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**PROPOSED RESIDENT'S PARKING MOWDEN TERRACE  
WESTBROOK TERRACE AND MOWDEN STREET – OBJECTIONS**

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**Responsible Cabinet Member – Councillor Nick Wallis  
Leisure and Local Environment Portfolio**

**Responsible Director – Ian Williams, Director of Economic Growth**

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**SUMMARY REPORT**

**Purpose of the Report**

1. To advise Members of an objection received to a resident's parking proposal in Mowden Terrace, Mowden Street and Westbrook Terrace and seek a decision on whether to proceed with the proposal.

**Summary**

2. A request was received from residents of Westbrook Terrace, Corporation Road and Mowden Terrace to introduce resident's parking restrictions to resolve a problem of commuter parking for extended periods of time outside the residents' properties.
3. The properties are in close proximity to the Odeon Cinema and Corporation School and commuters working in the town centre have started to park in the area. The properties affected do not have off street parking. Commuters and staff are parking for most of the day restricting residents from parking close to their home.
4. Resident's parking bays in Mowden Terrace, Mowden Street and Westbrook Terrace were advertised to prevent commuter parking and give residents an option to park 8.00am – 6.00pm. The proposal also included no waiting at any time (double yellow lines) at the junctions of the area to keep them clear of vehicles and aid visibility (see plan at **Appendix A**).
5. Two objections were received to the proposal. One from a resident at 17 Mowden Terrace who had canvassed other residents of Mowden Terrace for their opinion on the proposed scheme and ten residents signed a letter he had prepared. The objector was unhappy as he feels the whole street should be resident's parking and either free or considerably less than the £40 for a permit. He felt the scheme favoured commuters by giving them free parking in the street and making residents pay. The other objection felt the whole street should be made resident parking or none at all especially as there was no resident only bay directly outside his

property.

6. The Stonemason's asked if it was possible to include a length of limited waiting parking so their customers could park nearby. This request was incorporated into a second proposal.
7. There were no objections to the double yellow lines at the junctions.
8. The second proposal removed a section of resident's parking from the north side of Mowden Terrace and included the limited waiting bay on Westbrook Terrace. This received objections from residents who had previously signed the letter from the main objector of the scheme (no.17) who wanted the resident bay reinstating (see plan at **Appendix B**)
9. The final proposal included longer resident's bay on the north side of Mowden Terrace, the initial objector from number 17 was still against the proposal (see plan at **Appendix C**)
10. Officers recommend setting the objection aside and proceed to introduce the residents' parking.

### **Recommendation**

11. It is recommended that Members consider the objection and set it aside and authorise officers to proceed with the proposal to introduce resident's parking and no waiting at any time as advertised:

### **Reasons**

12. The recommendation is supported to improve the amenities of the area through which the road runs.

**Ian Williams**  
**Director of Economic Growth**

### **Background Papers**

No background papers were used in the preparation of this report.

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S17 Crime and Disorder	There are no direct implications
Health and Well Being	There are no direct implications
Carbon Impact	There are no significant carbon impact implications in this report
Diversity	There are no direct implications
Wards Affected	College
Groups Affected	All
Budget and Policy Framework	This decision does not represent a change to the budget and policy framework
Key Decision	This is not a key decision.
Urgent Decision	This is not an urgent decision.
One Darlington: Perfectly Placed	No significant implications.
Efficiency	The proposal will prevent commuter parking
Impact on Looked After Children and Care Leavers	This report does not impact on Looked After Children or Care Leavers

## MAIN REPORT

### Information and Analysis

13. Residents of Mowden Terrace, Mowden Street and Westbrook Terrace complained that the unrestricted space outside his property was parked up Monday to Friday 8.00am until 6.00pm by commuter/staff parking from the school.
14. Officers have observed the parking and consider that the majority of the cars that do park in this area belong to commuters and staff. The parking is therefore long term on a daily basis.
15. Two residents from Mowden Terrace has made an objection to the proposed resident's parking bay scheme. The reason for this objection is he thinks the proposal is unnecessary and that if we do implement a scheme it should be for the entire street and permits free of charge and there is always space on the opposite side of the road. He felt the Council were favouring commuters by giving them free parking and asking residents to pay. The other objector commented that the entire street should be made resident parking or none at all. He also felt as there was no bay directly outside his property and the scheme will make it more difficult to park outside is home.
16. The Ward Councillors were consulted and Councillor Kane was in favour of the proposal.
17. The proposed restrictions will improve the amenities for residents and enable parking during the hours of 8.00am and 6.00pm.
18. Subject to Cabinet approval, the restrictions will be introduced in accordance with the Councils powers as set out in Part 1 of the Road Traffic Regulations Act 1984.

