

OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE

(Surrey Heath)

Civil Parking Enforcement (CPE) Parking Review

10th July 2008

KEY ISSUE

To seek authority to advertise new and amendments to waiting restrictions in various locations within the District.

SUMMARY

The Local Highways team has collated requests from residents, Councillors and other bodies following the change to decriminalised enforcement, for additional or amendment to waiting and parking restrictions in the District.

Within the 2008/09 Local Transport Plan (LTP), funds have been allocated to undertake a review of Waiting Restrictions in the Borough and implement suitable changes. These are currently programmed for September/October 2008.

The Local Committee is requested to agree the changes and to agree the formation of a Member Task Group in order to agree matters of detail.

This report summarises the assessment of the requests made and the proposals put to the Committee. This report does not include a review of the Camberley Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ). This will be undertaken and reported separately.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

The Local Committee (Surrey Heath)

- i. Approve the proposals as shown in Annexes 2 to 37.
- ii. Agrees to the formation of a Member task group to consider matters relating to these traffic regulation order proposals and authorises the Local Highways Manager, in consultation with the Member Task Group, to conclude matters of detail.
- iii. Approve the advertising of a notice in accordance with the Traffic Regulation Act 1984 the effects of which will be to introduce new and amended restrictions in various locations in Surrey Heath shown on Annexes 2 to 37.
- iv. The Local Highways Manager in consultation with the Chairman of the Local Committee and Local member task group resolve any objections received in connection with the proposals and,

- subject to no objections being maintained, the Traffic Orders be made and the proposals introduced.
- v. Identify the task group members consisting of two nominated County Council and two nominated Borough Council members.
- vi. Notes that the Local committee will receive minutes of the task group meetings, for information.
- vii. Agrees to make future budget provision for the preparation and consultation for a controlled zone in Bagshot village.

INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- From April 2006 a change in legislation, known as 'Decriminalised Parking Enforcement' (DPE), has meant that the powers for enforcement of on street waiting and parking restrictions in Surrey Heath, have been passed from Surrey Police to Surrey County Council. Surrey Heath Borough Council manage on street parking enforcement on behalf of Surrey County Council. This covers parking in designated parking places and all yellow line restrictions. Obstruction offences continue to be the responsibility of Surrey Police.
- 2. Due to a further change in legislation, by virtue of the Traffic Management Act 2004, the enforcement of on street parking is now known as Civil Parking Enforcement (CPE) and this took effect from 31st March 2008.
- 3. Since the introduction of DPE, Surrey has continued to receive requests for waiting restriction amendments from residents, local members and other bodies. A review of these has recently been undertaken. This review has included adding or amending waiting restrictions where supported by Council policy and where an appropriate degree of enforcement will occur.
- 4. In addition a review of the changes made in Frimley, around Frimley Park Hospital, in 2007 has also been carried out. The new restrictions in Frimley were implemented last September 2007 following approval at the Local Committee on the 8th March 2007. Some further changes, for this area, are included in the report.
- 5. The drawings shown in Annexes 2 to 37 show the locations where new restrictions or amendments are proposed and these should be viewed along with the notes shown in Annex 1.

ANALYSIS AND COMMENTARY.

- 6. Approximately 80 requests have been received from residents, Councillors and other bodies. All the requests have been considered and reviewed to see if changes to exisiting or new restrictions will be of a benefit to safety, congestion or amenity. The proposals set out in this report do not cover all the requests received but all changes recommended are shown in the Annexes to this report.
- 7. The proposals have been grouped by area and are shown in Annexes 2 to 37. Annex 1 provides information relating to some of the proposals but it should be noted that not all the changes proposed are described in this annex.
- 8. Due to the current resource position in the local team it has not been possible to consult on the changes proposed prior to seeking authority from the

- Committee. If proposals are approved it is intended to consult where appropriate and report back to a Member task group.
- 9. The requests received and which have been reviewed cover most areas of the District and below is a summary, by area, of the approach taken.

Camberley

10. Many requests included changes to the time limits of parking places and restrictions within and on the periphery of the existing Camberley Controlled Parkin Zone (CPZ). Such requests have not been reviewed as part of this work as a full review of the Camberley CPZ will be carried out later in the year following completion of the Atrium project.

Frimley

- 11. Most requests were dealt with previously as part of the Frimley parking changes in 2007, although some minor amendments are shown on the plans. Sycamore Drive and the roads leading off were treated with Limited waiting (11am-2pm Mon-Fri) in March 2008 and minor changes are also shown on the plans. Requests in Sycamore Drive have generally been for additional spaces, however the spaces already provided generally have free capacity and further spaces are not justified at this time.
- 12. Residents of Bayfield Avenue and some other roads within the Parkside Estate, benefitted from At any time restrictions in September 2007. This has improved safety in the areas that were a main concern. However, some residents petitioned against the limited restrictions recommended by the Council. This would have prevented double parking and still provided residents with parking outside of the restricted times. As a result these restrictions were not implemented in September 2007.
- 13. Parkside residents continue to request restrictions and some for a residents parking scheme as inconsiderate parking continues to occur. Limited restrictions will deal with the majority of concerns. Whilst some discussion has taken place with a resident representative, they have not been able to obtain a consensus on the provision of these restrictions and in particular the times they should cover. To ensure some restrictions can be progressed, measures have been included within the proposals, which will be subject to further consultation. This detail can then be discussed and agreed with the Member task group.

