

MINUTES: of the meeting of Surrey County Council's Local Committee (Reigate and Banstead) held at 14:00 on Monday 4 June 2007 at Reigate Town Hall.

Members Present – Surrey County Council

Mrs Angela Fraser DL #	Mr Nick Harrison
Mr Michael Gosling	Mr Daniel Kee
Dr Lynne Hack	Mrs Frances King
Mr Simon Harding	Mrs Dorothy Ross-Tomlin

Members Present – Reigate and Banstead Borough Council

Cllr R M Bennett	Cllr J M Miller
Cllr M A Brunt	Cllr R C Newstead
Cllr M H C Buttery	Cllr B A Stead
Cllr B C Cowle #	Cllr R F C Wagner

part of meeting

PART ONE - IN PUBLIC

[All references to items refer to the agenda for the meeting]

Public Open Session

Before the formal Committee session began, the Chairman invited questions relating to items on the agenda from members of the public attending the meeting. There were no questions asked.

35/07 ANNOUNCEMENT OF ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN [Item 1]

The Local Committee was informed that the County Council elected Dr Lynne Hack as Chairman and Mrs Frances King as Vice Chairman of the Local Committee at the annual meeting on 15th May 2007.

36/07 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE [Item 2]

Apologies were received from Mrs Kay Hammond and Cllr J Jones.

37/07 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – 5 MARCH 2007 [Item 3]

The minutes were agreed as accurate.

Chief Superintendent Charlie Doyle has provided a detailed response to the Local Committees questions regarding Police Community Support Officer powers. Copies will be circulated to all Members of the Local Committee.

38/07 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST [Item 4]

Dr Lynne Hack declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item 5a. Cllr B C Cowle declared a personal interest in Item 11.

39/07

PETITIONS [Item 5]

Two petitions were received.

The Chairman declared a prejudicial interest and left the room for the duration of the item 5a.

a) Chiltons Close, Banstead - Parking

Mr Perriam, of Chiltons Close, Banstead, presented a petition containing 15 signatures, on behalf of local residents requesting that the County Council take action to alleviate parking problems in the close.

Although below the usual requirement of 30 signatures, the Vice Chairman used her discretionary power under the local protocol to allow the petition due to the local nature of the concerns.

Mr Perriam informed the Committee that the residents were concerned about the heavy use of the cul-de-sac as a turning area and environmental impact of rubbish deposited by parked cars.

Mr Perriam stated that the residents would like to see the introduction of improved waiting restrictions and signage to solve this problem. Mr Perriam circulated copies of photos and his comments to illustrate the residents concerns.

The Local Highways Manager thanked Mr Perriam for presenting the petition and provided an explanation of the legal Traffic Regulation Orders required for waiting restriction. The Local Highways Service will also liaise with Reigate and Banstead Borough Council Street Cleaning and Environmental Health services regarding the issue of littering

Residents were also encouraged to report litter offenders to the Borough Council who will look to prosecute.

RESOLVED

That the Local Committee agree that:

- (i) Chiltons Close is added to the database of roads in Banstead requesting amendments to the existing waiting restrictions.
- (ii) Consultation is undertaken with the residents of Chiltons Close to ascertain which of the waiting restrictions listed in the report would be considered the best option for implementation when the next review of Parking is undertaken in Banstead.

b) Horley Row Zebra Crossing

Mr Mike Keller of Kidworth Close, Horley presented a petition containing 615 signatures, on behalf of local residents, requesting that the existing zebra crossing in Horley Row be replaced with a pelican crossing.

Mr Keller informed the Committee that a significant number of drivers are not observing the zebra crossing in Horley Row, making it potentially dangerous to use. Mr Keller also stated that there have been several near misses and accidents at the crossing.

Many children and parents when travelling to and from school use the crossing. Whilst improvements have been made, the residents requested that the crossing be changed urgently. Mr Keller stated that the residents did not believe alternatives, such as a traffic island or speed bumps, would improve the situation.

The local County and Borough Councillors gave their full support to the residents' request.

RESOLVED

That the Local Committee approve:

- (i) An approach to the High Sheriff to implement a poster campaign in the short term;
- (ii) A scheme to enhance the crossing facilities on Horley Row to be prioritised against the Local Transport Plan criteria;
- (iii) Development of a design to upgrade the site to a puffing crossing and to add this to the prioritised list of approved schemes to be undertaken as resources permit;
- (iv) When appropriate, the progression of the required statutory procedures and consultation;
- (v) That the resolution of any representations as a result of the statutory procedures are delegated to the East Area Highways Group Manager in consultation with the Chairman and Locally elected Member(s);
- (vi) Review the waiting restrictions in Horley Row in the next Horley Parking Review. In the meantime the proposal for additional yellow lines to be added to the database.

