

OFFICER DECISION REPORT - TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER (TRO)

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APPROVAL TO PROGRESS TRO

PREPARED BY: Traffic Management Team, Highways and Traffic Group

TITLE OF REPORT:	Keynsham & Saltford Area TRO Review
PROPOSAL:	Parking Restrictions
SCHEME REF No:	23 – 005
REPORT AUTHOR:	Sadie Cox-Alcuaz

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	
(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 restrictions around the Keynsham and Salford area.

4. **BACKGROUND**

A number of proposals for: No Parking At Any Time restrictions, School Keep Clear markings, No Waiting / No Loading At Any Time, and Limited Waiting at various locations around the Keynsham and Salford area were submitted to the Council by local residents, Ward Members and the Bath & North East Somerset Councils Traffic Management and Transport Planning Engineers. The reason behind these requests was to improve visibility and access for emergency and refuse vehicles, to allow for the safe passage and re-passage of vehicles and to provide limited on-street parking provision.

5. **SOURCE OF FINANCE**

This proposal is being funded by the capital Parking budget, project code TC8302.

6. **INFORMAL CONSULTATION REQUIREMENT**

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

7. **COMMENTS RECEIVED TO DATE**

Chief Constable

No Comment

Ward Members

Cllr Hal MacFie: No Comment

Cllr Victor Clarke: No Comment

Cllr Brain Simmons: No Comment

Cllr Alastair Singleton: No Comment

Cllr Lisa O'Brien: I have no objections to the proposals

Cllr Alan Hale: I have no objection re any of the proposed.

My concern is that we will go to the trouble and cost of putting all in place and perhaps for a month may be people will observe the lines but as time goes on the lines will be abused and ignored. We have insufficient Civil Enforcement Officers to cover the lines we have let alone the proposed new ones. High Street is a fine example compounded by never seeing police officers dealing with the endorse-able offence of parking within the controlled zone of the pedestrian crossing near Davies and Way. So taking all things into consideration it begs the question as to the worth of any traffic control measures

Cllr Duncan Hounsell: "I fully support the proposals in Manor Road, Saltford, at the top entrance to the playing fields, school, and nursery as requested by Saltford Parish Council. These markings will improve visibility and safety around this entrance. I also wish to give my support for the proposal for Fairfield Way, Keynsham. I fully support the proposal for no parking at any time restrictions at the junction of Fairfield Way, Keynsham, and the main A4. The cycle and pedestrian route from Saltford to Keynsham crosses this junction. The proposal will increase safety for all including pupils heading to and from Wellsway School."

Cllr Andy Wait: Whilst generally in support of all these changes I would suggest that a further 3 meters of double yellow line on both sides of Sunnymead would be both safer and popular with residents. The type of vehicles that park can be trucks or small lorries. A motorist driving towards Wellsway in Sunnymead must go on to the wrong side of the road. The length of line proposed isn't long enough for car users to simply get back on the LHS before arriving at the Wellsway junction.

Keynsham Town Council Clerk: I have received one feedback comment in respect of the TRO report proposals within the Keynsham and Saltford area from Keynsham from the Councillors of Keynsham Town Council as follows:

Plan 5 – Sunnymead / Wellsway, Keynsham – No Parking At Any Time restrictions were requested by the local Ward Member at the junction to improve visibility splays and prevent obstruction. Please can the No Parking At Any time restriction marking for the above be extended an extra 3 metres for Highways safety reasons.

RESPONSE- Following the request by the ward member the Sunnymead proposal has been revised and the lines extend as shown in the plan below.

