LONDON BOROUGH OF BRENT

HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

16th October 2003

REPORT NO: /03 FROM THE DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENT

FOR INFORMATION / ACTION NAME OF WARD:

Mapesbury

REPORT TITLE:

REVIEW OF ZONES GM & MC CONTROLLED PARKING ZONES (CRICKLEWOOD)

1.0 SUMMARY

1.1 This report informs Members on progress with the reviews of the Zones GM and MC CPZs.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That Committee notes the progress on the reviews of Zones GM and MC CPZ's.
- 2.2 That Committee approves the options for Zones GM and MC as detailed at Item 7.7 in this report.
- 2.3 That the results of a further consultation will be reported to the December 2003 meeting of the Committee for a decision on how to proceed.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The cost of implementing changes to Zones GM and MC, if supported, is estimated at £30,000 and will be met from the Transportation Service Unit's revenue funds (Parking Account).

4.0 STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The Transportation Service Unit is undertaking the review of the Zones GM and MC CPZs and will undertake the public consultation, statutory consultation and implementation work in respect of any changes resulting from the review.

5.0 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The implementation of CPZ schemes is in line with Government guidelines and policies relating to integrated transport policy and road traffic restraint. The CPZ will enhance the local environment by removing commuter parking and the wider environment by discouraging certain car journeys.

6.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 The "pay and display" and permit parking methods of parking control and parking prohibitions (waiting and loading restrictions) are made by a traffic regulation order under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. The procedures to be adopted for making the actual orders and any amendments thereto are set out in the Local Authorities 'Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996.
- 6.2 Any changes identified in the review and approved for implementation will require the amending of the existing traffic regulation order under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

7.0 DETAIL

- 7.1 A preliminary review of the Zone MC CPZ (Appendix A) was carried out in April 2003 to investigate the feasibility of introducing additional short-term parking in the zone. This was in response to a petition received from the Mosque and Islamic Centre of Brent, and the Dar-Al-Islam Foundation, requesting additional short term parking for their visitors. The petition was reported to the 10 September 2002 Highways Committee, following which Committee instructed officers to undertake a minor review of the CPZ.
- 7.2 The results of surveys undertaken to assess parking capacity, demand and usage in Zone MC were reported to the 23 July 2003 Committee. The results indicated that there was no take up of permits in Sylvan Grove and Committee therefore approved that the 'permit holder only' parking places be reallocated to shared-use parking. Discussions were also held with London Transport Buses (LTB) to relocate the existing bus stand in Chichele Road (opposite the Mosque and Islamic Centre of Brent) further north towards Cricklewood Broadway, and to replace the stand with 'pay & display only' parking bays. LTB agreed to this and Committee also approved this. The amendments to the parking places are summarised below and are shown in Appendix B. These are currently being progressed to statutory consultation.

LOCATION	PROPOSAL	No. OF ADDITIONAL PARKING BAYS
Chichele Road outside number 28	Remove existing bus stand (approved by LT Buses) and replace with pay & display only parking	6
Sylvan Grove outside number 13/14	Nil take up of permits in Sylvan Grove. Re-allocate existing 'permit holder only' parking to shared use parking.	7

- 7.3 A preliminary review of the existing Zone GM CPZ (Appendix C) was carried out in July 2003 in response to requests received from local residents and organisations for a reduction in the existing CPZ operational times of 10 am 9 pm, Monday to Saturday. The results of this review were presented to the 23 July 2003 Committee in the Supplementary Report (Item D) and indicated overall support from the Zone for a reduction in the operational times to 10 am to 3 pm, Monday to Saturday. However, the response from a number of streets was that the times should remain unchanged and Committee therefore instructed officers to re-consult in Zone GM on the 10 am to 3 pm, Monday to Saturday operational times.
- 7.4 Appendix D shows the combined MC and GM Zones; the plan also shows the area of support within Zone GM for the existing 10 am to 9 pm CPZ operational times. It will be noted that the streets within this area are close to Cricklewood Broadway and therefore more likely to experience higher levels of evening parking demand, such as those associated with the locals clubs and restaurants as reported by local residents when the Zones GM and MC consultations were originally carried out. It is therefore understandable that residents of these streets would wish to retain the evening parking controls.
- 7.5 Since the report to the July 2003 Committee officers have received telephone calls from local residents raising concerns at the possible reduction in the CPZ operational times. These concerns, together with the support for the existing CPZ times indicated in the GM review suggest that a possible way forward would be to consider a separate zone operating from 10 am to 9 pm, Monday to Saturday in these streets.
- 7.6 A review consultation on the existing Zone MC CPZ will also be undertaken simultaneously with the Zone GM review. The Zone MC operational times are currently 10 am to 9 pm, Monday to Saturday. If the review indicates support for the existing operational times to be retained, it is feasible that the streets identified in Zone GM for the later operational times could be incorporated within Zone MC.
- 7.7 Officers have held a meeting with local members on 1 October 2003 to discuss the CPZ issues in these zones, including the operational times of the CPZs and the feasibility of creating additional short term parking for visitors. Two key points arising from the meeting were agreed:
 - Concern was expressed about the potential complexity of the review. In order to simplify the consultation options for all residents and businesses across the two zones a consultation is to be undertaken on the formation of two revised zone boundaries on the basis of areas showing majority support for particular operational hours. On the basis of the first consultation these zones would be 10 am to 3 pm, Monday to Saturday for the GM Zone and 10 am to 9 pm, Monday to Saturday for the MC zone subject to consultation results,
 - Concern was also expressed about the limited parking for worshippers attending the Mosque. A consultation is to be undertaken on the possibility of permit holder only bays in streets close to the Mosque being converted to shared use operation (permit holder and "pay and display") on Fridays 12.30 – 2.30pm only.

