and Albert Road East, these roads are relatively narrow and parking on both sides of the road, wholly within the carriageway as would be necessary to introduce formal permit parking bays, would unduly restrict traffic flow, therefore requiring waiting restrictions to be imposed on at least one side of the road. With the majority of properties numbered 2-14 Albert Road having off-street parking facilities there are few legitimate non-resident parking spaces on-street as a result. Introducing permit parking to this frontage would, in the Council's opinion, unnecessarily penalise the residents (who can legitimately park across their own drives at all times) as they would need to purchase a permit to park on-street during the operational hours for longer than any period of limited waiting that might be allowed. The Council therefore considers the current proposals for Albert Road/Albert Road East to be the most appropriate. A further suggestion, to allow an exemption for permit holders in the 2-hour limited waiting bay at the southerly end of Albert Road (made by one of the Thorn Grove objectors) is similarly rejected, on the grounds that this is to provide additional short-stay customer and visitor parking for the benefit of businesses located around the Victoria Road/Broomfield Lane junction where waiting is prohibited on safety grounds. It is therefore considered that these objections should be over-ruled.

Leigh Road

- 2.20 Two objections were received from residents of Leigh Road. One objects on the grounds that, whilst under the proposed scheme they would be entitled to one parking permit due to having a driveway and access highlight marking, their household owns two cars that are too big to be accommodated on the driveway. They consider their circumstances to be unique and request that they be entitled to two permits. It is Council policy, applied across the Borough, that residents of properties with a driveway should be entitled to purchase only a single permit, although visitor permits can also be purchased. The policy does not take account of the size of vehicle(s) owned by the household; this is a matter of personal choice and the parking of vehicles, either on a driveway or safely and securely elsewhere, remains the responsibility of the householder, not the Council. For the Council to make exceptions to these rules would set an unwelcome precedent, undermining the principles of permit allocation across all permit schemes and is therefore not acceptable to the Council. It is therefore considered that the objection should be over-ruled.
- 2.21 The second resident objects on the grounds that there will be no restrictions on parking on one side of Leigh Road at the end remote from the village centre

and this area will therefore be more in demand, especially by those who park all day, and this will cause increased problems with inconsiderate parking. They therefore request that limited waiting with an exemption for permit holders is extended throughout the road. The proposals for Leigh Road seek to achieve a balance between the competing demands for short stay parking for visitors and customers of village businesses and for residents' parking, and parking controls were therefore proposed for both sides of the road nearest the village centre where the properties are mostly terraced and the availability of residential offstreet parking is restricted as a result, and on only one side at the northerly end, where there is greater availability of off-street residential parking. The Council believes that the proposals represent an appropriate balance of resident permit, limited waiting and unrestricted parking and it is therefore considered that the objection should be over-ruled.

Westgate

2.22 One objection was received from a resident of Westgate on the grounds that an already busy part of the road (where there are no significant restrictions either now or proposed) will become even more so as a result of displaced parking. They report that at almost all times of the day cars are parked in all available spaces, making entry to/exit from driveways difficult and often dangerous and they feel that the traffic problems will be exacerbated where there are no restrictions. The Council acknowledges that the scheme may displace long-stay daytime parking to unrestricted roads further from the village centre, but the extent and effects of such parking are difficult to predict, and may be limited where on-street parking is already extensive. The promotion of further restrictions or permit parking at this stage would delay implementation of the scheme, which the Council believes would not be in the best interests of the community at large, and would in any event need to be designed to address the specific extent and nature of any parking problems that are generated. It is therefore considered that this objection should be over-ruled.

Respondents requesting additional restrictions

2.23 As indicated in paragraph 2.1 of this report, three of the responses to the public consultation were from residents seeking additions to the present proposals. These have not been treated as objections to the current scheme. The Council considers that it would be inappropriate to promote further restrictions at this stage, as to do so would delay implementation of the present proposals. However, it is the Council's practice, in common with all schemes, to monitor the effects of the scheme once introduced, and further proposals would be considered if necessary. This applies equally to the operation of the presently proposed scheme and to any further restrictions that might be necessary.

3.0 COMMENTS

- 3.1 **Chief Constable's View:** GMP have no issues with the report.
- 3.2 **Chief Fire Officer's View:** GMFRS have no objections to the proposals.
- 3.3 **TfGM Traffic Manager's (Bus Operations) View:** no comments received.
- 3.4 **Ambulance Service's View:** There are no objections to the attached proposals

- 3.5 **Hackney Carriage Driver/Operator Representative's View:** no comments received.
- 3.6 Ward Members' Comments:

CIIr Mitchell: I agree - it is most welcome

Cllr Mrs Young: I am happy with Cllr Mitchell's decision

4.0 CONCLUSIONS

- 4.1 In response to long-standing requests from residents of the Hale Village area for measures to be introduced to control long-stay, on-street daytime parking in the area by non-residents a set of proposals, comprising permit parking and associated waiting and loading restrictions, was developed and formally advertised during 2016, attracting a total of 112 submissions of which 96 represented objections to the proposals.
- 4.2 There was widespread, in-principle support for the objectives of the scheme amongst those responding, including objectors, and the objections made were largely centred on specific, localised details of the scheme as they affected each individual objector. Having carefully considered each of the objections, certain amendments to the proposals were made and a further public consultation undertaken in April 2017. This resulted in a total of 30 submissions of which 25 represented objections to the proposals. A summary of these and the Council's responses are included as Appendix A to this report.
- 4.3 All of the objections have been carefully considered and as a result it is recommended that authorisation be given to make and introduce the Traffic Order as detailed in Schedules 1, 2 and 3 below, in whole or in part, as soon as is practicable and that the objectors be notified of the decision.
- 4.4 The revised scheme is as shown on drawings E8958/11, E8958/12, E8958/13, E8958/14, E8958/15, E8958/16 and E8958/17 all revision A.

SCHEDULE 1 – PROPOSED WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS

Borough of Trafford (Prohibition of Waiting and Loading and Provision of Parking) Order 2001 (As amended) – to be amended to include the following: -

Street	Side	From	То	Code
Albert Road, Hale		A point 7 metres north of its junction with Broomfield Lane	of its junction with Broomfield Lane	LM6E
Albert Road, Hale		A point 5 metres south of its junction with Thorn Grove	Grove	7A
Albert Road, Hale	East	Its junction with Thorn Grove	A point 7 metres north of its junction with Thorn Grove	7A
Albert Road East, Hale	South east	Its junction with Hale Road	A point 7 metres south west of its junction with Hale Road	7A
Ashley Road, Hale	East	A point 86 metres south of its junction with Warwick Road	A point 117 metres north of its junction with Park Road	7A
Ashley Road, Hale	North east	A point 9 metres north west of its junction with Leigh Road	A point 5 metres south east of its junction with Leigh Road	7A6P
Belmont Road, Hale	South west	A point 10 metres north west of its junction with Murieston Road	Its junction with Murieston Road	7A
Belmont Road, Hale	South west	Its junction with Murieston Road	A point 10 metres south east of its junction with Murieston Road	7A
Cecil Road, Hale	East	A point 108 metres south east of its northerly junction with Ashley Road	A point 141 metres south east of its northerly junction with Ashley Road	7A
Cecil Road, Hale	East	A point 141 metres south east of its northerly junction with Ashley Road	east of its northerly	LJ6C RPAE
Cecil Road, Hale	East	A point 151 metres south east of its northerly junction with Ashley Road	A point 167 metres south east of its northerly junction with Ashley Road	7A
Cecil Road, Hale	East	A point 167 metres south east of its northerly junction with Ashley Road	A point 222 metres south east of its northerly junction with Ashley Road	LJ6C RPAE
Cecil Road, Hale	East	A point 222 metres south east of its northerly junction with Ashley Road	A point 232 metres south east of its northerly junction with Ashley Road	7A
Cecil Road, Hale	West	Its northerly junction with Ashley Road	A point 95 metres south of its northerly junction with Ashley Road	7A
Cecil Road,	West	A point 95 metres south	A point 105 metres south	LJ6C

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Street	Side	From	То	Code
Hale		of its northerly junction with Ashley Road	of its northerly junction with Ashley Road	
Cecil Road, Hale	West	A point 105 metres south of its northerly junction with Ashley Road	A point 127 metres south of its northerly junction with Ashley Road	6C
Cecil Road, Hale	West	A point 127 metres south of its northerly junction with Ashley Road	A point 241 metres south of its northerly junction with Ashley Road	7A
Crescent Road, Hale	North	A point 10 metres west of its southerly junction with Ashley Road	Its southerly junction with Ashley Road	7A
Crescent Road, Hale	North west	Its northerly junction with Ashley Road	A point 10 metres south west of its northerly junction with Ashley Road	7A
Crescent Road, Hale	North west	A point 10 metres south west of its northerly junction with Ashley Road	A point 22 metres south west of its northerly junction with Ashley Road	LJ6C
Leigh Road, Hale	North west	A point 22 metres north east of its junction with Carver Road	A point 56 metres south east of its junction with Westgate	LM6C RPAE
Leigh Road, Hale	North west	A point 5 metres north east of its junction with Addison Road	A point 5 metres south west of its junction with Carver Road	LJ6C RPAE
Leigh Road, Hale	North west	A point 21 metres south west of its junction with Addison Road	A point 5 metres south west of its junction with Addison Road	LJ6C RPAE
Leigh Road, Hale	North west	A point 8 metres north east of its junction with Ashley Road	A point 15 metres north east of its junction with Ashley Road	7A
Leigh Road, Hale	North west	Its junction with Ashley Road	A point 8 metres north east of its junction with Ashley Road	7A6P
Leigh Road, Hale	South east	Its junction with Ashley Road	A point 7 metres north east of its junction with Ashley Road	7A6P
Leigh Road, Hale	South east	A point 7 metres north east of its junction with Ashley Road	A point 15 metres north east of its junction with Ashley Road	7A
Leigh Road, Hale	South east	A point 15 metres north east of its junction with Ashley Road	A point 138 metres north east of its junction with Ashley Road	LJ6C RPAE
Murieston Road, Hale	North west	Its junction with Belmont Road	A point 9 metres south west of its junction with Belmont Road	7A
Murieston Road, Hale	South east	Its junction with Belmont Road	A point 10 metres south west of its junction with Belmont Road	7A

