



**OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE
(REIGATE AND BANSTEAD)**

**PROPOSED PARKING RESTRICTIONS
IN ASSOCIATION WITH A NEW SECTION OF FOOTWAY AT
YATTENDON ROAD, HORLEY**

5 MARCH 2012

KEY ISSUE

To consider the implementation of a change to the existing waiting restrictions, in Yattendon Road. This is following the proposed construction of a new section of footway adjacent to the pedestrian footbridge, by the railway line. Currently there is no footway along approximately a 15m section of Yattendon Road, on the Town side of the footbridge. It is necessary to remove about 4m from the length of the existing parking bay in order to construct the footway and then to extend the existing double yellow lines accordingly.

SUMMARY

As part of the Horley Master Plan for two new communities in Horley and as part of the regeneration of the Town, the County Council and Borough Council are implementing a number of measures to improve the environment. These include footway works, facilities for cyclists and traffic management measures. At the moment this footbridge has a landing area for pedestrians and links to the existing footway, which provides access to the south, towards the town centre. Any pedestrians wishing to go north, either have to walk in the carriageway, and then link to the existing footway or, alternatively, cross the road.

Clearly this is a very unsatisfactory situation, particularly bearing in mind the significant volume of footfall using the bridge. This includes a high proportion of school children. Surrey and their Contractors are currently carrying out works on either side of the adjoining Subway. It would seem sensible, and much cost effective, to construct this element of work at the same time, particularly as it is our intention to resurface part of the footway in any event.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

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

- (i) To give Committee approval to implement waiting restrictions, for the Prohibition of Waiting, Loading and Unloading on Yattendon Road as shown on the drawing in Annex 1.
- (ii) That the consideration and resolution of any representations received as a result of advertising the Traffic Regulation Order be delegated to the South East Surrey Area Group Manager, the Parking Team Manager and in consultation with Chairman of the Local Committee and the local elected Members.

1.0 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 As part of the planning applications for the North East Sector and the Windfall Sites throughout Horley, funding is available for environmental enhancements in the Town. There are schools to the north of Yattendon Road and across the railway line at Oakwood. It is unsatisfactory to have pedestrians walking in the carriageway, even for over such a short length. The time is opportune to take advantage of having contractors already on site, which can carry out the works and minimise the capital outlay to the County Council and avoid unnecessary disruption.
- 1.3 The scheme drawing has been prepared and has received a satisfactory Safety Audit. The two issues raised in the audit are firstly to realign the centre line of Yattendon Road. This has been done. The scheme has been Auto-Tracked, for vehicles negotiating the adjoining bend, to ensure that adequate space is available for HGVs and cars. Secondly, is the requirement for altering the parking restriction, with the removal of approximately 4m of the permitted parking bay, so that we can construct a kerbed build out and footway.
- 1.4 Consultations have taken place with the County Council's Parking Team, together with Reigate and Banstead Borough Council, and informally with the police (they will now be consulted in the normal manner). No objections have been made to the proposed loss of short area of the parking bay, and support has been given to the implementation of the waiting restriction and the realignment of the centre line carriageway marking.
- 1.5 Due to the time constraints, the advertisement period had already commenced and is between 1 and 22 March 2012. However Committee approval is sort for the approval and the implementation of the proposed changes to the waiting restrictions. Subject to there being no objections they can be introduced and any concerns are to be dealt with by the Area Team Manager, Parking Team Manager, and in consultation with the Committee.

2.0 ANALYSIS AND COMMENTARY

2.1 The Section 106 Agreements that are in place with the developers, allows for pedestrian enhancements in the area, together with the full costs associated with implementing such a scheme

3.0 CONSULTATIONS

3.1 As mentioned in this report, officers have spoken to colleagues in the Parking Team at SCC together with the Engineers at Reigate and Banstead Borough Council, who support the proposal. The Stage 1 Safety Audit has been undertaken, and the Stage 2 will now be requested following the minor amendments to the Drawing. The Police will be involved in that consultation. Consultation will also take place with Local and County Members together with the Horley Town Council.

4.0 OPTIONS

4.1 The Local Committee could approve the recommendations.

4.2 The Local Committee could amend the recommendations.

4.3 Without the support of The Local Committee, this proposal cannot be implemented.

5.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 All costs relating to the scheme will be met by the development related contributions.

6.0 CONCLUSION AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 These proposals will improve highway safety. There should not be conflict as a result of on street parking associated with the town centre.

6.2 The proposed parking restrictions will maintain access for large vehicles within Yattendon Road and prevent indiscriminate parking.

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Annex

1 The General Arrangement as shown on the Yattendon Road Build Out Drawing

