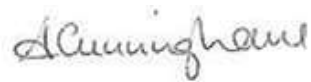


Report for: Record of Decision Taken Under Delegated Authority

Item number:

Title: Bikehangar Installation: Outside 35 Nursery Street, N17  
Report

Authorised by: Head of Highways and Parking:



Cabinet Member for Transformation and Public Realm  
Investment:



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Ward(s) affected: Northumberland Park

Report for Key/  
Non Key Decision: Non key decision

## **1.0 Describe the issue under consideration**

- 1.1 To report on the feedback of statutory consultation carried out from 07 October to 28 October 2020, for a proposal to introduce a Bikehanger outside 35 Nursery Street, N17.
- 1.2 To request approval to proceed to implementation, having taken objections into consideration.

## **2.0 Recommendation**

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Head of Highways and Parking, Cabinet Member for Transformation and Public Realm Investment: -
- 2.2 Approves the making of the Traffic Order to introduce a Bikehanger outside 35 Nursery Street, N17.

## **3.0 Reasons for decision**

- 3.1 This facility has been consulted upon following requests from Nursery Street residents.

## **4.0 Alternative options considered**

- 4.1 None.

## **5.0 Background Information**

- 5.1 Encouraging more people to cycle is a vital part of Haringey Council's plan to tackle congestion, improve air quality, promote physical activity and improve accessibility. The Council is committed to the promotion of cycling as a serious form of transport. As the number of people who cycle increases, we recognise the need for safe and secure parking.
- 5.2 Following numerous requests from Nursery Street residents, the Council proposes to install a Bikehanger outside 35 Nursery Street, N17.
- 5.3 The Bikehanger is a communal bike locker that stores six bicycles and only occupies half a car parking space. It is easy to open with a self-lifting door; the steel design protects bicycles from vandalism and wet weather.
- 5.4 The Bikehanger is manufactured by Cyclehoop, which is a firm of award-winning designers and architects specialising in producing innovative indoor and outdoor cycle parking infrastructure.
- 5.5 Local residents can currently rent a space inside a Bikehanger at a reduced rate of £36 per annum (normal price £72) with a £25 key deposit, which is presently subsidised by the council, subject to review/change. Cyclehoops will

be managing and maintaining the Bikehangar once installed, subject to review/change.

## 6.0 Consultation

- 6.1 Ward Councillors were informed about the proposal on the 23 September 2020.
- 6.2 Notification documents were distributed to residents in the vicinity of the proposal on the 07 October 2020. A copy of the statutory notification document is shown in Appendix A.
- 6.3 Legal Notices were placed on street at the location where the Bikehangar is proposed. A copy of the legal notice is shown in Appendix B.

## 7.0 Responses to Consultation

- 7.1 The council received a total of 4 responses during the statutory notification period. 1 in support and 3 objections.
- 7.1.1 *Objections – Loss of Parking*

*Resident -1*

*‘The proposal of installing a Bikehanger in Nursery Street will cause even more parking issues. There is already parking problems on this street as it is a very small street. I myself have had to wait at the top of the street waiting for a space, and on far too many occasions waiting for up to an hour. This is not ideal and very frustrating after a 10 hour shift at work. The proposed Bikehanger will make this problem even worse so I am strongly opposing this idea. Please reconsider’.*

*Resident – 2*

*‘In regards to putting a bike hanger on nursery street outside Number 35 we do not have enough parking spaces on this street for cars and this would take up another space which we need it is really hard to get a space on my street to park my car. Putting a bike hanger on this small street with hardly enough spaces already is not a good idea at all. It is unfair that we can’t park outside our houses as it is. This bike hanger would make 1 less space which we don’t need this on our road’.*

*Resident – 3*

*‘I am writing to express my dissatisfaction at the proposal for the installation of a Bikehangar- Cycle Parking on Nursery Street N17 8AP.*

*While I have no problem with Bike Hangars, cycling is great for those that choose to Cycle and are able to Cycle. However Nursery Street is far too small a road to accommodate a Bike Hanger.*

*I am extremely shocked that of all the roads in the whole of Haringey you are proposing Nursery street, which is a "No Through Route" road tucked away at the back of Bruce Castle Park. There is limited parking as is currently the case and you are going to be taking over valuable car parking spaces on the street by building a Hangar.*

*Are you aware that as well as this small street accommodating parking spaces for Nursery Street residents, it also accommodates the cars of Nursery Court, which are two small blocks of flats situated at the end of Nursery street, serving multiple residents?. There is already limited capacity. I have lived on this street for 26 years and have seen parking increasingly grow in this time. It is already very difficult to acquire a space. As a lone woman I do not feel safe nor should I have to park my car two roads down and walk to my house in the dark.*

