



OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE (REIGATE & BANSTEAD)

HORLEY TOWN CENTRE PUBLIC REALM ENHANCEMENTS PHASE 2 WAITING RESTRICTIONS OUTSIDE 28-38 VICTORIA ROAD, HORLEY

19 SEPTEMBER 2011

KEY ISSUE

To request the approval of the Local Committee to make the necessary advertisements and consultations for a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) for waiting restrictions along Victoria Road, Horley fronting numbers 28 to 38 in order to control injudicious parking on the carriageway and the new pedestrianised public space outside the Jack Fairman Public House (Wetherspoons) and Choices Estate Agents.

SUMMARY

At the time of writing, the second phase of a series of planned works, which help to give Horley town centre a much-needed makeover are nearing completion. The works included:

- Footway resurfacing and kerbing works on both sides of Victoria Road between the railway station and junction with Russells Crescent in order to provide improved access for pedestrians.
- Improvements at the signal controlled junction of Consort Way East and Victoria Road to include the provision of a controlled pedestrian crossing facilities on Consort Way East and Victoria Road.
- The creation of a new public pedestrianised space, for town centre users to enjoy, outside the Jack Fairman Public House (Wetherspoons) and Choices Estate Agents.

Following the completion of the public space outside the Jack Fairman Public House and Choices Estate Agents, parking is now occurring on the carriageway and the new kerbed public space. Parking in this area is a highway safety issue and is also causing damage to the paving in the new public space. A Traffic Regulation Order is required to prevent parking in this area.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

The Local Committee (Reigate & Banstead) is asked to:

Agree to the advertising and statutory consultation for the TRO to prohibit waiting at all times over the highway outside numbers 28 to 38 Victoria Road in order to control injudicious parking on the carriageway and the new paved public area outside The Jack Fairman Public House and Choices Estate Agents.

1 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 Reigate and Banstead Borough Council and Surrey County Council carried out public consultations for Horley town centre public realm enhancements during June and July 2008. A report was brought to this committee to explain the proposals in September 2008. A further report was presented to this committee in December 2009 to update the committee on the Phase 2 works and to seek approval to advertise and make a Traffic Regulation Order for the prohibition of traffic over the public highway in front of the Jack Fairman Public House and Choices Estate Agents. This TRO was made on 20 July 2010.
- 1.2 At the time of writing, the second phase of a series of planned works, which help to give Horley town centre a much-needed makeover are nearing completion. Phase 2 works Included:
- Footway resurfacing and kerbing works on both sides of Victoria Road between the railway station and junction with Russells Crescent in order to provide improved access for pedestrians.
 - Improvements at the signal controlled junction of Consort Way East and Victoria Road to include the provision of a controlled pedestrian crossing facilities on Consort Way East and Victoria Road.
 - The creation of a new public pedestrianised space, for town centre users to enjoy, outside the Jack Fairman Public House (Wetherspoons) and Choices Estate Agents.
- 1.3 Following the completion of the public space outside the Jack Fairman Public House and Choices Estate Agents, parking is now occurring on the carriageway and the new kerbed public space. Parking in this area is a highway safety issue and is also causing damage to the paving in the new public space. A Traffic Regulation Order is required to prevent parking in this area.

2 ANALYSIS

- 2.1 A paved pedestrianised public space has been created outside the Jack Fairman Public House and Choices Estate Agents, which provides a landscaped seating area for the members of the public to enjoy.
- 2.2 Following the completion of these works, parking is now occurring on carriageway and the new kerbed public space. Parking in this area is a highway safety issue and is also causing damage to the paving in the new public space. It is proposed to extend the double yellow line waiting restrictions to prevent parking at all times along the currently uncontrolled section of Victoria Road (outside numbers 28 to 38). A Traffic Regulation Order is required to implement the proposed parking controls. The advisement and consultation for the TRO requires the approval of the committee.

- 2.3 The Borough Council will carry out the enforcement of the waiting restrictions under the current agency agreement.

3 CONSULTATIONS

- 3.1 The public consultations for the town centre public realm enhancements were carried out in summer 2008, and the proposals have been developed as a result of these consultation results.
- 3.2 The public was consulted as part of the legal process when the TRO for the prohibition of traffic outside The Jack Fairman Public House and Choices Estate Agents was advertised in the local press. No objections were received and the Order was made in July last year.
- 3.3 The public will be consulted as part of the legal process when the Traffic Regulation Order is advertised in the local press.

4 FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The cost of the Order will be funded through the Borough Council's New Growth Point Programme.

5 EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The removal of injudicious parking on the new public space outside the Jack Fairman Public House and Choices Estate Agents will remove obstructing parked vehicles from the pedestrian area, which will particularly assist those whose mobility is impaired

6 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 None

7 CONCLUSION AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 7.1 The removal of injudicious parking on the carriageway and new public space outside the Jack Fairman Public House and Choices Estate Agents will improve highway safety and help prevent the paving in pedestrianised area from being damaged by parked vehicles.

8 WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

- 8.1 Should the committee permit the advertising of the TRO, this will be carried out. Should any objections be received, these will be brought back to committee for further consultation.

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ANNEX 1 Location plan showing the proposed location for waiting
restrictions.