

Meeting and Date: Dover Joint Transportation Board – 7 September 2017

Report of: Roger Walton, Director of Environment and Corporate Assets

Portfolio Holder: Councillor Nigel Collor, Portfolio Holder for Access and Licensing

Subject: PROPOSED RESIDENT PARKING SCHEMES - DOVER

Purpose of the report: To seek agreement of the Board to undertake a formal consultation on proposals to introduce residents' parking schemes covering the Laureston Place, Victoria Park and Priory Hill areas of Dover.

Recommendation: The Board is asked to agree that a consultation be undertaken with the residents in the Laureston Place, Victoria Park and Priory Hill areas of Dover to see if there is sufficient support for the introduction of residents' parking schemes. The outcome of the consultation will be brought back before the Board at a future meeting to see whether or not the schemes should proceed to the next stage of being formally advertised prior to making any final recommendations.

1. Summary

1.1 This report seeks agreement of the Board to consult on the two residents' parking schemes as detailed in this report.

2. Proposed Residents' Parking Scheme, Laureston Place and Victoria park, Dover

2.1 Residents in Laureston Place and Victoria Park have requested a residents' parking scheme to cover their roads. The parking demand in the vicinity has been steadily increasing and particularly since the closure of the Russell Street Car Park (now part of the St James's development site). Such a scheme could potentially be based on an extension to the existing Zone F, which includes sections of adjacent streets such as Castle Hill Road, Eastbrook Place and St. James's Street.

2.2 The Board is asked to agree that a consultation can be undertaken with the residents in these two roads and those within the existing Zone F to see if there is sufficient support for such a scheme.

2.3 The outcome of the consultation will be brought back before the Board at a future meeting to see whether or not the scheme should proceed to the next stage of being formally advertised.

3. Proposed Residents' Parking Scheme for Priory Hill, Priory Grove and The Abbots, Dover

3.1 Residents in the Priory Hill area of Dover have also approached the Council requesting the introduction of a residents' scheme. The lower section of the road (closest to the High Street) is understood to be used by drivers working and visiting this area of the town, whilst the upper section is understood to be popular with commuters able to access Dover Priory Station via the flight of steps linking the two locations.

- 3.2 The consultation will seek to establish whether the introduction of a resident scheme is the most appropriate response, or whether the introduction of limited waiting controls might mitigate concerns being caused by those parking to access the town or the station. Officers have also noted that there are a number of properties with garages within Priory Hill and the introduction of a formal scheme could limit the number of on-street parking spaces available.
- 3.3 The Board is asked to agree that a consultation can be undertaken with the residents to see if there is sufficient support for such a scheme.
- 3.4 The outcome of the consultation will be brought back before the Board at a future meeting to see whether or not the scheme should proceed to the next stage of being formally advertised

4. **Identification of Options**

- 4.1 Option 1. To agree to the recommendation to undertake the consultations detailed in this report.
- 4.2 Option 2. To amend either or both of the proposals and to agree to undertake a consultation based on the revised proposal(s).
- 4.3 Option 3. To withdraw both proposals.

5. **Resource Implications**

- 5.1 The funding will be covered by the Parking Operations budget.

6. **Corporate Implications**

- 6.1 Comment from the Equalities Officer

This report does not specifically highlight any equalities implications however, in discharging their responsibilities members are required to comply with the public sector equality duty as set out in section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2010/15> (KM)

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