40/07 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME [Item 6]

One public question was received. A response was tabled at the meeting and is attached as Annex A.

Mrs Angela Fraser suggested that third party funding, such as contributions from residents could enable a scheme to proceed. The Local Highways Service will investigate this possibility further.

41/07 MEMBERS' QUESTION TIME [Item 7]

Two Member questions were received. Responses were tabled at the meeting and are attached as Annex B.

42/07 COMMUNITY SAFETY IN REIGATE AND BANSTEAD [Item 8]

The Area Director introduced the report which provided an update on the community safety work within the Borough, a lot of which is carried out in partnership through the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership.

Representatives from most of the partner agencies that make up the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership attended and highlighted some of the key success and issues within the Borough.

Some of the successes that the Committee heard about were CCTV improvements, new dispersal zones and no cold calling zones, multi agency referrals and the new Connexions drop in facility in Redhill.

RESOLVED

That the Local Committee:

- (i) Note the work of the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership in Reigate and Banstead.
- (ii) Consider how the Local Committee and County Council services can support the work of the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership.
- (iii) Note the distribution of Surrey County Council community safety funding allocated to the Crime and Disorder Partnership in 2006/07.
- (iv) Agree that the Area Director, in consultation with the Local Committee Chairman, agree the allocation of Surrey County Council community safety funding allocated to the Crime and Disorder Partnership, in accordance with the community safety strategy priorities.

43/07 **ANNUAL HIGHWAY MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR EAST SURREY TRANSPORTATION SERVICE 2007/2008 [Item 9]**

The East Area Highways Group Manager introduced the report, which detailed the outcome for the financial year 2006/2007 Highway Management Plan, and the new maintenance programme for this financial year as detailed in the East Area Maintenance and Delivery plan (Annex A of the report). The plan did not include financial figures, but as it evolves these will be added. The Local Committee heard that an east area plan allows greater certainty for financial planning, and work to be undertaken on a priority basis.

Mr Simon Harding proposed that the £100,000 Local Committee funding be used to provide a gang. Their work could be coordinated with street cleaning works. Mr Michael Gosling seconded the proposal. The Committee agreed the proposal. The Local Highways Officers were asked to provide guidance on the gang's workload capacity.

Mr Michael Gosling proposed that the Chairman write to the County Council's Executive portfolio holder for Transportation, on behalf of the Local Committee, to request that central funding be used to cover the costs of emergency works carried out on the A217, Banstead in 2006/07. Mr Simon Harding seconded the proposal. The Committee agreed the proposal.

Mr Nicholas Harrison proposed that the Chairman write to the County Council's Executive portfolio holder for Transportation, on behalf of the Local Committee, to ask that the Executive consider a more equitable share of the community gang resources for Boroughs with more Divisional Members. Mr Michael Gosling seconded the proposal. The Committee agreed the proposal.

RESOLVED

That the Local Committee:

- (i) Approve the report of the East Area Maintenance and Delivery Plan for 2007/08 of which includes Reigate and Banstead.
- (ii) Note the anticipated outturn figures for the East Area Maintenance and Delivery Plan for 2006/2007.
- (iii) Allocate the £100,000 revenue monies to provide a two man patching gang, whose work will be supplied by individual County Members for county divisions within the Borough.
- (iv) Chairman write to the County Council Executive Portfolio Holder for Transportation:
 - To request that central funding be allocated to cover the cost of emergency works on the A217, Banstead.
 - Asking the Executive to consider an equitable share of the community gang resources for Boroughs with larger numbers of Divisional Members.

44/07 AMENDED PEDESTRIAN CROSSING PROPOSALS, SUTTON LANE, BANSTEAD [Item 11]

The Local Highways Manager introduced the report which detailed amended proposals to provide improved crossing facilities across B2218 Sutton Lane, Banstead.

The Chairman thanked the Local Highways Officers for their time and effort in developing the new consensus design.

RESOLVED

That the Local Committee agree that:

- (i) The scheme consisting of enhanced crossing facilities at the B2218 Sutton Lane/A2022 Winkworth Road junction is implemented (in accordance with the drawing detailed in Annex C of the report).

