

Report to: Andy Smith – Transport & Infrastructure Section Head

Date: 18 May 2017

Report of: Brian Scott – Traffic Engineer

**THE BOROUGH OF WATFORD (NORTH WESTERN AVENUE UN-NAMED ACCESS
ROAD) (PROHIBITION OF WAITING) ORDER 2017**

1.0 SUMMARY

1.1 The purpose of this report is:

- 1.1.1 To inform the Transport & Infrastructure Section Head of the results of the statutory consultation on the proposals the subject of the above Traffic Regulation Order (TRO), which took place during the period running from 24 January 2017 to 17 March 2017 and to seek authorisation for the following recommendations:

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That in light of no objections being received, The Borough of Watford (North Western Avenue Un-named Access Road) (Prohibition of Waiting) Order 2017 be made as advertised.

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3.0 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The proposal to introduce 'at any time' waiting restrictions (double yellow lines) on the un-named access road serving the parking area at the rear of nos. 136 – 146 North Western Avenue was brought forward by County Councillor Derek Scudder at the request of residents using the road who experience obstructive parking on it preventing access to the above mentioned parking area.
- 3.2 A statutory consultation to introduce the proposed restrictions commenced on Friday 24 February 2017 and closed on Friday 17 March 2017. A Public Notice was published in the 24 February 2017 edition of the Watford Observer, a street notice was displayed on site and a letter notifying residents of the proposal distributed in the vicinity of the site. The proposal is shown in the Report to the Transport and Infrastructure Section Head dated 10 February 2017 seeking consent to advertise the proposal, a copy of which can be found at **Appendix A**.
- 4.4 The proposal has been the subject to formal consultation with the Police who have raised no objection. Hertfordshire County Council has also been consulted and has raised no objection to the proposal.

5.0 DISCUSSION & RECOMMENDATION

- 5.1 No representations or objections were received in relation to the proposal during the statutory consultation period.
- 5.2 In light of the above it is recommended that the proposal be implemented as advertised.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Financial

- 6.1.1 The cost of promoting and processing the traffic order and implementing the scheme is estimated at £500 to be funded from the Parking Projects code (HDR 000 D1142).
- 6.1.2 The Director of Finance advises that the cost can be met from within existing budgetary provision.

6.2 Legal Issues (Monitoring Officer)

- 6.2.1 The Head of Democracy & Governance advises that Watford Borough Council, pursuant to arrangements made under Section 19 of the Local Government Act 2000 and the Local Government (Arrangements for Discharge of Functions) (England) Regulations 2000 with the Hertfordshire County Council, and in exercise of the powers conferred on that County Council under Sections 1, 2(1), 2(2), 4(2) and 32,35,45,46,46a,49,51,53,55,61,99,100-102 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

("the Act of 1984") and of all other enabling powers, and after consulting with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act of 1984, may make traffic regulation orders and implement proposals to manage parking on public highways and other roads.

7.3 Equalities

- 7.3.1 A generic Equalities Impact Assessment has been carried out for parking schemes which has been considered and approved by the Equalities Working Group. It is available to view on the Council's website.

7.4 Potential Risks

8.4.1	Potential Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Overall score
	Some members of the public will perceive on-street parking controls as an unnecessary imposition by the Council.	2	1	2
	Failure to implement new parking controls at locations where road safety is perceived to be at risk could result in damage to the Council's reputation	2	2	4

Appendices

Appendix A - Report to the Transport & Infrastructure Section Head dated 10 February 2017 seeking consent to advertise the proposal.

Background Papers

Copy of:
The "Draft Order"
Public Notice for Proposing the Order
Statement of reasons for proposing the Order.

NOTIFICATION OF OFFICER DECISION

THE BOROUGH OF WATFORD
(NORTH WESTERN AVENUE UN-NAMED ACCESS ROAD) (PROHIBITION
OF WAITING) ORDER 2017

Decision Summary

That in light of no objections being received, The Borough of Watford (North Western Avenue Un-named Access Road) (Prohibition of Waiting) Order 2017 be made as advertised.

