

**OBJECTION ASSOCIATED WITH IMPLEMENTATION OF AN ADVISORY
DISABLED PERSONS PARKING BAY AT HORSEGATE GARDENS,
CHATTERIS**

To: Traffic Manager and the Local Member representing electoral division below.

Meeting Date: 21st January 2019

From: Executive Director: Place & Economy

Electoral division(s): Chatteris

Forward Plan ref: N/A *Key decision:* No

Purpose: To determine an objection to the installation of an Advisory Disabled Persons Parking Bay at Horsegate gardens, Chatteris.

Recommendation: a) Implement the restrictions as advertised
b) Inform the objector accordingly

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1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1** Horsegate Gardens is located to the west of the Town Centre of Chatteris, a plan of the locations can be found at (Appendix 1).
- 1.2** Horsegate Gardens is approximately 4.5 metres wide. An existing disabled persons parking bay is located outside of number 3 Horsegate Gardens, there are no other restrictions in this section of Horsegate Gardens and many of the properties have off street parking with driveways and dropped kerbed accesses.
- 1.3** An application for a Disabled Persons Parking Bay (DPPB) in the vicinity of 5 Horsegate Gardens was received on the 19th February 2018. The applicant meets the County Council's criteria for a DPPB. Disabled Persons Parking Bays allow the applicant to park close to their residence as an aid to mobility and play an important role in helping maintain independence. In addition the intention of such bays is to maintain a parking place for any bona-fide disabled badge holder to use, not just the applicant.
- 1.4** There are 2 different types of Disabled persons parking bays that can be installed, these are the Advisory Disabled Persons Parking Bays and the Mandatory Disabled Persons Parking Bays. Mandatory bays require the making of a Traffic Regulation Order and misuse of such bays can be enforced. Advisory bays are installed without the legislative upright sign and are non-enforceable however such bays are usually well respected. As Advisory bays do not require a Traffic Regulation Order they are more cost effective to install. Cambridgeshire County Council as Highway Authority will assess each application to decide which bay is most appropriate.
- 1.5** It has been proposed that an advisory DPPB be installed in the vicinity of 5 Horsegate Gardens.
- 1.6** A plan showing the location of the proposed Disabled Persons Parking Bay can be found at appendix 2.

2. ADVISORY DISABLED PERSONS PARKING BAY PROCESS

- 2.1** Consultation was carried out with interested parties (local Councils, County and District Councillors and nearby residents) regarding the proposed advisory DPPB in the vicinity of 5 Horsegate Gardens, Chatteris. The consultation period ran from 13th July 2018 to 6th August 2018. The consultation resulted in one objection from Chatteris Town Council which has been summarised in Appendix 3. The officer responses are also given in the table.
- 2.2** On the basis of this analysis, it is recommended that the Disabled Persons Parking Bay in the vicinity of 5 Horsegate Gardens is implemented as advertised as:

- The applicants meet the County Council's eligibility criteria.
- There is sufficient provision in the accessibility budget 2018-19

3 ALIGNMENT WITH CORPORATE PRIORITIES

3.1 Developing the local economy for the benefit of all

There are no significant implications for this priority.

3.2 Helping people live healthy and independent lives

Disabled Persons Parking Bays can have an important role in maintaining the applicant's independence.

3.3 Supporting and protecting vulnerable people

There are no significant implications for this priority.

4 SIGNIFICANT IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Resource Implications

The necessary staff resources and funding have been secured through the Accessibility budget.

4.2 Statutory, Risk and Legal Implications

The statutory process for this proposal has been followed.

4.3 Equality and Diversity Implications

There are no significant implications within this category.

4.4 Engagement and Consultation Implications

Interested parties have been consulted including County and District Councillors, local Councils and neighbouring properties.

4.5 Localism and Local Member Involvement

The County Councillor's and District Councillors were consulted, no comments were received.

