

Delegated Decision Report

Decision below £250k



Subject:	Proposed 'No Waiting' Restrictions - Fir Bank Primary School, Grasmere Road, Royton
Decision maker: Senior Officer	Nasir Dad, Director of Environment
Decision maker: Cabinet Member	Councillor C Goodwin, Portfolio Holder for Don't Trash Oldham,
Decision date:	25 November 2024
Report author:	Mohamed Abdulkadir, Engineer
Ward (s):	Royton North

Reason for decision

The purpose of the report is to consider the introduction of short lengths of 'no waiting 8am – 6:30pm' restrictions and the extension to the 'School Keep Clear' markings outside Fir Bank Primary School. Grasmere Road, Royton.

Recommendation(s)

The preferred option is Option 1

Background

Fir Bank Primary school is located on Grasmere Road, Royton, within a large residential area.

On- street parking takes place throughout the residential area, including the school frontage. Some of the school frontage is already protected by school entrance markings, which are operational between the hours of 8am – 5pm. However, the parking taking place at each end of this area, together with the parking on the opposite side of the road, is preventing the school coach from accessing the school frontage. This has resulted in school children having to walk to the coach which now waits on Rochdale Road, a distance of approximately 0.2 miles from the school frontage.

Since the school entrance markings were originally introduced, an additional school entrance has been constructed to provide an accessible route for staff and pupils. This is not currently protected by the school entrance markings.

The purpose of the report is to consider the introduction of short lengths of 'no waiting 8am – 6:30pm' restrictions and the extension to the 'School Keep Clear' markings along the school frontage, in accordance with drawing number 47/A4/1733/1, at the end of this report.

Alternative option(s) to be considered

Option 1: To approve the recommendation.

Option 2: Not to approve the recommendation and allow the obstructive parking to continue.

Consultation

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.

Risks

The introduction of time specific no waiting restrictions and the extension of the School Keep Clear markings at this location will decrease the numbers of incidents involving road users and assist with visibility and access. There could be reputation risks around the scheme in terms of residents and business reactions to the proposals these can be mitigated by effective communications, the publication notice, and review of any objections received before installing the restrictions.

Implications

Financial	The cost of introducing the measures is detailed below:	
		£
	Advertisement of Order	1,200
	Road Markings	500
	Erection of Signs	1,200
	Total	2,900
The advertising, road marking and signs expenditure of £1,700 will be funded from the 2024/25 Highways TRO & road markings budgets. (J Edisbury)		

Legal	<p>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.</p> <p>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)</p>
Equality impact including implications for Children and Young People	None
Co-operative	<p>The proposals set out in this report to introduce a restriction of waiting order outside Fir Bank Primary School. This will benefit our residents, particularly children, by increasing pedestrian safety outside of the school, reducing vehicle emissions and encouraging active travel. As such, this proposal is in line with our cooperative agenda. (James Mulvaney, Policy Manager)</p>

Proposal

Introduce a restriction of waiting order and an amended school keep clear marking in accordance with the following schedule and drawing number 47/A4/1733/1.

Schedule

Delete from The Oldham- Schools Keep Clear Prohibition of Stopping No 3 Order 2016

Mandatory School Keep Clear Markings Monday to Friday 8am – 5 pm

Lengths of Road

Grasmere Road, Royton

(North west Side)

From a point 3.4 metres north east of the south west kerb line of Oak Avenue

for a distance of 31.56 metres in a north easterly direction

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

Part I Schedule I

Item No	Length of Road	Duration	Exemptions	No Loading
	<u>Grasmere Rd</u> (North west side) From a point 18 metres south west of a point opposite the south-west kerb line of Oak Avenue for a distance of 15 metres in a north easterly direction	Mon-Fri 8am– 6.30pm		
	<u>Grasmere Rd</u> (North west side) From a point 34.6 metres north-east of a point opposite the south west kerb line of Oak Avenue for a distance of 25 metres in a north easterly direction	Mon-Fri 8am– 6.30pm		

Introduce a Mandatory School Keep Clear Marking

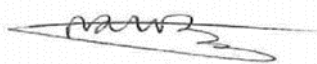
No Stopping 8.00am – 6.30pm on school entrance markings

Road	Description
Grasmere Road, Royton	From a point 3 metres south west of a point opposite the south west kerb line of Oak Avenue for a distance of 37.6 metres in a north easterly direction

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

Background Papers under Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972

Report author sign-off	Mohamed Abdulkadir
Role	Traffic Engineer
Date of sign-off	6 November 2024

Approval	
Officer approval sign-off	
Role	Director of Environment
Date of sign-off	25 Nov 2024

