AGENDA MANAGEMENT SHEET

| Name of Committee | Stratford on Avon Area Committee | | |
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| Date of Committee | 16th May 2007 | | |
| Report Title | Proposed Changes to Waiting Restrictions at Various Locations in Stratford on Avon District | | |
| Summary | Various changes to the Consolidation Order for the Stratford on Avon District were advertised on 8 th February 2007. This included some administrative changes. Objections have been received to some of the proposals. This report details the objections which have been received and makes recommendations to Area Committee for their consideration. | | |
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| Would the recommended decision be contrary to the Budget and Policy Framework? | Yes/ No | | |
| Background Papers | Letters of Objection. Plans. | | |
| CONSULTATION ALREADY U | INDERTAKEN:- Details to be specified | | |
| Other Committees | | | |
| Local Member(s) (With brief comments, if appropriate) | X Councillor Mrs J Dill-Russell - supports the proposed restrictions in her Division. Councillor R Hyde - supports the waiting restriction for Saxon Close. No objections | | |

of Broad Street.

expressed for Brookvale Road or Sheep Street. Requests that Area Committee decide the matter

| Local Member(s) (With brief comments, if appropriate) (Continued) | | Councillor M Perry – "With regard to Brookvale Road, I think the yellow lines scheduled to be painted in the near future will alleviate some of the traffic problems on the corners, however, the parking problem seems to have got worse and I firmly believe eventually parking restrictions should be implemented in Brookvale Road. I have asked one of the residents to canvass local opinion again, and to see whether we can expedite the parking regulations as previously planned. I know this is coming to the Area Committee in May when we can perhaps discuss this matter in greater detail." |
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| Other Elected Members | X | On administration changes Councillor J Appleton Councillor G Atkinson Councillor P Barnes Councillor D Booth Councillor R Hobbs Councillor Mrs N Knapman Councillor Mrs S Main Councillor Mrs H McCarthy Councillor C Saint Councillor Mrs I Seccombe |
| Cabinet Member (Reports to The Cabinet, to be cleared with appropriate Cabinet Member) | | |
| Chief Executive | | |
| Legal | | I Marriott – agreed. S Cammish – comments incorporated. |
| Finance | | |
| Other Chief Officers | | |
| District Councils | | |
| Health Authority | | |
| Police | X | No objections received. |
| Other Bodies/Individuals | X | Fire Service. Ambulance Service. Stratford Town Council. No objections received. |

FINAL DECISION

YES/NO

SUGGESTED NEXT STEPS :

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| Further consideration by this Committee | |
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| To Council | |
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| To an Area Committee | |
| Further Consultation | |



Stratford on Avon Area Committee - 16th May 2007

Proposed Changes to Waiting Restrictions at Various Locations in Stratford on Avon District

Report of the Strategic Director for Environment and Economy

Recommendation That:-1. The following proposed changes to the Stratford on Avon Consolidation Order are implemented as advertised:-(i) Avenue Road, Stratford-upon-Avon - Proposed No Waiting At Any Time northwest side from a point 49.5 metres southwest of the junction with St Gregory's Road southwest for a distance of 11 metres. Parking area for buses only Monday to Friday 8 am-9.30 am and 2.30 pm-4 pm northwest side from a point 14.5 metres southwest of the junction with St Gregory's Road southwest for a distance of 35 metres. (ii) Birmingham Road, Stratford-upon-Avon - Proposed footway parking. Limited waiting 2 hours no return within 4 hours 8 am-10 pm, except Zone 14 permit holders on the northeast side between the boundary line of 210 and 218 Birmingham Road. Residents of 210, 212, 214, 216 and 218 Birmingham Road to be eligible for Zone S14 permits. (iii) Brookvale Road, Stratford-upon-Avon Proposed No Waiting At Any Time both sides of the road from a point 10 metres north of the junction with Orchard Way southwards for a distance of 20 metres to a point 10 metres south of the Junction with Orchard Way. Both sides of the road from the junction with Shottery Road south for a distance of 15 metres. Both sides of the road from the junction with Evesham Road north for a distance of 10 metres. (iv) Henley Street, Stratford-upon-Avon proposed amendment to the plan attached to the order to show the parking place for blue badge holders as 30 minutes waiting, no return for 1 hour Monday to Saturday 8.00 am to 11.00 am, rather than 8.00 am to 11.00 pm. (No change to the restriction on street.) Continued.