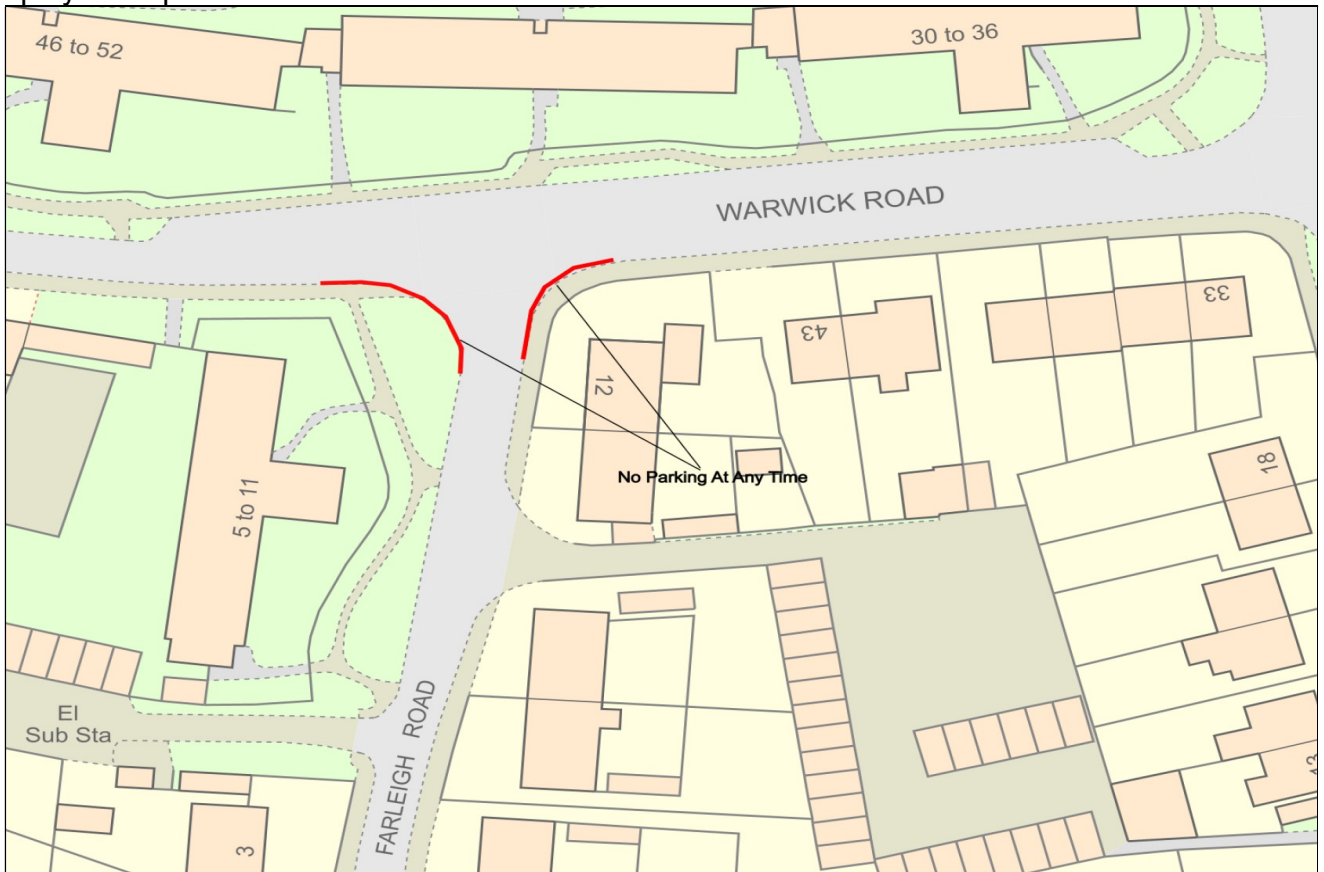
Saltford Parish Council Clerk: I can confirm that Saltford Parish Council continues to fully support its request for the proposals on Manor Road, Saltford, particularly in the interests of safety for the many children who attend the primary school and pre-school. Saltford Parish Council appreciates B&NES Council including these proposals in the upcoming Keynsham & Saltford area TRO review.

Parking Services: I broadly support the implementation of the restrictions; however, there should be a recognition that additional restrictions require additional revenue support for new staff to reflect the fact that every new restriction requires a very small percentage of a staff member to enforce on a regular or semi-regular basis. Whilst this impact may itself be small for a single scheme, the cumulative impact may have an impact for the enforcement across other locations and this impact can vary significantly based on the officer resource available.

