

DOVER DISTRICT COUNCIL

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENT AND CORPORATE ASSETS

DOVER JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD – 9 JUNE 2016

PARKING RESTRICTION PROPOSALS – SANDWICH AND EASTRY

Recommendation

The Board is requested, subject to there being no written objections received before noon on 20 June 2016, to recommend that Kent County Council seals the proposed three parking schemes detailed in this report;

and

That, should any objections for any scheme be received before noon on 20 June 2016, the Board authorises its Chairman and Vice-Chairman to consider the objections and decide whether to recommend, on behalf of the Board, that Kent County Council seals all or any of the proposed three schemes or to refer all or any of the schemes back to the Board for further consideration.

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Reasons why a decision is required

1. It is necessary for the Board to consider whether the recommendation made in this report should be progressed.

Evaluation of options available to the Council

2.
 - i) To agree to the recommendation detailed above
 - ii) To amend any part of the recommendation detailed above
 - iii) To withdraw all of the proposed schemes.

Information to be considered in taking the decision

3. The following three proposals have been formally advertised but the permitted period for receiving written objections does not end until noon on 20 June 2016 – 11 days after this month's meeting of the Board. Under normal circumstances the Board would wait until its next meeting (the next meeting being scheduled in September 2016) to consider any objections received and to make its recommendation. However this would add a 3-month delay, meaning the restrictions, if approved, wouldn't come in to effect until after the busy summer period. For this reason the Board is asked to approve the request made in the following paragraph.
4. The Board is asked, subject to there being no objections received by noon on 20 June 2016, to recommend that Kent County Council seal the three proposals detailed in this report and as shown in Appendices A, B and C. The Board is also requested that should any objections for any scheme be received before noon on 20 June 2016, that the Board authorises its Chairman and Vice-Chairman to consider the objections and to decide whether to recommend, on behalf of the Board, that Kent County Council

seals all or any of the proposed schemes detailed in this report, or to refer any or all of the schemes back to the Board for further consideration.

Rear of Guildhall, Sandwich – Proposed loading prohibition and provision of 2 loading bays

5. Appendix A shows a proposal for parking restrictions behind the Guildhall in Sandwich. There are currently no formal restrictions in this area and vehicles regularly block the access to Watts Yard. The main purpose of the proposal is to protect the central access through to Watts Yard, whilst creating designated loading areas on either side. An additional disabled parking space is proposed in the corner of the Guildhall Car Park.
6. KCC Highways will, as part of the scheme, provide and protect the central access to Watts Yard with timber bollards onto which the “No Loading” signs, protecting the access can be fixed. The whole area will be resurfaced in tarmac by KCC Highways to provide a new surface onto which the new lining can be marked.
7. This proposal is supported by Sandwich Town Council.

Strand Street, Sandwich – Proposed extension of loading bay

8. Appendix B shows a proposal to extend the existing loading bay in Strand Street to make it long enough to accommodate lorries that need to deliver to this area of Sandwich. Most lorries cannot fit into the small space currently provided.
9. This proposal is supported by Sandwich Town Council.

High Street, Eastry – Proposed Limited Waiting

10. Appendix C shows a proposal to introduce limited waiting in the High Street in Eastry outside a parade of local shops.
11. The purpose of the restriction is to prevent all-day parking, to encourage a turn-over of the spaces to better serve the commercial needs of the village.
12. The proposal is supported by Eastry Parish Council.

Background Papers

Parking Services' Files.

Consultation Statement

The Portfolio Holder for Access and Licensing has been consulted on the proposal outlined in this report. As part of the statutory process a formal advertisement is being undertaken for the proposals through which objections can be made.

Impact on Corporate Objectives

The proposed changes to the waiting restrictions outlined in this report will foster improved opportunity and access.

Attachments

Appendix A Proposed Loading Prohibition and Provision of 2 Loading bays, rear of Sandwich Guildhall.

Appendix B Proposed Extension of Loading Bay, Strand Street, Sandwich

Appendix C Proposed Limited Waiting, High Street, Eastry

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