

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

**HIGHWAYS AND PLANNING
CABINET MEMBER**

**PROPOSED TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER
PROHIBITION OF WAITING, GEORGE STREET, KEADBY**

1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT

- 1.1 To consider objections submitted by residents to the proposal to implement a 'No Waiting at any Time' Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) on George Street, Keadby

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 The Safer Roads Traffic Section has been made aware of a problem associated with parked vehicles in the turning heads at the east and west ends of George Street in Keadby. A letter was initially received in the section during early February 2007 from the Neighbourhood Watch Group Co-ordinator and signed by many of the residents of the street, in which, comments were made about the difficulties being caused with emergency vehicles, mini-buses, refuse vehicles and generally larger delivery vehicles not being able to turn around due to inconsiderate parking.
- 2.2 Turning heads are usually constructed at the ends of cul-de-sacs to facilitate the turning around of vehicles and should be kept clear of parked vehicles. We advised in 2007 that we would be prepared to introduce a Traffic Order to prevent such parking taking place but also commented that, as we receive many requests for Traffic Orders, we could not guarantee when it would be done.
- 2.3 The issue was again discussed at a November 2007 meeting of the Neighbourhood Action Team. Subsequently we issued a copy of our proposals to Keadby Parish Council. A statutory notice outlining the proposed Traffic Regulation Order was advertised on 24 January 2008.
- 2.4 As a result of this statutory notice, one objection was received as detailed later in this report.

3. OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

- 3.1 Option 1 – to approve the implementation of the Traffic Regulation Order to provide no waiting at any time in the turning heads at either end of George Street in Keadby and to provide the necessary road markings (see attached plan). This would be the preferred option.
- 3.2 Option 2 – to leave the existing road layout as it is at present and continue to monitor the problem.

4. ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS

- 4.1 Option 1 will address the issue of keeping the turning heads clear of traffic (subject to residents following the proposed regulations) and will allow the turning heads to function as intended. It is accepted that some larger vehicles will still have difficulties, even if parked cars are not present, due to the size of the turning areas. It is also recognised that some of the cars that presently park in the turning head will possibly move further down the road and this may cause additional difficulties if any double parking takes place.
- 4.2 There are a small number of residents who do not have direct vehicular access to George Street and these currently do park within the turning head. It is understood that the possibility of rear access becoming available is being investigated by the owners. It is noted however that nobody has any rights to park on the highway and that any residents affected will need to make alternative arrangements as to where they park their vehicles. It is considered that the benefits to the community outweigh the small number of disbenefits.
- 4.3 Option 2 will not address the issues as raised by the residents. As one of the residents has pointed out however, the situation has been like this for many years and it may still be likely that some of the bigger vehicles requiring access will still choose to reverse down George Street even if the turning head was clear of parked vehicles.

5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL, STAFFING, PROPERTY, IT)

- 5.1 Finance - the estimated cost of introducing the proposed traffic order is approximately £1,000. The scheme would be funded through the Safer Roads Minor Works Revenue budget 2008/09.
- 5.2 Staffing - there are no staffing, property or IT issues associated with this report

6. OTHER IMPLICATIONS (STATUTORY, ENVIRONMENTAL, DIVERSITY, SECTION 17 - CRIME AND DISORDER, RISK AND OTHER)

- 6.1 Statutory - The statutory procedures necessary for the introduction of a Traffic Regulation Order have been followed to this point in the process. This includes the required local advertising and consultation periods associated with the procedures.
- 6.2 A Stage One Diversity Impact Assessment has been carried out and is available for inspection in the Safer Roads Team, Church Square House.

7. OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION

- 7.1 Support for the traffic regulation order has come from the local community, the Neighbourhood Action Team and the parish council.
- 7.2 Objections have been received from one source as follows:

Mr R. Linton (resident of George Street) – although this resident signed the original letter requesting some action to solve the problems, he has also written to object to the proposals. He feels that they are cheap and unnecessary and that vehicles will still continue to reverse down George Street as they have done for many years. He has suggested a more expensive option requiring a street light and other street furniture to be moved to create some additional parking areas. He has also asked if all turning areas in North Lincolnshire have such measures implemented and that he feels our proposals are unsuitable for a quiet road in a country village

