

## CABINET



Report subject	<b>Traffic Regulation Orders – North Street</b>
Meeting date	27 May 2020
Status	Public Report
Executive summary	To consider representations to the advertisement of a No Entry restriction in North Street
<b>Recommendations</b>	<b>The Transportation Advisory Group is asked to consider recommending to the Cabinet that it approves:</b>  <b>The Orders are confirmed as advertised</b>
Reason for recommendations	The proposed restriction would allow clearer signage at the Towngate Bridge, and assist with enforcement of the restriction.

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Portfolio Holder(s):	Councillor Andy Hadley – Cabinet Member for Transport and Infrastructure
Corporate Director	Bill Cotton – Director of Regeneration and Economy
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Classification	For Decision

### Background

The scheme has been prompted the number of vehicles abusing the No Motor Vehicles (except buses and taxis) restrictions outside Winchester Place.

### Summary of financial implications

1. The costs associated with both the advertisement and implementation of the TRO will be covered by the Minor Traffic Schemes budget. The cost is estimated to be £1,000.

### Summary of legal implications

2. Highways Authorities are required to give formal consideration to any representations received during the advertisement period.

### Summary of human resources implications

3. None.

### Summary of environmental impact

4. None

### Summary of public health implications

5. None

### Summary of equality implications

6. The Traffic Regulation Orders do not have direct equality implications

### Summary of risk assessment

7. None

**Background papers**

8. None

**Appendices**

Appendix 1 – Summary of representations, and responses to issues raised

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#### **Summary of Representations, and Responses to Issues Raised North Street**

An objection has been received from a company occupying premises in Winchester Place.

- They explain that Winchester Place is a significant employment location with a visitor car park accessed from the link from Towngate Bridge
- They feel that the staff car park, to the rear, now has less convenient access because they do not have direct access to Holes Bay Road (northbound) since the Hunger Hill junction was changed,
- The proposed Order would force visitors to make a similarly circuitous route. This would increase congestion and traffic movements through the town, and an increase in traffic crossing the High Street at The North Street/Lagland Street junction.

They ask that an exemption is made for vehicles using the visitor car park at Winchester Place.

#### **Conclusion**

The current No Motor Vehicles signage is not widely understood, and the exemption for access means that it is very difficult for the police to enforce the restriction. The No Entry restriction would inconvenience drivers wanting to use the visitor car park, but the signs would be much clearer. It is not possible to allow an access exemption with a No Entry restriction (other than an exemption for buses and taxis).