

Delegated Officer Report **(Non Key and Contracts up to a value of £100k)**

Decision Maker: Director of Environment, Nasir Dad

Date of Decision: 30 November 2023

Subject: Proposed Prohibition of Waiting – Alder Road, Clough Road and Hibbert Crescent, Failsworth

Report Author: Andy Cowell, Traffic Engineer

Ward (s): Failsworth East

Reason for the decision:

Alder Road and Clough Road form a route through a residential area on the east side of Failsworth. Both are local distributor roads, providing access to a number of residential streets. A mini-roundabout connects both roads with Hibbert Crescent at the northern end of the route. The approaches to the mini-roundabout and the mini-roundabout itself are currently not protected by any parking restrictions.

A local Councillor has reported issues with vehicles parking in the vicinity of the mini-roundabout, which affects both traffic movements and pedestrians crossing.

Officers have inspected the location and witnessed vehicles parking close to the mini-roundabout. This interferes with traffic movements and forces motorists onto the opposite side of the carriageway in conflict with opposing traffic and in conflict with vehicles negotiating the roundabout. Parked vehicles also affect visibility for pedestrians attempting to cross at the roundabout. Vehicles also obstruct the dropped kerbs used by pedestrians.

It is, therefore, proposed to promote new prohibition of waiting restrictions on Alder Road, Clough Road and Hibbert Crescent, Failsworth as detailed on plan 47/A4/1705/1.

If approved, the proposal would improve traffic flows at the mini-roundabout and reduce the conflict between opposing traffic. It would also improve safety for pedestrians crossing at the mini-roundabout.

Summary:

The purpose of this report is to consider the introduction of prohibition of waiting restrictions at Alder Road, Clough Road and Hibbert Crescent, Failsworth

What are the alternative option(s) to be considered? Please give the reason(s) for recommendation(s):

Option 1: To approve the recommendation
Option 2: Not to approve the recommendation

Consultation: including any conflict of interest declared by relevant Cabinet Member consulted

The Ward Members have been consulted and no comments have been received.

G.M.P. View - The Chief Constable has been consulted and has no objection to this proposal.

T.f.G.M. View - The Director General has been consulted and has no comment on this proposal.

G.M. Fire Service View - The County Fire Officer has been consulted and has no comment on this proposal.

N.W. Ambulance Service View - The County Ambulance Officer has been consulted and has no comment on this proposal.

Recommendation(s):

It is recommended that a new Traffic Regulation Order be introduced in accordance with the plan and schedule at the end of this report

Implications:

*What are the **financial** implications?*

The cost of introducing the Order is shown below:

	£
Advertisement of Order	1,200
Introduction of Road Markings	500
Total	1,700

The advertising & road marking expenditure of £1,700 will be funded from the 2023/24 Highways TRO budget.

The annual maintenance costs estimated at £100 per annum will be met from the Highways Operations budget. If there are pressures in this area as the financial year progresses, the Directorate will have to manage its resources to ensure that there is no adverse overall variance at the financial year end. (John Edisbury)

What are the **legal** implications?

The Council must be satisfied that it is expedient to make the Traffic Regulation Order in order to avoid danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising, or for preventing damage to the road or to any building on or near the road, or for facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic, including pedestrians, or 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 or for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs.

In addition to the above, under section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, it shall be the duty of the Council so to exercise the functions conferred on them by the Act as to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians) and the provision of suitable and adequate parking facilities on and off the highway. Regard must also be had to the desirability of securing and maintaining reasonable access to premises, the effect on the amenities of any locality affected and the importance of regulating and restricting the use of roads by heavy commercial vehicles so as to preserve or improve the amenities of the areas through which the roads run, the strategy produced under section 80 Environmental Protection Act 1990 (the national air quality strategy), the importance of facilitating the passage of public service vehicles and of securing the safety and convenience of persons using or desiring to use such vehicles and any other matters appearing to the Council to be relevant. (A Evans)

What are the **procurement** implications?

None

<i>What are the Human Resources implications?</i>	None
Equality and Diversity Impact Assessment attached or not required because (please give reason)	Not required because the measures proposed are aimed at improving highway safety.
Oldham Impact Assessment Completed (Including impact on Children and Young People)	No
<i>What are the property implications</i>	None, the work is being undertaken on the public highway which is under the control of the Highway Authority. (Rosalyn Smith)
Risks:	There is a potential risk to users of the highway if the restrictions are not introduced.
Co-operative implications	None (Jonathan Downs)
Community cohesion disorder implications in accordance with Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998	None
Environmental and Health & Safety Implications	If approved, the restrictions will improve safety for road users.
IT Implications	None.

Has the relevant Legal Officer confirmed that the recommendations within this report are lawful and comply with the Council's Constitution?	Yes
Has the relevant Finance Officer confirmed that any expenditure referred to within this report is consistent with the Council's budget?	Yes
Are any of the recommendations within this report contrary to the Policy Framework of the Council?	No

Schedule

Drawing Number 47/A4/1705/1

Add to the Oldham Borough Council (Failsworth Area) Consolidation Order 2003

Part I Schedule 1 Prohibition of Waiting

Item No	Length of Road	Duration	Exemptions	No Loading
	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Clough Road, Failsworth</u> (North side)</p> <p>From its junction with Hibbert Crescent for a distance of 18 metres in an easterly direction</p>	At any time	A, B1, B2, B3, B4, C, E, F, J, K5	
	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Clough Road, Failsworth</u> (South side)</p> <p>From its junction with Alder Road for a distance of 29 metres in an easterly direction</p>	At any time	A, B1, B2, B3, B4, C, E, F, J, K5	
	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Hibbert Crescent, Failsworth</u> (East side)</p> <p>From its junction with Clough Road for a distance of 22 metres in a northerly direction</p>	At any time	A, B1, B2, B3, B4, C, E, F, J, K5	
	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Hibbert Crescent, Failsworth</u> (West side)</p> <p>From a point opposite the northerly kerb-line of Clough Road for a distance of 4 metres in a northerly direction</p>	At any time	A, B1, B2, B3, B4, C, E, F, J, K5	
	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Alder Road, Failsworth</u> (West side)</p> <p>From a point opposite the northerly kerb-line of Clough Road for a distance of 31 metres in a southerly direction</p>	At any time	A, B1, B2, B3, B4, C, E, F, J, K5	
	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Alder Road, Failsworth</u> (East side)</p> <p>From its junction with Clough Road for a distance of 32 metres in a southerly direction</p>	At any time	A, B1, B2, B3, B4, C, E, F, J, K5	

There are no background papers for this report

Report Author Sign-off:	
Andy Cowell	
Date: 30 November 2023	

In consultation with Director of Environment



Signed :

Date: 4th December 2023

