

Notice of:	CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES AND HIGHWAYS
Decision number:	PH36/2019
Relevant Officer:	John Blackledge, Director of Community and Environmental Services
Relevant Cabinet Member	Councillor Fred Jackson, Cabinet Member for Environmental Services and Highways
Date of Decision:	8 March 2019

OBJECTIONS TO THE BOROUGH OF BLACKPOOL (Osborne and Withnell Road – Permit Parking) (PERMIT PARKING) ORDER 2018

1.0 Purpose of the report:

1.1 To consider a representation on the impact of introducing Residents Parking on Osborne and Withnell Road.

2.0 Recommendation(s):

2.1 To consider the proposal, subsequent representation, and the recommendation of the Director of Community and Environmental Services.

3.0 Reasons for recommendation(s):

3.1 It is appropriate that the representation is fully considered and a decision made whether or not to proceed with the proposals.

3.2a Is the recommendation contrary to a plan or strategy adopted or approved by the Council? No

3.2b Is the recommendation in accordance with the Council's approved budget? Yes

3.3 Other alternative options to be considered:

To continue with the current arrangements by not proceeding with the proposed order.

4.0 Council Priority:

4.1 The relevant Council Priority is: “Communities: Creating stronger communities and increasing resilience”.

5.0 Background Information

5.1 In response to complaints from residents of within the proposed area in relation to parking issues and vehicular congestion, the Council committed to reviewing the permanent Osborne Road and Withnell Road Permit Parking scheme which would affect the following streets: Brighton Avenue, Osborne Road, Station Terrace, Windsor Avenue, and Withnell Road.

5.2 The Council has undertaken several consultations with the residents of Brighton Avenue, Osborne Road, Station Terrace, Windsor Avenue, and Withnell Road. The consultations have sought the views of the residents on the implementation of a Permit Parking Zone in order to safeguard access for residents and emergency services.

5.3 The feedback has been collated, 51 (combined) responded to the questions regarding the implementation of a residents permit parking scheme. 82% of those that responded chose to have the Permit Parking.

5.4 Following the informal consultation, an Officer Non Key Executive Decision requesting authorisation to publish a Public Notice for the proposed Traffic Regulation Order was circulated on the 12 December 2018 and subsequently confirmed on the 21 December 2018, which in effect triggered the statutory part of the process.

5.5 The public notice was published in the Gazette on 24 December 2018, the Notice of Proposal gave notice of the Council’s intention to make the Traffic Regulation Order: The Borough of Blackpool (Osborne and Withnell Road) (Permit Parking) Order 2019.

5.6 One objection to the scheme has been received, from a resident within the area of the scheme.

5.7 The resident objects to the proposed Residents Parking scheme on the grounds that it will adversely affect his business. The resident feels it is not appropriate as the property is commercial.

5.8 An officer from Highways and Traffic met the objector to seek potential compromise and ways forward to balance his concerns with those of the other residents that supported the scheme in the informal consultation.

5.9 The Director of Community and Environmental Services recommends that the proposal to introduce Residents Parking on Osbourne and Withnell Road (the scheme) be implemented as proposed. The reasons for the scheme are still valid and the objector's concerns can be addressed in other ways, and there remains significant Highway reasons to proceed with the proposal.

5.10 Does the information submitted include any exempt information? No

5.11 **List of Appendices:**

Existing Layout Plan

Proposed Layout Plan

THE BOROUGH OF BLACKPOOL (OSBORNE AND WITHNELL ROAD)
(PERMIT PARKING) ORDER 2018

Osbourne and Withnell Road Permit Parking Order 2018 Notice of Proposed.

Statement of Reasons

Consultation – Osborne and Withnell Road

Feedback – Osborne and Withnell Road

Letters Received

6.0 Legal considerations:

6.1 The Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 particularly s122, s43(3).
Road Traffic Act 1991.
Traffic Management Act 2004

7.0 Human Resources considerations:

7.1 None.

8.0 Equalities considerations:

8.1 None.

9.0 Financial considerations:

9.1 Works to be funded by the Traffic Management budget.

10.0 Risk management considerations:

10.1 This would be an amenity order and low risk in safety terms.

11.0 Ethical considerations:

11.1 None.

12.0 Internal/ External Consultation undertaken:

12.1 Public advertisement to be placed in the local newspaper and on the Blackpool Council website.

13.0 Background papers:

13.1 None.

14.0 Key decision information:

14.1 Is this a key decision? No

14.2 If so, Forward Plan reference number:

14.3 If a key decision, is the decision required in less than five days? N/A

14.4 If **yes**, please describe the reason for urgency:

15.0 Call-in information:

15.1 Are there any grounds for urgency, which would cause this decision to be exempt from the call-in process? No

15.2 If **yes**, please give reason:

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16.0 Scrutiny Committee Chairman (where appropriate):

Date informed: N/A Date approved: N/A

17.0 Declarations of interest (if applicable):

17.1 None

18.0 Executive decision:

18.1 The Cabinet Member resolved as follows:

To proceed with the order as proposed.

18.2 Date of Decision:

8 March 2019

19.0 Reason(s) for decision:

Having considered carefully the representation along with the feedback the Cabinet Member is of the opinion that the order is necessary and proportionate for the amenity of highways users and to manage vehicular congestion.

19.1 Date Decision published:

8 March 2019

20.0 Executive Members in attendance:

20.1

21.0 Call-in:

21.1

22.0 Notes:

22.1