

**SEVENOAKS JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD – 16 MARCH 2009**

**2009 TRAFFIC ORDER AMENDMENT 7**

**CHANGES TO PARKING RESTRICTIONS IN SEVENOAKS**

Report of the: Community and Planning Services Director

Status: For decision

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**Executive Summary:** This report requests that Members approve the changes to the on-street parking Traffic Regulation Order for Sevenoaks.

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**This report supports the Key Aim** of safer communities and the effective and efficient use of resources.

**Portfolio Holder** Cllr. Williamson

**Head of Service** Head of Environmental and Operational Services – Mr. Richard Wilson

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**Recommendation:** It be RESOLVED that;

- (a) The comments and objections to the changes in the on-street parking Traffic Regulation Order 2009 Amendment 7 be noted and the officer recommendations set out within this report be implemented.
- (b) The parking restrictions be introduced as proposed, subject to the officer recommendations set out within this report for the restrictions in the town of Sevenoaks.

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**Background**

- 1 Following the Sevenoaks Review (carried out in 2007/8) there were some requests for minor amendments and extensions of restrictions to address residents concerns about the change of parking habits in the town.
- 2 Additionally, residents have raised several day-to-day parking related traffic issues in the town that could be resolved by the introduction of parking controls or amending existing restrictions.
- 3 Kent Highway Services have also asked that the District Council assist them in promoting new parking restrictions for safety purposes at the junction of Weald Road and Turners Gardens.

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- 4 The District Council carried out informal and formal of consultation on its proposals, adapting the restrictions to accommodate the views of residents where possible, and (in accordance with the instruction from Kent Highway Services) one consultation on the proposal for Weald Road and Turners Gardens
- 5 The formal consultation process closed on 10 January 2010.
- 6 The Portfolio Holder for the Built Environment, Cllr Williamson has agreed the implementation of the uncontested proposals, and is referring the proposals where objections were received to the Joint Transport Board for resolution.

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- 7 Appendix A consists of the following;
  - A summary of the responses received for each location.
  - A recommendation by the Portfolio Holder for the Built Environment.
  - A copy of the proposals.
  - A copy of each of the consultation responses.
- 8 Due to the lack of objections or the comments not being found to be substantive, Cllr Williamson has agreed the implementation of the proposed changes Hop Garden Lane, Vine Court Road, and two locations in Granville Road.
- 9 Due to the comments and objections received for the Bradbourne Road & Sackville Close, Oakfield, St John's Hill (with Wickenden Road, Hospital Road, Golding Road & St James' Road) locations, Cllr Williamson is referring the issues to the Joint Transport Board for consideration, with amended proposals that resolve the objections.
- 10 Officers at Kent Highway Services have asked that as no objections were received to the proposal for the junction of Weald Road and Turners Gardens that the proposal be approved for implementation.

**Key Implications**

**Financial**

- 11 The costs of implementing the proposals are estimated at £3000 and will be met from the on-street parking account.

**Community impact and outcomes**

- 12 The District Council will be able to provide a better, safer environment for residents and reduce congestion.

**Legal, Human Rights, etc.**

- 13 The procedures appropriate to the promotion, advertisement and introduction of a traffic regulation order (as set out in the Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996 have been followed and exceeded.
- 14 There are no human rights issues or implications.

**Risk Assessment Statement**

- 15 By not introducing the measures proposed in the town of Sevenoaks the current parking problems associated with each of the locations will continue.

**Sources of Information:** Existing on and off-street parking traffic regulation orders held by the Parking and Amenity team

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