

Item No. 12.1	Classification: Open	Date: 27 June 2015	Meeting Name: Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Community Council
Report title:		Parking amendments and Estate Parking Scheme – Four Squares Estate, Bermondsey	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		Riverside Ward	
From:		Head of Operations	

RECOMMENDATION

1. It is recommended that the following local traffic and parking amendments, be approved for implementation subject to the outcome of any necessary statutory procedures:
 - Four Squares Estate (Corner of Drummond Road and Clements Road) to be included in estate parking scheme

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2. Part 3H of the Southwark Constitution delegates decision making for non-strategic traffic management matters to the community council.
3. Paragraph 16 of Part 3H of the Southwark Constitution sets out that the community council will take decisions on the following local non-strategic matters:
 - the introduction of single traffic signs
 - the introduction of road markings
 - the setting of consultation boundaries for consultation on traffic schemes
 - the introduction of disabled parking bays
 - statutory objections to origin disabled parking bays.
4. This report gives recommendations for the implementation of a temporary amendment of the parking bays on the Four Squares Estate.
5. The origins and reasons for the recommendations are discussed within the key issues section of this report.

KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

6. The area housing team and major works team were contacted by the T&RA (Tenants and Residents Association). The T&RA represents residents of the estate that meets to discuss issues affecting residents. The group identified a need for additional parking within the estate.
7. Planning permission was granted on 14 January 2015 for the removal of grassed area and the installation of a new car parking area on the land adjacent to Marden Square on the corner of Drummond Road and Clements Road SE16

(Appendix 1).

8. There are a number of conditions attached to the provision of these new spaces which are set out in the attached planning approval document. The use is permitted until 31 January 2017, on or before which date the use shall be discontinued, and shall revert back to the former use.
9. The proposal is for an additional 23 spaces to alleviate the pressure on parking within the area caused by the temporary loss of the 135 garage spaces beneath Marden Square.
10. The group identified a need for controlled parking within the estates.
11. Permit scheme is for residents only, visitor permits are allowed.
12. Enforcement period is Monday to Sunday, 7am - 7pm.
13. It is therefore recommended that parking bays are included in the scheme to provide parking facilities to assist residents of the estate.
14. Having the additional parking bays on the estate, due to Major Works on the estate will ensure only residents and their visitors are entitled to use the parking spaces available. bays.
15. There is a parking permit scheme on the estate.

Community impact statement

16. The recommendations are area based and therefore will have greatest affect upon non-residents and non-visitors of those areas where the proposals are made.
17. The introduction of the of temporary additional parking bays will benefit residents of the estate and their visitors.
18. With the exception of those benefits and risks identified above, the recommendations are not considered to have a disproportionate affect on any other community or group.
19. The recommendations support the council's equalities and human rights policies and promote social inclusion by:
 - Providing improved access for key services such as emergency and refuge vehicles.
 - Improving road safety, in particular for vulnerable road users, on the public highway.

Resource implications

20. All costs arising from implementing the recommendations will be fully contained within the existing public realm budgets.

Legal implications

21. Traffic management orders would be made under powers contained within the Road Traffic Regulation Act (RTRA) 1984.
22. Should the recommendations be approved the council will give notice of its intention to make a traffic order in accordance with the Local Authorities Traffic Order (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996.
23. These regulations also require the council to consider any representations received as a result of publishing the draft order for a period of 21 days following publication of the draft order.
24. Should any objections be received they must be properly considered in the light of administrative law principles, human rights law and the relevant statutory powers.
25. By virtue of section 122, the council must exercise its powers under the RTRA 1984 so as to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic including pedestrians, and the provision of suitable and adequate parking facilities on and off the highway.
26. These powers must be exercised so far as practicable having regard to the following matters
 - a) the desirability of securing and maintaining reasonable access to premises
 - b) the effect on the amenities of any locality affected including the regulation and restriction of heavy commercial traffic so as to preserve or improve amenity
 - c) the national air quality strategy
 - d) facilitating the passage of public service vehicles and securing the safety and convenience of their passengers
 - e) any other matters appearing to the council to be relevant.

Consultation

27. No informal (public) consultation has been carried out.
28. Where consultation with stakeholders has been completed, this is described within the key issues section of the report.
29. Should the community council approve the items, statutory consultation will take place as part of the making of the traffic management order. The process for statutory consultation is defined by national regulations.
30. The council will place a proposal notice in proximity to the site location and also publish the notice in the Southwark News and the London Gazette.
31. The notice and any associated documents and plans will also be made available for inspection on the council's website or by appointment at its 160 Tooley Street office.
32. Any person wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed order will have 21 days in which to do so.

33. Should an objection be made that officers are unable to informally resolve, this objection will be reported to the community council for determination, in accordance with the Southwark constitution.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
None		

APPENDICES

No.	Title
Appendix 1	Planning Approval 14/1/2015
Appendix 2	Existing Car Park Layout
Appendix 3	Proposed Car Park Layout

AUDIT TRAIL

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