45/07 A217 BANSTEAD CROSSROADS TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER [Item 12]

The Local Highways Manager updated the Local Committee on the experimental alterations to the signal controls at Banstead Crossroads. For the controls to be legally enforceable by the Police, a Traffic Regulation Order must be agreed.

RESOLVED

That the Local Committee agree that:

- (i) The advertisement of a Traffic Regulation Order defining the right turn out of A2022 Fir Tree Road, southbound onto A217 Brighton Road as a prescribed route.
- (ii) The implementation of the Traffic Regulation Order, provided no objections are received.
- (iii) That the consideration and resolution of any representations received as a result of advertising and consultation for the proposed Traffic Regulation Order be delegated to the East Area Group Manager, in consultation with the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Local Committee and local Councillor(s).

Cllr BC Cowle left the meeting after Item 12 [16:45]

46/07 **EAST SURREY HIGHWAYS LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN 2007/2008 PROGRAMME [Item 10]**

The Local Highways Manager introduced the report. The Local Committee considered the Local Transport Plan schemes to be progressed in 2007/08, part of a wider five year plan previously agreed.

Mr Simon Harding proposed that the £100,000 Local Allocation funding be used to provide a gang. Mr Michael Gosling seconded the proposal, and it was agreed by the Committee.

RESOLVED

That the Local Committee agree:

- (i) The programme of Local Transport Plan funded integrated transport schemes for Reigate and Banstead for progression in 2007/08 as set out in Annex A of the report.
- (ii) The application of Local Allocation funding to provide a two man patching gang, whose work will be supplied by individual County Members for county divisions within the Borough as set out in Annex A of the report.
- (iii) That authority be delegated to the East Area Group Manager, in consultation with the Chairman, Vice Chairman and local elected Member(s) to advertise any necessary traffic regulation order(s), to consider any objections received and subject to those objections make the associated order(s) deliver the schemes in (i) and (ii) above.
- (iv) That the East Area Group Manager be authorised to determine any objections received in response to statutory notices in consultation with the Chairman, Vice Chairman, and the local elected Member(s) and report back to the Local Committee.
- (v) That authority be delegated to the East Area Group Manager, in consultation with the Chairman and Vice Chairman in relation to any amendments to the 2007/08 scheme list, as a result of changes in available funding following the closing of the 2006/07 accounts.

47/07 **HORLEY NORTH EAST SECTOR DEVELOPMENT TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER [Item 13]**

Mrs Dorothy Ross-Tomlin stated that the proposals had the support of the Local Members and thanked the Officers for their work.

RESOLVED

That the Local Committee agree:

- (i) To impose a prohibition of all vehicles (except cyclists & disabled carriages) on D356 Crossoak Lane, Horley as shown on drawing No 6036/04/B and subject to the statutory procedure, a Traffic Regulation Order be made under Sections 1 and Part III of Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.
- (ii) That the consideration and resolution of any representations received as a result of advertising and consultation for the proposed Traffic Regulation Order be delegated to the East Area Group Manager, in consultation with the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Local Committee and local Councillor(s).

48/07 **LOCAL COMMITTEE FUNDING - PROPOSALS FOR EXPENDITURE [Item 14]**

RESOLVED

That the Local Committee agrees that the:

- (i) Following proposals be approved from Local Committee revenue funding:
 - 1. Surrey Young Carers – Ten Year Celebration Event £500
 - 2. Sandcross School – Whiteboard DVD Resources £1,000

Mrs Angela Fraser left the meeting after Item 14 [17:00]

49/07 **LOCAL STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP - LOCAL COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE [Item 15]**

Mr Michael Gosling nominated Mr Simon Harding to be the Local Committee representative on the Local Strategic Partnership. Mr Daniel Kee seconded the nomination.

RESOLVED

That the Local Committee agree that:

- (i) Mr Simon Harding represents the County Council's Local Committee on the Local Strategic Partnership for 2007/08.

50/07 **LOCAL COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN – LOWER KINGSWOOD [Item 16]**

The Local Committee discussed the need to balance expectations within this process. Members requested that the Local Partnerships Team arrange an informal briefing meeting for the Local Committee with the Borough Council Portfolio holder (and previous Portfolio holder).

RESOLVED

That the Local Committee:

- (i) Note the Local Community Action Plan for Lower Kingswood and the priorities within it.