## **Financial Implications**

19. The proposal will be funded from the traffic management budget.

## **Legal Implications**

20. The traffic orders have been statutorily advertised for the required period.

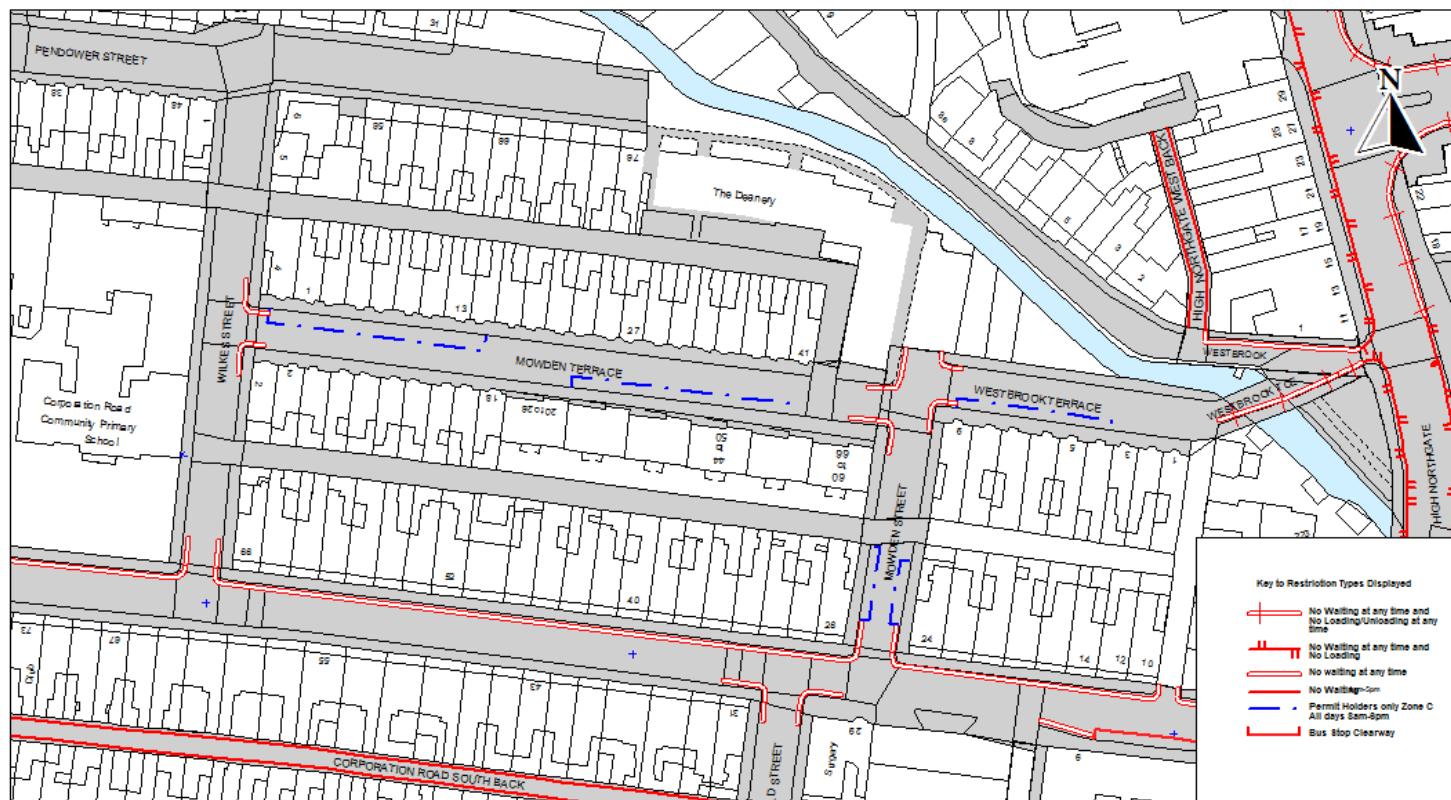
## **Consultation**

21. Officers have consulted the residents of 1 – 41, 2 – 66 Mowden Terrace, 2 – 4 Wilkes Street, 1 – 9 Westbrook Terrace and 12 – 24 Corporation road with the proposed resident parking restrictions. The proposal has also been statutorily advertised in the press, following delegated authority to progress a traffic order.