SCHEDULE 2 PROPOSED AREAS OF HIGHWAY DESIGNATED AS PERMIT PARKING PLACES

Borough of Trafford (Prohibition of Waiting and Loading and Provision of Parking) Order 2001 (As amended) – to be amended to include the following: -

Name of Parking Place	Areas of Highway Designated described below in this colum of the carriageway of a specif Parking Place	Code	
	From		
Albert Road, Hale	Its junction with Albert Road East in a north westerly direction	Its cul-de-sac end, including its cul-de-sac end	PP5E RPAE

SCHEDULE 3 – EXISTING WAITING RESTRICTIONS TO BE REVOKED

Proposed amendment to the Borough of Trafford (Prohibition of Waiting and Loading and Provision of Parking) Order 2001, as amended: *to be amended to revoke the following: -*

Street	Side	From	То	Code
Albert Road	South	Its junction with Hale	A point 5 metres south	7A
East, Hale	east	Road	west of its junction with	
			Hale Road	
Ashley Road,	North	A point 9 metres north	A point 5 metres south	7A
Hale	east	west of its junction with	east of its junction with	
		Leigh Road	Leigh Road	
Heather Road,	South	A point 37 metres west	Its junction with Heather	7A
Hale		of its junction with	Road	
		Heather Road		
Leigh Road,	Both	Its junction with Ashley	A point 15 metres north of	7A
Hale		Road	its junction with Ashley	
			Road	

Codes:

7A	-	No Waiting At Any Time
6C	-	No waiting, Monday – Saturday, 8am – 6pm
7A6P	-	No Waiting at Any Time No Loading, Monday – Saturday, 7.30am – 9.30am and 4pm – 6.30pm
LJ6C	-	Limited Waiting: 1 hour, no return within 1 hour, Monday – Saturday, 8am – 6pm
LJ6CRPAE	-	Limited Waiting: 1 hour, no return within 1 hour, Except Permit AE Holders, Monday – Saturday, 8am – 6pm

- LM6CRPAE Limited Waiting: 2 hours, no return within 2 hours, Except Permit AE Holders, Monday Saturday, 8am 6pm
- PP5ERPAE Past this Point Residents' Permit Holder Parking (Permit AE Holders), Monday Friday, 9am 5pm

Relationship to Policy Framework/Corporate Priorities	none
Financial	The cost of providing the restrictions, estimated to be £38,000, is to be funded from Capital Programme Scheme ref 2753.
Legal Implications:	The proposed Traffic Regulation Order is being progressed in accordance with the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and the Traffic Signs Regulations & General Directions 2016 and if implemented will be enforced by the Council's Parking Services or be self-enforcing.
Equality/Diversity Implications	none
Sustainability Implications	none
Staffing/E-Government/Asset	none
Management Implications	
Risk Management Implications	Risk of challenge to the High Court is low.
Health and Safety Implications	Improvements to the highway network will improve safety for all road users.

Other Options

Leaving out the proposed restrictions to which objections have been raised would be detrimental to resident amenity, highway safety and would also lead to regular obstruction for other road users.

Consultation

In addition to the statutory advertising the proposals have been the subject of direct consultation with all affected frontages and with local ward councillors. The consultation was also posted on-line during the consultation period.

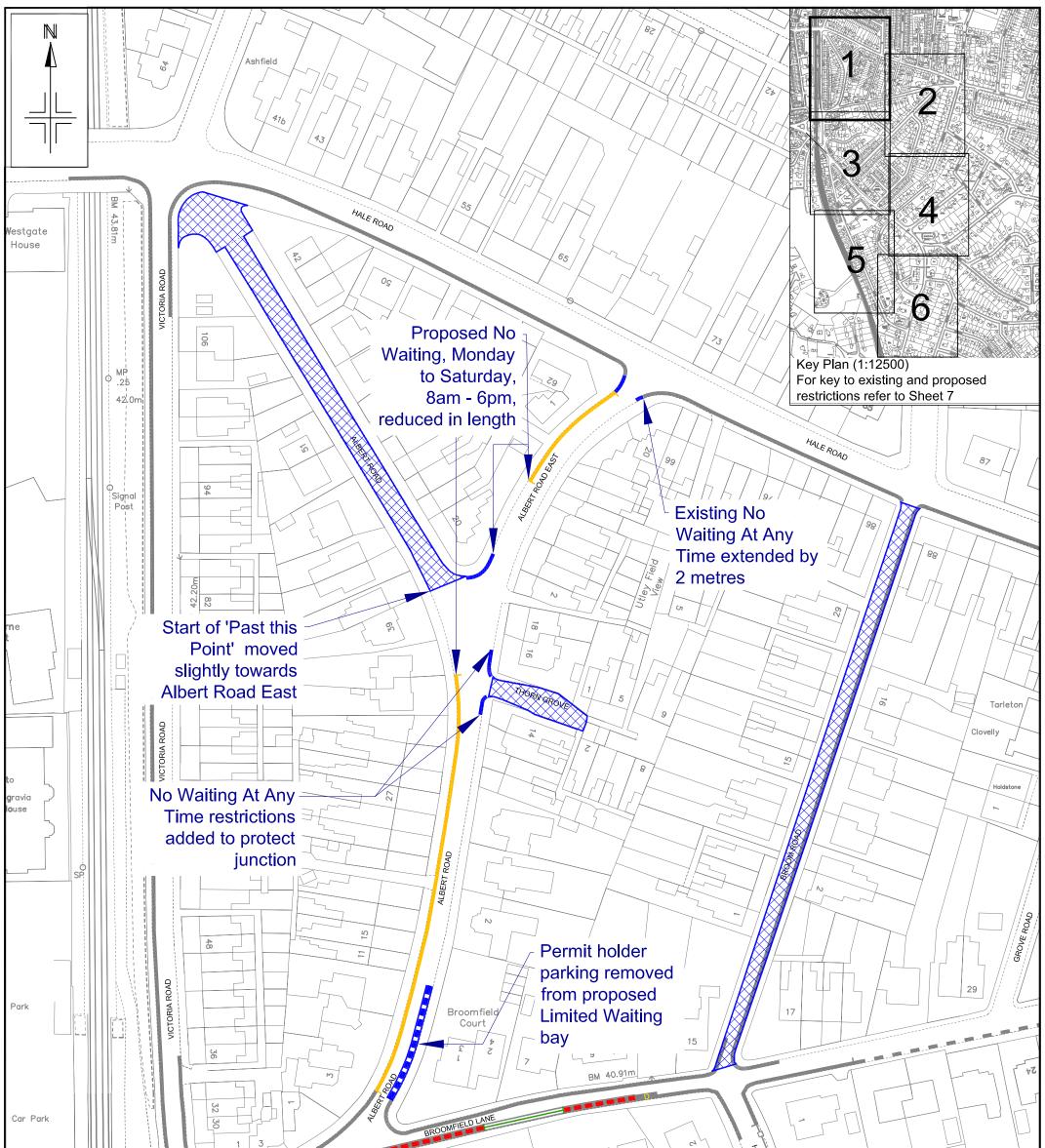
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To enable the necessary parking restrictions to be introduced and enforced, to enhance resident amenity, in the interests of highway safety and to discourage obstruction of the highway.

