

**Cambridgeshire County Council Record of Officer Delegated
Decision taken following consideration by Cambridge Joint Area Committee**

Title of decision	Consider Objections to Proposed Residential Parking Scheme in Milton Road Area, Cambridge
Date decision taken	16 th September 2024
Decision maker	Jeremy Smith, Interim Assistant Director, Transport Strategy and Network Management
Is this a key decision?	No
Is the decision subject to call in?	No
Details of decision taken	<p>Objections and other written representations were considered by the Cambridge Joint Area Committee (CJAC) on 29th July 2024. The resolution was to:-</p> <p>“1. Recommend that the Executive Director of Place and Economy, in consultation with local Members, approve the introduction of the Milton Road Area Residential Parking Scheme, as published; and</p> <p>2. Approve a review of on-street parking in the affected area six months after the Residential Parking Scheme commences operation.”</p> <p>The local Members either attended or were invited to the CJAC meeting. Given the political sensitivity of this item, the Chair and Vice Chair of Highways & Transport Committee have been given the opportunity to ask that the matter be referred to that committee, but have not made such a request.</p> <p>The decision maker is satisfied with the recommendation of CJAC and is hereby confirmed by an officer delegated decision.</p>
Reasons for taking decision	<p>A report was presented to the CJAC meeting to allow officers to explain the proposed Residential Parking Scheme (RPS) to Members. Public speakers were invited to address the meeting. The main issues raised were as follows:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The published RPS proposal excludes the north side of Arbury Road, including the Havenfield retirement housing complex. This would mean that residents and their visitors would be unable to park on roads in the RPS zone and there was significant local opposition to that exclusion. Officers are concerned that should those properties be able to apply for parking permits, it would place unacceptable parking pressures on Arbury Road and its immediate side roads. Committee recommended that a thorough review be carried out 6-month after implementation to assess on-street parking in the area. Should it be deemed that sufficient parking capacity exists to accommodate additional the parked vehicles generated by Arbury Road properties, including Havenfield, then a proposal to amend the Milton RPS will be pursued. • The proposed RPs will significantly reduce the number of on-street parking places in roads in the Chesterton triangle area, including Herbert Street, Springfield Road and Chesterton Hall Crescent. However, officers pointed out that the change to single-sided parking is required to enable safe vehicular access, including for emergency vehicles. Parking surveys suggest that there is ample spare parking capacity in adjacent streets, such as Ascham Way, to accommodate the resultant displaced parking.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was suggested that Mulberry Close should be excluded from the RPS primarily on grounds of the difficulties of residents obtaining blue badges and by those providing informal care support to residents. Officers explained that medical parking permits are available for those providing formal and informal care.
Options considered	Please see above – ‘Reasons for taking decision’.
Details of any conflict of interests declared	No conflicts of interest.
Details of any disclosable pecuniary interest or non-statutory disclosable interest declared	No pecuniary interests or non-statutory disclosable interest declared.