

FALKIRK COUNCIL

Subject: PROHIBITION OF WAITING – COMELY PLACE AND COMELY PARK GARDENS, FALKIRK
Meeting: PLANNING COMMITTEE
Date: 7 March 2012
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Ward: South Falkirk

Local Members: Councillor Gerry Goldie
Councillor Joe Lemetti
Councillor John Patrick
Councillor Georgie Thomson

Community Council: None

Council Officer: Russell Steedman – Network Co-ordinator

1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This report seeks a decision on The Falkirk Council (Comely Place and Comely Park Gardens, Falkirk)(Prohibition of Waiting) Order 2011, the purpose of which is to prohibit waiting at any time in the vicinity of the junction of Comely Place and Comely Park Gardens in Falkirk. In terms of the Council's Scheme of Delegation, this decision requires to be made by Committee as an objection has been received to the making of the Order. In terms of the relevant legislation, the Council is required to consider all objections made and not withdrawn before making the Order.
- 1.2 Members should be aware that it is available to them to call for a hearing on the Order should they find themselves unable to determine whether the Order should be made or not at this stage. Such a hearing would be conducted by an independent party appointed by the Council from a list of persons compiled by the Scottish Ministers for that purpose. Members would then need to consider the report and recommendation of the Reporter before making the determination.

2 PROPOSAL

- 2.1 The proposed Traffic Regulation Order (TRO), prohibits waiting at any time in the immediate vicinity of the junction of Comely Place and Comely Park Gardens in Falkirk.
- 2.2 The extent of the proposed waiting restrictions is shown on drawing numbered TRO/001 attached.
- 2.3 Parking at the junction raised road safety issues in relation to poor visibility for both pedestrians and drivers.

3 CONSULTATION

- 3.1 Two letters of objection were received, one of which has not been withdrawn following explanatory pieces of correspondence.
- 3.2 The objector who withdrew their objection did so once they had determined the exact extent of the proposed waiting restrictions.
- 3.3 The remaining objection is based on the grounds that the proposed TRO would restrict the objector's ability to park for free or at reasonable prices in Falkirk Town Centre. The objector also states that the proposed TRO will result in them having to park a greater distance from their place of work and consequently have concerns for their personal safety.
- 3.4 Development Services responded to the objector on 7 December 2011 advising that the TRO would prohibit parking where such parking is resulting in road safety issues. Advice was given on the lowest priced, long stay, car park closest to Comely Place, which is located at Kemper Avenue.
- 3.5 The objector was asked to formally withdraw their objection.
- 3.6 The objection was not withdrawn and hence a Committee decision is required in accordance with paragraph 1.1 above.

4 RECOMMENDATION

- 4.1 **Members are asked to consider the terms of the report including the objections and determine whether the Order should be made.**

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Director of Development Services

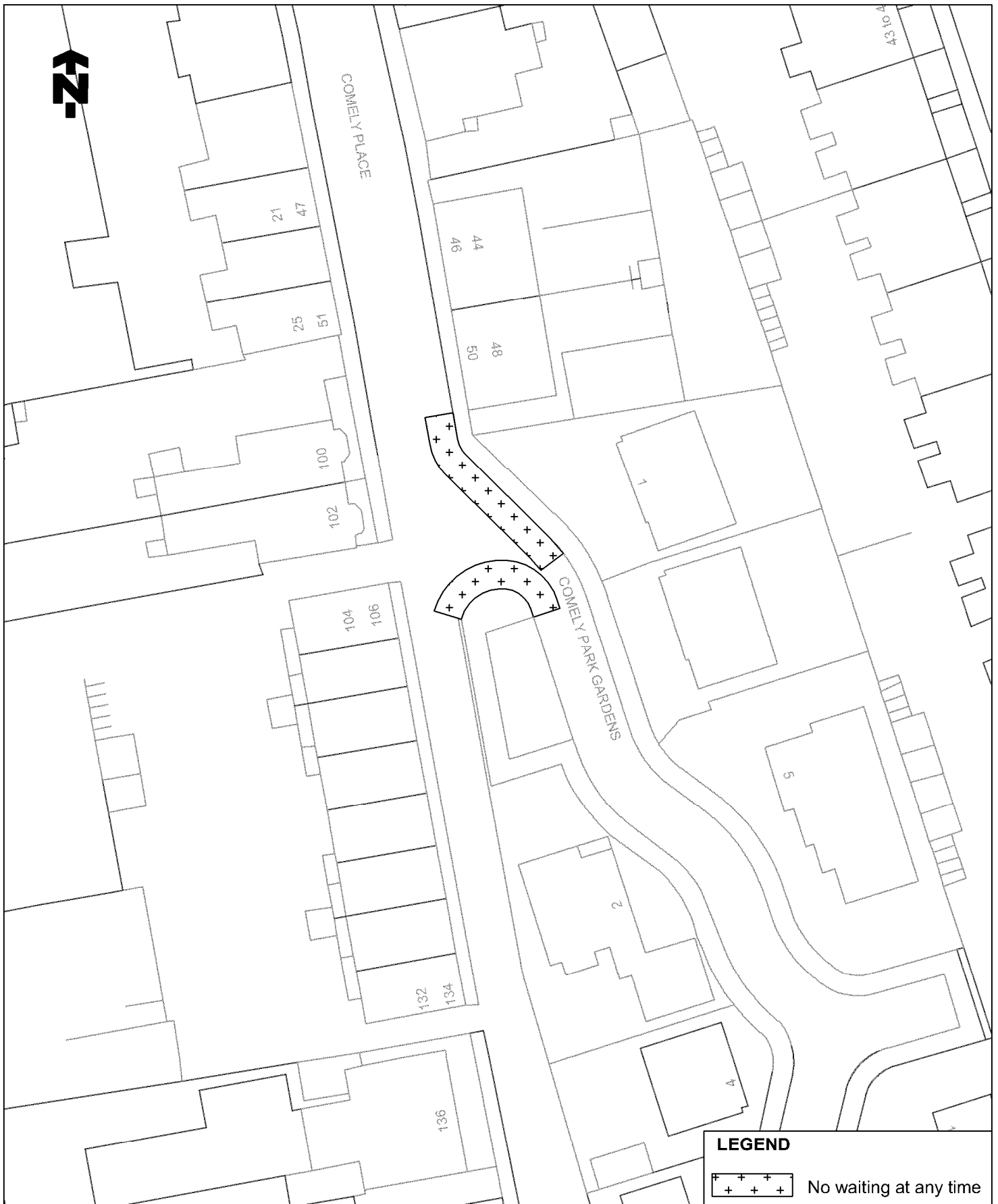
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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 1. The Falkirk Council (Comely Place and Comely Park Gardens, Falkirk)(Prohibition of Waiting) Order 2011
- 2. Letter of objection and Development Services explanatory correspondence

Any person wishing to inspect the background papers listed above should contact Russell Steedman on 01324 504830.



This is the plan referred to in "The Falkirk Council (Comely Place and Comely Park Gardens, Falkirk) (Prohibition of Waiting) Order 2011"

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Robert McMaster
 Acting Head of Roads and Design

TITLE OF ORDER

THE FALKIRK COUNCIL (COMELY PLACE AND COMELY PARK GARDENS, FALKIRK) (PROHIBITION OF WAITING) ORDER 2011



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