

Single Member Cabinet Decision

Executive
Forward Plan
Reference

E3524

Residents' Parking Zones: Experimental Traffic Regulation Order (ETRO) for additional visitor parking in Oldfield Park and Westmoreland

Decision maker/s	Cllr Rigby, Cabinet Member for Highways
The Issue	<p>After extensive consultation, a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to implement a Residents Parking Zone (RPZ) for Oldfield Park and Westmoreland was made in December 2022. Representation from the local community requested adjustments to the final design to mitigate any impacts of the scheme on local businesses and organisations within the community.</p> <p>Therefore, an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order (ETRO) was introduced on 31 August 2023, to coincide with the enforcement of the RPZ. The aim of the ETRO was to trial approximately 60 additional dual use bays (which could have unlimited use for residents with parking permits and be used by visitors within a time limit) and limited waiting bays (where all users are subject to a time limit) in the zone. In tandem, temporary parking permits were made available to businesses to support them in adapting to the RPZ, whilst it embedded.</p> <p>A decision must now be made on whether the trial should be made permanent and incorporated into a Traffic Regulation Order for the RPZ.</p>
Decision Date	2 December 2024
The decision	<p>The Cabinet Member agrees</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The information provided in the appendices relating to the public consultation responses and analysis on the use of the additional parking bays.2. Support is provided from the Cabinet Member to make the scheme permanent as soon as possible. This will be reflected within the formal statutory TRO decision-making process, noting that the final sign-off is via a delegated decision made by the Director of Place Management within which the Cabinet Member and ward members will have the opportunity to give formal comment.3. That a review of the temporary parking permits will take place by March 2026.
Rationale for decision	<p>The decision to remove the ETRO or make the intervention permanent must be made within 18 months of initial implementation. If the ETRO is to be made permanent, a TRO notice will then need to be made.</p>

Financial and budget implications	Funding to implement and complete the ETRO process has been sourced from within Council revenue budgets. The operation of the RPZ will generate income for the Council which is ringfenced to support transport related schemes.
Issues considered	Customer Focus; Sustainability; Equality (age, race, disability, religion/belief, gender, sexual orientation); Other Legal Considerations
Consultation undertaken	Cabinet colleagues; Other B&NES Services; Service Users; Local Residents; Community Interest Groups; Section 151 Finance Officer; Monitoring Officer
How consultation was carried out	Through circulation of the report and a previous 6-month statutory consultation period.
Other options considered	None.
Declaration of interest by Cabinet Member(s) for decision:	None
Any conflict of interest declared by anyone who is consulted by a Member taking the decision:	

Name and Signature of Decision Maker/s	Councillor Manda Rigby Cabinet Member for Highways Bath and North East Somerset Council
Date of Signature	2 December 2024

Subject to Call-in until 5 Working days have elapsed following publication of the decision