51/07 **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FORWARD PLAN [Item 17]**

Mr Michael Gosling will report back to the Local Committee following the Preston Regeneration report to the Executive on 17th July.

RESOLVED

That the Local Committee:

- (i) Notes the forward plan of the County Council's Executive Committee.

52/07 **CAPITAL AND MAINTENANCE PROJECTS PROGRESS REPORT [Item 18]**

RESOLVED

That the Local Committee:

- (i) Notes the report for information.

53/07 **FORWARD PLAN [Item 19]**

The Local Committee and Partnership Officer will circulate dates for Local Committee meetings to June 2009.

RESOLVED

That the Local Committee:

- (i) Notes the forward plan.

[Meeting Ended: 17:20]

Chairman

PUBLIC QUESTION

One Public Question was received

- 1. Cllr R S Mantle, Member for Chipstead, Hooley and Woodmansterne, asked the following question:**

Parking – Manor Way, Hempshaw Avenue and Prestbury Crescent, Woodmansterne

“Surrey County Council has recently reviewed parking restrictions in the north of the county and I am concerned that there is an anomaly which should be addressed and I welcome the Committee's comments.

The problem relates to the difficult parking conditions in Manor Way, Hempshaw Avenue and Prestbury Crescent in Woodmansterne. There is no dispute that there should be restrictions on the corner of these roads albeit it will reduce overall parking capacity for residents.

However, at present it would be very difficult during the day and impossible at night for emergency vehicles to deal with incidents in Hempshaw and Prestbury should they need to because of current parking practices on these narrow roads.

Can the County Council highways officers give urgent attention to overcome this issue, which could lead to loss of life in this No Go area for emergency services.

A solution could revolve around local residents having a Parking Understanding to reduce the increasing problem; greater width of the available parking area with grassed/concrete verges and then if necessary, as a final resort, some general parking yellow line restriction.”

The Local Transport Manager Responded:

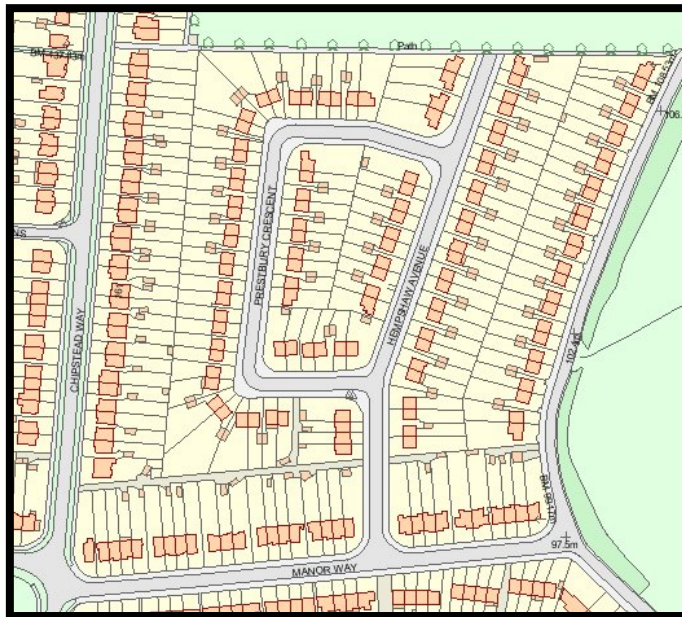
“Hempshaw Avenue and Prestbury Crescent are narrow roads with minimal or no off street parking and footways with grass verges adjacent to the road. Most of the houses have shared driveways, that leads to the majority of residents parking in the road causing congestion, which is of concern not only to the residents but the emergency services.

One solution has been suggested that local residents could have a parking understanding to reduce the increasing problem. This is assumed to be that local residents agree among themselves to park on one-side of the road rather than another. It is believed that this may not be possible as cars currently park on both sides of the road and there is insufficient space to accommodate all cars on one side.

Similarly if a parking yellow line restriction were to be implemented, for example restricting parking on one side of the road, there is insufficient space available to accommodate the displaced cars in the road. This would lead to cars being displaced onto surrounding roads. In addition the consultation for the recently proposed amendments to the parking restrictions in Prestbury Crescent and Hempshaw Avenue resulted in objections to the parking restrictions around the junctions. It would be anticipated that there would be substantial objections to parking restrictions along the length of these roads.

