

## BOOKHAM WAITING RESTRICTION REVIEW

# MOLE VALLEY LOCAL COMMITTEE 23 JULY 2003

## **KEY ISSUE:**

This report details one anomaly that exists in the current waiting restrictions in Bookham outside the parade of shops in Church Road, and one suggestion for a new length of waiting restriction in Posthouse Lane. Members are requested to give authorisation to change the current Traffic Regulation Orders.

### **SUMMARY:**

The existing waiting restrictions in Bookham have recently been reviewed in order to ensure the road markings and signs accord with the existing Traffic Regulation Orders. An anomaly has been found in the waiting restrictions outside the Parade of shops in Church Road, and a suggestion is made for extending the existing waiting restrictions into Posthouse Lane. This report details the anomaly found and makes recommendations for amendments to the Traffic Regulation Orders.

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## **OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS:**

The Committee is asked to agree: -

- (i) That approval be given to publish proposals to amend the Surrey County Council (Various Roads in Mole Valley) (Free Street Parking Places) (Disabled Persons) (No. 4) Order 2000: and The Surrey County Council ((Various Roads in Great Bookham) (Consolidation of Waiting Loading and Unloading Prohibitions and Restrictions and Free Street Parking Places) Order 1992) (Amendment No. 2) Order 2000, all as detailed in the report and that if no objections are maintained, the Order be made.
- (ii) That authorisation is given to the Local Transportation Director in consultation with the Chair, Vice-Chair and Local Members to consider and resolve any objections to the proposals.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION and BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The waiting restrictions in Bookham have not been reviewed for many years. During this time discrepancies in the extent of the road markings indicating the restrictions have taken place.
- 1.2 A recent survey, carried out by consultants, has found that in the length of Church Road outside the parade of shops an anomaly exists where the waiting restriction road markings on site have not been laid in accordance with the dimensions detailed in the Traffic Regulation Order. It is necessary to remedy this situation so that the whole scheme can be properly enforced.
- 1.3 In recent months concern has been expressed by local residents regarding the parking practices in Posthouse Lane. A proposal to extend the existing waiting restrictions in Church Road into Posthouse Lane is detailed below.

#### 2.0 ANALYSIS AND COMMENTARY

- 2.1 Two disabled parking bays and a length of parking places have been implemented to the frontage of the parade of shops in Church Road. The lengths over which the disabled parking bays and parking places should be laid are detailed in two separate Traffic Regulation Orders. A problem has occurred following the construction of the parking bays on site which has resulted in the dimensions detailed in the Orders not corresponding with how the parking bays are set out on site. It is necessary to amend the Orders to reflect the lengths of the parking bays as implemented on site.
- 2.2 At present, a short length of single yellow line is marked in Posthouse Lane around its junction with Church Road but these markings are not supported by a Traffic Regulation Order. Beyond the end of the markings in Posthouse Lane there are no other restrictions on parking. At times, parking overspills from the parking places to the immediate frontage of the shops into Posthouse Lane. Parking mainly occurs on the southern side of the road in echelon form where it causes no problem either to the visibility splays at the junction of Posthouse Lane and Church Road, or to the traffic flow along Posthouse Lane. Frequently parking also occurs on the northern side of Posthouse Lane. In this location parking can cause difficulties for residents to access their driveways and 'KEEP CLEAR' markings have been laid in an attempt to control the parking. It is suggested that the Traffic Regulation Order is amended to incorporate the section of single yellow line currently laid on site and to extend this restriction along the northern side of Posthouse Lane including around the turning head as shown in ANNEXE 1.

#### 3.0 CONSULTATIONS

3.1 A draft copy of this report has been circulated to local Elected Members and Surrey Police for comment. Any comments received will be reported verbally to this meeting.

#### 4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 It is estimated that the cost of these adjustments will be approximately £5,000, which includes the making of the Traffic Regulation Order. This sum will be met from the Local Transport Plan allocation. At this Committee in April 2003 a sum of £70,000 was assigned to the Leatherhead Local Transport Plan Implementation area for parking issues.

#### 5.0 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 There are no environmental implications
- 6.0 CRIME & DISORDER IMPLICATIONS
- 6.1 There are no crime and disorder implications
- 7.0 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS
- 7.1 There are no equalities implications

#### **CONCLUSION AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

The discrepancies along the lengths of waiting restrictions to the frontage of the parade of shops in Church Road must be corrected by amending the Traffic Regulation Order or by removing the markings from the road surface.

Extending the existing waiting restrictions in Church Road into Posthouse lane would serve to control the parking and enable easier access for residents at busy times of the day.

It is recommended that amendments are made to the relevant Traffic Regulation Orders to reflect the parking arrangements shown in **ANNEXE 1**.

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