- 7.8 In view of the above, Committee is requested to approve a public consultation that offers the following options for consideration in the Zones MC and GM reviews:
 - That the areas of the GM zone currently showing support for the 10 am to 3 pm, Monday to Saturday operational times and the roads currently outside of the zone which also support inclusion within the zone form a new GM zone,
 - That the area of GM currently showing support for the 10 am to 9 pm, Monday to Saturday operational times be considered for inclusion within the MC Zone,
 - That a full review of the existing Zone MC be undertaken in the same way as for Zone GM including changes to the operational times,
 - That the provision of shared use parking bays in streets close to the Mosque (Fridays 12.30pm to 2.30pm) be consulted on.

8.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Details of Documents:

8.1 Environment Committee 29th July 1998 (report No. 53)
Transportation Sub Committee 12 December 2001
L.B. Brent Parking Strategy
A New Deal for Transport: Better for Everyone (DETR)
Traffic Management and Parking Guidance for London (GOL)
Petition received.

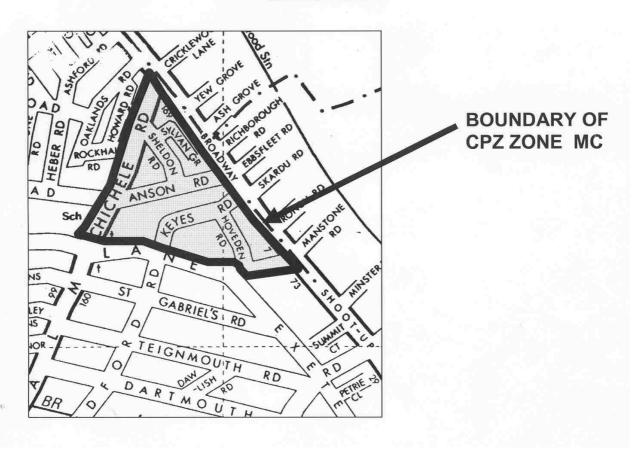
8.2 Any person wishing to inspect the above papers should contact David Eaglesham, Transportation Service Unit, Brent House, 349 High Road, Wembley, Middlesex HA9 6BZ,

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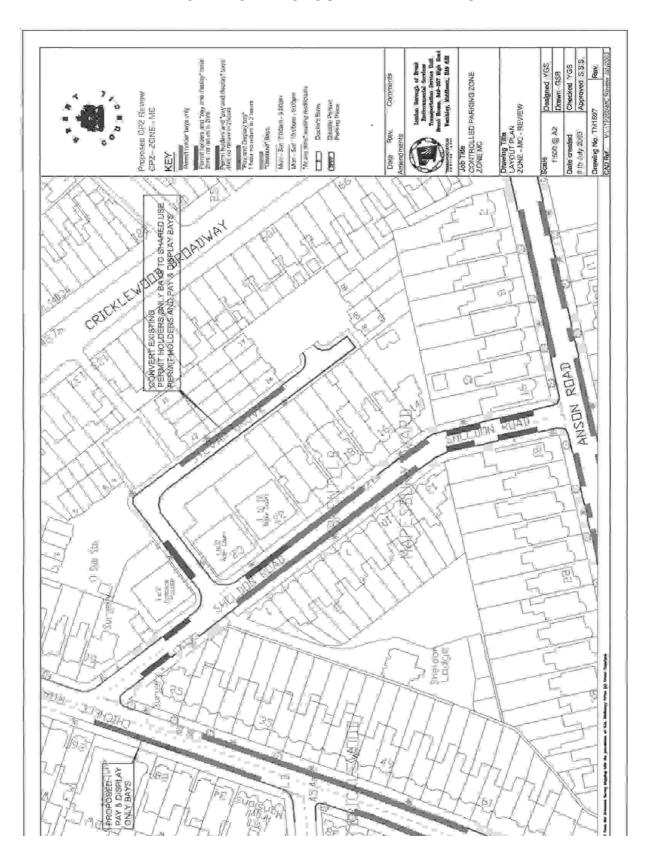
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CONTROLLED PARKING ZONE (CPZ) MAP ZONE MC



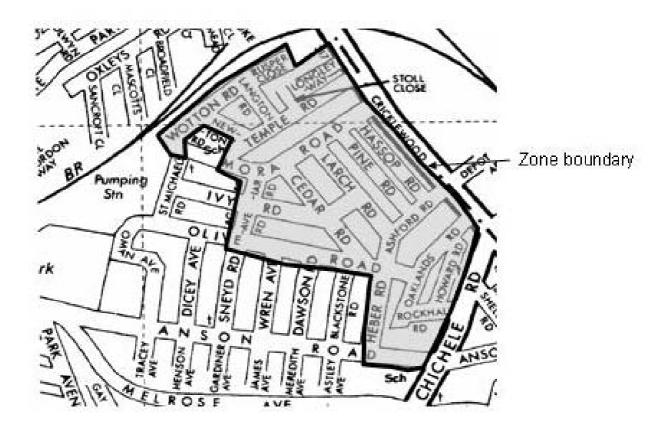
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ZONE MC - PROPOSED AMENDMENTS



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GM Controlled Parking Zone



Review GM & MC Controlled Parking Zones APPENDIX D