Bagshot

- 14. Requests have been made for more resident provision in the village centre as during the day there is a high demand for on street parking and the off street car park is often full. The village could idealy benefit from a controlled zone to assist with demand management and this would greatly assist with resident parkjing provision. It is therefore recommended that Bagshot is considered as part of a separate review for a controlled zone.
- 15. The remaining villages and other relevant comments are included in the Annexes to the report.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

16. A budget allocation of £20,000 was approved by the Local Committee at its meeting on the 6th March 2008 to implement any proposals. This would be funded from the 2008/09 local allocation budget.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IMPLICATIONS

17. Surrey has embraced the concept of sustainable development, which is the foundation of Surrey's Local Transport Plan and is committed to the vision of making Surrey a better place. Funding from the integrated transport budget will be expended on projects and schemes in line with this vision whilst fulfilling its key commitment.

CRIME & DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

18. The Surrey Heath Crime and Disorder strategy seeks to continually improve the safety of the community. Measures to reduce congestion and improve safety will assist this strategy. This has already provided benefits in assisting in the reduction of congestion in some of the residential roads, and removing many of the hazardous parking that occurred to the relief of many residents and the police.

EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

19. Across the range of transportation issues and problems to be addressed the needs of all highway users require equal consideration. Proposals may benefit a particular group or individuals but it is important to consider and address how one impact may worsen others.

CONCLUSION & REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

20. To assist in the reduction of congestion on the public highway. Ensure vehicles are parked considerately and safely to maintain a pleasant environment and safer public highway.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

21. Subject to approval the local highway team will consult with residents and following this convene a task group meeting to resolve any issues. This will be undertaken in July 2008. Traffic Order amendments are programmed to take place in September 2008 and changes on site are anticipated to be carried out during November 2008.

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ANNEX 1

ADDITIONAL NOTES TO BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH PLANS shown in Annex 2 to 37.

Windlesham

• Chertsey Road – New At any time restrictions to improve safety at Kings Lane junction and lane accesses.

Bagshot

 Manor Way – New At any time restrictions at entrance to Connaught School to improve safety and access.

Lightwater

 MacDonald Road junction with Grasmere Road – New At any time restrictions to improve safety at the staggered junction and brow of the hill.

Chobham

- High Street junction with Chertsey Road Limited waiting restriction replaced with At any time restrictions to improve safety at the junction and prevent parking that causes congestion.
- Station Road Extend limited waiting restriction on both sides to reduce congestion.

Camberley

- London Road (between Victoria Road and No. 481 London Rd (McDonalds) -Amend the existing lay-by from 1hr to 30 minutes to assist parking provision to adjacent shops.
- London Road outside No. 459 (office) and adjacent public house (vehicle access) Add At any time restrictions to help keep accesses clear.
- London Road Between No 445 & No 459 and adjacent public house & No 481- Extend the length of limited waiting provision between 8am-10am and 4pm-6pm Mon-Sat to ensure traffic flow and help reduce congestion.

The changes ensures parking continues to be available off peak in the areas near the shops, but importantly seeks to ensure traffic queues and congestion on the A30 London Road towards the Meadows roundabout are minimised.

- Chaucer Grove Limited waiting restriction to improve safety at junction and manage displacement.
- Victoria Avenue / Queen Mary Avenue New At any time waiting, amended from current limited waiting restriction to improve safety at the cross roads, and a reduction in the limited waiting restrictions to provide more resident parking in Victoria Avenue.
- Wilton Road Shorten parking bay to improve visibility for pedestrians at Frimley Road roundabout. New At any time waiting restrictions to keep clear turning areas and junction at end of Wilton Road.
- Frimley Road / Crabtree Road Extend At any time and Loading restriction to ensure safety at signal junction opposite the School.

Frimley

 Chobham Road / Bicknell Road – Extend Limited Waiting restriction on Chobham Road, and add new At any time waiting restriction into Bicknell

- Road and adjoining junctions to improve safety due to School parking and nearby Frimley Square parking.
- Bayfield Avenue (Parkside) New At any time waiting restrictions to prevent double parking and access problems, and Limited waiting restrictions to deter double parking by commuters on some roads.
- Frimley Green Road Remove 1hour parking bay opposite St Peters Church. This bay is seldom used and can narrow the carriageway width when vehicles park opposite for official Church functions.

Deepcut

 Blackdown Road to Woodend Road – At any time waiting restriction outside accesses and speed cushion to assist in providing improved passing places and reduce necessity for footway parking.

Frimley Green

- Bowling Green Court Any time waiting restriction required to reduce congestion from parking at nearby School.
- The Hatches Any time restrictions at the turning point at the railway crossing/entrance to fishing lakes. To ensure vehicles can turn at the end of this narrow cul-de-sac and not have to reverse out, and maintain emergency access to the railway. Any time restrictions at the entrance to the cul-de-sac to ensure safe access into the road and maintain visibility at the T junction.
- Frimley Green Road Change Limited waiting restrictions to Any time waiting restriction around the Green and junctions to improve safety.
- Wharf Road Change Limited waiting restrictions to Any time waiting at Wharfenden Way and Beech Road junctions to maintain safe visibility. Add Any time restrictions on Wharf Road outside the Health Centre and Library to deter parking opposite junctions and in too close proximity to the pedestrian island.
- Frimley Grove Gardens Extend the length of limited waiting restrictions (9.30am-4.30pm Mon-Sat) to prevent inconsiderate parking across some drives, and maintain safety around the bend.
- Grovefields Avenue Change limited waiting restrictions to Any time waiting restriction opposite number 20 to ensure access to property.

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