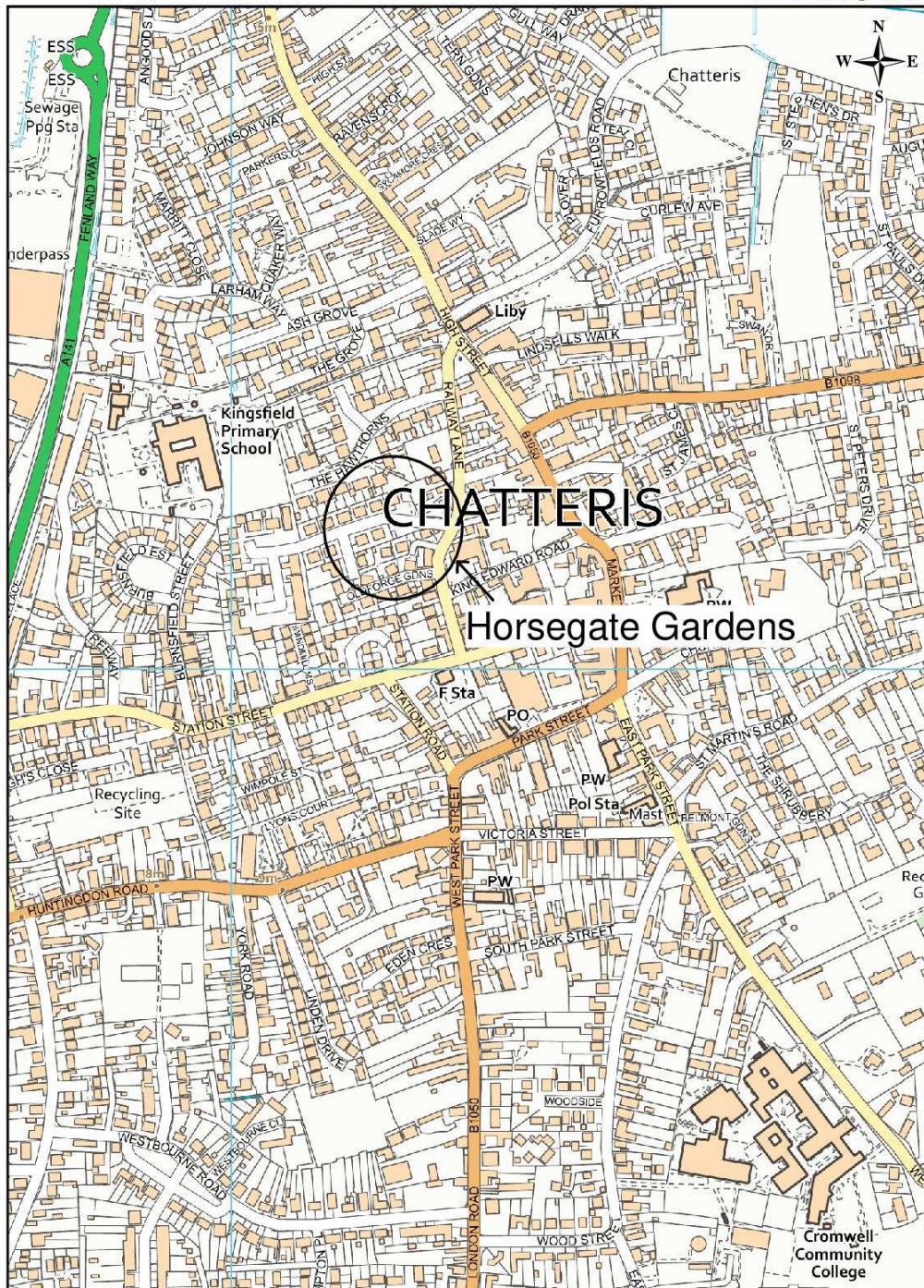
4.6 Public Health Implications

There are no significant implications within this category.

