

<b>Item No.</b> 4.4	<b>Classification:</b> Open	<b>Date:</b> 5 October 2016	<b>Meeting Name:</b> Borough, Bankside and Walworth Community Council
<b>Report title:</b>		Review of parking controls in the existing C2 parking zone	
<b>Ward(s) or groups affected:</b>		Cathedrals	
<b>From:</b>		Head of Highways	

## RECOMMENDATION

1. It is recommended that Borough, Bankside and Walworth Community Council comment upon the consultation findings and the following recommendation:
  - Make no changes to the existing operational times (Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 6.30pm) of the Borough (C2) parking zone.

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2. In accordance with Part 3H paragraph 23 and 25 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 paragraphs 22 and 24 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.

## KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

4. The strategic parking project programme included a review a section of the Borough (C2) parking zone to assess the times of operation of that part of the zone, in response to concerns that the new Castle Centre may have the potential to increase parking demand in nearby streets outside of the existing zone hours.
5. Following approval of the programme but in advance of public consultation, a report was presented to Borough Bankside and Walworth Community Council<sup>1</sup> on 30 January 2016. This report set out the proposed consultation methods and boundaries. At the meeting, councillors stated their preferred option was for a full review of the C2 CPZ, to include the whole CPZ area.
6. Full details of the consultation strategy, results, options and analysis can be found in the "Borough (C2) parking review consultation report" (Appendix 1) but the key issues are summarised in the following paragraphs.
7. Informal public consultation took place with all residents and businesses within the C2 parking zone from 4 July 2016 until 5 August 2016.

<sup>1</sup> <http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=350&MId=5253&Ver=4>

8. The informal public consultation yielded 221 returned questionnaires from within the consultation area, representing a 3.6% response rate.
9. Figure 1 details the overall response to the headline questions.

Area	Response rate	During what times would you like C2 parking zone to operate?		
		Monday to Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Borough (C2) CPZ	3.6%	71% - No change	55% - No change	56% - No change
		21% - Evening	11% - Morning	9% - Morning
		9% - Other	28% - All day	24% - All day
			6% - Other	6% - Other

**Figure 1**

## Conclusions

10. There was no widespread support to change the times of operation on weekdays (Monday to Friday) in the Borough (C2) parking zone.
11. There was no widespread support to change the times of operation to include Saturdays in the Borough (C2) parking zone.
12. There was no widespread support to change the times of operation to include Sundays in the Borough (C2) parking zone.
13. The review identified some locations within the zone where modifications are considered necessary to improve parking layouts. Officers will review the existing waiting and parking restrictions within the zone and will consider comments made through the informal consultation.
14. The aim will be to increase parking where safe to do so and upgrade existing single yellow lines to double yellow lines where parking is unsafe. Any proposals will be presented to a future community council meeting through the local parking amendments process.

## 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 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; and
- 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 July and August 2016, as detailed above.

### BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
Transport Plan 2011	Southwark Council Environment and Leisure Highways 160 Tooley Street London SE1 2QH  Online: <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>	Paul Gellard 020 7525 7764

### APPENDICES

No.	Title
Appendix 1	Borough (C2) parking zone review consultation report

### AUDIT TRAIL

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