We have also heard from one of the residents who does not currently have a vehicle frontage onto George Street pointing out the difficulties that they may have with parking if the scheme is implemented. It is noted that they also signed the original letter in which they requested that something was done to resolve the problems they were experiencing.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

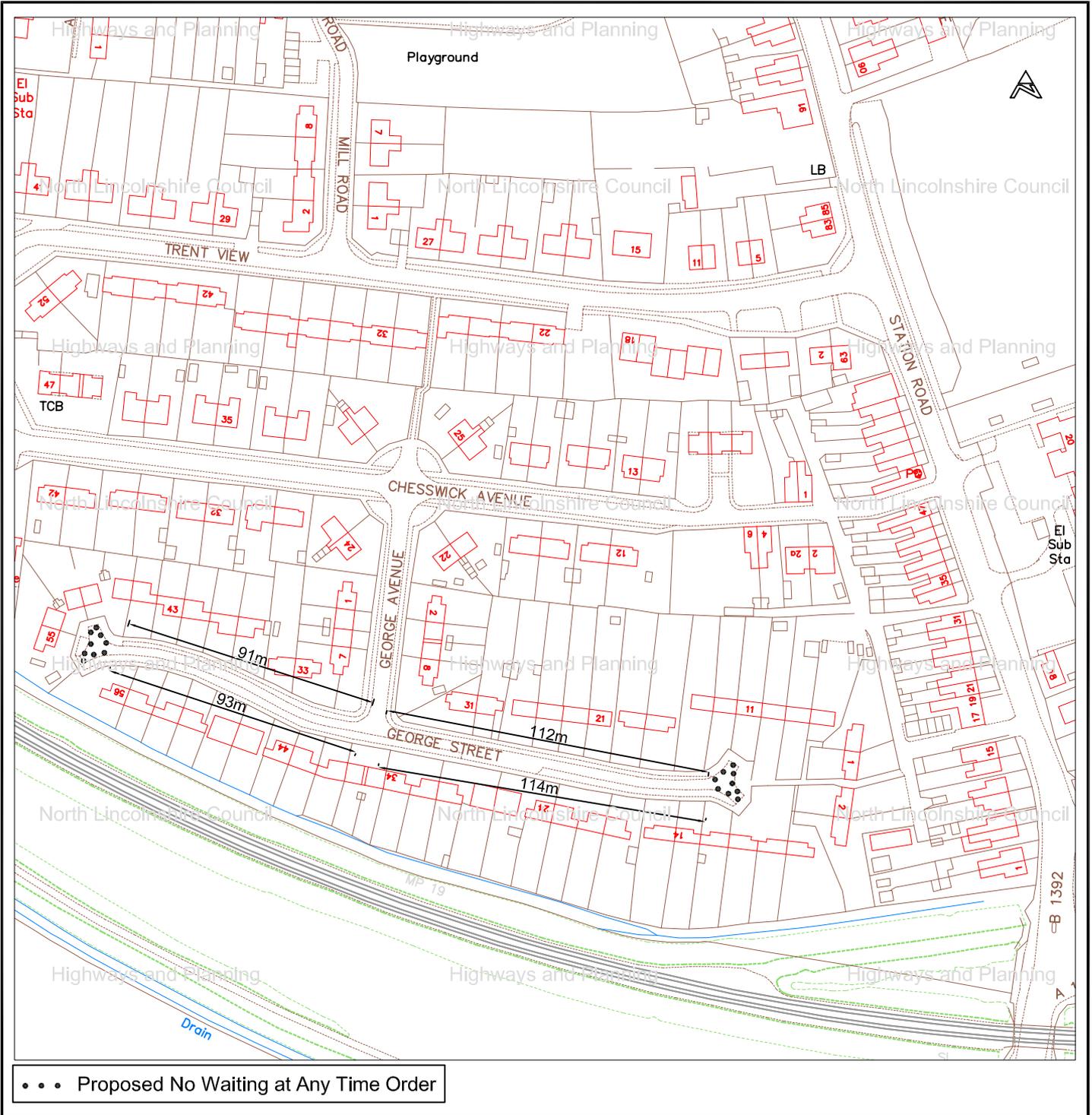
- 8.1 That the Cabinet Member considers the objections and makes a decision on the basis of the information provided.

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Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

The results of the consultation process, including the written objections, are held within the Traffic Team section of the Safer Roads Division.



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