

ORIGINATING DIVISION: HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION - CAPITA
REPORT TO: BLACKBURN WITH DARWEN BOROUGH COUNCIL
PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE
DATE: 27th April 2017
TITLE: PETITION – PRESTON NEW ROAD BLACKBURN
WARD: CORPORATION PARK
COUNCILLORS: Arshid Mahmood
John Wright
Tasleem Fazal

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of the report is to advise the Committee of a petition from residents of Preston New Road, Blackburn regarding the renewal of a single yellow line.

2.0 BACKGROUND

A petition was received by the council on the 22nd February 2017 regarding the renewal of a single yellow line on Preston New Road outside the homes of the petitioners. The petitioners state that *'....the parking arrangements will become intolerable if the proposed single yellow lines to Preston New Road (between Leamington Road/Bromley Street and Adelaide Terrace/Addison Street) goes ahead without due consideration to the residents' car parking....'*

The petition was signed by 9 residents of 17 properties on this length of Preston New Road and by 1 resident from a property on the opposite side of the road. 3 of the 17 properties have off-street parking available to them.

3.0 DETAIL

Preston New Road is a main arterial route into Blackburn with an Annual Average Daily Flow (AADF) of 14,800 vehicles. In order to cater for this flow, parking restrictions were introduced on the northern side of the road in 1977. The Traffic Regulation Order covering this section of the road came into force on the 1st November 1977 and is for a single yellow line prohibiting parking Monday to Saturday from 7am-7pm.

In addition to the parking restriction there is a Static Speed Enforcement Camera outside these properties with the associated carriageway markings. Vehicles parked in the area where the yellow line has been renewed interfere with the operation of this camera.

Over the last couple of years, as part of a wider remarking scheme, a number of attempts have been made to remark this length of single yellow line, but the contractor has been unable to complete a short stretch in front of Nos.114 to 124 as the residents have actively prevented access by refusing to move their cars to allow the work to be undertaken.

In 2016 an Area Based Traffic Review was carried out along the Preston New Road Corridor and this review did not recommend any relaxation of the parking restrictions in this area.

It is recommended therefore that the residents indirect request to remove the line be declined.

4.0 IMPLICATIONS

Customer	None
Financial	None
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 declined.
- the lead petitioner is informed of the decision.

6.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS: Petition

7.0 CONTACT OFFICERS: George Bell

8.0 DATE PREPARED: 3rd March 2017