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| <b>Item No.</b><br>19.             | <b>Classification:</b><br>Open | <b>Date:</b><br>15 July 2015             | <b>Meeting Name:</b><br>Borough, Bankside & Walworth<br>Community Council |
| <b>Report title:</b>               |                                | East Camberwell (EC) parking zone review |   |
| <b>Ward(s) or groups affected:</b> |                                | Faraday                                  |   |
| <b>From:</b>                       |                                | Head of Public Realm                     |   |

## RECOMMENDATION

1. It is recommended that Borough, Bankside and Walworth Community Council comment upon the following recommendations that are due to be made to the cabinet member for environment and public realm:
  - a. Make no changes to the operational hours or days of the existing East Camberwell (EC) parking zone.
  - b. Approve design changes to the type and position of existing parking bays as detailed in Appendix G of the consultation report subject to the outcome of the necessary statutory procedures.

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2. In accordance with Part 3H paragraph 19 and 21 of the Southwark Constitution, community councils are to be consulted on the detail of strategic parking/traffic/safety schemes. In practice this is carried out following public consultation.
3. In accordance with Part 3D paragraph 21 of the council's constitution the decision to implement a new or amended strategic transport scheme lies with the individual cabinet member for environment and public realm.
4. The community council is now being given opportunity to make final representations to the cabinet member following public consultation.

## KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

5. The strategic parking project programme was approved by the Head of Public Realm in conjunction with the Cabinet Member in September 2014. Pertinently this included a review of EC parking zone (Monday – Friday; 8.30am – 6.30pm) to assess the times of operation of the zone.
6. Following approval of the programme but in advance of public consultation, a report was presented to Camberwell Community Council<sup>1</sup> on 4 February 2015

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<sup>1</sup> <http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/mgAi.aspx?ID=35692>

and Borough Bankside and Walworth Community Council<sup>2</sup> on 7 February 2012. This report set out the proposed consultation methods and boundaries.

7. Full detail of the consultation strategy, results, options and analysis can be found in the “East Camberwell (EC) parking zone review consultation report” (Appendix 1) but the key issues are summarised in the following paragraphs.
8. Informal public consultation took place with all residents and businesses within the EC parking zone from 11 May 2015 until 5 June 2015.
9. The informal public consultation yielded 204 returned questionnaires from within the consultation area, representing a 6% response rate.
10. Figure 1 details the overall response to the headline questions.

| Area                              | Response rate | During what <u>hours</u> would you like the EC parking zone to operate?  | During what <u>Days</u> would you like the EC parking zone to operate?                              |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|--|---|
| East Camberwell (EC) parking zone | 6%            | <b>50%</b> - Remain the same<br><b>23%</b> - 10am-12noon<br><b>15%</b> - 10am-2pm<br><b>9%</b> - Specified other hours | <b>78%</b> - Remain the same<br><b>13%</b> - Monday to Saturday<br><b>6%</b> - Specified other days |

**Figure 1**

## Conclusions

11. There was no widespread support to change the hours of operation in the EC parking zone.
12. There was no widespread support to change the days of operation in the EC parking zone.
13. The review identified some locations within the zone where modifications are considered necessary to improve parking layouts.

## Recommendation to the cabinet member for environment and public realm

14. On the basis of the results of the public consultation the cabinet member is recommended to approve the recommendations detailed in paragraph 1.

## Policy implications

15. The recommendations contained within this report are consistent with the policies of the Transport Plan 2011, particularly

Policy 1.1 – pursue overall traffic reduction

Policy 4.2 – create places that people can enjoy.

Policy 8.1 – seek to reduce overall levels of private motor vehicle traffic on our

<sup>2</sup> <http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=350&MId=4819&Ver=4>

streets

### **Community impact statement**

16. The implementation of any transport project creates a range of community impacts. All transport schemes aim to improve the safety and security of vulnerable groups and support economic development by improving the overall transport system and access to it.
17. The introduction of yellow lines at junctions gives benefit to all road users through the improvement of inter-visibility and therefore road safety.
18. There is a risk that new restrictions may cause parking to be displaced and, indirectly, have an adverse impact upon road users and neighboring properties at that location. However this cannot be entirely preempted until the recommendations have been implemented and observed.
19. With the exception of those benefits and risks identified above, the recommendations are not considered to have a disproportionate affect on any other community group.
20. 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**

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

### **Legal implications**

22. Traffic Management Orders would be made under powers contained within the Road Traffic Regulation Act (RTRA) 1984.
23. 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.
24. 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.

25. 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.
26. 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.
27. 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

28. The community council was consulted prior to commencement of the study.
29. Informal public consultation was carried out in May and June 2015, as detailed above.
30. This report provides an opportunity for final comment to be made by the community council prior to a decision scheduled to be taken by the cabinet member for environment and public realm in August 2015.
31. If approved for implementation, any parking modifications will be subject to statutory consultation required in the making of any permanent traffic management orders.

### BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

| Background Papers   | Held At  | Contact                     |
|---------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| Transport Plan 2011 | Southwark Council<br>Environment and Leisure<br>Public Realm projects<br>Parking design<br>160 Tooley Street<br>London SE1 2QH<br><br>Online:<br><a href="http://www.southwark.gov.uk/info/200107/transport_policy/1947/southwark_transport_plan_2011">http://www.southwark.gov.uk/info/200107/transport_policy/1947/southwark_transport_plan_2011</a> | Tim Walker<br>020 7525 2021 |

## APPENDICES

| No.        | Title   |
|------------|---|
| Appendix 1 | East Camberwell parking zone review consultation report<br>(circulated in supplemental agenda No.1) |

## AUDIT TRAIL

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| Director of Legal Services  | No  | No                       |
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