

# AREA PANEL 4 18 JANUARY 2006

Report of Assistant Director – Highways, Transportation and Waste Management

# Petition requesting residents' only parking Warner Street, Mickleover

### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.1 Residents of Warner Street request that the on-street parking be restricted to residents' only to prevent non-residents from being able to park on the street. A petition containing 21 signatures was presented to Area Panel on 28 September 2005. The petition states:

"We the undersigned would appreciate action being taken concerning the parking in Warner Street. Our grievances are far too numerous to list below, but the councillors were made aware of them when a group of us attended their last surgery. As this situation has been going on now for well over two years and is steadily getting worse we feel the time has come for some positive action."

#### Officer Comment

- 1.2 Warner Street is a Cul-de-sac situated within the busy Mickleover District Centre. Most of the properties on this street are terraced, which means householders and their visitors are reliant on the highway for parking.
- 1.3 Since receipt of the petition, monitoring of the parking has been taking place. This has been at different times of the day and on different days of the week to obtain a representative overview of the parking activity here. On all of the occasions, parking spaces have been available. The difficulties created by non-residential parking on residential streets within district centres are acknowledged and there tends to be similar issues around most shopping centres.
- 1.4 When considering any parking restrictions the displacement effects of the proposed restrictions have to be taken into account. As such, individual streets are not considered in isolation, as parking can simply transfer onto other nearby streets. Consequently, Warner Street along with the other residential streets around Mickleover District Centre will be added to a list of sites for further investigation for a possible residents' only parking scheme. Following the successful introduction of Decriminalised Parking Enforcement, the list will be presented to Cabinet who will be asked to select two areas which should be given priority for further investigation in the first instance.

1.5 It may be of interest to the residents of Warner Street to learn that planning permission has recently been granted to erect a library on land off Vicarage Road. The new library will link through to the Community Centre car park, which means that access to this car park from Warner Street will be closed off to vehicular traffic. This would help to eliminate any likely overspill parking from the Community Centre that might occur.

## **PROPOSED ACTION**

2.1 That the residential streets surrounding Mickleover District Centre are put on the list of sites for further investigation for residents' only parking.

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None