

**SOUTH ESSEX PARKING PARTNERSHIP
(TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS) SUB COMMITTEE**

TUESDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2022 – 10.30AM

AGENDA ITEM 14

Subject	THE ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL (CHELMSFORD CITY) (PROHIBITION OF WAITING, LOADING AND STOPPING) AND (ON-STREET PARKING PLACES) (CIVIL ENFORCEMENT AREA) (AMENDMENT NO.29) ORDER 202*
	Relating to Osea Way and Havengore, Chelmsford
Report by	South Essex Parking Partnership Manager

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Purpose
 To report the receipt of representations made on part of The Essex County Council (Chelmsford City) (Prohibition of Waiting, Loading and Stopping) And (On-Street Parking Places) (Civil Enforcement Area) (Amendment No.29) Order 202*

Options
 The Joint Committee has the following options available:

1. to agree that the proposed Order be made as advertised;
2. to agree that the proposed Order be made subject to modifications which result in less restrictive provisions or reduced scope; or
3. to agree that the proposed Order should not be made.

Recommendation(s)

1. The Order be made as advertised.
2. The people making representations be advised accordingly.

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Policies and Strategies
 The report takes into account the South Essex Parking Partnership Document setting out how the SEPP will deal with requests for parking restrictions requiring TROs.

1.	<u>Background</u> The purpose of this proposed Order is to amend The Essex County Council (Chelmsford City) (Prohibition of Waiting, Loading and Stopping) and (On-Street Parking Places) (Civil Enforcement Area) Consolidation Order 2019 as set out below:
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1.1	On 18 November 2020, the SEPP received completed application forms from several local residents requesting restrictions on Havengore and Osea Way, Springfield.
1.2	The applicants stated that vehicles park around the junction of Havengore and Osea Way which cause obstruction of sightlines at the junction and access issues for residents. It is also stated Buses do not stop due to the parked vehicles and that these vehicles cause congestion. Rule 243 of the Highway Code states ' DO NOT stop or park... opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction'. Vehicles parking on or near to the junction create problematic and unsafe movement of vehicles as well as access and egress problems.
1.3	It has been agreed with the SEPP Joint Committee Member and Lead Officer for Chelmsford to cost a scheme to propose that 15 metres of 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions should be introduced on the junction; in line with rule 243 of the Highway Code. The cost of the scheme is estimated at £1,500 but will be reduced if incorporated with other roads in Chelmsford to publish one Traffic Regulation Order.
1.4	The request was placed before the South Essex Parking Partnership Joint Committee on 13 th December 2021 for funding. It was agreed at the meeting to proceed with the necessary Traffic Regulation Order.
1.5	The Order was originally published in the Essex Chronicle and on site on 18 th August 2022, and copies of the Draft Order were sent to a number of organisations including Essex Police, Essex County Council (the highway authority), Essex Fire & Rescue Service, Essex Ambulance Service, the Road Haulage Association, the Freight Transport Association, and the Chamber of Commerce and Industry.
1.6	When the Order was published on 18 th August 2022 a 21-day period of formal public consultation commenced.
2	<u>Comments</u>
2.1	The details of the representations are summarised in Appendix 2 to this report together with the comments of the Technicians.
3	<u>Conclusion</u>
3.1	Although the correspondents have made a number of points which lead them to believe the Order should not be pursued in whole or part, the SEPP Joint Committee Member, Lead Officer and Technicians consider that none of them are of sufficient weight to warrant the Order not being made.
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APPENDIX 1

Ref	List of people making representations	Type
1.	Email from resident of Havengore dated 17/08/2022.	Support
2.	Email from resident of Osea Way dated 08/09/2022.	Objection

APPENDIX 2

REPRESENTATIONS & RESPONSES FOLLOWING FORMAL ADVERTISEMENT 18th AUGUST – 9th SEPTEMBER 2022

Representations & Responses relating to Osea Way and Havengore, Chelmsford		
Ref	Representation	Technician Response
1.	<p><u>Email 1:</u></p> <p>A notice displayed in Havengore proposes parking restrictions in parts of Havengore and Osea Way. I have no objection to the restrictions, but that part of Havengore is a 'hail and ride' bus stop, used I believe, by not only local residents, but also those of Cornflower Drive. So I would ask that if parking restrictions are enforced a sign states 'except for buses', to enable this service to continue.</p> <p>Thank you.</p> <p>Kind regards,</p> <p>██████████</p> <p><u>Email 2:</u></p> <p>I am quite happy to support the proposal</p> <p>Kind regards,</p> <p>██████████</p>	<p>Support noted.</p> <p>Respondee advised that the proposed 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions allow for loading and unloading. Therefore, this proposal will not affect the 'hail and ride' bus stop.</p>
2.	<p>Dear Sirs,</p> <p>I am writing with regards to your proposal to reduce the 'obstructive and dangerous parking' on the junction of Osea Way and Havengore.</p> <p>As a resident of Osea Way ██████████ the real issue is the parking of vehicles on the corners of the junction on Havengore and not Osea Way.</p>	<p>Objection noted.</p>

I fully appreciate that there needs to be some form of Traffic Control on this junction. However, It is very unfair to the residents of Osea Way to have a 15m exclusion zone imposed which will clearly impact on resident parking.

I would like you to consider reducing the 15m ' No Waiting at Any Time' boundary to just 5 metres, within Osea Way. That way the corners will be kept clear and the residents will not be inconvenienced.

In addition. The 14m ' No Waiting at Any Time' boundary, on Havengore, needs to be increased to at least 15m or more and /or the Bus Stop re-instated (beyond Havengore, heading towards the shops) which for reasons unknown is no longer there but is part of the First Bus – Bus Route.

I hope you will give this suggestion serious consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards,

A large black rectangular redaction box covering the signature area.

This scheme has been proposed in line with Rule 243 of the Highway Code which states '**DO NOT** stop or park... opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction'. It is not felt that the scheme will have an impact on parking for residents in the area. However, the Committee have the option to reduce the scheme. It should also be noted that requests suggesting additional restrictions to what has been proposed would require the scheme to be re-advertised.