*Why is it not being situated on some of the more busier and popular roads where demand will be much greater? The Cycle Superhighway runs on Church Road, surely it would be more logical to locate it there. I can understand the reasoning for Risley Avenue, Middleton Road, Hewitt Avenue. Their residential streets are much more amenable to a bike Hanger. Their nice long, wide roads that could be easily accessed by many individuals.*

*Nursery Street is a narrow tiny street. Are you actually familiar with it at all? It's not at all wide. The only way car users can exit their cars most days is by reversing it out of the street. There is nowhere to turn one's car around. Why are you not situating it on Church Road or even Tebworth Road in an area where there are currently Yellow lines for example. Why are you locating this Hangar right outside a person's home ? I believe this household utilises three cars regularly. This could be accessed far more easily by people from other local streets. White Hart Lane Train station is only 5 minutes away. Surely that would be a more suitable area to place a BikeHangars.*

*Just because you obtain funding for Hangars, doesn't mean that you place them randomly in unsuitable locations. My understanding is that they are expensive to rent, so many local people would choose to keep their bikes at home in the first instance.*

*I would prefer that funding go to better use than build Hangars. The Youth Service in this borough has been decimated and there are currently little to no support services given to young people. There are far more worthy causes that monies could be allotted such as supporting local vulnerable communities.*

*Nursery Street is a quiet street and I would prefer that it remained that way. I am concerned that this would also*

*lead to more people entering the street and also the noise levels involved in opening a Hangar to place and remove one's bike. This is a narrow street with cottages and every sound from the street can be heard from within my home.*

*I completely object to the proposal and would like to protest further. I think it's a preposterous idea and will be fighting against it. I will be following this up with my local councillors. The idea of placing a Hangar outside a residents home is completely unacceptable'.*

*It should also be noted that the resident enclosed some photographs of Nursery Street, at various times of the day/night which indicate that there is little or no parking spaces available on the road.*

### Council Response

Locations for Bikehangars are primarily chosen based on where there is the most demand however, some Bikehangars may be installed on roads with less interest to evenly distribute access to cycle parking across the borough, raise awareness of the scheme and encourage more people to cycle. Installation sites are selected using the following criteria:

- The date a request is received
- The level of demand in an area
- Equitable distribution throughout the wards in Haringey

We try to locate this facility outside of a property that has requested or shown support for the proposal, whilst giving consideration to the appropriateness of the location in terms of practicality and safety. We have received two requests for a Bikehangar in this road, however, the residents who made the requests, also requested for multiple spaces.

A Bikehangar will reduce vehicle parking by half a space but will allow six bicycles to park safely. As more people switch to more sustainable forms of transport, the need for car ownership will reduce, which will help to ease the parking pressures being experienced and help to improve air quality in this area and in the borough as a whole.

We note the comments received regarding the existing parking pressures on Nursery Street. Currently this road falls within the 'Tottenham Event Day' parking scheme, which only operates during match days (Monday-Friday 5.00 -8.30pm. Saturday/Sunday and Public Holidays – noon to 8.00pm). If local residents feel that weekday parking measures should be introduced, we recommend the submission of a petition form, from your local community. The council supports this with the use of e petitions which can be found on the council web page:

<https://www.haringey.gov.uk/local-democracy/meetings/petitions>.

## 8.0 Contribution to strategic outcomes

8.1 This project will improve cycling facilities in the area and thus encourage cycle usage.

## 9.0 Statutory Officers comments (Chief Finance Officer (including procurement), Assistant Director of Corporate Governance Equalities

### 9.1 Comments of the Head of Legal Services

9.1.1 N/A

### 9.2 Chief Finance Officer Comments

9.2.1 The cost to supply and install the Bikehangar can be contained within the existing budget funded from Transport for London LIP allocation.

### 9.3 Equal Opportunities

9.3.1 The consultation documents were distributed to all households / businesses within the agreed consultation area to ensure that all stakeholders were made aware of the **Council's** proposals.

### 9.4 Staff Side Comments

9.4.1 N/A

### 9.5 Summary and Response

9.5.1 After considering the statutory consultation results and noting that there were three objections, detailed in 7.1.1, the Council has concluded that no alterations should be made to the proposed scheme. The Bikehangar will reduce vehicle parking by half a space but will allow six bicycles to park safely, which will help to promote the use of more sustainable forms of transport.

## 10.0 Use of Appendices

- Appendix A – Statutory consultation document
- Appendix B - Legal Notice

## 11.0 Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

11.1 N/A