

DOVER DISTRICT COUNCIL

REPORT OF THE STRATEGIC DIRECTOR (OPERATIONS AND COMMERCIAL)

DOVER JOINT TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD – 30 JUNE 2022

**PROPOSED REVISION OF ZONE H RESIDENTS' PERMIT PARKING SCHEME**

**Recommendation:**

The Board is asked to agree that:

- (a) The existing residents' permit parking schemes for Deal to be split up and to create three separate zones.
- (b) The existing residents' permit parking schemes restriction times to be changed from 8.30am–5.30pm to 7.00am–8.00pm.

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Reasons why a decision is required

1. Historically the residents scheme, Zone H, has covered the majority of Deals residential areas. This has meant that residents with a Zone H permit could park between Ranelagh Road and Alfred Square, an area covering a kilometre in length, throughout the town.
2. We're proposing that there be a revision to this and create three permits zones, Zone H to remain in north Deal, stopping at Queen Street, Zone L in south Deal and all permits in west Deal, across the railway line, Zone P. As per the attached drawing Appendix C.
3. Each of the properties within the zones will be sent a letter explaining the proposed changes and sent a questionnaire to fill in and return. (Appendix A and B).
4. Along with the zone change, we proposed that the times for the existing residents permit parking schemes. Restriction times to be changed from 8.30am – 5.30pm to 7am – 8pm. This was also on the questionnaire (Appendix B)
5. The responses to the informal consultation have been collated and although a majority of residents accepted the zone change, adversely they were not in favour of the time change. (Appendix D)
6. Zone 2 and Business permits will remain unchanged for now.
7. In making this recommendation, consideration has been given to equality issues. It is not anticipated that these proposals will adversely affect any of the groups having protected characteristics contrary to the Equalities Act 2010.
8. The additional restrictions will have little impact on blue badge holders as they can continue to park for free with no time limit on-street.
9. The Board is asked to consider whether the proposals detailed in this report be further investigated on its viability.
10. Evaluation of options available to the Board:

- To agree to the recommendation and arrange for the permit zones to be altered
- To agree to the recommendation and perform a formal consultation for the time change.
- To withdraw the proposal for the zone change.
- To withdraw the proposal for the time change.

### **Background Papers**

Parking Services Files.

### **Consultation Statement**

The Portfolio Holder for Transport, Licensing and Regulatory Services has been consulted on the proposal outlined in this report.

### **Impact on Corporate Objectives**

The proposed changes to the parking outlined in this report will:

- Support a continued and reasonable “turn over” of available parking spaces which aids the tourism agenda and local businesses;
- Support the budget.
- Enable a more efficient and consistent parking operation

### **Attachments**

Appendix A – Letter to the residents.

Appendix B – Questionnaire.

Appendix C – Drawing of the zones to be revised.

Appendix D - Collation of responses from residents of Deal.

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The officer to whom reference should be made concerning inspection of the background papers is the Transport & Parking Services Manager, Dover District Council, White Cliffs Business Park, Dover, Kent CT16 3PJ. Telephone: (01304) 872046, Extension 42046