Recommendation (Continued)

- (v) Saxon Close, Stratford-upon-Avon Proposed No Waiting At Any Time both sides from a point 92 metres southwest of the junction with Loxley Road Southwest for a distance of 35 metres. Both sides from the junction with Loxley Road southwest for 10 metres.
- (vi) Sheep Street, Stratford-upon-Avon Proposed removal of restrictions. Lay-by situated on the south side of Sheep Street outside the Stratford Town Hall remove No Waiting At Any Time/No Loading 8.30 am-9.30 am and 4.30 pm -6 pm from the area of the lay-by. The Area of the lay-by situated on the south side of Sheep Street outside the Town Hall to be designated as Zone SM. Two permits only to be issued to allow parking in Zone SM at the discretion of the Stratford Town Clerk.
- (vii) St Mary's Road, Stratford-upon-Avon Prohibition of Waiting 8 am-6 pm west side from a point 16.5 metres north of the junction with Mayfield Avenue northwards for a distance of 121 metres east side from a point 109 metres north of the junction with Mayfield Avenue northwards for 12 metres.
- (viii) Proposed Administration changes to the Principal Order Article 12(a) relates to signs for partial footway parking. Articles 13(3) and 13(6) to ensure that the full amount for the period of parking is paid at the time of leaving the vehicle. Article 14A relates to the waiting restriction on Avenue Road. Article 19(1)(xii) Clarify the areas within the Stratford on Avon District where a 'Home Carer' may use a 'Home Carers Permit'. Articles 21(6)(d) and (6)(d) relate to the Stratford Town Hall parking zone. Articles 23(3)(a)(v), 23(3)(b)(iv) and 23(3)(c)(ii) allow for a revocation of a Permit in circumstances where misuse has deemed to have occurred.
- 2. The following proposed change to the Stratford on Avon Consolidation Order not be implemented as advertised:-
 - Broad Street, Stratford-upon-Avon Proposed Prohibition of Waiting 8 am-6 pm Monday to Saturday. Northwest side from a point 13.8 metres southwest of the junction with Chestnut Walk southwestwards for a distance of 75 metres.
- 3. The following proposed change be implemented instead:-
 - Broad Street, Stratford-upon-Avon Proposed Prohibition of Waiting 8 am-6 pm Monday to Friday. Northwest side from a point 13.8 metres southwest of the junction with Chestnut Walk south-westwards for a distance of 75 metres.



1. Introduction

- 1.1 Parking enforcement was decriminalised in the Stratford on Avon District in October 2004. At that time, all the existing Traffic Regulation Orders were consolidated into a single order with plans showing the restrictions. This Consolidation Order has been subsequently varied once in 2005 and three times in 2006. This includes the changes made following the review of the operation of the decriminalised parking enforcement scheme reported to Area Committee in March 2006.
- 1.2 Since that time, further changes to waiting restrictions and other administration changes have been requested by various individuals and organisations. Consultation has been carried out and the proposals were advertised by public notice on the 8 February 2007. Objections have been received to some of these proposals.
- 1.3 This report details the objections which have been received and makes recommendations to Area Committee for their consideration.
- 1.4 For completeness, details are also included of the proposed changes which did not receive any objections.

2. Avenue Road - No Waiting At Any Time and parking for Buses Only Monday to Friday 8 am–9.30 am and 2.30 pm-4 pm

- 2.1 Avenue Road is a residential area situated to the north of the Town Centre. The southern end of the road is a cul-de-sac with St Gregory's Catholic Primary School situated at the end. A considerable number of pupils arrive at the school by car, this creates congestion problems. The proposal is to introduce a short section of No Waiting At Any Time for the west side of Avenue Road from the school gates northwards and to introduce a parking bay for buses only Monday-Friday 8am-9.30am and 2.30pm-4pm. This will provide an area for the school buses to set down and pick-up pupils. There will be unrestricted parking outside of these times (see **Appendix A**). One letter has been received with several points of objection.
- 2.2 **Objection** I do not see the need to stop parking for an hour and a half both in the morning and afternoon.

Comment - It is common practice for parents/guardians to arrive well in advance of school times to secure a parking space as close as possible to the school. The proposed times are considered appropriate to prevent this practice.

