

## RESPONSE TO PETITION – RANDALLS ROAD

# SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL'S LOCAL COMMITTEE (MOLE VALLEY)

### 21 MARCH 2007

#### **KEY ISSUE:**

To consider a response to the petition for parking restrictions on Randalls Road and Station Approach Leatherhead presented to the Committee by Mrs Hoyland at its meeting on 22 November 2006.

#### **RESPONSE:**

There is an issue with long stay parking along the A245 Randalls Road between Cleeve Road and Station Approach, Leatherhead. The parking gets worse closer to the station, Leatherhead town centre and business parks. Whilst this situation has persisted for some years it has, until recently, had limited impact on both residential properties and traffic movements on the public highway.

However, recently the demand for on-street parking places has increased and the type of vehicle has changed, with a significant proportion being vans possibly associated with redevelopments occurring locally.

Therefore, the amount of parking and its proximity to residential accesses is impinging on people's ability to access and egress their property, with a subsequent secondary impact on traffic movements along Randalls Road.

The verges have also suffered as a consequence of the parking along Randalls Road and will probably require attention when the season allows.

Notwithstanding the parking demand during the redevelopment phase, residents also believe the level of demand for on-street parking will continue once the sites are occupied.

The long-term solution is probably the introduction of waiting restrictions along A245 Randalls Road from Cleeve Road to Station Approach.

However, one-off assessments of waiting restrictions are not resource efficient and the Committee recognised this some time ago by establishing a rota of area wide reviews, i.e. Ashtead, Dorking and Leatherhead; the Leatherhead review has commenced this month and is likely to report back to this Committee during the autumn.

The petitioners also requested white 'H bar' Markings to their driveways. Whilst this can be arranged the County Council now charges for this service, which may influence residents' decision whether or not to proceed with this request.

Officers have liaised with Planning Enforcement colleagues at Mole Valley District Council about Developer's obligations to contain vehicle parking within their sites. Although this may have had some effect, the resultant level of on-street parking on Randalls Road remained fairly constant.

Currently 'No Waiting' cones are in place along Randalls Road from Cleeve Road to Station Approach. These are a temporary measure only to persuade drivers to use alternate parking preferably in the off-street car parks. Some parking may return when the cones are removed and the situation will be monitored.

#### **OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS:**

The Committee is asked to agree

that waiting restrictions be considered for A245 Randalls Road between Cleeve Road and Station Approach as part of the Leatherhead waiting restriction review, which commences this month.

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