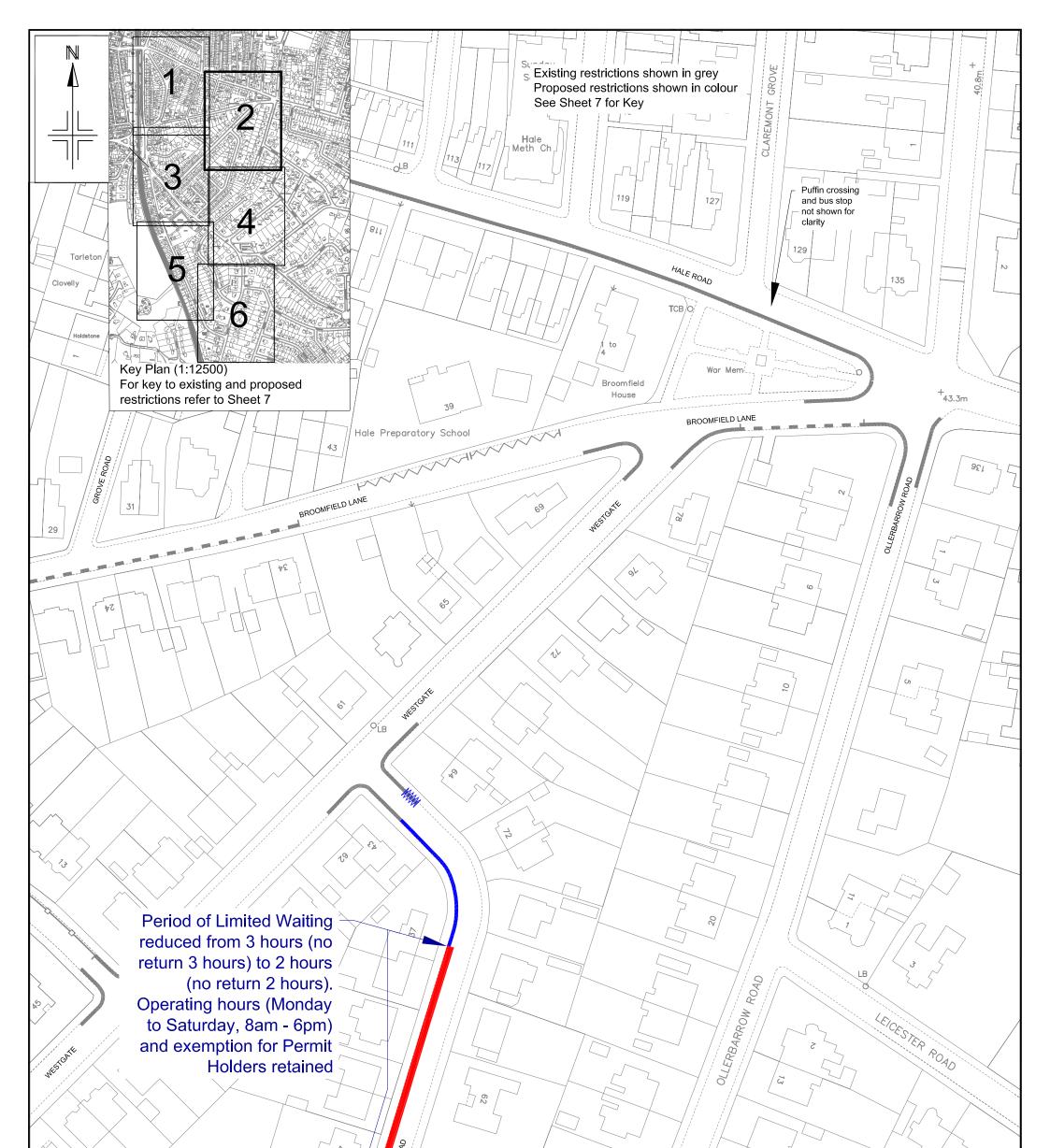
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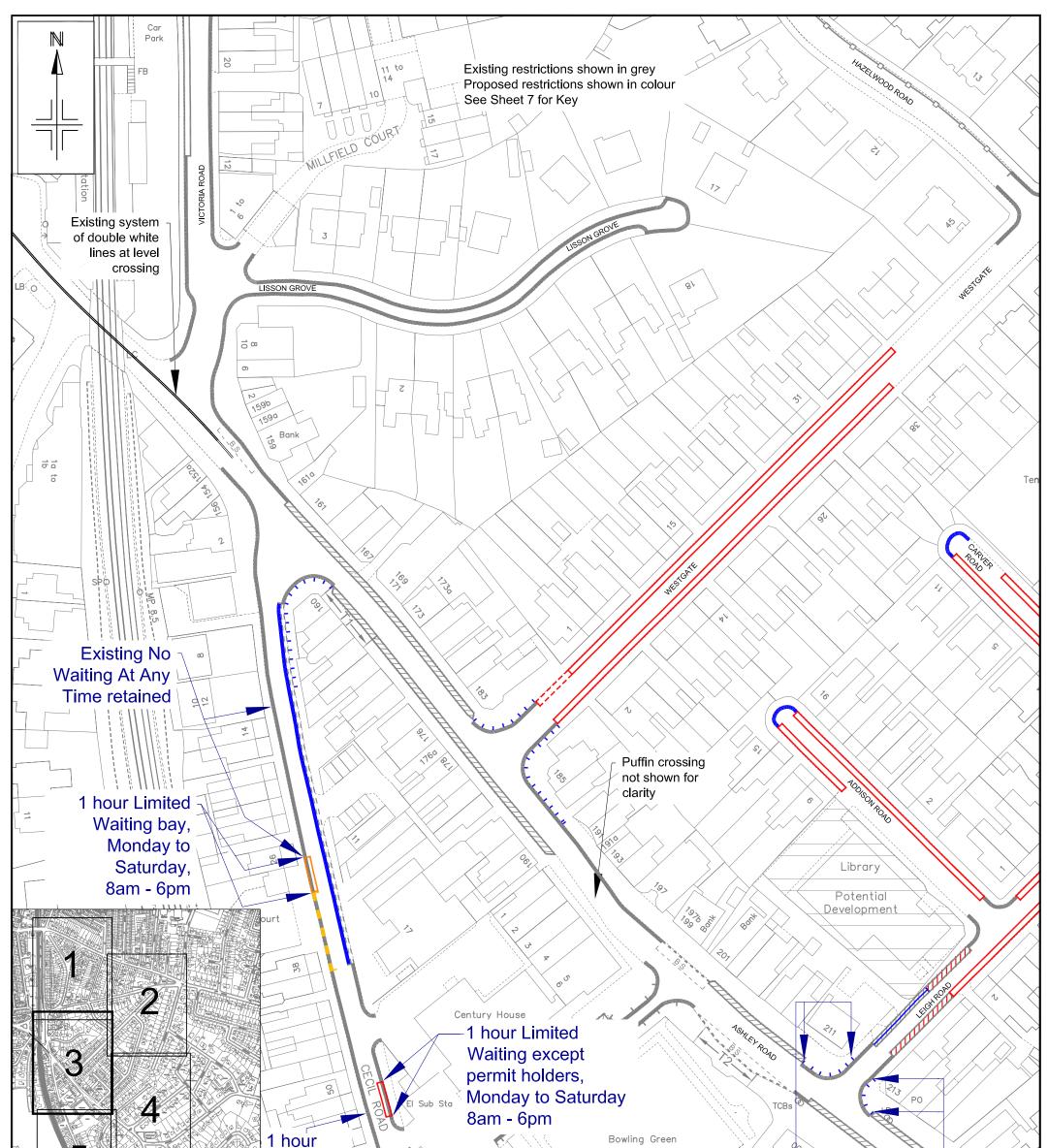
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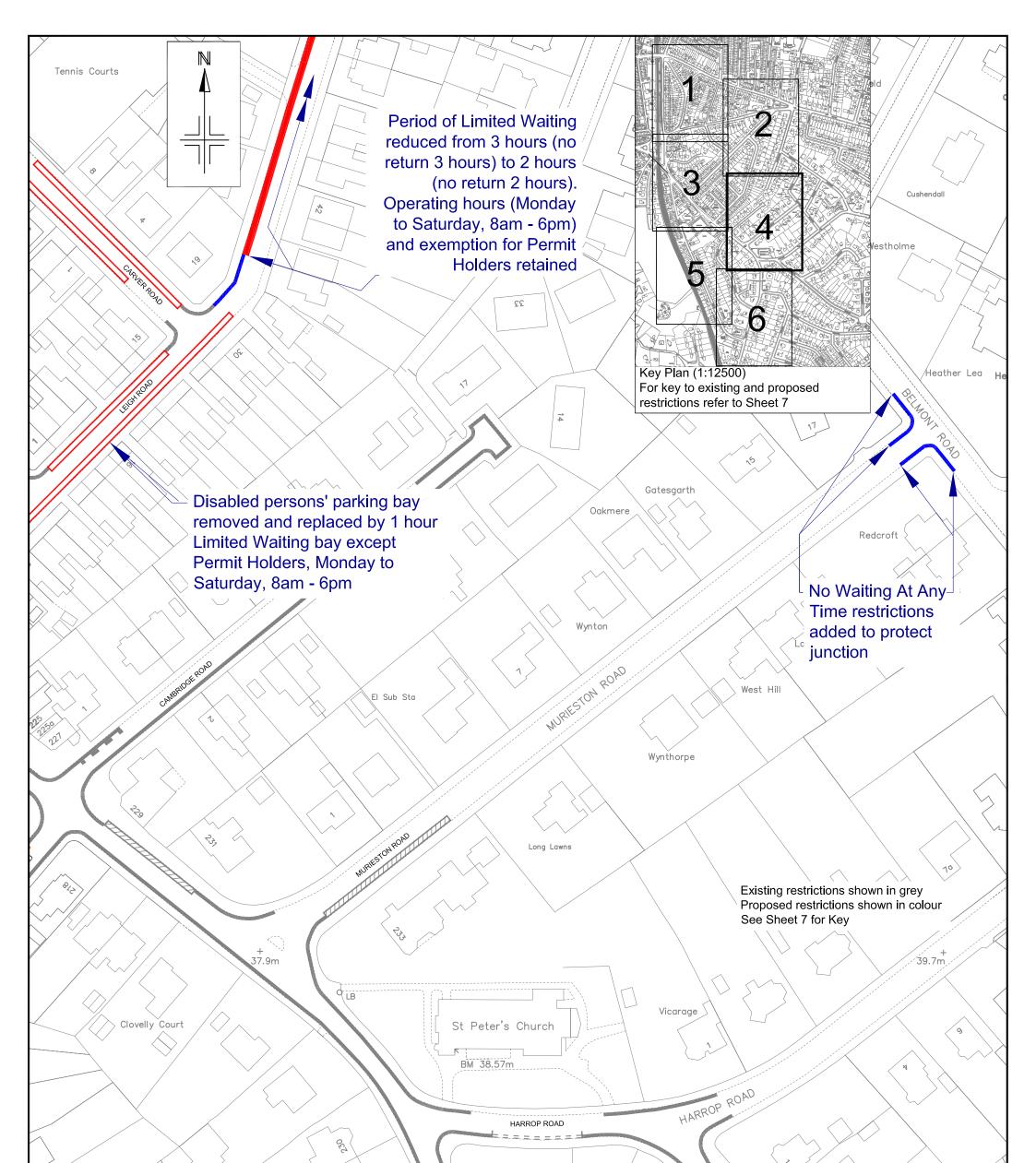
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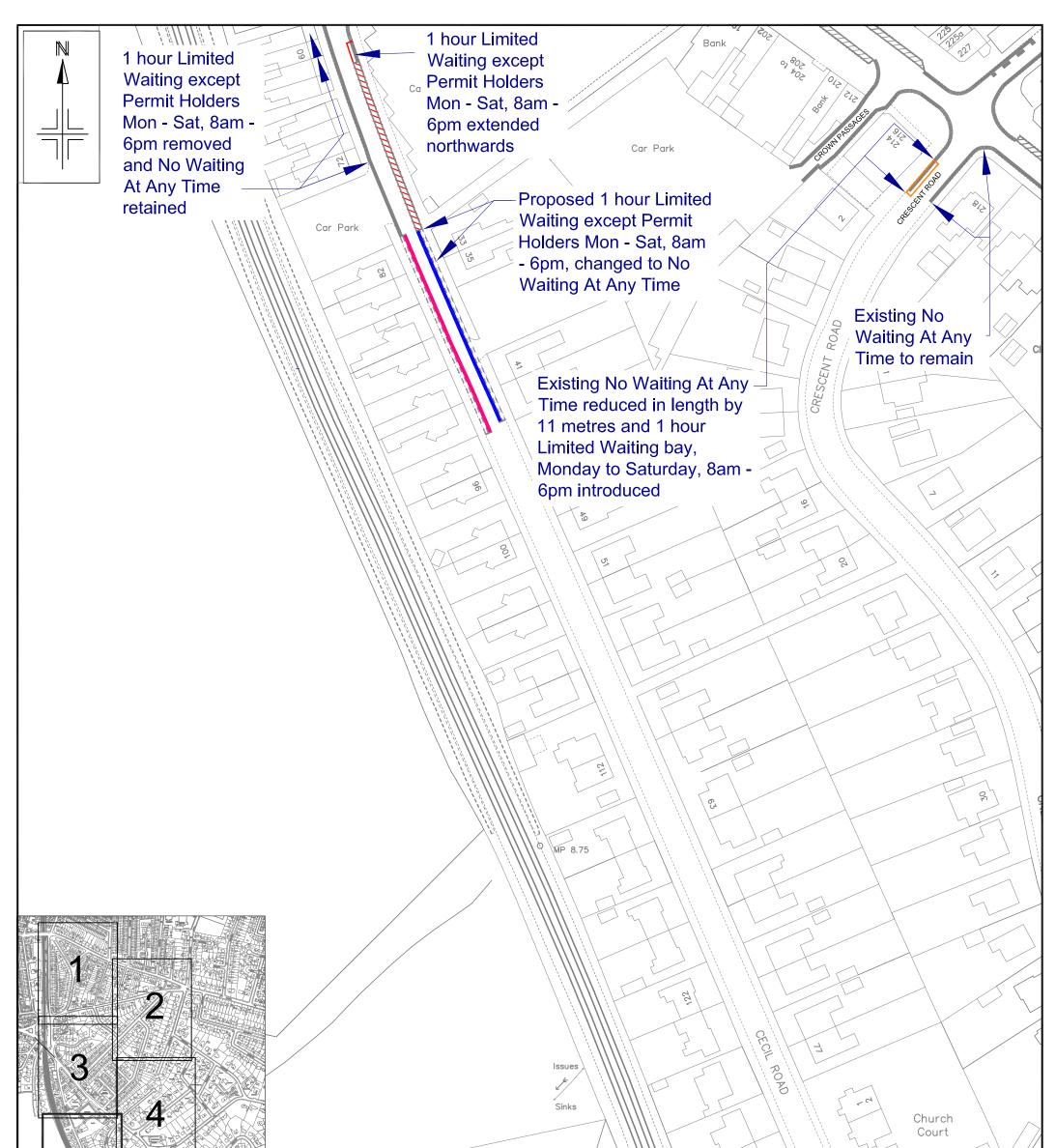
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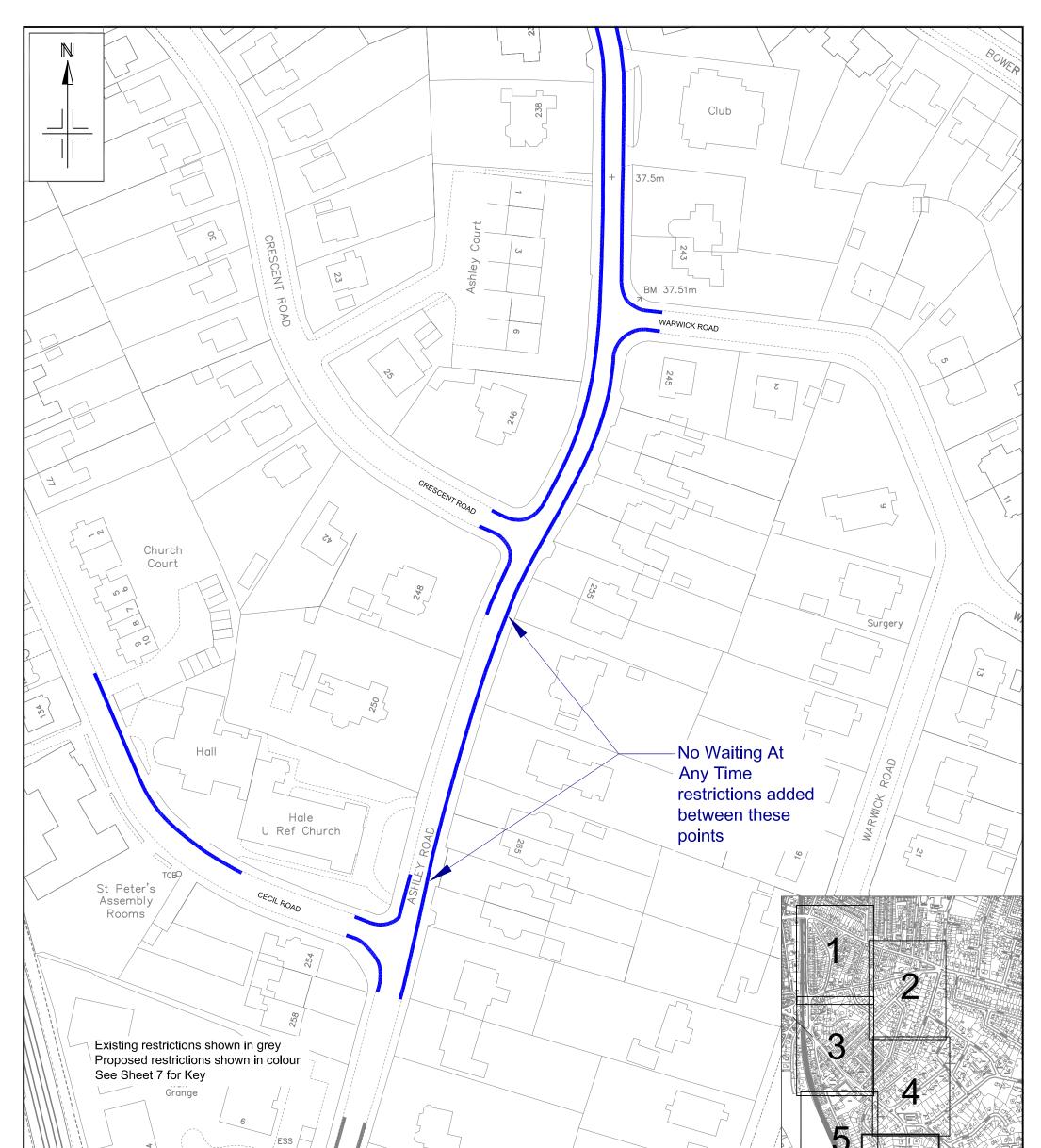
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Key to Existing, Proposed and Amended Restrictions