## **Outcome of Consultation**

22. Two residents of Mowden Terrace objected to the scheme. One resident does not consider the restrictions to be warranted and that if we do implement a scheme it should be for the entire street and permits free of charge and there is always space on the opposite side of the road. He feels the Council are favouring commuters by giving them free parking and asking residents to pay. The other resident wanted the whole street to be made resident only parking or none at all. Ten residents are in favour of the proposed restrictions.

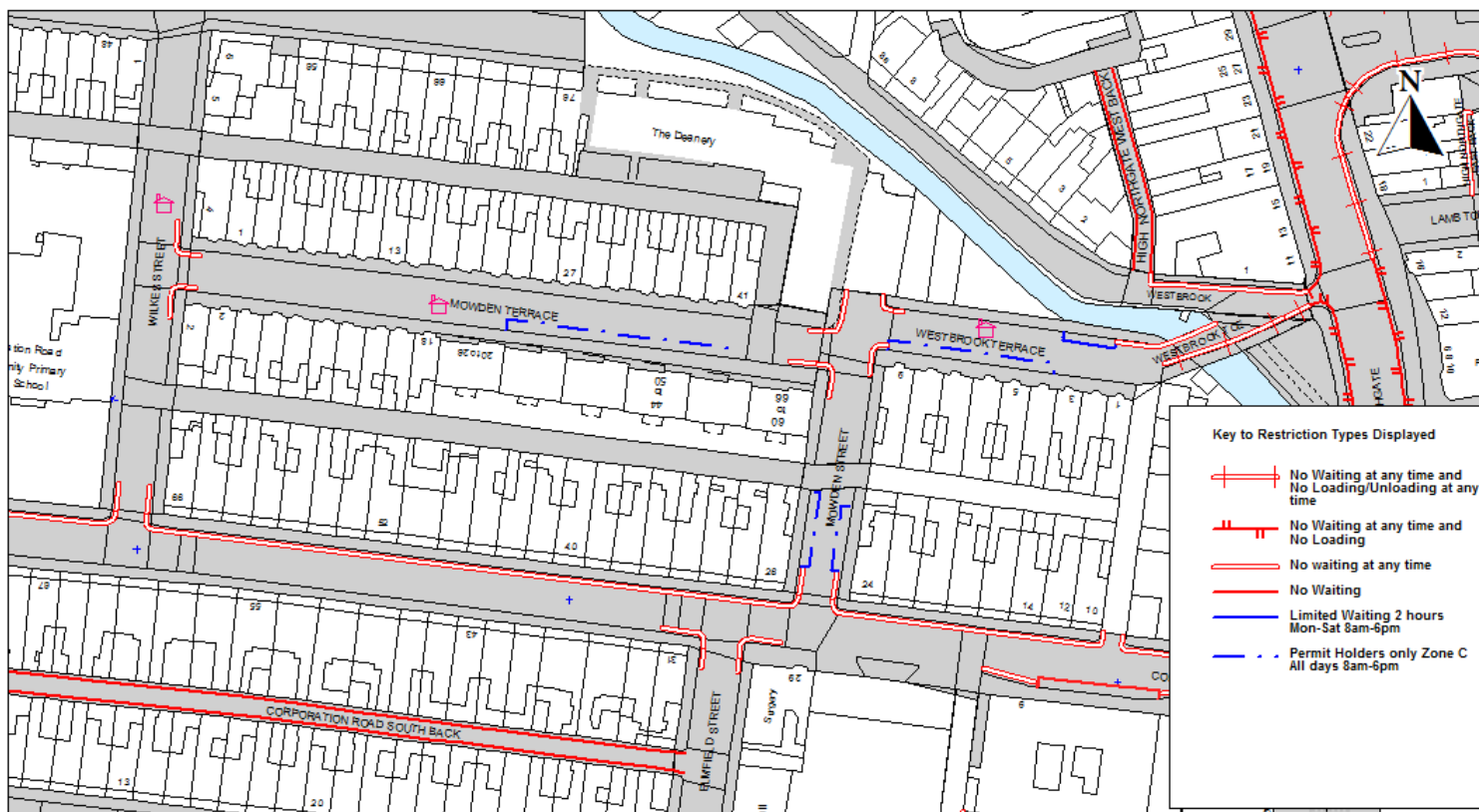
**APPENDIX A**




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