ORIGINATING DIVISION: HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION

CAPITA

REPORT TO: BLACKBURN WITH DARWEN BOROUGH COUNCIL

PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

DATE: 16th February 2017

TITLE: OBJECTION – Proposed TRO Batch 03 16

WARD: Sunnyhurst

COUNCILLORS: Pete Hollings

Dave Smith Brian Taylor

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

2.0 BACKGROUND

Barley Bank Street, Darwen

Junction protection has been requested by residents of Alexandra View, Darwen. This would take the form of double yellow lines at the junction of Alexandra View and Barley Bank Street to enable drivers to emerge from that road safely. This proposal would be indirectly in front of one home, but they would retain 'gable end' parking adjacent. The proposed restriction on the east side of Barley Bank Street with the junction of Alexandra View would not directly affect properties other than those on the opposite side of the street who enjoy on street parking directly outside their homes.

3.0 DETAIL

Approval to advertise this proposed Traffic Regulation Order was given at the Regeneration SPT meeting in June 2016 and this was advertised on 27th October 2016. Following advertising, a letter of objection was received from a resident of Barley Bank Street.

The objector is concerned about the resultant loss of on street parking which she feels will cause drivers to then park at a point on Barley Bank Street where children cross on their way to and from school.

By implementing the order you will be increasing the parking spaces on Barley bank Street by 3 or 4 spaces, as we already have 30 cars for 24 houses this will cause people to park on the blind bend leading onto Durham Road. This is the main crossing point for children going to and from the school on Durham Road morning and afternoon.

This proposal is intended to prevent parking at a junction where visibility is compromised due to indiscriminate parking. The proposal will introduce a restriction which will reinforce Highway Code advice that one should not park opposite or within

10 metres of a junction. Although there will be a resultant loss of approximately 2 vehicles parking spaces on Barley Bank Street those residents on the corner of Barley Bank Street and Alexandra View will be able to park at their gables on Alexandra View. It is unlikely that this proposed restriction will lead to more dangerous parking on Barley Bank Street and visibility at the junction of Barley Bank Street and Alexandra View will be improved. Officers' recommendation therefore is to make the order as advertised.

4.0 IMPLICATIONS

Customer Amenity

Financial The costs of implementing the scheme will be met from

the Traffic budget

Anti-poverty None Crime and Disorder None

5.0 RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee recommends that the Executive Member support the officer recommendations that:-

• The objection is overruled.

• The Order is made as advertised.

• The objectors are informed of the decision.

6.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS: Letter of objection

Plan

7.0 CONTACT OFFICERS: Gina Lambert

8.0 DATE PREPARED: 1st February 2017