Name of Officer exercising delegated authority:

Andy Smith, Transport & Infrastructure Section Head

Signature: A. S. Smith

Date: 18-5-2017

END

Report to: Andy Smith – Transport & Infrastructure Section Head

Date: 10 February 2017

Report of: Brian Scott – Traffic Engineer

**THE BOROUGH OF WATFORD (NORTH WESTERN AVENUE UN-NAMED ACCESS
ROAD) (PROHIBITION OF WAITING) ORDER 2017**

1.0 SUMMARY

1.1 The purpose of this report is:

- 1.1.1 To inform the Transport & Infrastructure Section Head of the need to implement the proposal the subject of the above Traffic Regulation Order (TRO).
- 1.1.2 To seek authorisation to publish a "Notice of Proposals" and:
 - a) where no objections are received or where objections are subsequently withdrawn "Make" the TRO and implement the proposal and:
 - b)where objections are received and not subsequently withdrawn, report the details of the objections together with Officer's recommendations so that further instructions can be obtained.
- 1.1.3 To seek authorisation to consult in the immediate vicinity of the proposal by means of a letter and plan drawing attention to the published "Notice of Proposal" and explaining how more details of the proposals can be obtained representations made.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That the Transport & Infrastructure Section Head authorises all as described in paragraphs 1.1.2 and 1.1.3 above.

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3.0 DETAILED PROPOSAL

- 3.1 The proposal was prepared following representations made by County Councillor Derek Scudder on behalf of the residents of nos. 136-146 North Western Avenue. The above named properties have a rear parking area reached via an un-named access road running from the north-eastern side of North Western Avenue. Problems of obstructive parking in the access road in front of the gates which enclose the parking area have increased and cause considerable difficulties to residents as the road is narrow and such parking effectively completely obstructs access to and from the parking area served by it.
- 3.2 In order to address this issue, a proposal has been developed to introduce 'at any time' waiting restrictions on both sides of the access road running from its junction with North Western Avenue up to the gates enclosing the parking area; a distance of 16 metres.
- 3.3 A plan of the proposal is shown at **Appendix A**. This has been consulted on with local Councillors, the Police and Hertfordshire County Council, none of whom have raised objection to it.

4.0 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Financial

- 4.1.1 The cost of the scheme is estimated at £500 to be met from the Parking Projects code for 2017/ 18 (HDR 000 D1142).
- 4.1.2 The Director of Finance has no comment to make on the report.

4.2 Legal Issues (Monitoring Officer)

- 4.2.1 The Watford Borough Council, pursuant to arrangements made under Section 19 of the Local Government Act 2000 and the Local Government (Arrangements for Discharge of Functions) (England) Regulations 2000 with the Hertfordshire County Council, and in exercise of the powers conferred on that County Council under Sections 1, 2(1), 2(2), 4(2) and 45,46,46a,49,51,53,55,61,99,100-102 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act of 1984") and of all other enabling powers, and after consulting with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act of 1984, may make traffic regulation orders and implement proposals to manage parking on public highways and other roads.
- 4.2.2 The Head of Democracy & Governance comments that if the recommendation is approved then the necessary statutory procedure will require consultation and may lead to a public inquiry should any objections not be resolved.

4.3 Equalities

- 4.3.1 A generic Equalities Impact Assessment has been carried out for parking schemes which has been considered and approved by the Equalities Working Group. It is available to view on the Council's website.

4.4 Potential Risks

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Appendices

Appendix A Plan of proposals.

Background Papers

Copies of:

The "Draft Order"

A statement of reasons for making this Order.

NOTIFICATION OF OFFICER DECISION

THE BOROUGH OF WATFORD (NORTH WESTERN AVENUE UN-NAMED ACCESS ROAD WATFORD) (PROHIBITION OF WAITING) ORDER 2017

Decision Summary

1. That a Notice of Proposals is published and for those proposals where no objections are received or where objections are subsequently withdrawn "Make" the TRO and implement the proposals and for those proposals where objections are received and not subsequently withdrawn, report the details of the objections together with Officer's recommendations so that further instructions can be obtained.
2. That residents in the immediate vicinity of the proposals be consulted by means of a letter and plan drawing their attention to the published "Notice of Proposals"

and explaining how they can obtain more details of the proposals and make representations should they wish.