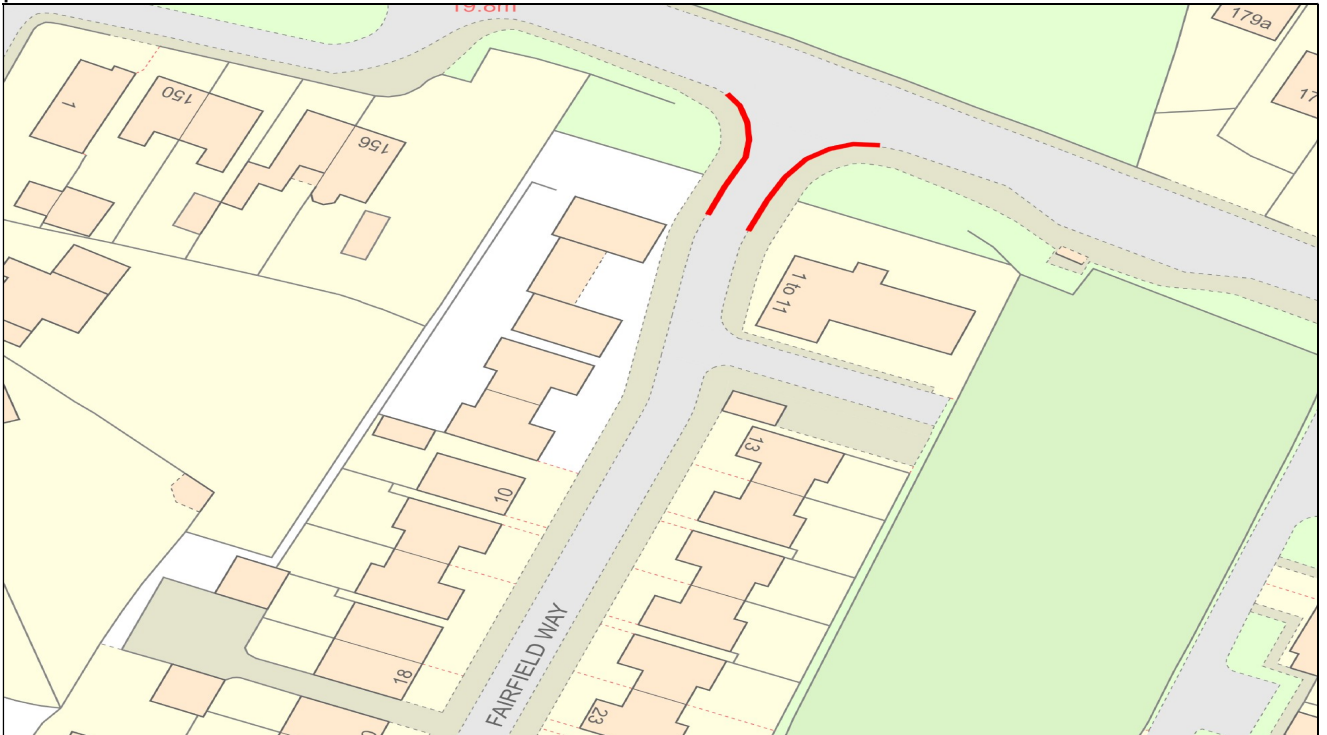
Cabinet Member-

CLlr Manda Rigby – No comment.