2.3 **Objection** - I park there overnight it will be a great inconvenience as I do not leave for work until 9am and will most definitely incur parking fines.

Comment - The objector resides at a residence on St Gregory's Road which has the benefit of off-road parking.

2.4 **Recommendation** - Implement the proposals as advertised.



3. Birmingham Road - Proposed Footway Parking with Limited Waiting 2 hours No Return within 4 hours 8 am-10 pm Except Permit Holders Zone S14

3.1 The A3400 Birmingham Road is the main arterial route for traffic entering and leaving Stratford-upon-Avon to the northwest of the town. The residential properties consisting of 210 to 218 are located on the northeast of the road between the entrance to the Maybird retail centre and the junction with Justins Avenue. The waiting restrictions on the Birmingham Road consist of no waiting at any time. The properties mentioned do not have off road parking facilities, historically it was the practice for the residents to park their vehicles on the wide footway area adjacent to the road. Whilst this was in contravention of the waiting restriction, the vehicles were clear of the road. This was an accepted practice, the waiting restrictions were not enforced, the footway being wide enough to accommodate these vehicles without causing obstructions to pedestrian traffic. Since the decriminalisation of parking enforcement in the Stratford District the enforcement of waiting restrictions has received consistent attention, excluding this area for residents to park. The proposal is to introduce a section of footway parking on the northeast side of Birmingham Road between the boundary line of 210 and 218 and introduce a residents parking zone, Zone S14, for residents of 210, 212, 214, 216 and 218 Birmingham Road.

No objections have been received.

4. Brookvale Road - Proposed No Waiting At Any Time

4.1 Brookvale Road is a residential road situated on the west side of Stratford-upon-Avon. The road runs between the Evesham Road and Shottery Road. The area is being used by non-residents for unlimited parking. Vehicles are parking close to the junctions, restricting visibility and causing obstruction to traffic. The proposal is to introduce No Waiting At Any Time to keep the junctions clear of parked vehicles.

No objections have been received.

5. Henley Street - Proposed Amendment to Plan

5.1 The plan shows the parking place for blue badge holders as 30 minutes waiting, no return for 1 hour Monday to Saturday 8.00 am to 11.00 pm. This is an error and it is proposed to amend the plan to show parking place for blue badge holders 30 minutes waiting, no return for 1 hour Monday to Saturday 8.00 am to 11.00 am. This is the restriction displayed on street.

No objections have been received.

6. Saxon Close - Proposed No Waiting At Any Time

6.1 Saxon Close is a residential cul-de-sac situated on the east side of Stratfordupon-Avon. There are no restrictions in place other than a short section of double yellow lines at the junction with Loxley Road. Vehicles are parking close



to the junction of Loxley Road and around the bend on Saxon Close. For safety reasons, the proposal is to introduce no waiting at any time for both sides of Saxon Close from a point 92 metres southwest of the junction with Loxley Road southwest for a distance of 35 metres and both sides of Saxon close from the junction with Loxley road southwest for 10 metres.

No objections have been received.

7. Sheep Street - Removal of Waiting Restrictions and Introduction of a Parking Zone - Zone SM

7.1 Stratford-upon-Avon Town Hall is situated on Sheep Street near to the junction with High Street. At the entrance to the building on Sheep Street there is a small lay-by which was traditionally reserved for parking the Mayor's official or private vehicle. Waiting restrictions at this location consist of double yellow lines with No loading 8.30 am-9.30 am and 4.30 pm-6 pm. This waiting restriction prevents the use of the lay-by for parking of any private vehicles. The proposal is to remove the waiting restriction from the lay-by and create a new parking zone, Zone SM. Two permits only will be issued to allow parking at the discretion of the Stratford Town Clerk.

No objections have been received.

8. St Mary's Road - Prohibition of Waiting 8 am-6 pm

- 8.1 St Mary's Road is a residential Road situated on the northeast side of Stratfordupon-Avon. The southern end of the road is a narrow section of road, nonresidents are using this area for unlimited parking. Drivers have taken to parking vehicles half on the footpath and half on the road. This section of road becomes parked up with vehicles over a long distance, providing no gaps for vehicles to give way to oncoming traffic. This practice makes it difficult for the regular bus service. The parked vehicles make it difficult for residents to access and egress their driveways. The proposal is to introduce no waiting between the hours of 8 am-6 pm. West side from a point 16.5 metres north of the junction with Mayfield Avenue northwards for a distance of 121 metres and the east side from a point 109 metres north of the junction with Mayfield Avenue northwards for 12 metres (see **Appendix B**). One letter of objection has been received raising several points.
- 8.2 **Objection -** The parking restrictions already in place have overcome the parking problems.