A solution to the parking problem would be to replace the grass verges with "grasscrete" to allow residents to park with two wheels on the footway. Due to the number of trees planted in the roads this would have to be carefully planned but could be achieved. An estimated cost for the work would be in the region of £10,000. Funding towards this work has not previously been allocated and as such a funding source would need to be identified.

It is suggested that officers progress the currently approved parking restriction amendments and meet with local Councillors to discuss this issue further, including identifying potential sources of funding."



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MEMBER QUESTIONS

Two Member Questions were received

1 Cllr R C Newstead, Member for Reigate Hill, asked the following question:

Commuter Parking - St Alban's Road, Reigate

"What plans does the Highway Authority have to rationalise parking in St. Alban's Road and in what timescale in order to:

- a) Improve road safety especially during the working week as cars are parked on both sides of two thirds of the length of the road, reducing its width to a single file. A bend in the road at this point reduces visibility significantly.
- b) Improve ease of access for residents entering and leaving their own gateways. Cars are often parked so close to entrances to houses and to the two cul-de-sacs that turning in and out is both difficult and dangerous. This is often compounded by cars parked directly opposite.

If there are no current plans to curb this inconsiderate parking residents urge that this matter be brought forward for study and action in the short term, since this road has become a "rat run" for commuters by-passing the level crossing on Reigate Hill and the road is much used by children attending Micklefield School."

The Local Highways Manager responded:

"St Albans Road is contained within the North West Reigate Pilot Residents Parking Zone (RPZ) scheme, originally reported to the Local Committee on 18th July 2005 along with a pilot RPZ for the Horley Gardens Estate. The first focus of this work was the consultation, design and implementation of the Horley Gardens Estate RPZ.

The Local Committee report on 18th July 2005 recommended that a local Member task group be convened for the NW Reigate area to steer the development and consultation process for a parking management scheme. Outline proposals were subsequently drawn up and a task group, consisting of the local County and Borough Councillors, held on 10th January 2006. At this meeting it was agreed that further information was required to quantify:

- The likely permit up take by residents and costs associated with operating the scheme
- The likely enforcement implications and costs
- The impact on local businesses
- The impact on the surrounding area caused by displaced parking
- A likely implementation programme

A report was subsequently prepared and discussed with the chair of the task group in April 2006 and as a result it was agreed that a consultation process be undertaken with local residents and businesses to quantify the problems in the area and the acceptability of a residents parking zone including the purchase of permits. The consultation was undertaken on 30th and 31st October 2006 in the form of a letter drop; one to all residents and one to all businesses within the pilot boundary. The results of this survey were as follows:

Residents Survey

Approximately 1053 questionnaires were delivered and 525 (50%) completed responses were returned. Of the returned questionnaires 424 (81%) thought something should be done to improve parking for residents, whilst 353 (67%) would like to have resident permits (although some had caveats).

