

# Bolton Council

**Report to:** Executive Cabinet Member  
Environmental Services

**Date:** 10/07/2017

**Report of:** Director of Place

**Report No:** ECMES/09/17a

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**Report Title:** Back Swan Lane, Bolton Muslim Girls' School No Waiting at Any Time and One Way on Back Swan Lane (Traffic Order 303878)

**Non-Confidential** This report does **not** contain information which warrants its consideration in the absence of the press or members of the public.

**Recommendations:** Having considered the objections and the views of Ward Members, the Director of Place recommends the Executive Cabinet Member Environmental Services to agree the introduction of the traffic regulation order amended as detailed in Appendix 1 to this report.

**Decision:**

**Background Doc(s):** Copy letters / e-mails of objection held on file in the Highways and Engineering Division.

**Signed:**

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Leader / Executive Member

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Monitoring Officer

**Date:**

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**Summary:**

The Director of Place the promotion of revisions to Regulation of Waiting, Loading and Unloading, Consolidation Order 2015 on Back Swan Lane and Back Derby Street with the Amendment No XXX Order 2017.

Also the promotion of One Way Traffic on back Swan Lane No XXX Order 2017.

The proposal was advertised on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2017 and the objection period was closed on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2017. Six (6) representations were received with regard to the One Way proposed Traffic Order on Back Derby Street.

This report details the representations and gives a response to them. Having considered the objections and the views of Ward Members, the Director of Place recommends the Executive Cabinet Member Environmental Services to agree the introduction of the traffic regulation order amended as detailed in Appendix 1 to this report.

## **Background information**

1. A review has been carried out into the appropriateness of the current informal One Way Traffic on Back Derby Street. The Council has a duty under the Traffic Management Act to 'ensure the expeditious movement of traffic'. The review has been undertaken recognising the needs and safety of road users and balancing these with the competing demands for kerb space of shops and businesses and their customers and delivery vehicles as well as residents affected by this Traffic Regulation Order.
2. The streets (Swan Lane, Back Swan Lane and Back Derby Street) around the Bolton Muslim Girls School entrance have one Keep Clear marking at the school entrance and no other restrictions. The lack of waiting restrictions and clear sense of traffic direction cause parking problems with vehicles that obstruct access and egress to and from the school. It is therefore recommended that restrictions are introduced, in order to improve both access to vehicles and pedestrians and improve road safety.
3. The Director of Place agreed to the promotion of the Traffic Regulation Order under the Scheme of Delegation and the proposal was advertised on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2017 and objections were received from mainly businesses and few residents:-

## **Objections**

The objections and comments received were the following:

4. The benefits for the school were considered unlike those of the local home owners and businesses which were not considered.
5. Businesses receive over 10 deliveries from different suppliers daily; between the hours of 8:00 am to 5:00 pm using large vehicles. The new restrictions (No Waiting and One Way) will inhibit or make it impossible for these deliveries to take place.
6. Many businesses have rear access for customers to use (e.g. pharmacy) via Back Derby Street and the proposed will affect their access due to the proposed egress.
7. Large and long vehicles that are currently using to deliver goods will not be able to go around Back Swan Lane.
8. Lack of a dedicated delivery bay at the length of back Derby Street between Swan Lane and school entrance will also exacerbate the conditions.

## **Observations**

9. On simulating turning points using swept path analysis, it has been concluded that large vehicles, such as refuse vehicles and alike will not be able to manoeuvre the egress from Back Derby Street onto Back Swan Lane. However the current egress via Back Derby Street length between Swan Lane and the school entrance is manoeuvrable.
10. The length of Back Derby Street between Swan Lane and the School Entrance, needs to be kept open for two way traffic in order to allow large vehicles to manoeuvre exiting the area at the rear of the shops on Back Derby Street to Swan Lane
11. The objections to the proposed No Waiting At Any Time restrictions are noted, however the proposed restriction do not in any way hamper the flow of the traffic. In contrary, they will in fact ease the congestion flow of traffic and improve road safety.

## **Consultation**

12. Representatives of the Chief Constable, County Fire and Rescue Service, Greater Manchester Ambulance Service and Transport for Greater Manchester were consulted on the original proposals and no adverse comments have been received.

## **Views of Ward Members**

13. The views of Ward Members have been requested on the content of this report. and no adverse comments have been received.

## **Financial implications and implementation**

14. The cost of the traffic order is **(£3,015.00)**, including staff costs and legal fees. The markings and signage for the proposed will cost **(£6,000.00)**. Both the traffic order/making and signage will be jointly funded by the Bolton Muslim Girls' School and Rumworth Area Forum. If approved, the new restrictions will be implemented as soon as the necessary legal processes have been completed.

## **Recommendation**

15. Having considered the objections and the views of Ward Members, the Director of Place recommends the Executive Cabinet Member Environmental Services to agree the introduction of the traffic regulation order amended as detailed in Appendix 1 to this report.

## Appendix 1: Amended Traffic Order Wording

### ONE WAY TRAFFIC:

Road Name	length	Permitted direction of travel
<del>Back Derby Street</del>	<del>from its junction with Swan Lane to its junction with Back Swan Lane</del>	<del>North-eastbound</del>
Back Swan Lane	from its junction with Back Derby Street to its junction with Swan Lane.	South-eastbound

### NO WAITING RESTRICTION

<u>Road Name</u>	<u>Side of Road</u>	<u>Length</u>	<u>Restriction</u>
Back Swan Lane	North-east side	From a point of 25.56m from the north-west kerbline of Back Derby Street to its junction with Swan Lane in a south-eastbound direction	<b>NWAT</b>
Back Swan Lane	South-west side	From its junction with Back Derby Street to its junction with Swan Lane in a south-eastbound direction	<b>NWAT</b>
Back Derby Street	South-east side	From its junction with Swan Lane to its junction with Back Swan Lane	<b>NWAT</b>
Swan Lane	North-east side	From its junction with Back Derby Street to a point of 11.5m from its junction with Back Swan Lane in a south-eastbound direction	<b>NWAT</b>

**Appendix 2: Plans Showing Existing and Proposed Restrictions (including location of objectors' properties)**