Comment - Warwickshire County Council continues to receive complaints of vehicles causing obstructions to both residents and the bus service.

8.3 **Objection -** The proposed restrictions will cause inconvenience to visitors.

Comment - There is on street parking available close to this location.

8.4 **Objection** - If you decide to impose restrictions can they be modified to Monday to Saturday 8 am-6 pm as on Maidenhead Road and Avenue Road.



Comment - To avoid confusion the proposed restriction is consistent with the existing restriction on the east side of St Mary's Road.

8.5 **Recommendation -** Implement as advertised.

9. Administration Changes to the Principal Order

- (i) Article 12(a) relates to signs for partial footway parking.
- (ii) Article 13(3) and 13(6) ensure that the full amount for the period of parking is paid at the time of leaving the vehicle. This is to prevent the situation whereby a person extends the period initially paid for, to avoid making the required full remittance for the total waiting period.
- (iii) Article 14A This article is in relation to the proposed waiting restriction on Avenue Road.
- (iv) Article 19(1)(xii) This article is to clarify the areas within the Stratford on Avon District where a 'Home Carer' may use a 'Home Carers Permit' Articles 21(6)(c) and (6)(d) relate to the proposed Stratford Town Hall Parking Zone.
- (v) Articles 23(3)(a)(v), 23(3)(b)(iv) and 23(3)(c)(ii) allow for the revocation of a permit in circumstances where misuse has deemed to have occurred.

No objections have been received.

10. Broad Street - No Waiting 8 am-6 pm Monday-Saturday

- 10.1 Broad Street is a residential area situated to the southwest of the town centre. The Stratford County Primary School is situated on the northwest side of the street. Advisory school keep clear zigzag markings are present along the frontage to the school. Some drivers have realised that these markings are advisory and are parking in this area, this creates a hazard to pedestrians crossing the road to and from the school. The proposal advertised is to introduce no waiting between the hours of 8 am-6 pm Monday to Saturday (see **Appendix C**).
- 10.2 Several letters have been received with eight specific objections, the majority relating to the hours of operation of the proposed restriction:-
 - (i) **Objection -** The proposed ban on parking between 8 am and 6 pm on Saturdays is detrimental to residents by restricting week-end parking but offers no benefit to child safety or the school whatever.
 - (ii) **Objection -** The proposed change will create further parking problems for residents in the street. We would ask that you reconsider your proposal and allow daytime parking on Saturday.



- (iii) **Objection -** The restriction will not allow parking outside of term time the restriction should be structured to allow residents to park outside of term time.
- (iv) Objection Your proposal creates yet more difficulties for the residents of the street. I am disabled and often find it extremely difficult to find a parking place especially on a Saturday.
- (v) Objection We object to the specific times for the proposed prohibition of waiting as they would cause problems for the residents. We think better prohibition times would be 8.30 am to 4 pm Monday to Friday, term time only.
- (vi) **Objection -** We continue to object to your intention to extend Monday to Friday parking restriction into school holidays. We cannot accept that it is impossible to construct a Traffic Regulation Order to attain that effect.
- (vii) **Objection -** We object strongly to your proposals, on the grounds that there is already very limited parking available in Broad Street. Your proposals do not benefit residents after school hours, at weekends or during school holidays.

Comment - Due to the concerns expressed the proposal is to change the hours of operation to Monday-Friday 8 am-6 pm. This will allow vehicles to park in this area between 6 pm and 8 am and all day Saturday and Sunday. It is not possible to structure the Traffic Regulation Order to list term times. Terms vary from year to year and are also extended at times by teacher training days. Introducing a Traffic Regulation Order without specified dates would be unenforceable. There are two reasons for the 6 pm restriction. Firstly, some school activities go on beyond 5 pm and secondly, a new government policy is being proposed where schools have to be willing to remain open from 8 am to 6 pm.

(viii) **Objection -** The proposal to replace the current zigzag lines (which, we understand from the Highway code, preclude any stationary vehicle during prescribed hours) with a single yellow one (which will allow drivers to stop to drop-off and pick-up passengers) is a retrograde step which in no way will ease the potential danger to, particularly young, pedestrians.