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HALE VILLAGE EAST PARKING SCHEME PROPOSALS: OBJECTIONS REPORT APPENDIX A: PROPOSED PARKING AND WAITING RESTRICTIONS SCHEME - SUMMARY OF OBJECTIONS AND COUNCIL'S RESPONSE

ROAD	LOG NO.	OBJECTS	SUPPORT	NATURE OF OBJECTION	COUNCIL'S RESPONSE
ALBERT ROAD	ALR1			The respondent commented on the original proposals to the effect that they did not support comments made by others that residents' permit parking or working day waiting restrictions should be introduced to the frontage of 2-14 Albert Road. Due to a change of circumstances, the respondent is now supportive of such a proposal and therefore objects to the current proposals in that they leave the frontage of 2-14 Albert Road unrestricted and requests permit holder parking or limited waiting to be extended to the frontage of their property.	The objections to the proposal to leave the frontage of numbers 2-14 largely unrestricted were dealt with in the earlier consultation and (other than a short length of No Waiting At Any Time, NWAAT, restrictions to the frontage of number 14) the proposals for this length are unchanged; the objector has, however, changed their stance due to a subsequent change of circumstances. The Council's response remains principally the same: this length of Albert Road is relatively narrow and parking on both sides of the road, wholly within the carriageway, would unduly restrict traffic flow, which leads to undesirable pavement parking, and the introduction of working day waiting restrictions on the westerly side of Albert Road to prevent parking on both sides of the road at these times will facilitate manoeuvring into and out of the drives of properties on the easterly side, of which the objector's is one. The majority of properties numbered 2-14 have off-street parking facilities, some with frontage-wide dropped crossings and there are few legitimate non-resident parking spaces on-street as a result. Introducing any restrictions to this frontage would, in the Council's opinion, unnecessarily penalise the residents (who can legitimately park across their own drives at all times) especially if any form of permit parking was introduced as they would need to purchase a permit to park on-street during the operational hours for longer than any period of limited waiting that might be allowed. The Council therefore considers the current proposals to be the most appropriate. The Council routinely monitors the effects of schemes of this kind following their introduction and further proposals would be over-ruled.
	ALR2			The respondent writes to suport and endorse the proposals for Albert Road. In the absence of the proposals, the respondent refers to the following problems continuing: cars parked on both sides of Albert Road outside their, and neighbours, houses frequently blocking access to delivery and service vehicles; obstruction of driveways to their, and neighbours, houses; large vehicles parked outside their, and neighbours, houses blocking drivers' view when exiting driveways and parked vehicles restricting use of the footway for pedestrians with pushchairs or children.	The respondent's supportive comments are welcomed.