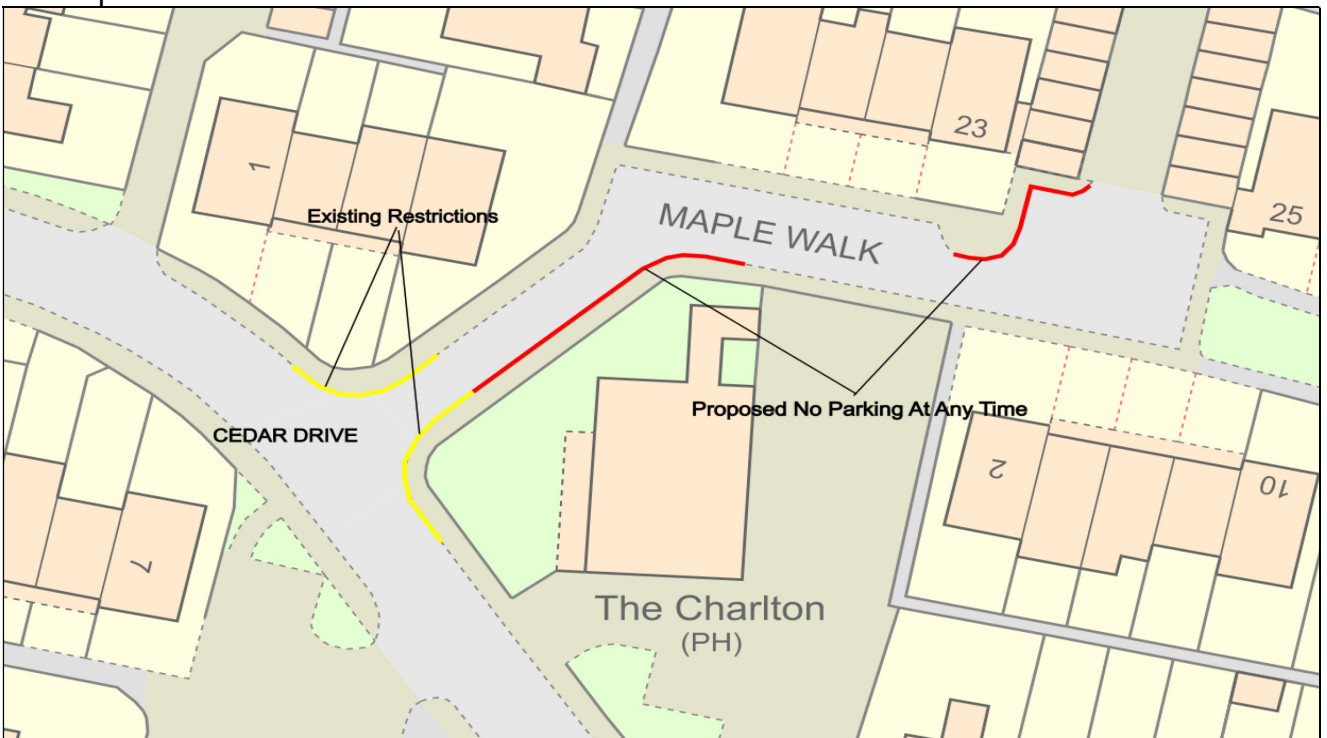
Plan 1 – Warwick Road / Farleigh Road, Keynsham – No Parking At Any Time restrictions were requested by the local Ward Member at the junction to improve visibility splays and prevent obstruction.



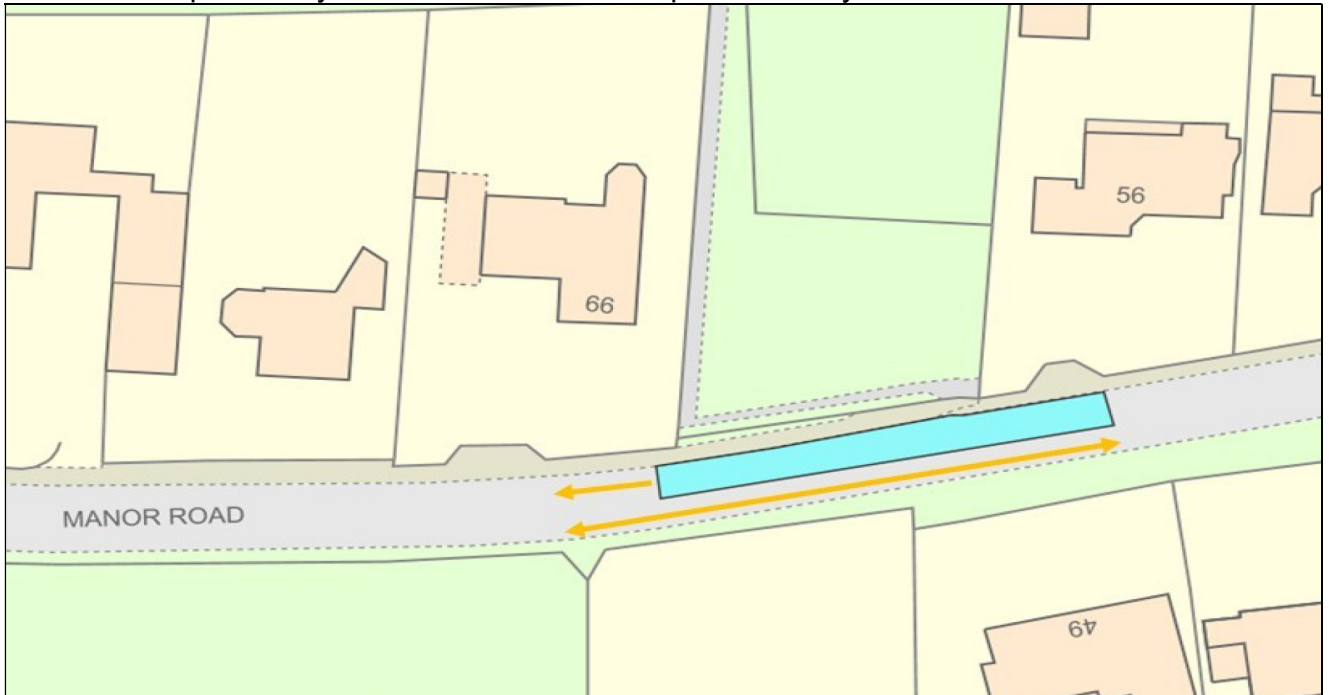
Plan 2 – Fairfield Way, Keynsham – No Parking At Any Time restrictions were requested by the local Ward Member at the junction onto the A4 to improve visibility splays and prevent obstruction..