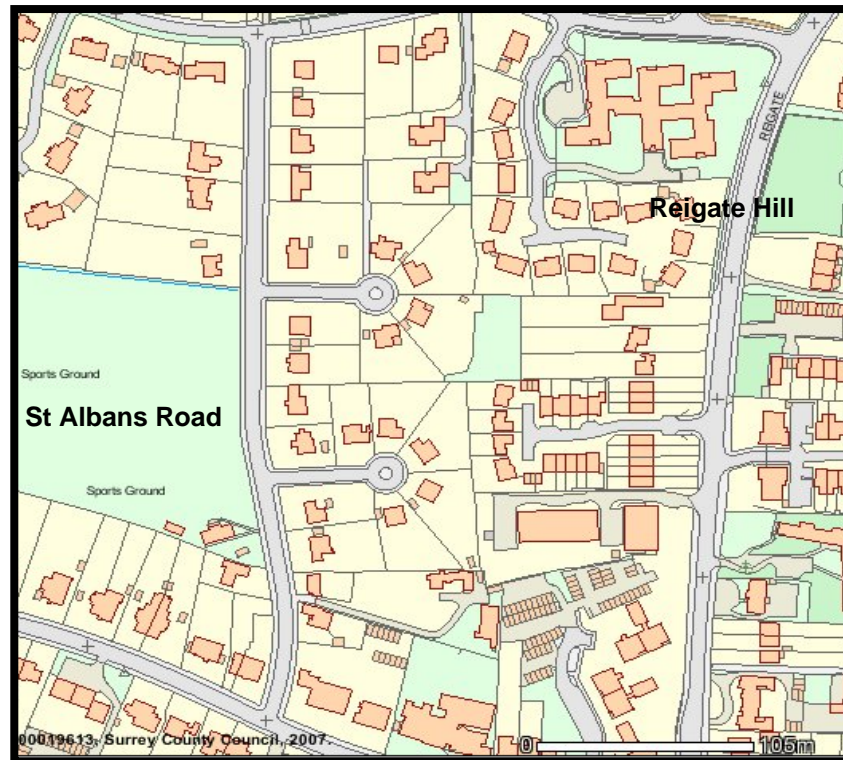
Business Survey

22 completed responses were returned from the businesses, which represents the majority of businesses in this area. 10 (46%) stated that something should be done to improve parking for residents, whilst 8 (36%) did not and 4 (18%) didn't express an opinion. The majority of businesses were not interested in buying permits.

These results were subsequently discussed with the chair of the task group in January 2007 and in light of these results it was agreed that local parking problems in North East Reigate should also be investigated with a view to include some roads in North East Reigate within the RPZ.

Following further discussions with the chair of the task group it was decided that the whole of Reigate should be considered in determining which areas would be applicable for a RPZ. The Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) covering the Reigate area is to be opened and parking amendments considered during 2007/08. It is therefore proposed that this TRO and the TRO for the existing Reigate CPZ is opened and smaller scale local parking amendments undertaken along with elements of the original NW Reigate RPZ that would not require residents permits. The NW Reigate RPZ would then be considered again in 2008/09 in light of the amendments made and reassess the need for the scheme.

These amendments would need to be developed and local residents consulted but, for St Albans Road, could include no waiting between 8:30am and 6:00pm (weekdays) along the majority of the east side of the road and along sections of the west side and could be implemented in 2007/08. Sections of marked parking bays could also be implemented with unlimited parking. In addition access protection markings could be considered across residents driveways."



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2 Cllr J Jones, Member for Redhill East, asked the following question:

Safe Route to School – Carlton Road and Gatton Park Road, Redhill

The traffic situation in Carlton Road, Redhill, associated with St Bede's school, has worsened significantly over the past year. This is for reasons largely outside the school's control, and is causing increased danger and inconvenience to school children and residents alike. Please would the Local Committee and Local Transport Manager use their position to help remedy the situation in two specific respects:

First, a system was agreed originally whereby school buses would travel only in a single direction, eastwards, along Carlton Road, thereby avoiding buses having to pass each other on the road. This system is not adhered to, despite the school's best efforts to work with drivers of the contract buses, because the school has no means of persuading drivers of those public service buses which also serve the school, to adhere to the "one way" principle. Given that Surrey County Council ultimately controls both the "school contract" and "public service" buses, could the Local Transport Manager request the relevant County Council department(s) to issue a requirement that all buses adhere to the "one way" system, which is cascaded down to all drivers and is formalised into future re-writes of these contracts.

Second, the issue of buses passing each other in the road is exacerbated by the increase in commuter parking in Carlton Road, which creates bottlenecks in the road, and causes cars and buses to mount the pavement in order to pass each other. Please will the Local Transport Manager give a timescale within which the restrictions in Carlton Road and adjacent roads can be comprehensively reviewed, in consultation with the school and local residents, so that this source of danger can be reduced substantially.

Finally, a related issue is that of the pedestrian crossing of Gatton Park Road, approved by the Local Committee last year and funded mainly by section 106 funds from the Borough Council. Please can a definitive start date for this and the associated works be provided?

The Local Highways Manager Responded:

School and Public Buses

“Following receipt of this question the Local Highway Manager discussed this issue with the County’s Passenger Transport Group (PTG). In addition the County’s PTG Officers have recently been in correspondence regarding this issue with the bursar of Saint Bede’s School.

It is understood that the operators of the **unregistered school buses** (no’s 516, 523, 570 and 571) have been contacted instructing that the school bus operators only travel in from one direction (from A242 Gatton Park Road).