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ALBERT ROAD	ALR3			The respondents wish to maintain their objection to the proposals for Albert Road to the frontage of their property. They previously indicated a preference for a residents' permit scheme as proposed for other nearby roads. Their concerns as previosuly expressed are: No parking available for carers, workmen or visitors. Elderly/disabled neighbour relies on being picked up/dropped off by others. The current proposals merely relocate the parking to a smaller area and the respondents state that Albert Road is the only road with unrestricted parking on one side and people tend to leave their vehicles for many weeks leaving residents with nowhere to park. Permits, as proposed on other roads, would be fairer. The respondents stated in 2016 that they had spoken to a number of neighbours who agreed with their objection [names provided]. Their 2017 correspondence adds a concern with regards to the ability of removals vans to park near the house.	The objections to the proposal to introduce working day waiting restrictions on the westerly side of Albert Road were dealt with in the earlier consultation. Having considered this latest objection, the Council's response remains the same. This length of Albert Road is too narrow to allow parking on both sides of the carriageway and this leads currently to undesirable pavement parking. To introduce parking bays to allow limited waiting with an exemption for permit holders would require vehicles to be parked wholly on the carriageway, which on this relatively narrow length of road could only be provided on one side (with waiting restrictions on the other), and would unduly restrict traffic flow and potentially further impede access to/egress from private driveways on either side of the road, about which complaints have been received. The majority of the houses numbered 3 - 37 benefit from off-street parking for more than one car, several with frontage-wide accesses, and the proposed restrictions, in the Council's view, should not unduly inconvenience residents whilst protecting access to/egress from driveways during the operational hours. Picking up and setting down passengers is permitted on yellow lines and this might actually assist the transport provision for the objectors' disabled neighbour. Similarly, loading and unloading activities would not be prevented during the operational hours. The Council concludes that the proposed restrictions are necessary in the interests of maintaining traffic flow and considers, therefore, that the objection should be over-ruled. However, the latest proposal seave the frontage of number 37, where the road is wider, unrestricted, where a vehicle could reasonably be parked without interfering with traffic flow.
	ALR4			The respondent objects to the proposed provision of No Waiting At Any Time (NWAAT) restrictions across the driveway of number 16 Albert Road on the grounds that: an access highlight marking is already in place, which they consider sufficient to prevent a vehicle being parked there and a small part of the marking (away from Thorn Grove) is often used by carers as a 'drop-off' point when returning their children home. They suggest that the proposed NWAAT should apply from the corner with Thorn Grove to the start of the access highlight marking, that the access highlight marking is renewed and that the NWAAT does not apply across the driveway of 16 Albert Road.	The Council is of the view that the proposed NWAAT restriction is necessary in the interests of highway safety, to prohibit parking close to the junction with Thorn Grove in order to promote visibility to the right for drivers emerging onto Albert Road at this junction. The proposed restriction would continue to allow vehicles to stop on the yellow lines to allow passengers to be picked up and set down and would not, therefore, prevent the current practice to which the objector refers. The Council considers that the best intertests of highway safety are served by the introduction of this short length of NWAAT restriction and therefore that the objection should be over-ruled.

ROAD	LOG NO.	OBJECTS	SUPPORT	NATURE OF OBJECTION	COUNCIL'S RESPONSE
ALBERT ROAD EAST	ARE1			Whilst in favour of the scheme overall, the respondent objects to the proposed reduction in length of the waiting restrictions on the north west side of Albert Road East, on the grounds of safety, as this is where he crosses the road on a daily basis and the presence of parked cars makes it a dangerous exercise. The respondent states that cars (belonging to employees of businesses in Hale Village) are parked in this location for more than eight hours each day and believes that, with good public transport, there is no need for people to have to drive to work in Hale.	Objections to the previously proposed working day restrictions on the north-westerly side of Albert Road East, on the grounds that these would not leave enough on-street parking space for residents and visitors, were considered in the earlier consultation, as a result of which the proposals were amended to leave four unrestricted parking spaces. The Council viewed this as a compromise, a not-ideal balance between residents' needs for on-street parking and the need to prevent undesirable pavement parking and promote traffic flow. In response to this objection, the Council believes that the proposals would continue to offer opportunities for pedestrians to find a suitable place to cross the road, if not in this precise location, that would be better than at present, and the removal of pavement parking would enhance pedestrian safety overall. The Council agrees that workers should be encouraged to commute by public transport and the scheme therefore seeks to favour residents' and short-stay parking during the daytime, including with the proposed waiting restrictions on the north-westerly side of Albert Road E; residents would tend to occupy the small number of unrestricted spaces now proposed in the evening and would be able to leave their vehicle there during the following daytime period. Whilst the Council has no responsibility or duty to provide parking for residents' vehicles, and there is no fundamental right for residents to park their vehicles on the public highway, the Council has previously acknowledged that parking for residents of 2-20 Albert Road East and their visitors is at a premium and believes, having regard to the need to promote traffic flow and prevent obstructive parking, that the revised proposals represent the best compromise that can be achieved. The Council therefore considers that the objection should be over-ruled.
	ARE2			The respondent is concerned about the lack of residents' parking proposed on Albert Road East. They state that the proposed restrictions on non-resident parking in the scheme will undoubtedly increase pressure on the remaining available space on Albert Road East. They say that, from previous objections, the Council will already be aware of the extreme pressure on parking for residents on Albert Road East due to all-day parking by commuters and employees of nearby businesses. To illustrate their point, they indicate that four residences on Albert Road East have no drives and 7 cars which have to be parked on-street; four residences on Hale Road have no drives and seek parking on Albert Road East; residents' parking on Thorn Grove will not accommodate all residents' cars so they will look to park elsewhere; a number of residents are at home during the day and need parking; 2-car households with drives are already forced to juggle cars, blocking one car in; it is impossible for visitors and tradesmen to park. The respondent concludes that the proposed changes will intensify pressure on the available parking spaces on Albert Road East, making the situation intolerable, and would welcome an extension of residents' parking to include Albert Road East.	There is no fundamental right for anyone, including residents, to park their vehicle on the public highway; it is the responsibility of anyone who drives a vehicle to ensure that it is parked, when not in use, safely and securely (preferably off the highway) and without causing a danger or obstruction to highway users. It is the Council's duty, as highway authority, to protect and assert the rights of highway users. The Council has previously acknowledged that parking for residents of 2-20 Albert Road East and their visitors is at a premium and as a result of considering earlier objections the proposals were amended to leave four unrestricted parking spaces on the north-westerly side of Albert Road East. The Council viewed this as a compromise, a not-ideal balance between residents' needs for on-street parking and the need to prevent undesirable pavement parking and promote traffic flow. Due to the narrowness of the road, permit parking would not provide additional on-street residents' parking space whilst addressing the current issues of bilateral and pavement parking that impede traffic flow and compromise pedestrian movement and safety. The Council believes, having regard to the need to promote traffic flow and prevent obstructive parking, that the revised proposals represent the best compromise that can be achieved in this location. The Council therefore considers that the objection should be over-ruled.

ROAD	LOG NO.	OBJECTS	SUPPORT	NATURE OF OBJECTION	COUNCIL'S RESPONSE
ALBERT ROAD EAST	ARE3			The respondent submits an e-mail, the text of which is identical to ARE2. The respondent submits a second e-mail with which is enclosed a letter (comprising essentially the same text as ARE2) signed by 10 residents (including one resident of Thorn Grove), which requests residents' parking for the small length at the Hale Road end of Albert Road East. The current plans, they say, would make parking for residents even more difficult and have an environmental impact as the few remaining gardens are converted to off-road parking spaces.	The Council's response is set out above in respect of ARE2. The Council believes, having regard to the need to promote traffic flow and prevent obstructive parking, that the revised proposals represent the best compromise that can be achieved in this location. The Council therefore considers that the objection should be over-ruled.
	ARE4			The respondent submits an e-mail, the text of which is identical to ARE2.	The Council's response is set out above in respect of ARE2. The Council believes, having regard to the need to promote traffic flow and prevent obstructive parking, that the revised proposals represent the best compromise that can be achieved in this location. The Council therefore considers that the objection should be over-ruled.
ASHLEY ROAD	AR1			The respondent runs a local business and strongly believes that the proposals are not to the benefit of the continued prosperity of the village and asks that the plans be reconsidered. They state that, whereas hitherto village workers have taken up the parking, during the business day, vacated by residents as they depart for work, the combined effect of the increased off-street parking charges, which they consider to be substantial, and the proposed introduction of 1-hour limited waiting and permit parking will lead to increased on-street parking and a displacement of long-stay parking to roads further out from the village. They strongly object to the proposals.	The Council's proposals are designed to promote the continued prosperity of the village, by seeking to balance the recognised competing demands for on-street parking in the area for the benefit of residents and businesses, by providing short-stay parking opportunities for customers and visitors of businesses, to promote the vitality and viability of the village, whilst providing opportunities for residents who need on-street parking during the daytime to find a convenient space close to their homes. The scheme intentionally does not give priority to on-street parking for local workers and commuters (about which the Council has received many long-standing complaints), in line with national sustainable transport policies. The Council acknowledges that the scheme may displace long-stay daytime parking to unrestricted roads further from the village, but believes that it is necessary, for the prosperity of the village, to ensure that there are short-stay parking opportunities for business customers and visitors close to the village centre, and that residents in these areas are able to find convenient on-street parking spaces in the daytime. The current charges in Council-owned public car parks were set as part of the overall Council budget review and following the consideration of comments received during a 6-week consultation period; the charges in Hale do not preclude all-day parking but favour short-stay parking, and this together with the principal elements of the proposed scheme help to ensure that customers and visitors of local businesses can find convenient short-stay parking spaces that might otherwise be occupied by commuter parking, thereby promoting the vitality and viability of village businesses. As a result, the Council believes that the currently proposed on-street parking scheme is appropriate and considers that the objection should be over-ruled.
	AR2			Text identical to AR1	The Council's response is set out above in respect of AR1. The Council believes that the currently proposed on-street parking scheme is appropriate and considers that the objection should be over-ruled.