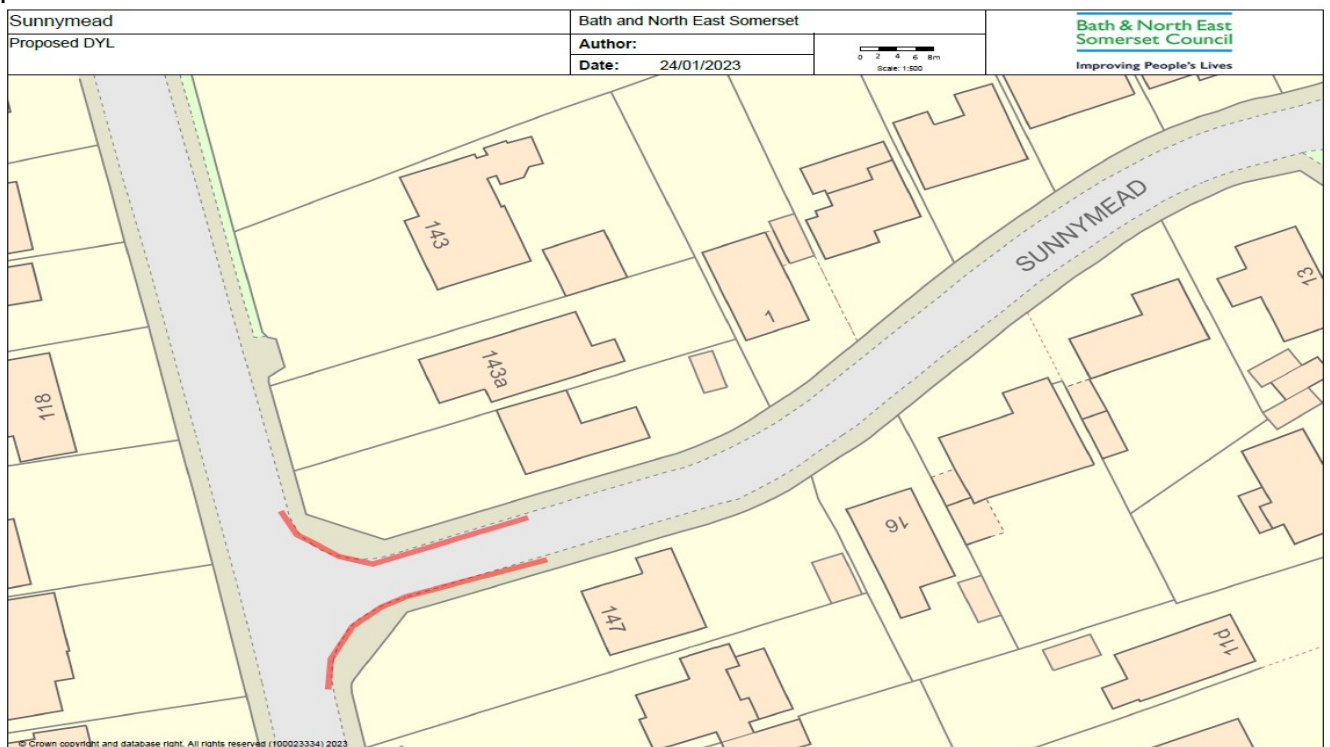
Plan 3 – Cedar Drive / Maple Walk, Keynsham – No Parking At Any Time restrictions were requested by the Traffic Management Team to prevent obstruction to larger vehicles due to parked cars.



