

TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER PANEL
28/07/2022 at 5.30 pm



Present: Councillor S Bashforth (Chair)
Councillors C. Gloster (Vice-Chair), Salamat and Woodvine

Also in Attendance:

Alan Evans	Group Solicitor
Kaidy McCann	Constitutional Services
Laila Chowdhury	Constitutional Services
Sarah Robinson	Highways & Engineering

1 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Ahmad.

2 **URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no items of urgent business received.

3 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest received.

4 **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no public questions received.

5 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 16th June 2022 be approved as a correct record.

6 **SMALLBROOK ROAD, SHAW - OBJECTIONS TO TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER**

The Panel gave consideration to a report regarding objections received to the introduction of prohibitive waiting restrictions along Smallbrook Road, Shaw.

The proposal was promoted to address the obstructive parking that regularly took place along Smallbrook Road, which prevented access into the nearby Duchess Street Industrial Estate for the larger delivery vehicles. However, many of the residents along the route relied on the highway for parking and as the proposal would reduce the available on-street parking, objections had been received. The objectors had requested that changes were made to the operation of the industrial estate, which would result in the HGV drivers using a different route to access the industrial premises and would remove the need for additional double yellow lines to be introduced along Smallbrook Road.

The proposal had been approved under delegated powers on 12th January 2022 and subsequently advertised. Three letters of

objections had been received. The basis of the objections was that there was very little parking options within the high parking demand area. The road was not suitable to deal with industrial traffic and the proposal only benefited vehicles visiting the industrial area.



In light of the objections, a 'track run' analysis had been undertaken of both an articulated vehicle turning left into Duchess Street and a fire engine travelling straight through to Woodend. Both required the removal of parking from one side of the road. There was however an area of Smallbrook Road where the road widens slightly on approach to the park; at this point the vehicles did not need to utilise the road space, and parking could take place. It was therefore felt that the proposal could be amended, with this length of carriageway removed from the proposal to allow on street parking to continue.

Options considered:

Option 1: Introduce the restrictions as advertised

Option 2: Do not introduce the restrictions and allow the obstructive parking to continue

Option 3: Slightly amend the advertised proposal and allow a short length of parking to remain

RESOLVED that, as per the recommendation, the proposed restrictions be introduced as an Experimental Order and amended to allow a short length of parking to remain.

The meeting started at 5.30 pm and ended at 5.46 pm