

ORIGINATING DIVISION: HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION - CAPITA
REPORT TO: BLACKBURN WITH DARWEN BOROUGH COUNCIL
PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE
DATE: 15th November 2016
TITLE: PETITION – BANK STREET, DARWEN
WARD: Sunnyhurst
COUNCILLORS: Pete Hollings
Dave Smith
Brian Taylor

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of the report is to advise the Committee of the receipt of a petition requesting the introduction of residents' parking on Bank Street Darwen

2.0 BACKGROUND

A petition has been received from residents of Bank Street, Darwen, requesting that a residents parking scheme, operational Monday to Friday 8am to 6pm, be introduced on Bank Street.

The petition was signed by 18 residents from 16 properties out of a total of 24 properties on Bank Street.

3.0 DETAIL

Bank Street lies in close proximity to Darwen town centre and runs between Church Street and Sudell Road. Historically the street has been used by some shoppers visiting the town centre but the main parking issue in the area has been during the occasional major event at the nearby St Peter's Church. The petitioners however complain that since the opening of Darwen Aldridge Community Academy (DACA), on Sudell Road opposite to the street, they have had to endure vastly increased visitor parking with vehicles being there all day. Consequently, residents struggle to find places to park.

Under the revised Residents Parking Policy waiting to be submitted to the Executive Board for approval, this request meets the criteria for consideration. There are however several other requests being held in abeyance until the policy is ratified. The policy is clear that at times it may not be possible to progress all requests for feasible schemes e.g. where demand exceeds available resources. When this is the case requests will be prioritised using the assessment factors and those requests that are unable to be progressed will be placed on a waiting list.

4.0 IMPLICATIONS

Customer	Amenity
Financial	Residents Parking Schemes are designed to be cost neutral
Anti-poverty	None
Crime and Disorder	None

5.0 RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that:

- the Committee support the officer recommendations that the petitioners' request be added to the waiting list of schemes to be considered upon approval of the residents' parking schemes policy
- the lead petitioner be informed of the decision.

5.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS: Petition

6.0 CONTACT OFFICERS: George Bell

7.0 DATE PREPARED: 7th Novemeber 2016