Comment - A single yellow line does allow for a vehicle to stop to set down or pick up a passenger, it does not allow for vehicles to park in such areas. The parking attendants' powers will be limited to enforcing the single yellow line, No Waiting Monday-Friday 8 am-6 pm. It is proposed to retain the advisory yellow zig-zag marks, this will reinforce the message to drivers not to stop in this area. The school operates a rigorous policy discouraging this practice.

10.3 **Recommendation -** Implement no waiting between the hours of 8am-6pm Monday to Friday.



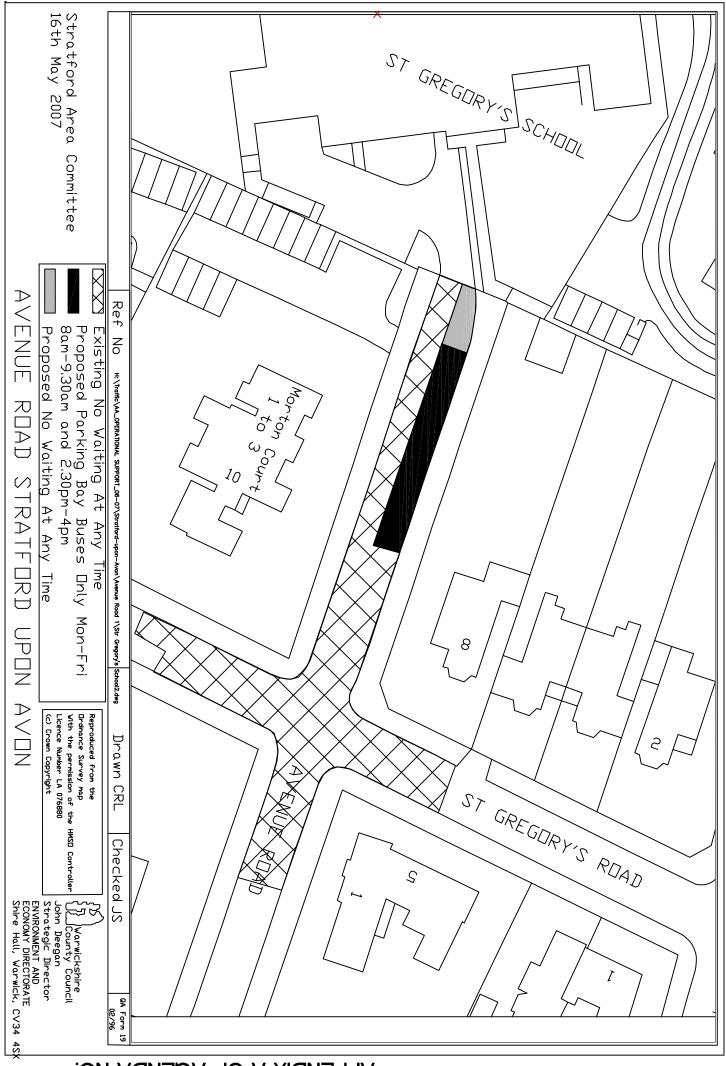
11. Conclusion

11.1 Having considered the objections to the proposed waiting restrictions for the Stratford on Avon District. It is considered necessary that the changes are implemented as advertised. However, it is recognised that the proposed waiting restriction for Broad Street excludes vehicles from parking on a Saturday. It is therefore recommended to implement no waiting 8 am-6 pm Monday to Friday.