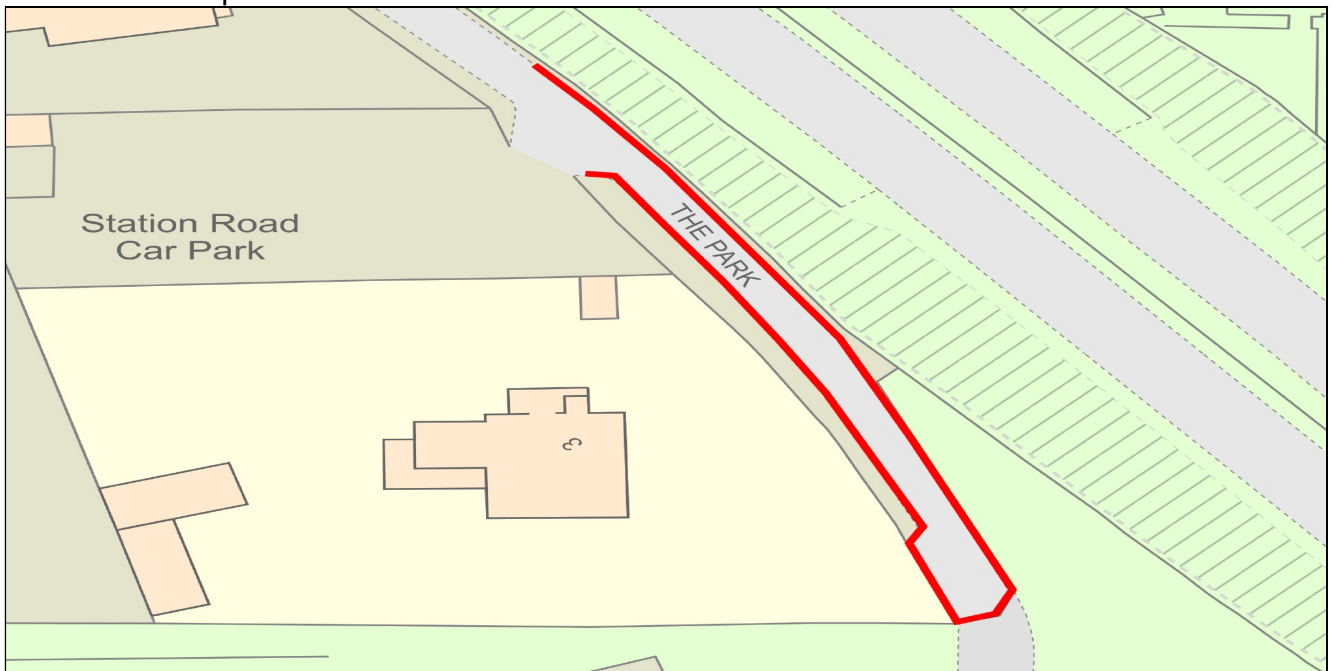
Plan 4 – Manor Road, Saltford – The extension of the existing School Keep Clear markings and additional new School Keep Clear markings on the southern side of Manor Road was requested by the Parish Council to improve visibility around the school entrance.



