



**Surrey County Council
Local Committee In Epsom & Ewell
27 June 2011**

PETITION 1:

Received from Mr James Kind, regarding his proposal for double yellow lines at the junction of Lower Court Road and Hurst Road, and a pedestrian crossing across Lower Court Road to enable access from Hurst Road to Manor Green Road. [26 signatures]

Officer Response:

Collision history

Further to receipt of any petition requesting traffic management measures, particularly improvements associated with perceived safety issues it is important to review the data available to officers. Surrey County Council has access to Police data for personal injury collisions and would typically look at data over the past three or five years in any judgement over a highway improvement. Further to investigation the data shows three 'slight' collisions over the past five years.

Crossing Point

Lower Court Road is residential in nature and has numerous properties with informal/formal crossovers (access to allow residents to park their vehicles off road), which would make it difficult to safely accommodate any formal crossing in the location. The cost of installing a crossing would also be difficult to accommodate within the budgets available to the Committee, typically a formal crossing point would cost in excess of £60,000 (zebra) with costs rising significantly for a signalised arrangement. There is also insufficient width to accommodate some form of splitter island arrangement.

Waiting Restrictions

The location is on the list of sites to be included in the Parking Review this financial year and it is hoped that following implementation there will be an improvement for pedestrians crossing at this location.

Consultations

Discussion has taken place between the Council's Road Safety Team and Area Highways Team officers, neither team consider the introduction of a formal crossing point at this location as being appropriate given value for money considerations in terms of collision history and ability to accommodate a crossing at this location. It is though considered that the introduction of waiting restrictions should be of benefit to highway users.

Conclusion & Recommendations

Further to the discussion above it is recommended that:

- 1) The Local Committee agree, that subject to giving approval to implement the proposed waiting restrictions the situation be monitored.
- 2) (In light of 1) The Local Committee agree not to pursue a formal crossing point in this location at this time

Next steps

- The waiting restrictions will be advertised, subject to Committee approval.
- The site will be monitored for collisions as part of ongoing collision analysis across the County. This analysis helps identify key cluster sites and appropriate measures are formulated to try and tackle cluster sites.