

Committee:	Regulatory Planning Committee
Date:	8 February 2017
Report by:	Director of Communities, Economy and Transport
Title of Report	Traffic Regulation Order – Sovereign Harbour Cycle Network (Phase 3) scheme, Eastbourne
Purpose of Report	To consider the objection received in response to the consultation on the draft Traffic Regulation Order to introduce No Waiting At Any Time as part of the Sovereign Harbour Cycle Network (Phase 3), in Eastbourne.
Contact Officer:	Alan Cook (East Sussex Highways) – 07342 998506
Local Member:	Councillor David Tutt

RECOMMENDATION

The Planning Committee is recommended to:

- 1. Not uphold the objection to the draft Order as set out in this report; and**
 - 2. Recommend to the Director of Communities, Economy and Transport that the Traffic Regulation Order be made as advertised.**
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CONSIDERATION BY DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITIES, ECONOMY AND TRANSPORT.

1. Introduction

1.1 In October 2010 a public consultation exercise was held to inform the public about proposals for two new cycle schemes in Eastbourne; the Sovereign Harbour Cycle Network (also known as the Horsey Cycle Route) and the King Edwards Parade Cycle Route. From the results of those responding to the questionnaire, 90% supported the Horsey Cycle Route proposals and 80% supported the King Edwards Parade Cycle Route. The results of this consultation were presented at the Lead Member for Transport and Environment meeting on 13 December 2010. It should be noted that of the three sections of the Horsey Cycle Route presented to the public, only those proposals for Phase 2 were at an advanced stage of design. Proposals for Phases 1 and 3 were conceptual only.

1.2 A further public consultation was undertaken in January 2014 where proposals for a number of cycle routes were presented, including the latest design proposals for Phases 1 and 3 of the Horsey Cycle Route. Again, there was a high level of support for the Horsey Cycle Route with 74% support being achieved for Phase 1 and 79% support for Phase 3. The full results of this public consultation were presented to the Lead Member for Transport and Environment on 18 March 2014.

1.3 In March 2012 the draft Eastbourne Cycling Strategy, developed jointly by East Sussex County Council and Eastbourne Borough Council, was approved by Lead Member for Transport and Environment. This strategy included the construction of the Horsey Cycle Route as a priority route.

1.4 A plan of the overall route for the Horsey Cycle Route (Phase 3) is included in Appendix 1. An integral part of this route is the introduction of waiting restrictions along parts of Birch Road and Seaside. The waiting restrictions along Birch Road are required to prevent vehicles from being parked in a manner that would hinder the visibility for cyclists crossing Birch Road at the designated crossing point. The waiting restriction in Seaside will apply along a 41m length of road on the northwest side of Seaside. This restriction is necessary to enable the existing footway to be widened and upgraded to a shared footway/cycleway and the existing traffic island to be widened to allow cyclists to cross Seaside safely. A plan showing the proposed “No waiting at any time” restrictions along Seaside is included as Appendix 2.

1.5 In April 2016 East Sussex County Council gave notice under its powers in the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 that it was proposing to make a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to introduce waiting restrictions in Birch Road and Seaside. A copy of the proposed TRO is included in Appendix 3. The draft order was advertised in the local press, statutory bodies were notified and notices were placed on lamp columns in all roads affected. A three week period was allowed for any comments to be received. This period ended on 11 May 2016.

2. Comments and Appraisal

2.1 No objections were received from the statutory consultees. One objection was received from a member of the public against the introduction of a TRO in Seaside. The grounds for the objection were that the waiting restriction would reduce the parking availability on Seaside where parking is at a premium especially with parents picking up and dropping off children at the nearby Tollgate School. A full copy of the objection is provided in the Members Room.

2.2 The objector was contacted on 2 June 2016 and again on 23 June 2016 to ask if he would withdraw the objection, however no response has been received from the objector.