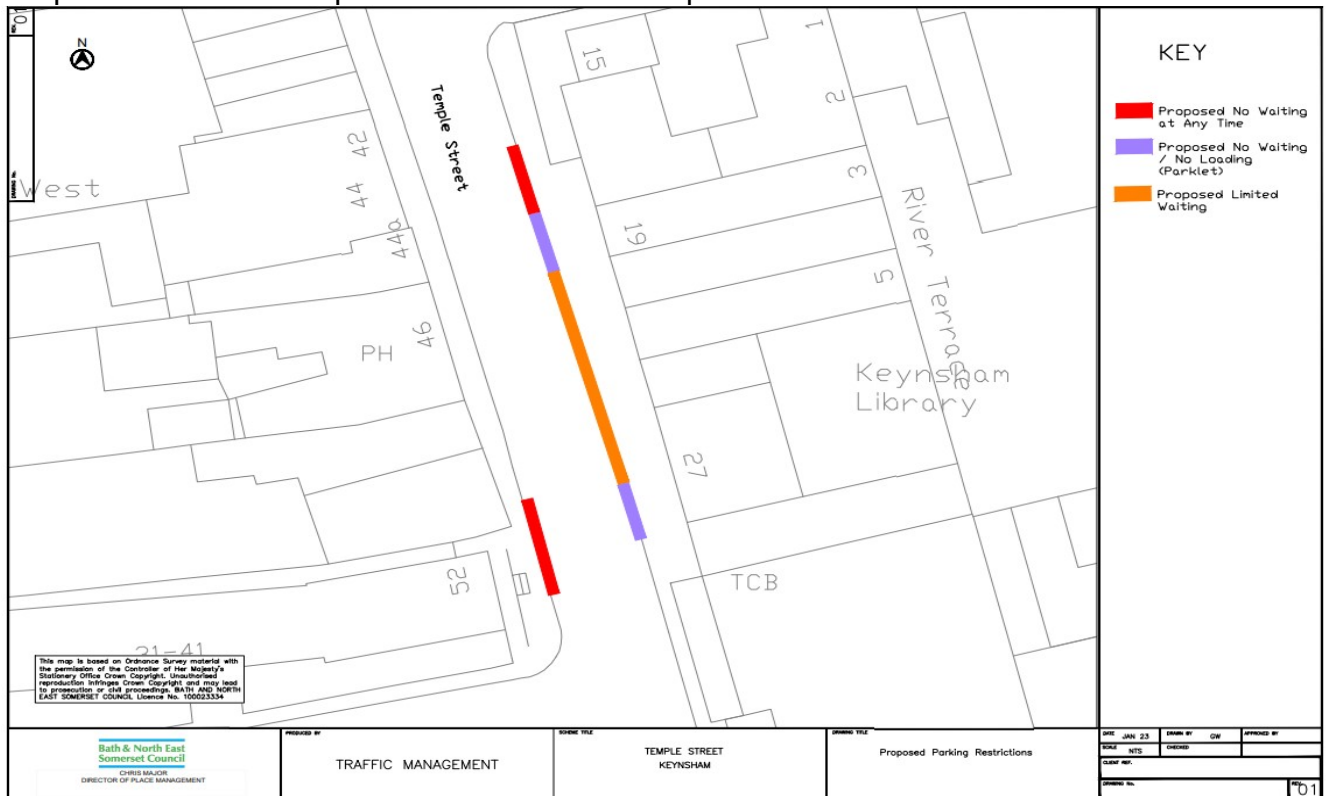
Plan 5 – Sunnymead / Wellsway, Keynsham – No Parking At Any Time restrictions were requested by the local Ward Member at the junction to improve visibility splays and prevent obstruction.



Plan 6 – The Park, Keynsham – No Parking At Any Time restrictions were requested by the local Ward Member to prevent obstruction and access to the park for maintenance vehicles due to parked cars.



Plan 7- Temple Street, Keynsham- No waiting at any time and no waiting/loading restrictions were requested by the Regeneration Team & Capital Projects team to facilitate the phase 2A and 2B improvement works on Temple Street.



8. RECOMMENDATION

As no significant objections and/or comments have been received following the informal consultation described above, the public advertisement of the Traffic Regulation Order should progress.



Gary Peacock
Head of Highways Delivery Parking Passenger Transport

Date: 9th Feb 2023

9. DECISION

As the officer holding the above delegation, I approve the progression of this Traffic Regulation Order.

In taking this decision, I confirm that due regard has been given to the Council's public sector equality duty, which requires it to consider and think about how its policies or decisions may affect people who are protected under the Equality Act.

The Council's policy framework has been used as the basis to develop the scheme with full engagement with stakeholders across the area.

I further note that the issue of deciding whether to implement any scheme is a matter of broad judgement, taking into account the wider transport and climate aims of the Council rather than a purely mathematical analysis on the numbers of positive or negative responses.

The arguments both for and against the scheme were clearly identified and were considered fully as part of the decision-making process before I made the final decision as set out above.



Chris Major
Director for Place Management

Date: 09/02/23