Record of Officer Decision

Borough of Torbay (Various Streets, Torquay) (Control of Waiting, Loading and Unloading) Amendment Order No2 2025

Decision Taker and Date Decision Taken:

The Interim Director of Pride in Place on 24 April 2025

Summary of Matter or Issue Requiring Decision:

Proposals to add the following restrictions on roads in Torquay:

- No waiting at any time Vaughan Road.
- No loading at any time Vaughan Road.
- Taxi stand, no stopping at any time except for taxis Vaughan Road.

The proposals are detailed within the "Borough of Torbay (Various Streets, Torquay) (Control of Waiting, Loading and Unloading) Amendment Order No2 2025".

Decision Taken:

To implement the parking restrictions contained within the above Order.

Summary of Reason(s) for Decision Taken:

The proposals in this Order are to assist with the regeneration of Torquay Harbourside and would provide a three-car taxi rank on Vaughan Road.

This Order follows on from proposals previously advertised in the "Borough of Torbay (Various Streets, Torquay) (Control of Waiting, Loading and Unloading) Amendment Order No.2 2024", whereby part of the taxi rank was proposed to be positioned on Cary Green. The proposals now put forward seek to place the taxi rank solely on the carriageway, where taxis would be required to park on the road and adjacent to the kerb.

The proposals were advertised in a Public Notice in the Herald Express on 12 March 2025, a consultation period of 28 days was provided for members of the public to submit any objections to the proposals, notices were also placed out on site.

One objection was received in response to the proposals, which raised concerns with the taxi ranks close proximity to the Pavilion and highlighted a further request for preservation of Cary Green by not having any part of the taxi rank encroaching onto the green space area.

The objections were reviewed by Councillor Billings at the Transportation Issues Cabinet Member Briefing Meeting on 10 April 2025. It was agreed that as the taxis would not be fully on the public highway and numbers were reduced, that such issues were mitigated, therefore the proposals should be implemented as advertised.

Summary of Alternatives or Options considered and rejected and Background Papers:

The alternative was not to proceed with the changes to the parking restrictions.

Details of any conflict of interest and dispensation granted to the Officer taking the decision or by any Member of the Council in delegating responsibility for any specific express delegation:

None.

Implementation:

The Strand Project Team will arrange for the physical works to be put in place.

A copy of this decision and any supporting documentation considered by the Officer taking this decision may also be available for inspection by the public at the Council's officers or posted upon payment of any copying and postage charges. Any member of the public wishing to take up either of these options is asked to please ring (01803) 207087 or email governance.support@torbay.gov.uk

Signed:

Date: 24 April 2025

Interim Director of Pride in Place