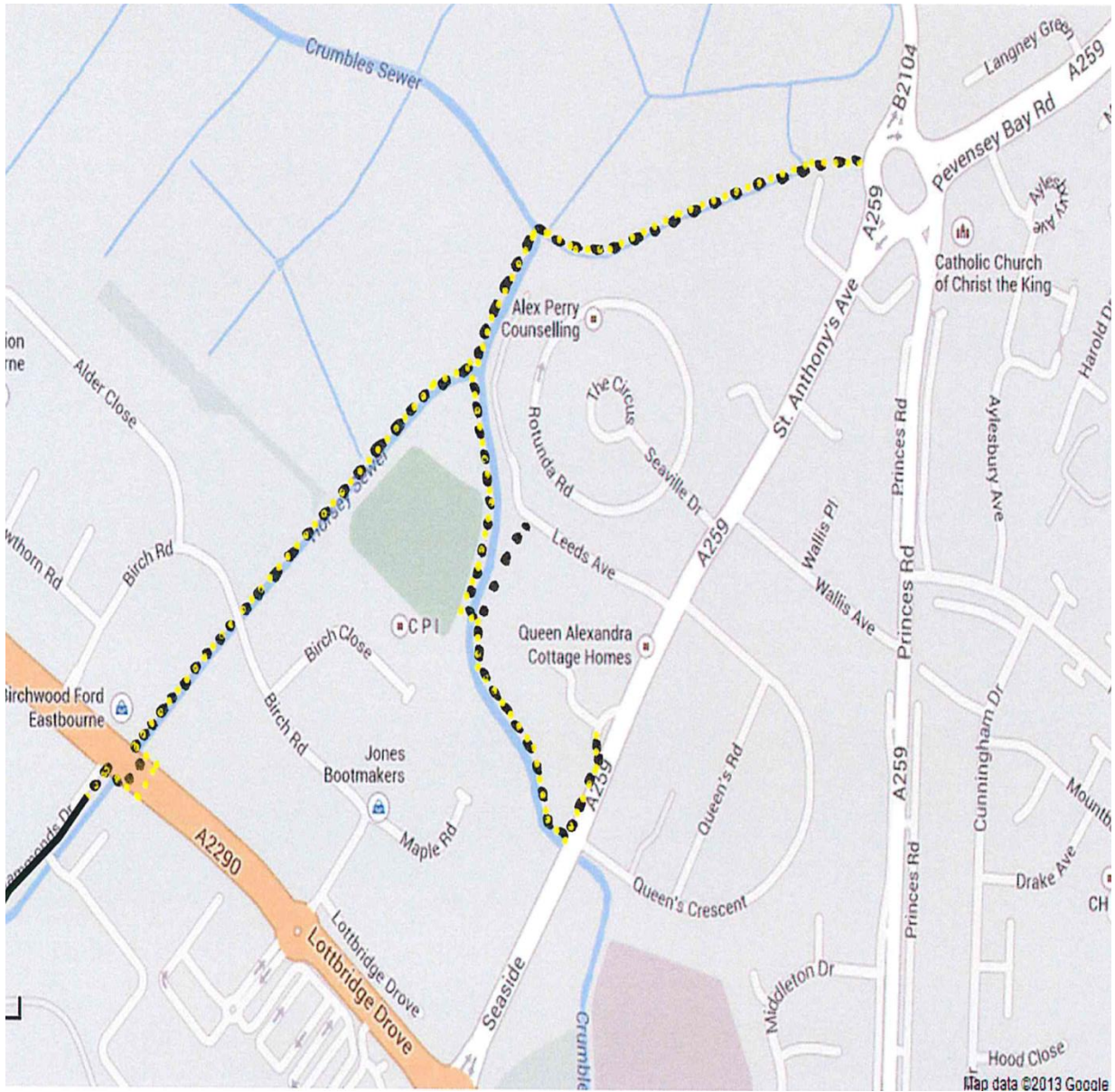
3 Conclusion and reasons for approval

3.1 The “No waiting at any time” restriction is an essential part of the Horsey Way (Phase 3) proposals allowing cyclists to travel to Tollgate School and cross Seaside safely. Although the waiting restriction will reduce parking capacity in the vicinity of Tollgate Gardens by 7 vehicles, there are ample parking facilities along both sides of Seaside.

