

**REPORT TO: PLANNING & TRANSPORT COMMITTEE - 12 NOVEMBER 2007**

**REPORT ON: CITY QUAY AREA - WAITING RESTRICTIONS**

**REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION**

**REPORT NO: 549-2007**

## **1 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 This report considers the necessity to introduce and amend current waiting restrictions in the City Quay Area to reduce congestion caused by commuter parking and assist the local attractions by introducing some pay and display spaces to create a turnover of parking.

## **2 RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1 In order to relieve congestion and create a turnover of parked vehicles it is recommended that a Traffic Regulation Order be prepared to add to and amend waiting restrictions in the area as depicted on a plan to be displayed.

## **3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 3.1 The costs of the necessary signing and lining and provision of new pay and display machines are estimated at £30,000 and will be met from within the Planning and Transportation Car Park Trading Account. An additional £2,500 is required in annual maintenance costs and this will also be met from within the Planning and Transportation Car Park Trading Account.

## **4 BACKGROUND**

- 4.1 Prior to the major housing developments currently being constructed south of South Victoria Dock Road the only waiting restrictions in the area were no waiting at any time restrictions on the main thoroughfares in order to allow the free flow of traffic.
- 4.2 Any available space outwith these routes was being occupied by city centre commuter parking. As the current housing developments are being completed this commuter parking is inhibiting access to the private parking spaces associated with the new houses.
- 4.3 Following the loss of an off-street car park to one of the housing developments has meant that visitors to the Frigate Unicorn have difficulty in parking and this is having an effect on attendances.
- 4.4 It is therefore proposed to introduce waiting restrictions in all the public streets servicing the area. This will include introducing pay and display spaces with a maximum length of stay of two hours between the hours of 8.00am and 6.00pm, Monday to Saturday at suitable locations.

## **5 POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 This Report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management. There are no major issues.

## **6 CONSULTATIONS**

- 6.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Finance), Depute Chief Executive (Support Services), Head of Finance, Assistant Chief Executive (Community Planning), Legal Manager and the Chief Constable have been consulted and are in agreement with the contents of this report.

## **7 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 7.1 None.

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