



**OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE
(ELMBRIDGE)**

PETITION – ASHLEY DENTAL, RED HOUSE LANE

28 NOVEMBER 2011

KEY ISSUE

To respond to a petition signed by 352 residents.

SUMMARY

This report provides a response to a petition received for this meeting, regarding parking in the vicinity of a dental practice in Walton.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

The Local Committee (Elmbridge) is asked to:

- (i) Note the contents of this report

1 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The following petition has been presented to this meeting of the committee:

“I am a patient at Ashley Dental and have found that parking in the immediate area can sometimes be difficult.

I would like Elmbridge Council to work with Ashley Dental to find a solution that improves parking in the area and ensures that disabled patients are given suitable access.”

2 ANALYSIS

- 2.1 Ashley Dental practice is located at 19 Ashley Road, Walton, at the junction of Ashley Road and Red House Lane.
- 2.2 In 2010 new parking controls were introduced in the area, which included double yellow lines along the length of Ashley Road and round the corner into Red House Lane. Although part of the southern kerb of Red House Lane was left unrestricted, some 2 hour time limited parking bays were put in to the side of the rear of 19 Ashley Road, with visitors to the dental practice in mind (although these are clearly being occupied by other road users as well).
- 2.3 The county council’s parking team has recently carried out a review of parking controls and requests for amendments to the existing controls across Elmbridge, which included a request from Ashley Dental to look at the controls near the practice. The outcome of that review is reported to this committee later on the agenda and it does contain a recommendation for the introduction of additional limited waiting bays in nearby Grange Court.
- 2.4 It is also worth noting that blue badge holders are allowed to park on yellow lines for up to three hours. They need to display their blue badge and the accompanying parking clock disc and make sure that they are not causing an obstruction, but this should be possible within a reasonable distance from the practice.

3 CONSULTATIONS

- 3.1 Prior to the introduction of parking controls in the area in 2010 there had been extensive consultation with residents and businesses over a prolonged period. If the controls recommended in the parking review report are progressed, they will be subject to formal advertisement and statutory consultation.

4 FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The financial implications of the results of the parking review are considered in the report on the outcome of the review.

5 EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 There are none arising from this report.

6 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 There are none arising from this report.

7 CONCLUSION

- 7.1 The response is noted.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS: None