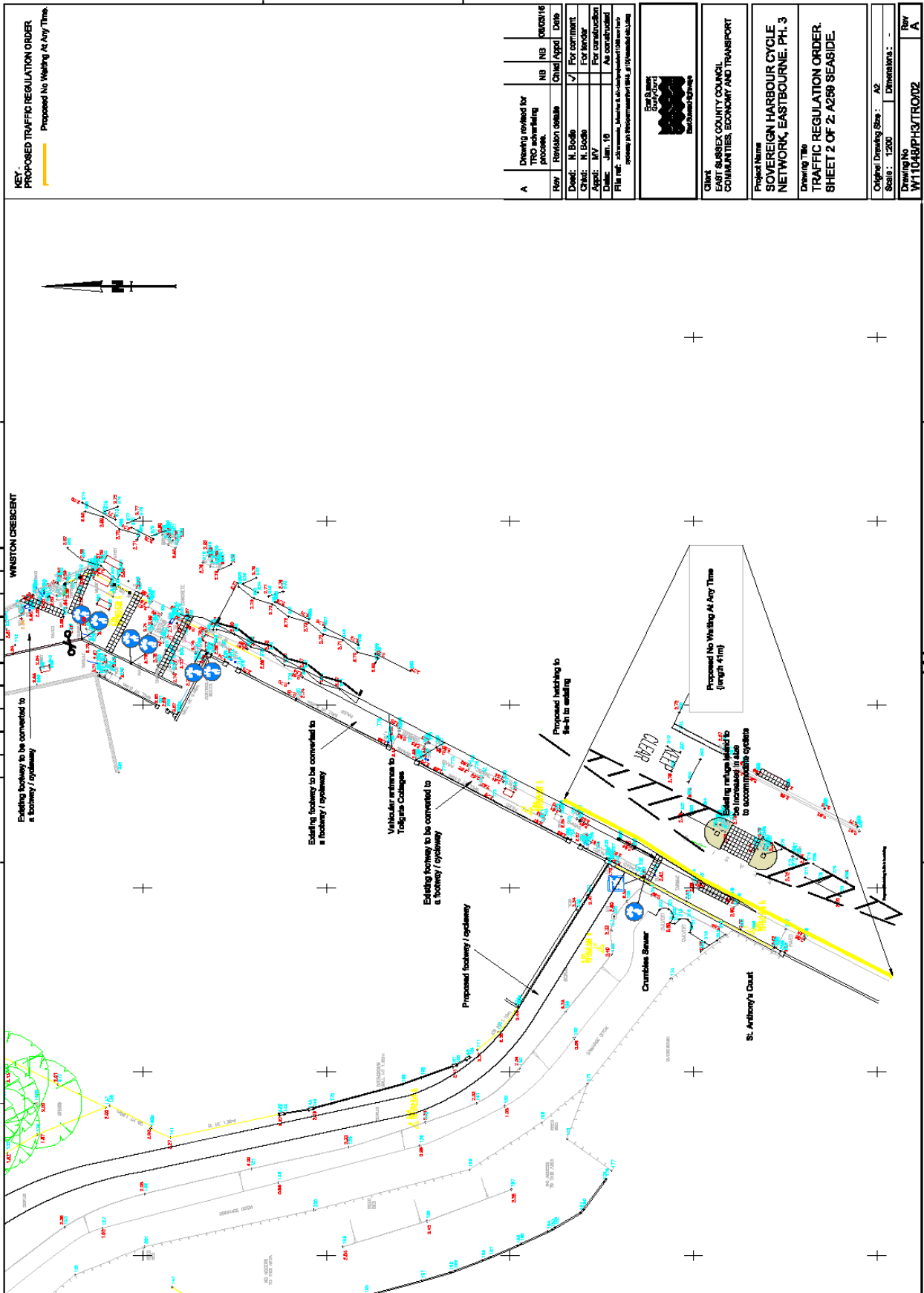
3.2 The Committee is therefore recommended, for the reasons set out in this report, not to uphold the objection to the Traffic Regulation Order and to recommend to the Director of Communities, Economy & Transport that the Order be made as advertised.

RUPERT CLUBB
Director of Communities, Economy and Transport
25 January 2016

HORSEY CYCLE ROUTE (PHASE 3)



PLAN OF WAITING RESTRICTIONS IN SEASIDE



KEY
PROPOSED TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER
 Proposed No Waiting At Any Time

Rev	Description	NB	NB DATES
A	Checklist revised for proposed waiting process	Checked	19/05/2016

Drawn	Checked	Date
N. Booth	[initials]	19/05/2016
R.V.	[initials]	19/05/2016
J.M.	[initials]	19/05/2016

Drawn: N. Booth
 Checked: R.V.
 Date: 19/05/2016

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<p>GW/1 EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL COMMITTEES, ECONOMY AND TRANSPORT</p>	
<p>Project Name SOVEREIGN HARBOUR CYCLE NETWORK EASTBOURNE PH. 3</p>	
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TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER

EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984**The East Sussex (Eastbourne Town Centre) (On-Street Parking Places and Prohibition
& Restriction of Waiting) Order 201* No *
(Sovereign Harbour Cycle Network – Phase 3)**

NOTICE is hereby given that East Sussex County Council, propose to make an Order, under the relevant sections of the Road Traffic Act 1984, as amended, and all other enabling powers, which will introduce waiting restrictions along the following lengths of road:-

No Waiting At Any Time

- Birch Road** – southwest side - from a point 28 metres south-east from the centreline of the Horsey Sewer culvert north-westwards for a distance of 53 metres.
- Birch Road** – northeast side - from a point 18 metres south-east from the centreline of The Horsey Sewer culvert north-westwards for a distance of 28 metres.
- Seaside** - northwest side - from a point 24 metres south-west from the centreline of the Crumbles Sewer culvert north-eastwards for a distance of 41 metres.

A copy of the draft Order, plan showing the lengths of road and a statement of the Council's reasons for proposing the Order, may be examined in Reception, County Hall, Lewes Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm inclusive and at Eastbourne Library, Grove Road, Eastbourne Monday to Thursday 9.30am to 6.30pm, Friday 10.30am to 6.30pm, and Saturday 9.30am to 5pm.

Any person wishing to make an objection or other representation concerning this proposal must do so in writing, together with the grounds on which it is made, to East Sussex County Council, Communities Economy & Transport, Parking, B Floor, County Hall, St. Anne's Crescent, Lewes, East Sussex BN7 1UE or email TROS@eastsussex.gov.uk quoting Ref TRO/369 by 11 May 2016.

If you require further information telephone the Infrastructure Design and Delivery team on 0345 60 80 193.

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19 April 2016