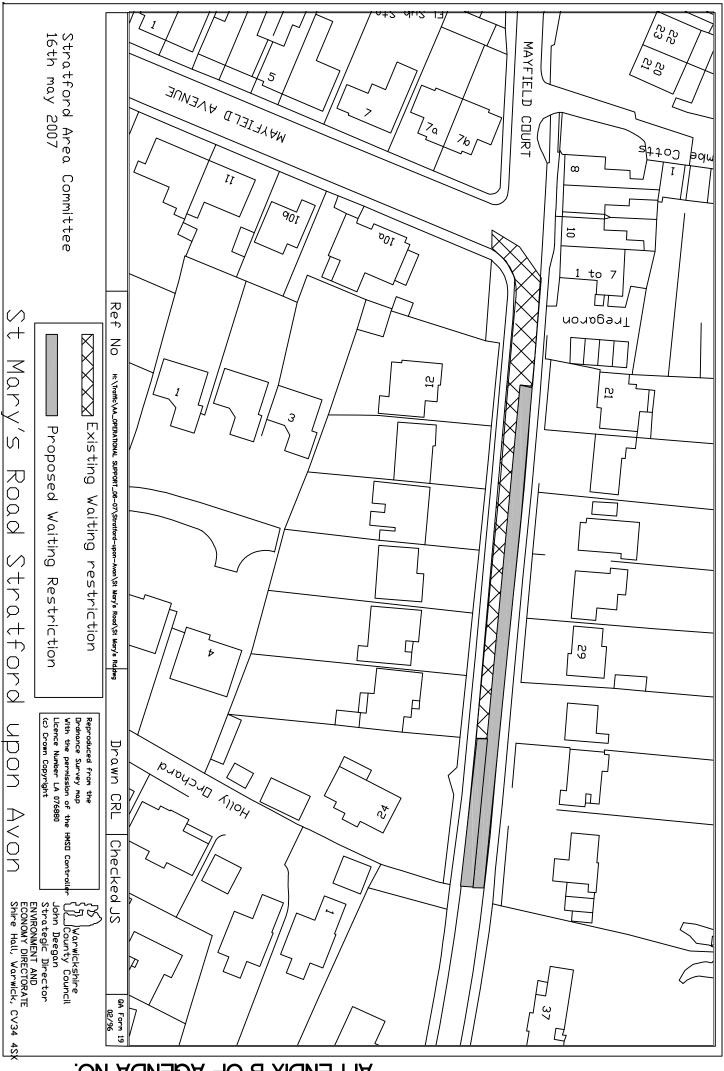
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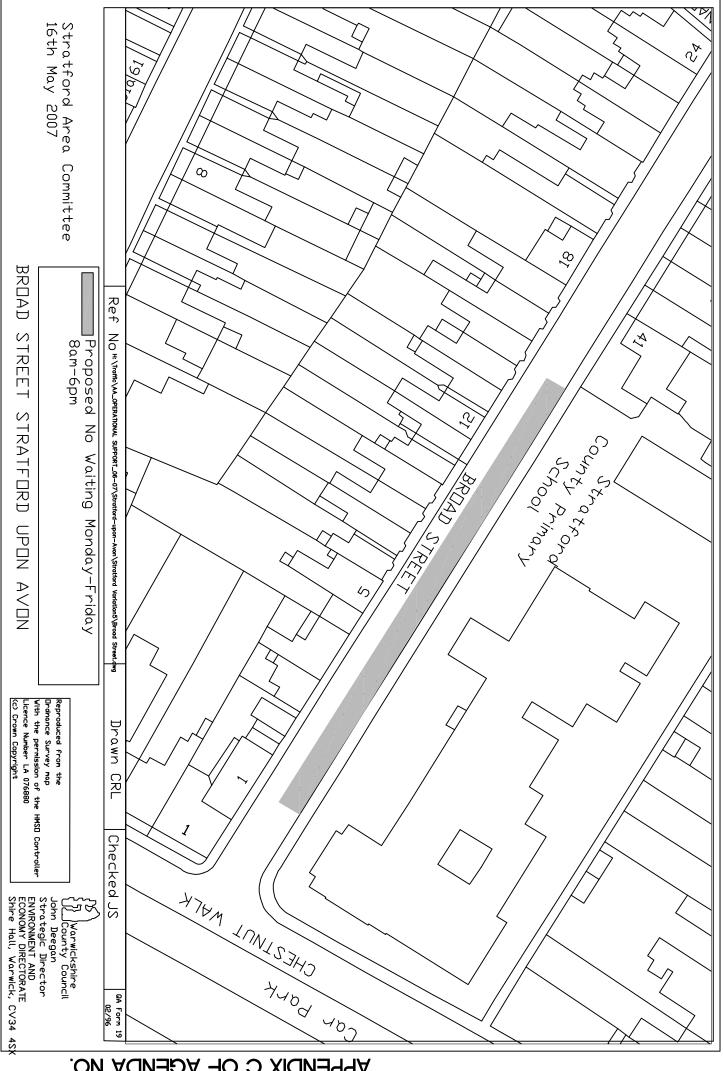




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