

Council

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Surbiton Crescent Traffic Management Order and Traffic Assessment Community Call in of Decision of the Residents Committee – 14 June 2017

Joint Report of the Director of Place and the Head of Corporate Governance

Purpose

To report a Community Call-In of the decision of the Residents Committee of 14 June 2017 in respect of the Surbiton Crescent Traffic Management Order.

Recommendation

The Council is **recommended** to determine how it wishes to respond to the 'Surbiton Crescent' Community Call-in relating to the resolutions of the Residents Committee of 14 June with reference to the options set out in paragraph 9 below.

Key Points

1. At its meeting on 14 June 2017 the Residents Committee received a report to consider formal objections to the Experimental Traffic Management Order (TMO-P236) and the outcomes of a traffic assessment for the trial traffic restrictions of Surbiton Crescent (the Report is set out in **Annex 4 (includes relevant annexes only*)**). Trial traffic restrictions were implemented in Surbiton Crescent in September 2016, as part of the borough's Go Cycle Programme, and the report set out the results of the traffic assessment and the formal objections to the Experimental Order. (*The Experimental Traffic Management Order can be viewed via the RBK website at this link: [TMO-P236](#).)
2. Following debate and contributions from residents, the Committee resolved that a Traffic Management Order should be made to give permanent effect to the Surbiton Crescent trial traffic restrictions contained in the Experimental Order. Full details of the recommendations are set out in **Annex 4** to this report.
3. Further detail about the decision-making at the Residents Committee meeting can be found in the Extract Minutes in **Annex 3**.
4. Subsequent to the meeting, a Community Call-In of the decision was received from local residents and the Council is now asked how it wishes to respond.

The Community Call-In

5. At its meeting on 14 June 2017 the Residents Committee received a report concerning the Surbiton Crescent Traffic Management Order and Traffic Assessment (now attached as Annex 3 here. It can also be viewed at this link: [Surbiton Crescent Traffic Management Order and Traffic Assessment](#).) The Committee resolved as follows: [*Links to the original report and Annexes have been added into the resolutions below*]:
 - (1) the formal objections received in response to the publication of the Experimental Traffic Management Order (TMO-P236) as set out in [paragraphs 19-22](#) be noted;
 - (2) the results of the Surbiton Crescent trial traffic restrictions assessment, as set out in [paragraph 8-13](#) be noted;
 - (3) a Traffic Management Order be made to give permanent effect to the Surbiton Crescent trial traffic restrictions contained in [TMO P-236](#); and

- (4) the Director of Place be authorised to make design or construction variations to the above scheme in consultation with the Resident Services Portfolio Holder or any successor portfolio holder and the Opposition Spokesperson.
6. A Community Call-In of this decision was submitted on 27 June 2017. At the time of submission to the Council it was supported by a total of 274 signatures in a combination of electronic form and hard copy (online signatures have continued to be gathered since that time). Some 138 of these signatures are accompanied by addresses within the Borough. A significant additional number of respondents provide their address only as 'London'. It cannot be verified how many of these also reside in the Borough but it should be noted that residence is not the only qualification for the signing of a Call-In. The Council's Community Call-In procedure, set out at **Annex 1**, provides that anybody who 'lives, works, studies or owns a property or business in the borough' may call-in a decision. A minimum of 100 eligible signatures is required for a Call-In to be valid.
7. The terms of the Call-In are set out below:
"We, the undersigned Call-in the Surbiton Crescent Traffic Management Order and Traffic Assessment for review at full council for the following reasons":
- *The committee failed to call in a parking enforcement officer to discuss the issue of fines.*
 - *The traffic assessment surveys did not publish the volume of vehicles in Maple Road and Surbiton Road before and after the trial restrictions.*
 - *There was no published assessment of the vehicle pollution levels, before or after the trial restrictions, in Maple Road and Surbiton Road.*
 - *The formal objections to the experimental TMO - 236 were not properly discussed or noted. Some were edited before publication and some were not published at all despite receiving responses from the Go Cycle team.*
 - *The health and safety of schoolchildren and staff from Surbiton High School has not been addressed in any part of the Surbiton Crescent Traffic Management Order and Traffic Assessment report.*
8. The Officers' response and update is set out in **Annex 2** to this report.
9. The Council's Call-In procedures require the Council to consider a call-in as soon as possible, and, wherever practicable, at its next ordinary meeting. In doing so it shall provide for a representative of the signatories to the call-in the opportunity to address the meeting on the subject for a maximum of five minutes. A further period of up to ten minutes shall be allowed for questions and answers. These time periods may be extended by resolution of the Council. The options available to the Council by way of a response to the Call-In are to:
- i) reaffirm the decision of the Committee OR
 - ii) modify the decision of the Committee OR
 - iii) overturn the decision of the Committee OR
 - iv) refer the decision back to the Committee for further consideration OR
 - v) establish a time limited Task and Finish Group to which the matter can be referred for further consideration and the submission of a report to the original decision making Committee