

Officer Decision pursuant to Scheme of Delegation, Part 8

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CHIEF HIGHWAY ENGINEER

PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 6, 32, 35, 45, 46, 49 AND 124 OF AND PARTS III AND IV OF SCHEDULE 9 OF THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 (the "Act")

Winter 2024/25 Cycle Hangar scheme – Batch 2

Reference Number: P068-2024

Objection period: 2 October 2024 to 23 October 2024

Background

Ealing Council are installing bike hangars in autumn and winter 2024 as part of our commitment to deliver at least 150 hangars by 2026. The installation of bike hangars across the borough is in line with Ealing's commitment to zero carbon emissions and encouraging residents to cycle. Evidence from other London boroughs shows that the installation of bike hangars increases the uptake of cycling, and in time this reduces overall motor traffic and the need for car parking space in the future.

A Traffic Management Order (TMO) formal consultation and notice of proposals was published on the Council website, in the Ealing Gazette and London Gazette and erected on posts/lamp columns at the proposed locations on 2 October 2024 for 21 days.

Summary of comments and objections

We received a response to a couple of the locations. A summary of the issues raised, is as follows along with the Council's responses to them.

Comment: Balmoral Gardens, concerns relating to car parking issues and theft

Officer response: Proceed to installation

While we appreciate there is parking pressure on many roads throughout the borough, the priority must be the council's commitment to supporting residents to cycle. Bike hangars, which allow storage of six bicycles in the same space as that occupied by half a car parking space, are an important part of enabling people to make journeys by bike, thereby reducing congestion for all road users and improving air quality.

The bike hangars are accredited to Sold Secure Diamond, the highest standard of security accreditation in the UK.

Comment: Eaton Rise, concerns about safety and car parking availability

Officer response: Proceed to installation

The concerns regarding road safety were evaluated in the local consultation. A highways engineer has confirmed that this is a suitable location for a bike hangar, and there are no safety concerns that would differ from those arising from a parked vehicle.

The bike hangar occupies the same space as a parked car and therefore does not create a hazard or obstruction in the road.

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Legal Implications

The Council has powers to implement on street waiting restrictions under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (including sections 6, 45, 46, 49 and 124 in particular).

The relevant procedures are set out in the Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996.

In exercising these powers, section 122(1) of the Act imposes a duty on the Council to have regard (so far as practicable having regard to the matters specified in subsection (2) to securing the 'expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians) and the provision of suitable and adequate parking facilities on and off the highway'. Subsection (2) also includes 'the desirability of securing and maintaining reasonable access to premises and 'any other matters appearing to the local authority to be relevant.

Concluding Statements of Officer

Officers have duly considered all comments and suggestions.

I have considered the comments and objections on the proposals and on the basis of the Council's powers and duties outlined above, I am satisfied that the decision to proceed with the implementation of the proposals is correct.

On this basis I authorise the implementation of the scheme and the making of the following order: **The Ealing (Free Parking Places) (Bikehanger) (No. 1, 2015) (Amendment No. ***) Order 202***; **The Ealing (Boston Manor) (Residents Parking Places) (2018, No. 1) (Amendment No. ***) Order 202***; **The Ealing (Drayton Green – Zone NN) (Residents Parking Places) (2013, No. 1) (Amendment No. ***) Order 202***; **The Ealing (Ealing Broadway) (Residents Parking Places) (No.2) (2005, No. 1) (Amendment No. ***) Order 202***; **The Ealing (Free Parking Places) (2014, No. 1) (Amendment No. ***) Order 202***; **The Ealing (Little Ealing -Zone RR) (2015, No. 1) (Residents Parking Places) (Amendment No. ***) Order 202***; **The Ealing (Northfields and South Ealing) (Residents and Business Parking Places) (2001, No. 1) (Amendment No. ***) Order 202***; **The Ealing (Parking Places) (Stop and Shop with additional Cashless Parking) (2022, No. 1) (Amendment No. ***) Order 202***; **The Ealing (West Ealing Home Zone CPZ) (Residents and Business Parking Places) (2003, No. 1) (Amendment No. ***) Order 202***; **The Ealing (Zone C) (Residents and Business Parking Places) (2000, No. 1) (Amendment No. ***) Order 202***; **The Ealing (Waiting and Loading Restriction) (Special Parking Area) (Amendment No. ***) Order 202**, under sections 6, 32, 35, 45, 46, 49 and 124 of and Parts III and IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as proposed on 2/10/2024.

Service: Highways

Name: Tony Singh

Designation: Chief Highway Engineer

Signature:

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