In terms of the **registered public bus services** there are issues in terms of both the direction of travel and the concerns as to how the children are picked up. The County’s PTG Officers have contacted the registered buses to establish how the various services access the school, as shown in the table below:

Operator	<u>Direction of travel AM Peak</u>	<u>Direction of travel PM Peak</u>
London General 820	A242 Gatton Park Road (travelling eastbound)	A242 Gatton Park Road (travelling eastbound)
Metrobus 460	A23 London Road (travelling westbound)	A242 Gatton Park Road (travelling eastbound)
Southdown 649	A23 London Road (travelling westbound)	A23 London Road (travelling westbound)
Cruisers 315	A23 London Road (travelling westbound)	Varies
Surrey Connect 540	A242 Gatton Park Road (travelling eastbound)	A23 London Road (travelling westbound)
Arriva 32 (31)	To be confirmed	To be confirmed
W&H Motors 650	To be confirmed	To be confirmed

The County’s PTG Officers view is that all buses should access the school from A242 Gatton Park Road (travelling eastbound), recognise the urgency of this issue and as a result will be working with the bus operators to seek a resolution of this issue.

Parking

There are 8 Traffic Regulation Orders (TRO) that cover waiting restrictions in Reigate and Banstead. Amendments to parking restrictions involve opening and amending the schedules within these orders, undertaking consultation and preparing and placing advertisements in the local paper. These processes incur costs (the average cost of each advertisement in £2,000) and resources, including legal clerks, which are limited. As a result the County Council developed a priority system whereby one or two TRO’s are opened and reviewed per year and amendments made. This priority system, approved at the Local Committee at its meeting on 5th

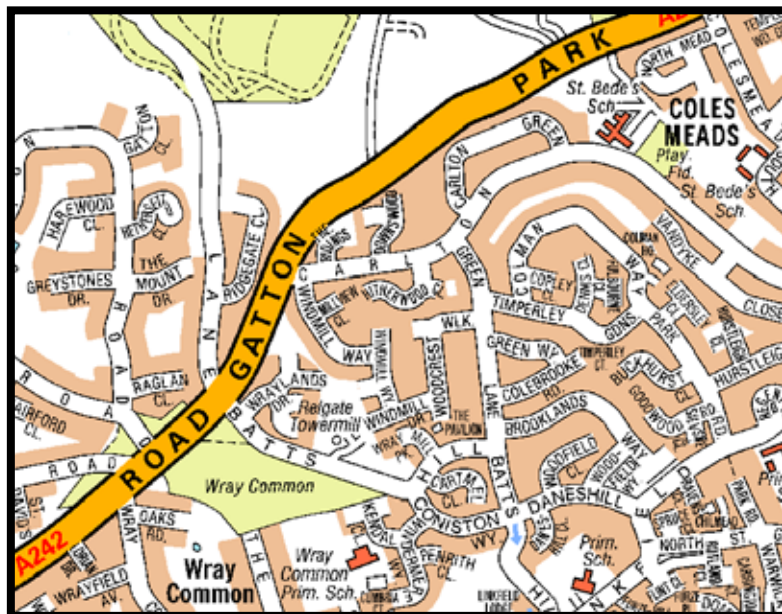
December 2005, takes into account requests for amendments to waiting restrictions, which the County Council records on a database.

The TRO's for Reigate and for Redhill are due to be opened in 2007/08, it is planned to commence the Reigate TRO first followed by the Redhill TRO, which covers Carlton Road and adjacent roads. County Council officers are in discussion with Reigate and Banstead Borough Council's parking enforcement officers and are developing possible options in this area. There are already no waiting restrictions around the school, consideration however, could be given to no waiting restrictions between 11am and 12pm where Carlton Road meets the A23 and at Carlton Green to address the issue of commuter parking. These proposals along with a review of other parking issues in the area would be subject to consultation.

Pedestrian crossing in A242 Gatton Park Road

The original proposals for Gatton Park Road included a mini roundabout at the junction with Wray Lane and a series of speed cushions up to and just beyond Carlton Road. The cushions were proposed to control speeds sufficiently to install a zebra crossing on a raised table immediately west of Carlton Road. During the statutory consultations, however, the fire and ambulance services based at the nearby Wray Park centre objected to the traffic calming features, as A242 Gatton Park Road is the primary route when attending calls from the Merstham area.

An alternative scheme was therefore produced consisting of a traffic signal controlled crossing in place of a zebra supported by several traffic islands without any cushions or tables. This revised layout was agreed by the emergency services and was subsequently approved by the Local Committee at its meeting on 5th March 2007. The detailed design is currently underway and revised cost estimates are being produced. The 30mph speed limit along Gatton Park Road has already been extended well beyond Carlton Road and the remainder of the scheme is currently programmed to commence in September 2007."



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