ROAD	LOG NO.	OBJECTS	SUPPORT	NATURE OF OBJECTION	COUNCIL'S RESPONSE
ASHLEY ROAD	AR3			The respondent is a business owner, who has witnessed a sharp decline in footfall and business since taking over the business in 2016, which they consider to be in large part due to parking issues. They consider that parking has become more difficult since the opening of M&S and putting more restrictions in place is going to escalate the problem and harm the economy of the village. They object to the proposals, coming as they do on top of increases in off-street parking charges, and ask that the proposals do not go ahead.	The objector identifies a link between parking issues and a drop in trade. The Council considers, based on long-standing complaints received, that long-stay daytime parking by non-residents in roads in and around the village centre is extensive and not only adversely affects residential parking but also denies business customers and visitors the opportunity to find a convenient parking space on-street for short periods. The Council's proposals are designed to promote the continued prosperity of the village, by seeking to balance the recognised competing demands for on-street parking opportunities for customers and visitors of businesses, by providing short-stay parking opportunities for customers and visitors of businesses that help to promote the vitality and viability of the village, whilst providing opportunities for residents who need on-street parking during the daytime to find a convenient space close to their homes. The opening of new retail outlets in the village is likely to increase parking demand, but it is right, in the Council's view, that restrictions are put in place that safeguard residential parking whilst providing short-stay parking opportunities for customers of all village businesses, which is likely therefore to enhance the local economy. Similarly, the regime of current charges in Council-owned public car parks in Hale, whilst not precluding all-day parking, favours short-stay parking spaces that melot local economy. These charges were set as part of the overall Council budget review and following the consideration of comments received during a 6-week consultation period. These, together with the principal elements of the proposed scheme, help to ensure that customers and visitors of local businesses can find convenient short-stay parking spaces that might otherwise be occupied by commuter parking, thereby promoting the vitality and viability of village businesses. As a result, the Council believes that the currently proposed on-street parking scheme is appropriate and considers that the
	AR4			The respondent is the manager of a business, writing on behalf of the staff to express concerns over the planned changes to parking restrictions. They state that their opening hours are extensive and staff arrive or depart at any time of day between 7am and 1am, 7 days per week, many travelling from outside Hale, including Manchester City Centre, North Manchester and Salford. This, they say, makes it not feasible for staff to travel by public transport. They cite the increased charges for off-street parking and the proposed on-street restrictions as reasons why staff's cost of living will rise or they will have to park further away, adding extra time to already fraught and lengthy commutes. Whilst accepting the need for a balanced approach to the proposed restrictions, the respondent feels that the current proposals would serve to damage businesses in and visitors to the village. One staff member has suggested that permits are issued to businesses to enable them to park in certain areas accessible from the workplace.	The objector acknowledges the need for a balanced approach to parking provision, but feels that the current proposals will damage local businesses. The Council agrees with the need to balance parking provision, but disagrees that parking for employees of local businesses should be given priority within the village centre. It would be counter to national sustainable transport policy to give priority to on-street parking for local workers and commuters in the village centre, especially where this is likely to impede traffic flow and pose a hazard. Similarly, charges in Council-owned public car parks, whilst not precluding all-day parking, favour short-stay parking, and this together with the principal elements of the proposed on-street parking scheme are designed to ensure that customers and visitors of local businesses can find convenient short-stay parking spaces that might otherwise be occupied by commuter parking, thereby promoting the vitality and viability of village businesses. It is current Council policy not to issue permits to businesses that would facilitate commuter parking at the expense of residents' or short-stay shoppers' parking. As a result, the Council believes that the currently proposed on-street parking scheme represents an appropriate mix of residents' and short-stay parking to support the local economy and considers that the objection should be over-ruled.

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	AR5			The respondent fully supports the introduction of residents' permit parking, which they say will enhance residential amenity and solve an acute parking problem, but cannot understand why the Council will not consider providing permits to certain businesses whose livelihood relies on coming and going from the business premises. They are of the view that the proposals will put at risk the viability of their business and may lead to them relocating from the village. They say that whilst staff are happy to park well away from the village or pay for daytime parking, the nature of the business is such that team members need to come and go from the premises several times a day, parking for short periods in between. They would be happy with 3 permits, which they would be willing to pay for, and recognise that not all businesses should qualify for permits, but thinks that the Council should be flexible in its rules when it comes to businesses with a justifiable case for daytime permits. In the absence of such consideration, the respondent objects to the proposals to restrict parking in the Leigh Road area and to the increase in car park charges.	It is current Council policy not to issue permits to businesses that would facilitate commuter parking at the expense of residents' or short-stay shoppers' parking. Whilst the particular needs of this business for operational (as opposed to commuter) parking are acknowledged, the Council considers that the proposed mix of 1-hour and 2-hour limited waiting bays in and around the village centre would provide sufficient opportunities for this business to manage the parking needs generated by team members who need to come and go from the premises several times per day, parking for short periods in between. As a result, the Council believes that the currently proposed on-street parking scheme is appropriate and considers that the objection should be over-ruled. The current charges in Council-owned public car parks were set as part of the overall Council budget review and following the consideration of comments received during a 6-week consultation period; the charges in Hale do not preclude all-day parking but favour short-stay parking, to ensure that customers and visitors of local businesses can find convenient short-stay parking spaces that might otherwise be occupied by commuter parking, thereby promoting the vitality and viability of village businesses.
ASHLEY ROAD	AR6			The respondent states that they are by and large in favour of the proposals. However, they object to the proposals for the corner of Ashley Road and Cecil Road on the grounds that the southerly end of Cecil Road would remain largely unrestricted and long-term parking would be displaced to this part of the road, making it even more congested than it already is (they have experienced cars parked across their driveway, hindering access to/exit from the property). They would welcome a review of this area, proposing that the No Waiting At Any Time restrictions proposed for the northerly side of Cecil Road are extended to fill the gap opposite the side of 254 Ashley Road. They say that this would facilitate vehicle manoeuvring into and out of the driveways to the property. They also suggest an extension of the 2 or 3 hour limited waiting to the southerly end of Cecil Road to deter the blocking of driveways. The respondent believes that this obstruction would become more commonplace and be hazardous.	The respondent's broad support for the scheme is welcomed. The proposed scheme aims to strike a balance between the needs of residents and those of local businesses and their visitors and customers, tailoring the extent of any restrictions to the scale of the evident problems. Inevitably, priority is given to those lengths of road nearest to the village centre, where the greatest competing demands for parking, access, servicing and manoeuvring exist, over lengths of road further away from the centre, where traffic flows tend to be lower, there are fewer or no business premises and where residential off-street parking is generally available. In this instance, on balance, it was considered that restrictions on Cecil Road should be concentrated towards the northerly end where there is a higher proportion of more terraced properties, there is a large number of commercial properties with access to Cecil Road and movements to and from the car park are highest. However, it is the Council's practice, in common with all schemes, to monitor the effects of the scheme once introduced, and further proposals would be considered if necessary, but it is the Council's view that consideration of any additional measures should not delay the introduction of the remainder of the current scheme. NWAAT restrictions are proposed for the southerly end of Cecil Road in locations where parking would be considered hazardous; to restrict parking truther would, in the Council's view, be unnecessary in highway safety and traffic flow terms, and would be likely to displace parking onto Ashley Road, which would be less desirable. The Council considered a similar request from the respondent as part of the earlier consultation, and remains of the same view as set out above. As a result, it is recommended that the need for any additional measures in this location be considered in the light of experience of the current scheme in operation.

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BROOMFIELD LANE	BL1			The respondent comments on the proposals for the westerly end of Broomfield Lane, in the vicinity of the Clinic (which are as originally advertised). The respondent comments that the Clinic is busy on most days and that it therefore seems unfair to reduce the available on-street parking in this area.	This length of Broomfield Lane is relatively narrow and with the parking bay on the south side does not allow for two-way traffic flow. As the length over which the parking bay and narrow carriageway co-exist is approximately 77m, this causes some disruption to traffic flow, vehicle conflicts and may lead to certain drivers to travel at higher than desirable speeds in order to clear the restricted section as quickly as possible. The proposed removal of a short length of bay on the south side to be replaced by a working day waiting restriction would provide a passing place, reducing the length over which the conflict exists and help to manage traffic flows more effectively and safely, as vehicles would be able to pull in to allow another vehicle to pass. The Council believes that this would contribute to highway safety and traffic flow and not to increased speeds. The Council replied to the respondent's comments, indicating that the latest proposals incorporate additional limited waiting on a section of Albert Road to off-set the reduction in spaces on Brommfield Lane. The respondent has made no further submission to the Council in response, and their comments are therefore not treated as an objection to the latest proposals.
BROOM ROAD	BR1			The respondent states that their household fully supports the proposal to introduce 'Past this Point' permit parking for Broom Road, but asks whether the scheme should be extended to include Saturday between 9am and 5pm? The respondent indicates that the road often gets busy with visitors parking on a Staurday and feels it would probably be better for residents if the operating hours were extended to include Saturday.	The Council has replied to the respondent to indicate that it is not possible to add Saturday to the operative hours of the 'Past this Point' proposal at this stage without further delaying the introduction of the scheme, which would not in the Council's view be in the wider public interest. The proposed 'Past this Point' arrangements for Broom Road did not form part of the present round of formal consultation, and the objections received when this proposal was advertised did not seek an extension of the operative hours to Saturday; from which it is concluded that this was not a particular concern or requirement of residents of this road.
CECIL ROAD	CR1			The respondent is an office worker who strongly objects to the 'extreme' proposals for parking restrictions and the 'extortionate' increase in off-street parking charges, which they say will adversely affect all those who work in the village. The respondent states that the proposed restrictions would mean that they would have to park far from their office in order to save the parking charges and believes that the parking charges will mean that people can no longer afford either to work in or visit the village. They believe that the proposals will not benefit the continued success and prosperity of the village and they urge a reconsideration.	The Council's proposals are designed to promote the continued prosperity of the village, by seeking to balance the recognised competing demands for on-street parking in the area for the benefit of residents and businesses, by providing short-stay parking opportunities for customers and visitors of businesses that help to promote the vitality and viability of the village, whilst providing opportunities for residents who need on-street parking during the daytime to find a convenient space close to their homes. The scheme intentionally does not give priority to on-street parking for local workers and commuters (about which the Council has received many long-standing complaints), in line with national sustainable transport policies. The Council acknowledges that the scheme may displace long-stay daytime parking to unrestricted roads further from the village, but believes that it is necessary, for the prosperity of the village, to ensure that there are short-stay parking opportunities for business customers and visitors close to the village centre, and that residents in these areas are able to find convenient on-street parking spaces in the daytime. The current charges in Council-owned public car parks were set as part of the overall Council budget review and following the consideration of comments received during a 6-week consultation period; the charges in Hale do not preclude all-day parking but favour short-stay parking, and this together with the principal elements of the proposed scheme help to ensure that customers and visitors of local businesses can find convenient short-stay parking spaces that might otherwise be occupied by commuter parking, thereby promoting the vitality and viability of village businesses. As a result, the Council believes that the currently proposed on-street parking scheme is appropriate and considers that the objection should be over-ruled.

