
		Local parking amendment	APPENDIX 1
Reference	Planning Projects	<b>Location overview</b> 	
Location	Outside the parade of shops on Harper Road		
Proposal	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To adopt the road that is currently owned by Housing</li> <li>To extend the current CPZ into this road</li> </ol>		
Community council meeting	Borough, Bankside and Walworth		
Community council date	5 October 2016		
Ward(s) affected	Chaucer		

Local parking amendment
<p>A local parking amendment (LPA) is small project to change an existing parking restriction or to introduce a new one.</p> <p>These tend to be carried out in locations where we have had a request to look at dangerous or obstructive parking and where small lengths of restrictions could provide a solution.</p>
Request
<p>For Southwark's Highways department to adopt the road and extend the current CPZ onto the road due to the following:</p> <p>Concerns over uncontrolled parking in this location have been raised by traders on Harper Road for some time. This has resulted in tensions running so high that at least one serious altercation has taken place so far this year.</p> <p>Southwark Council's Planning Projects team have £100,000 to spend on improving the local retail environment and have consulted local stakeholders including traders, residents and councillors. This funding can be spent on improving the public realm surrounding shopping parades as well as improving shop frontages and other associated external works. Through this consultation, traders identified the need to resolve issues regarding on-going parking problems as a priority. Traders initially requested that the parking subject to controlled parking with one hour free parking bays to allow short stays and a regular turnover to allows for deliveries and customer parking. Officers explained the difficulty of enforcing one hour parking bays it is understood that this would not resolve the current issues effectively.</p> <p>Southwark Council's Housing department currently own the road in question hence the land requires adoption by Southwark Council's Highways Department in order to be able to implement the CPZ.</p> <p>The most appropriate approach to alleviate these issues is for Highways to adopt the road and to extend the current CPZ into this road. Stakeholders have been advised of this and have been given an opportunity to respond. No objections to this approach have been raised within time period given hence it has been concluded that the general consensus has been reached to adopt the road and extend the CPZ.</p>
Location
<p>The public highway in Harper Road falls within the Newington (D) CPZ. The zone has been in operation since the 70s and covers a large area bordering Long Lane, Tower Bridge Road, New Kent Road and Newington Causeway.</p> <p>All parking restrictions on the public highway, within the zone operate Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 6.30pm. (i.e. either a parking permit is required, or use of pay and display during the operational times).</p> <p>The on-street parking is largely prioritised for zone (D) permit holders. There are sections on single yellow lines in the street, whilst these are controlled and enforced during the CPZ times, outside the day/hours, the restriction does not apply and any motorist is entitled to park on the yellow line.</p>

Harper Road is located in the north of the borough close to Elephant and Castle. Whilst the street is largely residential, it is noted that there are many commercial properties, such as shops and restaurants within short walking distance. This makes the street an attractive parking location for non-residents.

### **Investigation and conclusions**

The road in front of the Harper Road shopping parade is currently owned by Housing. In order to implement a Controlled Parking Zone on this stretch the road would need to be adopted.

Preliminary discussions have taken place with the responsible officers in Housing and Public Realm and an in principle agreement to adopt the road has been reached subject to the agreement of local stakeholders hence the road adoption is being presented to the Community Council meeting for agreement.

At present a motorist can leave their vehicle parked, for days, weeks or months, creating very little turnover in parking for the traders. This section of Harper Road is heavily parked as it is "soaking up" the pressure (i.e. motorists are avoiding having to pay to park in the nearby CPZ bays as they know they can park outside this parade for free).

There is currently totally free, unrestricted and unenforceable parking outside the parade of shops on Harper Road which has resulted in tensions and altercations hence this situation needs to be resolved as soon as possible.

Throughout the borough the majority of shared use bays have a 4 hour maximum stay period. This is deemed a sensible time period. 1 hour is considered as too short, i.e. there could be someone visiting the hairdressers or a restaurant and need longer than 1 hour. Also the 1 hour maximum stay period is difficult to enforce, as it involves the parking attendant regularly visiting the location to monitor and record the parking activity.

An echelon parking configuration was considered, however the minimum standards for safe echelon parking cannot be met without reconfiguring the road layout and moving the Santander bike hub which would result in spending all and possibly exceeding the £100,000 budget. For this reason parallel parking is being recommended.

