NON-KEY DECISION TAKEN BY A CABINET MEMBER

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1. Title of report and reason for exemption (if any)
APOSTLES – 5F & RPS CPZ extension

2. Decision maker
Cabinet Member for Environmental Sustainability & Regeneration

3. Date of Decision
3rd February 2012

4. Date report made available to decision maker
23 January 2012

5. Date report made available to the Chairs of the Overview and Scrutiny Commission and of any relevant scrutiny panel

6. Decision
That the Committee considers the issues detailed in this report and recommends that the Cabinet Member for Environmental Sustainability & Regeneration;

A. Notes the results of the statutory consultation carried out between 20 October and 11 November 2011 on the proposals to include Carlton Park Avenue, Vernon Avenue and Edna Road into the existing RPS CPZ; and to include Rothesay Avenue and Chase Side Avenue into the existing 5F CPZ, operational Mondays to Fridays between 8.30am to 6.30pm as shown in drawing No. Z78-182-02 sheets 1 & 2 in Appendix 4.

B. Notes and considers the representations received in respect of the proposals as detailed in Appendix 3.

C. Considers the objections against the proposed measures and the arguments for their implementation as detailed in Appendix 3.

D. Agrees to proceed with the making of the Traffic Management Order (TMO) for the inclusion of Carlton Park Avenue and Vernon Avenue into the existing RPS CPZ, as shown in drawing No. Z78-182-03 sheet 1 in Appendix 1.

E. Agrees to proceed with the making of the Traffic Management Order (TMO) for the inclusion of Rothesay Avenue and Chase Side Avenue into the existing 5F CPZ, operational Mondays to Fridays between 8.30am to 6.30pm as shown in drawing No. Z78-182-03 sheets 2 in Appendix 1.
F. Agrees to proceed with the making of the Traffic Management Order (TMO) for the implementation of double yellow line waiting restrictions at key locations such as junctions, bends, cul de sacs and locations where traffic flow is impeded on those roads to be excluded from the CPZ as shown in drawing No. Z78-182-03 sheets 1 & 2 in Appendix 1 and detailed in 3.6 of this report.

G. Agrees to proceed with a statutory consultation to include Oxford Avenue into the existing 5F CPZ, operational Mondays to Fridays between 8.30am to 6.30pm as shown in Drawing No. Z78-182-04 in Appendix 2.

7. Reason for decision

The decision is in line with the residents’ response to the statutory consultation. The original informal consultation was not a ballot and is not treated as such. Rather it gives a strong indication of residents’ views street by street and enables the statutory consultation to focus on proposals that meet local parking concerns and preferences. It is right to exclude Edna Road from inclusion into the existing CPZ because of the large number of objections received from residents in that road (36 against and 5 in favour). If, following the implementation of the proposals for Carlton Park Avenue and Vernon Avenue, there is a petition from a significant number Edna Road residents requesting inclusion in the CPZ then I would request that we move straight to a further statutory consultation of that road. I take the view that the turning areas at the cul de sac ends of the ‘Apostles’ roads should be used as such and not parked, so justifying the double yellow line waiting restrictions.

8. Alternative options considered and why rejected

8.1 Do nothing. This would not address the current parking demands for residents in respect of their views expressed during the informal consultation, as well as the Council’s duty to provide a safe environment for all road users.

8.2 Not to introduce the proposed yellow line waiting restrictions would not address the obstructive parking and traffic congestion currently being experienced and will not improve access for the emergency services; refuse vehicles and the overall safety for all road users.

9. Documents relied on in addition to officer report

- Statutory consultation documents, drawings and representations

10. Declarations of Interest
11. Publication of this decision and call in provision
Send this form and the officer report* to democratic.services@merton.gov.uk for publication. Publication will take place within two days. The call-in deadline will be at Noon on the third working day following publication.

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