Source Documents	Location
Consultation responses Letters of objection	Policy and Regulation Vantage House Vantage Park Washingley Road Huntingdon PE29 6SR

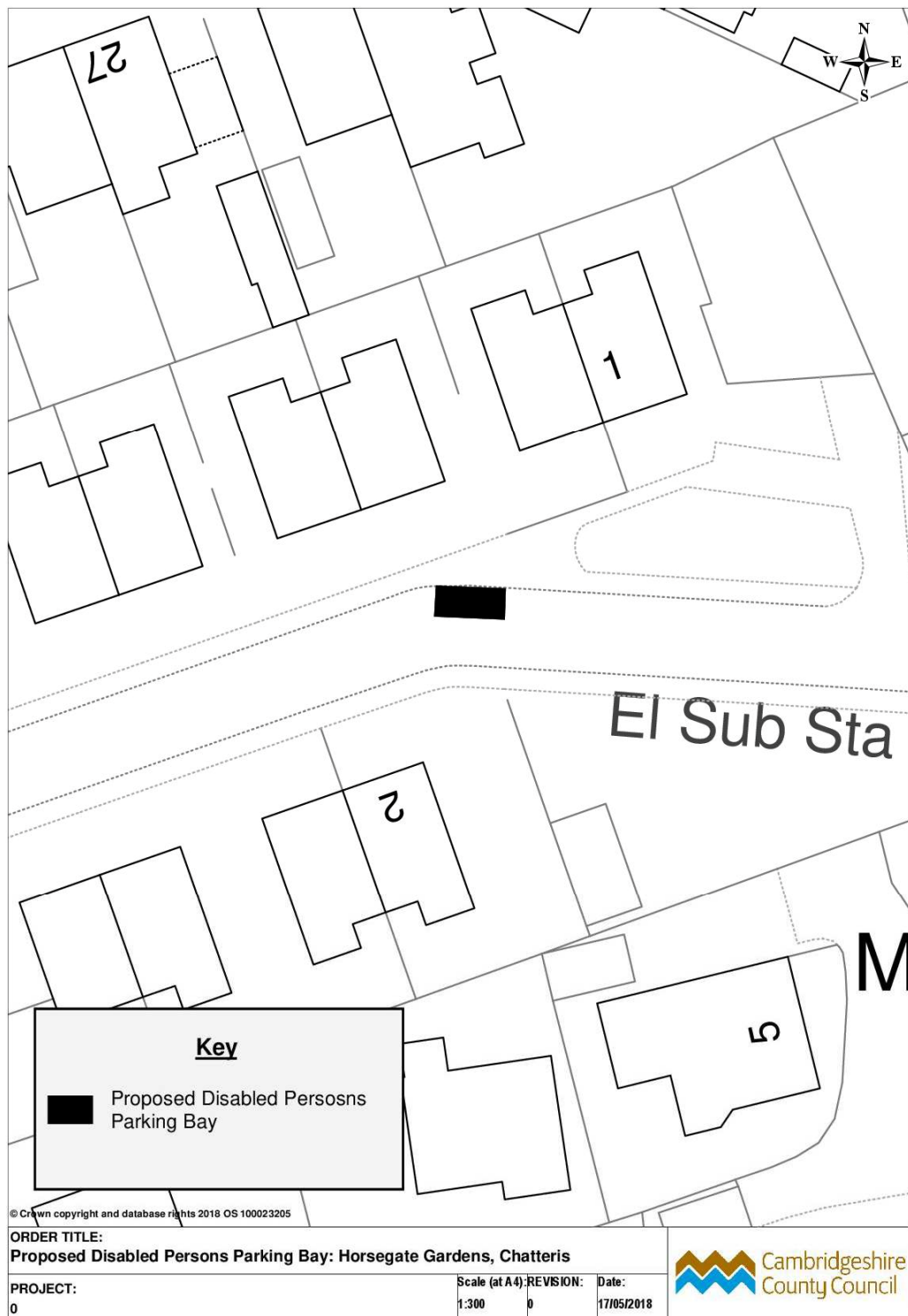
Appendix 1 – Location Overview

Cambridgeshire County Council



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Appendix 2: Proposed Advisory Disabled Persons Parking Bay
Horsegate Gardens, Chatteris



Appendix 3		
Objections		
1	Chatteris Town Councillors are not happy with the suggested positioning of the disabled persons parking bay on a bend in the road. They know the area well and do not believe it is the right place for a permanent parking bay	<p>Having assessed the site Cambridgeshire County Council does not feel that the positioning of the proposed bay compromises public safety, as the applicant currently parks in the position of the proposed bay therefore the implementation of the bay will be legitimising what currently goes on.</p> <p>There are no recorded accident statistics for Horsegate Gardens.</p>