### **Recommendation**

Based on our investigation and conclusions, the Council is recommending that the road in front of the parade of shops on Harper Road is adopted and that the existing CPZ is extended to this road.

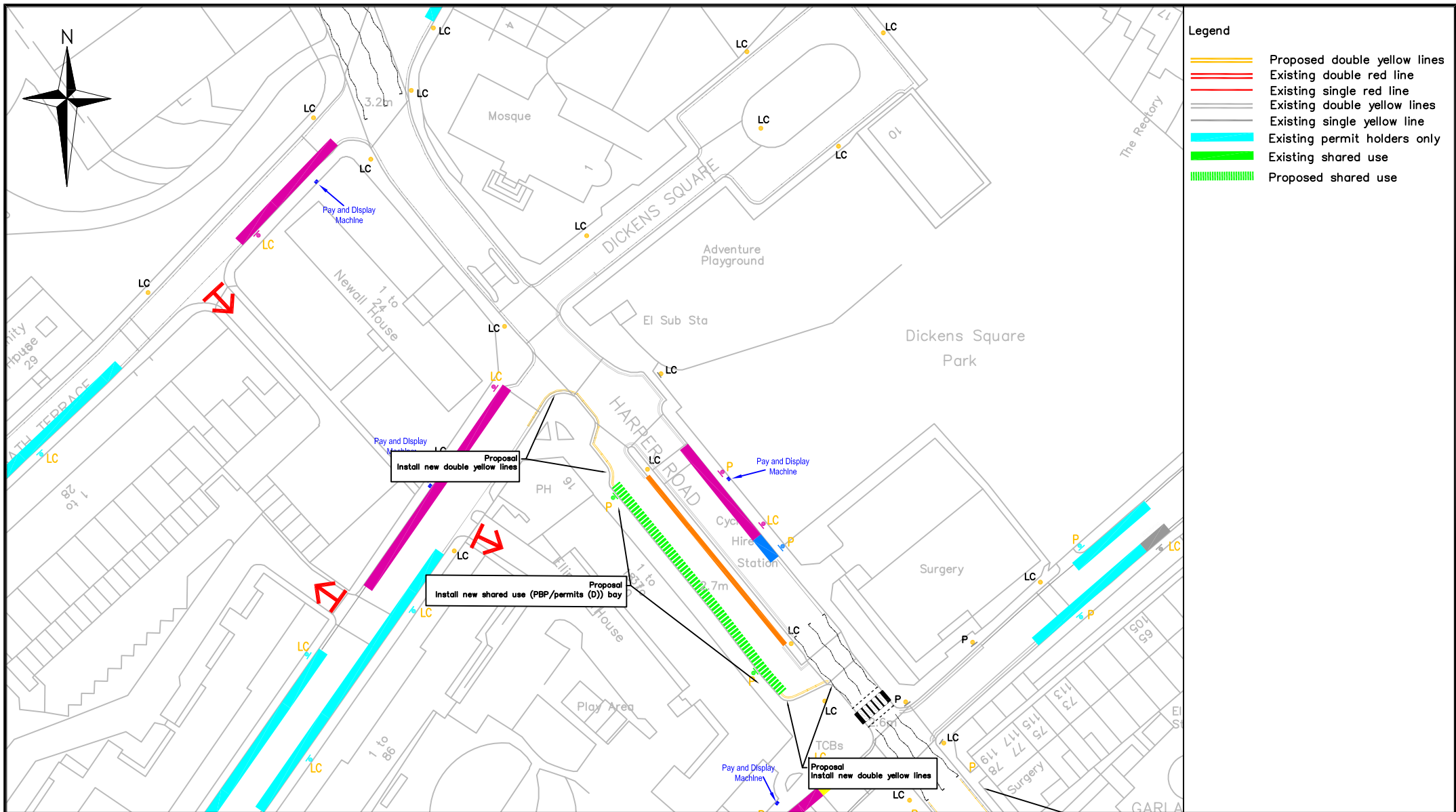
A detailed design drawing of the proposal is provided within this document.


### **Next steps**

Should the community council approve this local parking amendment, it is expected that statutory consultation will commence in November.

Following the statutory consultation period, the council will make arrangements to install the restrictions (road marking and signage at the location).

Should objections be received during the statutory consultation period, these will be presented at the next community council meeting for determination.



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