

OFFICER DECISION REPORT – TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER (TRO)

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INFORMAL CONSULTATION

PREPARED BY: Traffic Management Team, Highways and Transport Group

TITLE OF REPORT: RPZ Sion Hill/Summerhill Road

PROPOSAL: Various Waiting and Loading and Parking Restrictions

SCHEME REF No: 22 – 025

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1. DELEGATION

The delegation to be exercised in this report is contained within **Part 3, Section 4** of the Constitution under the **Delegation of Functions to Officers**, as follows:

Section A	The Chief Executive, Strategic Directors, Divisional Directors and Heads of Service have delegated power to take any decision falling within their area of responsibility...."
Section B	Without prejudice to the generality of this, Officers are authorised to: serve any notices and make, amend or revoke any orders falling within his/her area of responsibility.
Section D9	An Officer to whom a power, duty or function is delegated may nominate or authorise another Officer to exercise that power, duty or function, provided that Officer reports to or is responsible to the delegator.

For the purposes of this report, the Director of Place Management holds the delegated power to make, amend or revoke any Orders.

2. LEGAL AUTHORITY

This proposal is made in accordance with the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, which under Section 1 provides, generally, for Orders to be made for the following reasons, and in the case of this report specifically for the reason(s) shown below:

(a)	for avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising, or	X
(b)	for preventing damage to the road or to any building on or near the road, or	
(c)	for facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians), or	X
(d)	for preventing the use of the road by vehicular traffic of a kind which, or its use by vehicular traffic in a manner which, is unsuitable having regard to the existing character of the road or adjoining property,	
(e)	(without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (d) above) for preserving the character of the road in a case where it is specially suitable for use by persons on horseback or on foot, or	

(f)	for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs, or	X
(g)	for any of the purposes specified in paragraphs (a) to (c) of subsection (1) of section 87 of the Environment Act 1995 (air quality)	

3. **PROPOSAL**

To implement various parking, waiting and loading restrictions, including designated parking bays reserved for disabled badge holders only and permit holders only.

4. **BACKGROUND**

Bath and North East Somerset Council's Traffic Management Team has been developing with the support of local Ward Councillors and in relation to the Councils policy to improve the parking situation for local residents and help communities to create healthier, safer streets (Low Traffic Neighbourhood Strategy – July 2020 & Residents' Parking Schemes July 2020) a scheme to introduce a Residents' Parking Zone (RPZ) covering the following area: an area which includes Sion Hill and Summerhill Road, Bath.

This RPZ will aim to prioritise on-street parking for residents and provide accessible parking near social hubs within the area including the school, and local businesses.

The implementation of the new RPZ will deter parking by non-residents who may currently use the area to park all day and commute into the City Centre or other facilities in this or neighbouring areas where parking may be limited, restricted, or charged for. The initial proposal was produced as a draft to be shared with the public during a 28-day public consultation. The consultation took place between the 5th May to 2nd June.

A virtual online event [19th May 2022 from 4pm to 8pm], and an in-person event [19th May 2022 from 4pm to 8pm at Bath Spa-Sion Hill conference room] were held in order to provide further information and enable consultees to talk to an advisor, view the proposal plans, ask questions, and submit a questionnaire.

In total, there were 59 responses to the proposed Residents' Parking Zone. 57 of these came through the online questionnaire with two respondents responding by email.

A total of 41 responses were from within the proposed Zone with a further 18 from outside the area.

Just over a third (37%) of respondents support the Residents' Parking Zone with a further 16% saying they partially support. Of the 15 respondents who felt that the current parking provision was bad, 87% supported the plans with one respondent partially supporting them and one objecting. Similarly, of the 16 respondents who felt the current parking provision was good, 94% objected to the plans.

The percentages of respondents showing overall support and objection for the scheme is similar. It is the opinion of the local Ward Councillors' that support does exist for a scheme which covers Sion Hill and Summerhill Road and should be progressed with some amendments.

Amendments to be made:

- 1) Remove most of proposed lining and bay markings. Maintain all existing restrictions. Area to be signed as permit parking area from Sion Road westwards. All roads to be restricted to resident permit holder only except in marked bays.

- 2) Provide two dual use bays adjacent to the allotments - PH or 3 hours NR 1 hour. New double yellow lines to prevent obstructive parking nearby.
- 3) Provide a dual use bay near property 21a Sion Hill - PH or 3 hours NR 1 hour.
- 4) New double yellow lines opposite properties Kite Lodge, Sunnyside, and Dawnside to maintain clear access to driveways opposite.
- 5) New double yellow lines outside property 27 Sion Hill to prevent obstructive parking on bend.
- 6) New double yellow lines on the northern side of Sion Hill between Summerhill Road and Sion Road to prevent obstructive parking.
- 7) Change zone boundary to include properties 4-7 Primrose Hill.

5. SOURCE OF FINANCE

This proposal is being funded by RPZ capital budget TCRP001.

6. CONSULTATION REQUIREMENT

The proposal requires informal consultation with the Chief Constable, Ward Members and the Cabinet Members for Transport.

PROPOSAL(S) APPROVED FOR INFORMAL CONSULTATION WITH THE CHIEF CONSTABLE AND WARD MEMBERS.














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Date: 17th Aug 2022

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KEY

- | EXISTING FEATURES | |
|---|-------------------------------------|
|  | Area outside proposed RPZ |
|  | Existing RPZ |
|  | Existing RPZ |
|  | Pedestrian Crossing Controlled area |
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- | PROPOSED RPZ ELEMENTS | |
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|  | Proposed Zone Boundary |
|  | No waiting and No loading AAT |
|  | No waiting AAT |
|  | Resident Permit holders Only bay / area |
|  | Resident Permit or 2 hrs no return within 1 hr |
|  | Disabled badge holders only bay |
|  | Bus stop Clearway |

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ISSUE/REVISION

	C	17/08/2022	CIJ Amend v3.6	
	B	04/08/2022	Amend following consult analysis	
	A	07/03/2022	First issue	
	IR	DATE	DESCRIPTION	

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SHEET TITLE

PROPOSED RESIDENT PARKING ZONE
 SION HILL / SUMMERHILL RD AREA
 PARKING CONTROL SCHEMATIC

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