

Title: Nicholson Road, Torquay – Consideration of the provision of parking restrictions

Public Agenda Item: Yes

Reason for Report to be Exempt:

Wards Affected:	Shiphay with the Willows		
То:	Transport Working Party	On:	10 <sup>th</sup> May 2012
Key Decision:	Νο	How soon does decision need to implemented:	
Change to Budget:	Νο	Change to Policy Framework:	Νο
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# 1. What we are trying to achieve and the impact on our customers

1.1 Following a request from J Sainsbury PLC as part of their recent planning approval, Residents and Visitor Services have been asked to consider the implementation of parking restrictions fronting their new entrance in Nicholson Road, Torquay.

The proposal is to implement a section of 'No waiting at any time' restrictions to assist delivery vehicles gaining safe access/egress from the new service yard entrance. This will prevent on-street parking and therefore improve visibility for manoeuvring vehicles.

# 2. Recommendation(s) for decision

2.1.1 It is recommended that the proposed Traffic Regulation Order is advertised and

implemented should no objections be received; any objections will be considered at a future meeting of the Transport Working Party.

Budget for these works will come from Section 106 contributions received from their planning approval.

#### 3. Key points and reasons for recommendations

3.1 The proposal will enable the J Sainsbury PLC to operate safely from their new facility; the implementation of parking restrictions will prevent the presence of parked vehicles obstructing both visibility and movement of vehicles.

# For more detailed information on this proposal please refer to the supporting information attached.

Patrick Carney Service Manager – Street Scene Services

# **Supporting information**

# A1. Introduction and history

A1.1 Planning approval has recently been obtained by J Sainsbury PLC to construct a new goods entrance in Nicholson Road, Torquay and construction has recently been commenced.

Following a request from J Sainsbury PLC as part of their planning approval, Residents and Visitor Services have been asked to consider the implementation of parking restrictions fronting their revised entrance in Nicholson Road, Torquay, which is located to the rear of their existing supermarket at the 'Willows'.

The approval recommends parking to be removed to enable a visibility splay of 43m in each direction, in accordance with the guidelines outlined in 'Manual For Streets', resulting in the implementation of 86m of new parking restrictions.

Officers have visited the site and following a site assessment propose to implement a section of 'No waiting at any time' restrictions, for a distance of 15m either side of the centre line of the new entrance) to assist delivery vehicles gaining safe access / egress from the revised service yard entrance. This will prevent on-street parking and therefore improve visibility for manoeuvring vehicles.

Appendix 1 shows a plan of the proposed parking restrictions.

- A1.2 The proposed scheme would result in restrictions being placed on a 30 m length of carriageway equating to a loss of approximately 5 parking spaces.
- A1.3 The developer has already agreed in principal to pay for the implementation of a white access line fronting this new entrance, which will be removed should the implementation of parking restrictions be approved.

#### A2. Risk assessment of preferred option

#### A2.1 Outline of significant key risks

A2.1.1 To not implement the change in restrictions on Nicholson Road would restrict the ability of J Sainsbury PLC to operate safely from their new facility due to the presence of parked vehicles obstructing both visibility and movement of vehicles.

#### A2.2 Remaining risks

A2.2.1 None

# A3. Other Options

- A3.1 That the 86m of parking restrictions are implemented as requested.
- A3.2 That the proposed amendments to the existing Traffic Regulation Orders are not advertised.

# A4. Summary of resource implications

- A4.1 Implementation of the proposed Traffic Regulation Order will be carried out by the StreetScene & Place Group. Enforcement of the waiting restrictions will be provided by staff from within the Residents & Visitor Services Business Unit.
- A4.2 To advertise and carry out the legal process would cost approximately £1000, whilst to implement the restriction, including the signing and lining works would cost approximately £500.

# A5. What impact will there be on equalities, environmental sustainability and crime and disorder?

A5.1 None

# A6. Consultation and Customer Focus

A6.1 The proposed parking restrictions will be advertised, both on site and in the local media and any objections will be considered at a future meeting of the Transport Working Party.

# A7. Are there any implications for other Business Units?

A7.1 Amendments to the existing Traffic Regulation Orders will require legal orders which have to be sealed by the Legal Services team.

# Appendices

Appendix 1 A plan showing the location of the proposed parking restrictions.

#### Documents available in members' rooms

None