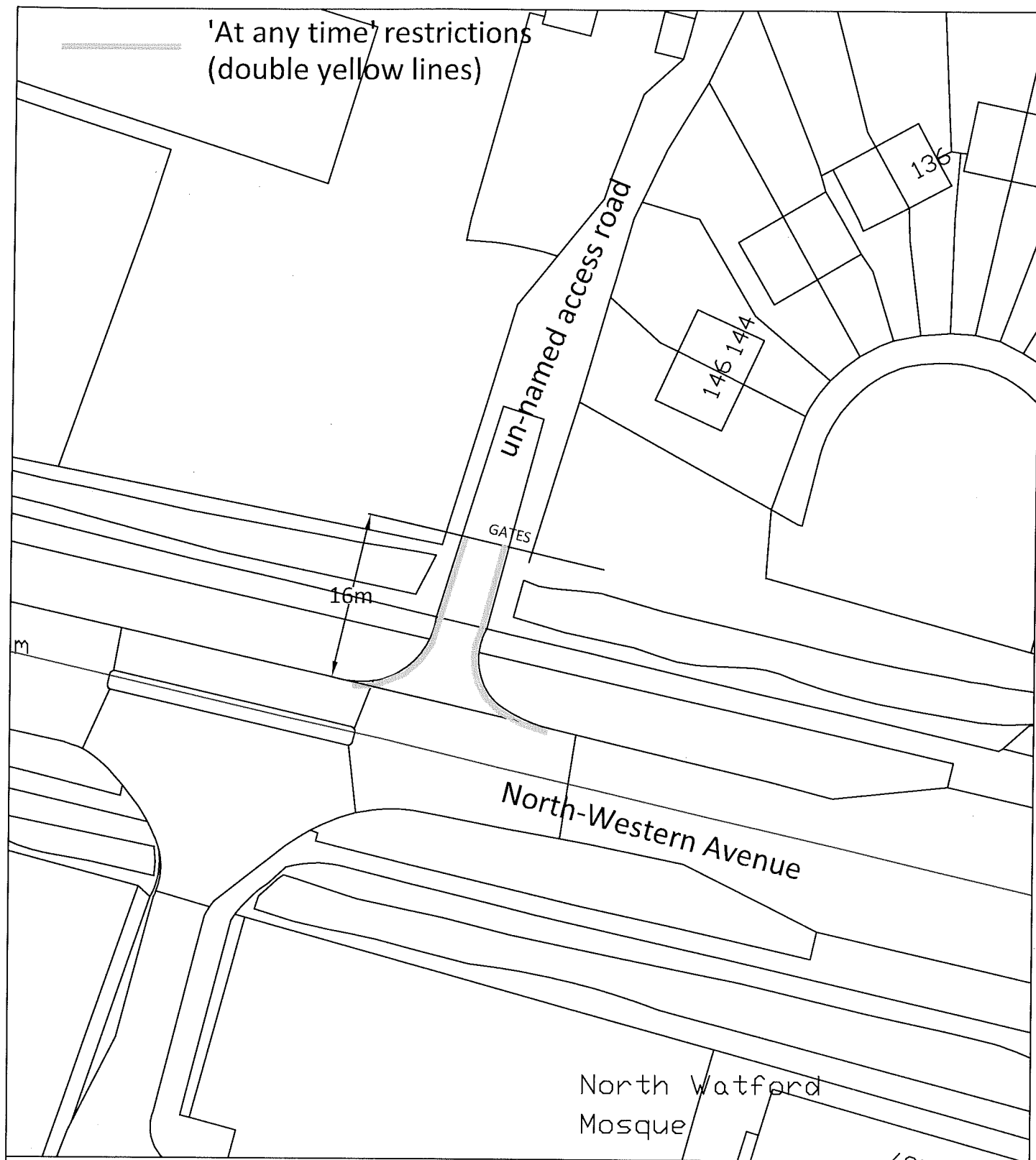
Name of Officer exercising delegated authority:

Andy Smith, Transport & Infrastructure Section Head.

Signature: A. J. Smith

Date: 10/02/2017

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Location: North Western Avenue, Watford - MADE ORDER PLAN

Description:
TRO 821: 'At Any Time' waiting restrictions - un-named access road
to land r/o 136-146 North Western Avenue

Date:
March 2017

Drawn by:
BS

Scale:
1: 500 at A4

Drawing No:
821/2

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