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	CR2			The respondents support the proposed permit parking, but are concerned that there would not be enough parking for all residents on Cecil Road. They consider that the best solution would be to keep the square and make that permit parking or give residents access to the Cecil Road car park as well as the on-street permit parking bays. The respondents state that there are 3 traffic entrances to the car park and just one exit; they suggest closing the entrance from Cecil Road, creating 4 more spaces and Cecil Road traffic would flow easier.	The Council acknowledged the concerns expressed by many respondents to the original consultation that additional parking bays on Cecil Road would compromise access for larger vehicles, make entry to the car park more difficult and would potentially lead to increased obstructions of driveways. Having taken account of the objections that were received at that time, the Council amended the scheme, and whilst this will lead to a reduction of the originally advertised parking bays on Cecil Road, it will generally preserve the status quo, with some modest increase in limited waiting and some permit parking for residents. Amendments to the car park accesses, as suggested, would require all vehicles to enter from Ashley Road, increasing traffic flows through the heart of the village, which would be undesirable on a permanent basis. This would also be impracticable if the currently proposed community hub development is completed. As a result, the Council believes that the revised proposals broadly take account of the views of Cecil Road residents who objected initially and it is therefore considered that this objection should be over-ruled.
CECIL ROAD	CR3			The respondent is concerned that there would not be enough parking spaces for residents to use permit parking after the square (between numbers 62 and 72) is no longer avbailable. Whilst they do not object to having to pay for a permit, they do not consider it to be fair to pay for a permit and then not have an opportunity to use it. Additional double yellow lines proposed on Cecil Road will push parking further up the road and the loss of spaces in the car park, which are well used, will compound the issue. The respondent suggests that the Cecil Road entrance to the main car park is closed and access only allowed from Ashley Road; this would improve traffic flow on Cecil Road and the limited waiting bay could be extended across the entrance creating more spaces. A solution would also be to allow residents to use the Bowling Green Car Park as an overflow.	The Council acknowledged the concerns expressed by many respondents to the original consultation that additional parking bays on Cecil Road would compromise access for larger vehicles, make entry to the car park more difficult and would potentially lead to increased obstructions of driveways. Having taken account of the objections that were received at that time, the Council amended the scheme, and whilst this will lead to a reduction of the originally advertised parking bays on Cecil Road, it will generally preserve the status quo, with some modest increase in limited waiting and some permit parking for residents. Amendments to the car park accesses, as suggested, would require all vehicles to enter from Ashley Road, increasing traffic flows through the heart of the village, which would be undesirable on a permanent basis. This would also be impracticable if the currently proposed community hub development is completed. As a result, the Council believes that the revised proposals broadly take account of the views of Cecil Road residents who objected initially and it is therefore considered that this objection should be over-ruled.

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CECIL ROAD	CR4			The respondent lodges a 'serious objection' indicating that the parking issues in Hale village are now hundreds of times worse in the twelve months since the initial proposals and the decision on the latest consultation was based on a situation that has changed significantly since the opening of the M&S store. They say that the parking proposals should now be completely re-thought. The respondent says that their house, and those of their neighbours, are in the busiest, most central location of Hale and the parking is now at breaking point. They state that the proposals do not include any provision for residents parking for the houses 14-76 Cecil Road and ask where the residents' cars are to park? The proposed parking bays, in their view, provide insufficent spaces for the residents, which will cause utter misery to them and their neighbours. They suggest that 4 spaces, rather than 2, should be provided opposite 50-56 Cecil Road and this (together with the spaces opposite 60-62) should be for residents' use. They insist that no pavement width should be reduced and cars must park wholly on the carriageway as there is barely enough room for a wheelchair or double buggy to pass safely.	The Council is of the view that the increase in parking demand associated with new retail outlets in the village increases the need for the current on-street parking proposals, which continue to represent the most appropriate mix, in the Council's view, of on-street residential permit parking and short-stay parking opportunities for customers of and visitors to village businesses. The Council acknowledged the concerns expressed by many respondents to the original consultation that additional parking bays on Cecil Road would compromise access for larger vehicles, make entry to the car park more difficult and would potentially lead to increased obstructions of driveways. Having taken account of the objections that were received at that time, including that from this objector, the Council amended the scheme, and whilst this will lead to a reduction of the originally advertised parking bays on Cecil Road, it will generally preserve the status quo, with some modest increase in limited waiting and some permit parking for residents. The objector registers their support for the revisions to the scheme that resulted in the removal of the proposal for a parking bay to the frontage of their property. The length of parking bays now proposed is the greatest that can be achieved whilst mainting access to premises and without compromising the manoeuvring of larger vehicles servicing adjacent premises.
	CR5			The respondent writes on behalf of a local business, based on Cecil Road, employing 28 people. They express concern over the proposals in the context of recent 'substantial' increases in off-street car parking charges. This has impacted in terms of increased on-street parking and in illegitimate use by shoppers and diners of their private parking area, the latter thus impacting on clients' ability to park. They strongly object to these changes, which they believe will have a significant adverse effect on businesses and recruitment, as parking will become a major problem. Whilst previously staff found adequate on- street parking on Cecil Road and Westgate (as residents left for work), this has changed due to the increase in off-street charges and would be further exacerbated by the current proposals. This, they say, will displace long-stay parking by business people further away. They believe that the proposals will not benefit the continued prosperity of the village and ask that the Council reconsider the plans as they will drive local businesses away and impact the local economy.	The current charges in Council-owned public car parks were set as part of the overall Council budget review and following the consideration of comments received during a 6-week consultation period; the charges in Hale do not preclude all-day parking but favour short-stay parking, to help ensure that there are opportunities for customers and visitors of local businesses to find convenient short-stay parking spaces that might otherwise be occupied by commuter parking, thereby promoting the vitality and viability of village businesses. The management of off-street, private parking is not a matter for the Council. Similarly, the current scheme intentionally does not give priority to on-street parking complaints), in line with national sustainable transport policies. The Council acknowledges that the scheme may displace long-stay daytime parking to unrestricted roads further from the village, but believes that it is necessary, for the prosperity of the village, to ensure that there are short-stay parking opportunities for business customers and visitors close to the village centre. As a result, the Council believes that the objection should be over-ruled.

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HALE ROAD	HR1			Respondent objects on the grounds that the proposals would leave them nowhere to park, which would be challenging with children and shopping, leaving them with no other option but to consider moving house.	The objector's property benefits from off-street parking, but it is acknowledged that this provides only a single parking space and that if more than one car is owned and needs to be parked on-street during the proposed operational hours of the scheme, the ability to find a parking space off Hale Road may become more difficult. There will, however, be areas within the scheme that remain unrestricted and while these may be less convenient and demand for them greater, this is not considered to be sufficient grounds for amendment or abandonment of the present proposals, which the Council considers to have overall benefits for the local business and residential community. The objection is therefore over-ruled. In response to an objection received from the respondent to the earlier consultation, the Council confirmed that the 'tree' roads that are currently unrestricted are on the list of requests for permit parking for future consideration as and when funds become available, and that the specific needs of Hale Road residents could be considered at that time.
	LR1			The respondent has a driveway and access highlight marking, and under the current proposals would be entitled to one permit; however, the household owns two cars that are too large to be parked on the driveway and as a result would cause them severe disruption and distress. Under what they consider to be their unique circumstances, they ask to be allowed two permits in line with the rules for households with no driveway.	The respondent has created a driveway by paving the front garden of the property, which has, necessarily, limited the size of vehicle that can be accommodated off the highway. It is Council policy, applied across the Borough, that residents of properties with a driveway should be entitled to purchase only a single permit, although visitor permits can also be purchased. The policy does not take account of the size of vehicle(s) owned by the household; this is a matter of personal choice and the parking of vehicles, either on a driveway or safely and securely elsewhere, remains the responsibility of the householder, not the Council. For the Council to make exceptions to these rules would set an unwelcome precedent, undermining the principles of permit allocation across all permit schemes and is therefore not acceptable to the Council. The Council therefore considers that the objection should be over-ruled.
LEIGH ROAD	LR2			Respondent is concerned that there will be no restrictions on parking on one side of Leigh Road at the top end. The entire road suffers from parking issues, not just at the village end, throughout the day and into the evening, with a mixture of employees of village businesses, visitors to the village and those collecting children from school. They report that there is rarely parking available for their visitors on a weekday. They also report problems with their driveway being blocked by parked cars. They believe that leaving one area of the road unrestricted will make this area more in demand, especially by those who park all day and will cause increased problems with inconsiderate parking. They would therefore like to see the 2-hour limited waiting extended throughout the road, on both sides. The respondent says that residents would benefit from access highlight markings.	The originally advertised proposals for Leigh Road sought to achieve a balance between the competing demands for short stay parking for visitors and customers of village businesses and for residents' parking, and parking controls were therefore proposed for both sides of the road nearest the village centre where the properties are mostly terraced and the availability of residential off-street parking is restricted as a result, and on only one side (originally with a longer limited waiting period) at the northerly end, where there is greater availability of off-street residential parking. In acknowledgement of comments received, the Council revised the scheme to reduce the previously proposed 3-hour limited waiting period to 2 hours. Inconsiderate parking causing an obstruction/partial obstruction of driveways is not restricted to locations or schemes such as this and access highlight markings can be effective in reducing such practices; markings in locations where, as part of the proposed scheme, parking bays are not proposed, can be purchased via the Council.

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	TG1			The respondent submits a letter, in which they welcome the changes that have been made to the proposals in response to comments made by them and fellow Thorn Grove residents during the previous consultation. However, they indicate that there are two areas that still need to be addressed and they make the following suggestions. First, that the proposed junction protection at the end of Thorn Grove, whilst welcome on the actual corner, should not extend across the frontages of 14, 16 and 18 Albert Road, which need to be made into permit parking spaces. Secondly, that proposed restrictions to the frontage of 27 and 29 Albert Road should be replaced by permit only spaces for residents. The respondent considers that these small changes would make the scheme much better for residents of the Thorn Grove and Albert Road area.	The respondent's comments in supprt of the changes already made to the proposals are welcome. With regards to their suggested further changes, the Council believes parking at the junction of Thorn Grove and Albert Road to be detrimental to highway safety and the proposed restrictions (which extend across part of the frontage of 14 and the driveway of 16 Albert Road, and not across the frontage of 18 Albert Road) are considered to be the shortest length compatible with promoting driver visibility and therefore highway safety at the junction. The Council therefore rejects this suggestion in the interests of highway safety. The length of Albert Road, wholly within the carriageway (as would be necessary if formal permit parking bays were to be introduced), would unduly restrict traffic flow, leading to undesirable pavement parking. The Council therefore remains of the view that working day waiting restrictions should be introduced on the westerly side of Albert Road to prevent parking on both sides of the road at these times; this will maintain traffic flow and facilitate manoeuvring into and out of the drives of properties on the easterly side. The Council therefore rejects this suggestion is that the objection should be over-ruled.
THORN GROVE	TG2			The respondent, purporting to represent the Thorn Grove residents, points out that there are 9 houses and only 7 parking spaces, so residents have to park on Albert Road and Albert Road East. There is no possibility of creating off- street parking, so parking for the residents of Thorn Grove is a real issue, especially as some houses have more than 1 car and there are visitors and workmen who need to park too. The main problem is all day parking by commuters or employees of businesses in Hale. The respondent submits a plan to illustrate the problem. They state that the present proposals will displace parked cars elsewhere, adding to the problem; ending the yellow line at 37 Albert Road loses 3 parking spaces, the same with Albert Road East; the 2-hour limited waiting at the Albert Road/Broomfield Lane end loses a further 6 spaces; the remainder is still available for all day parking, which is the main problem. The respondent offers three suggestions: first, to extend the permit parking on Albert Road and to allow an exemption for permit holders in the 2-hour limited waiting bay; secondly, to make the whole of Albert Road permit holders only or 2-hour limited waiting with an exemption for permit holders; or thirdly, make the whole area for permit holders. The respondent fears that if the situation deteriorates, more people will create off-street parking, reducing the availability of on-street spaces for the use of Thorn Grove residents.	The Council acknowledges the particular issues with parking on Thorn Grove and that there is insufficient parking space for residents relative to the numbers of houses. Under the terms of the proposals, Thorn Grove residents would be entitled to permits, which would be for Zone AE; residents would therefore be able to park anywhere within Zone AE including, for example, within the Albert Road Past this Point area. Experience from other similar schemes introduced would suggest that there would be opportunities for permit holders to find a convenient parking space during the operative hours, albeit possibly not directly outside their own property. The Council is therefore of the view that the proposals make adequate provision for the 'overspill' from Thorn Grove. In respect of specific suggestions, the Council comments as follows: Albert Road and Albert Road East are relatively narrow and parking on both sides of the road, wholly within the carriageway as would be necessary to introduce formal permit parking bays, would unduly restrict traffic flow, therefore requiring waiting restrictions to be imposed on at least one side of the road. With the majority of properties numbered 2 -14 Albert Road having off-street parking facilities there are few legitimate non-resident parking spaces on-street as a result. Introducing permit parking to this frontage would, in the Council's opinion, unnecessarily penalise the residents (who can legitimately park across their own drives at all times) as they would need to purchase a permit to park on-street during the operational hours for longer than any period of limited waiting that might be allowed. The Council therefore considers the current proposals for Albert Road/Albert Road East to be the most appropriate. The proposed restrictions at the Thorn Grove junction with Albert Road are considered to be the shortest length compatible with promoting driver visibility and therefore highway safety at the junction and the 2-hour limited waiting at the southerly end of Albert Road is

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VICTORIA ROAD	VR1			The respondent represents a business with 24 staff, 9 of whom are in and out of the office at various times of day. They state that they require all day parking in the village and that the proposed restrictions will have a significant impact on staff, clients and the business, and on other businesses. They strongly object to the proposals which do not tackle the real issue, namely the lack of car parking facilities in the village. They list a number of concerns, including that their office based staff cannot afford £35 per week for parking; the recent price increases have led to previously full car parks having spaces available, meaning that drivers are now adding to the existing residential parking problems, local to the village or further afield; car parking for visitors and customers will be more difficult leading to the only object on recruitment; staff and visitors come from all over Cheshire and Greater Manchester and without adequate direct public transport the only option is to drive and park. They state that there are insufficient car parking facilities to support the number of businesses, their employees, customers and visitors, and train passengers, and they believe that providing additional and affordable car parking will help to alleviate the parking problems for residents and that this should be provided before implementing the proposed restrictions. They strongly believe that the proposed restrictions. They strongly believe that the proposed restrictions.	On-street and public off-street parking space is finite, and therefore has to be managed so as to best meet the needs of the community that it serves. In the case of Hale village, this means that a balance has to be struck between the needs of businesses for short-stay customer and visitor parking and residents' parking, the latter due to the proximity of residential properties, often with limited or no off-street parking facilities, close to the village centre. As a consequence, the current charges in Council-owned public car parks in Hale, whilst not precluding all-day parking, favour short-stay parking, to help ensure that there are opportunities for customers and visitors of local businesses to find convenient short-stay parking spaces that might otherwise be occupied by commuter parking, thereby promoting the vitality and viability of village businesses. These charges were set as part of the overall Council budget review and following the consideration of comments received during a 6-week consultation period. Similarly, the current on-street parking scheme intentionally does not give priority to on-street parking for local workers and commuters (about which the Council has received many long-standing complaints), in line with national sustainable transport polices.
WESTGATE	W1			Respondent refers to parking problems at the northerly end of Westgate, where no restrictions are proposed under the present scheme. Respondent refers to the improvement that the provision of an access highlight marking has had on access to/egress from their driveway but refers to on-going difficulties when exiting the drive due to restricted visibility along the road caused by parked cars and, whilst glad that parking at this end of Westgate is not proposed to be restricted altogether, requests working day waiting restrictions and residents' permit parking (for visitors and tradesmen) on Mondays to Fridays.	In designing the scheme, the Council has endeavoured to strike a balance between the needs of residents and those of local businesses and their visitors and customers, tailoring the extent of any restrictions to the scale of the evident problems. Inevitably, priority has been given to those lengths of road nearest to the village centre, where the greatest demands for short stay parking exist, and in considering the inclusion of lengths of road further away from the centre, the availability or otherwise of residential off-street parking has been a significant factor. In this instance, on balance, it was considered that restrictions on Westgate should be confined to the length nearest the village centre where the properties are mostly terraced and the availability of residential off-street parking is restricted as a result. Whilst the problems reported by the respondent are acknowledged, the promotion of further restrictions at this stage would delay implementation of the scheme, which the Council's practice, in common with all schemes, to monitor the effects of the scheme once introduced, and further proposals would be considered if necessary.

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WESTGATE	W2			The respondent objects to certain aspects of the proposals. They are concerned that an already busy part of the road (where there are no significant restrictions either now or proposed) will become even more so as a result of displaced parking. They report that at almost all times of the day cars are parked in all available spaces, making entry to/exit from driveways difficult and often dangerous. Whilst accepting that the introduction of permits will help certain areas of Hale they feel that the traffic problems will be exacerbated where there are no restrictions.	The Council acknowledges that the scheme may displace long-stay daytime parking to unrestricted roads further from the village centre, but the extent and effects of such parking are difficult to predict, and may be limited where on-street parking is already extensive. The promotion of further restrictions or permit parking at this stage would delay implementation of the scheme, which the Council believes would not be in the best interests of the community at large, and would in any event need to be designed to address the specific extent and nature of any parking problems that are generated. However, it is the Council's practice, in common with all schemes, to monitor the effects of the scheme once introduced, and further proposals would be considered if necessary. As a result, the Council considers that the objection should be over- ruled.
OTHER	OA1			The respondent is a worker in Hale village who objects to the proposed restrictions together with the 'extortionate' increase in car parking charges. They state that the increase in parking charges makes parking in the car parks on a daily basis totally impossible for most people. This, together with the proposed on-street restrictions will, they say, exacerbate the daily struggle to find a parking space. They strongly object to the proposals on the grounds that these will have a substantial impact on all those who work in the village and the immediate vicinity, and they believe that the proposals will have an adverse impact on the village and employment growth within it and will not benefit the continued success and prosperity of the village. As wages have not increased in line with the car parking charges, and are no longer affordable, they ask the Council to reconsider.	The current charges in Council-owned public car parks in Hale, whilst not precluding all-day parking, favour short-stay parking, to help ensure that there are opportunities for customers and visitors of local businesses to find convenient short-stay parking spaces that might otherwise be occupied by commuter parking, thereby promoting the vitality and viability of village businesses. These charges were set as part of the overall Council budget review and following the consideration of comments received during a 6-week consultation period. Similarly, the current on-street parking scheme intentionally does not give priority to on-street parking for local workers and commuters (about which the Council has received many long-standing complaints), in line with national sustainable transport policies. The Council is of the view that parking for employees of local businesses should not be given priority within the village centre. The Council acknowledges that, as a result, the scheme may displace long-stay daytime parking to unrestricted roads further from the village, but believes that it is necessary, for the prosperity of the village, to ensure that there are short-stay parking opportunities for business customers and visitors close to the village council supports employees who seek to travel more sustainably, for example by public transport or car sharing. As a result, the Council believes that the currently proposed on-street parking scheme is appropriate and considers that the objection should be over-ruled.
Legend:			Objects		

Generally supportive but seeking an extension of the proposals

Supports/Not considered an objection