

OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE SURREY HEATH

ANNUAL REVIEW OF ON-STREET PARKING IN SURREY HEATH

16 FEBRUARY 2012

KEY ISSUE

To approve arrangements for progressing Traffic Regulation Orders for proposed amendments to on-street parking restrictions in the Surrey Heath borough.

SUMMARY

Officers have completed a review of on-street parking in Surrey Heath, and identified changes in restrictions which would benefit road safety and reduce instances of obstruction and localised congestion. This report does not include any proposals for on street parking charges.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

The Local Committee (Surrey Heath) is asked to:

- (i) agree the proposed amendments to on-street parking restrictions in Surrey Heath as described in this report and shown in detail on drawings presented at this committee meeting as Annex A;
- (ii) agree to allocate funding as detailed in paragraph 6.1 of this report to proceed with the introduction of the parking amendments;

- (iii) agree that the intention of the County Council to make an Order under the relevant parts of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 to impose the waiting and on-street parking restrictions in Surrey Heath as shown on the drawings in annex A are advertised and that, if no objections are maintained, the Order is made;
- (iv) That the Parking Strategy and Implementation Team Manager will consider and try to resolve any objections, and that a decision on any remaining unresolved objections will be made by the Parking Strategy and Implementation Team Manager in consultation with the Chairman, Vice Chairman and the relevant County Councillor.

1.0 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 Surrey County Council's Parking Strategy and Implementation Team (Parking Team) carry out periodic reviews of on-street parking restrictions across Surrey.
- 1.2 A list comprising over 95 requests for parking restrictions from residents, councillors, emergency services and SCC engineers over the last year were collated and used as the basis for this parking review.
- 1.3 Each feasible request was assessed based on several factors including road safety, localised congestion, effect on emergency services and bus operators and levels of support e.g. supported by county member, local borough/district council, high resident demand etc.

2.0 REVIEW OF RESTRICTIONS

2.1 The review was carried out in two stages: -

Stage one being an initial "desktop" exercise, which involved eradicating requests for refreshment of existing restrictions only and requests for restrictions which were either clearly not practical or feasible.

- Stage two involved site visits to all remaining locations, which were assessed using the criteria outlined above.
- 2.2 Following stage two of the review, some suggestions and requests were not progressed due to there being insufficient evidence to suggest there was parking a problem which warranted restrictions, or where no feasible or practical solution was found.

- 2.3 The locations where officers consider new or amended restrictions may be of benefit are listed below.
- 2.4 All of these proposals were discussed with the Surrey Heath Parking Task Group.

3.0 PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

(Relevant drawing numbers in brackets)

CAMBERLEY EAST

Portesbery Hill Drive (1371)

Introduce double yellow lines along all sections of the public highway part of Portesbery Hill Drive only, approximately up to the northern boundary of property 'Avoca'. This is to prevent parking obstructing access and sight lines for vehicles entering and exiting Portesbery Hill Drive, including the access to the 'Manor House' flats.

Upper College Ride (1316)

Introduce a 1 hour limited waiting period to apply to the existing unrestricted parking bays outside shops numbered 193 to 199 (by the Post Office). This will prevent all day parking and allow a turnover of vehicles.

Court Gardens (1330)

Introduce a permit scheme to give residents priority over non-residents, as currently Court Gardens is just outside the Camberley Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) and therefore popular for all day parking by non-residents.

Valroy Close (1319)

Extend the Camberley Controlled Parking Zone to include Valroy Close and introduce permit holder only parking bays to give residents priority over non-residents.

Upper Gordon Road (1323)

Outside number 18 reduce parking bay by 1 metre at both ends to limit the bay for one vehicle only as currently two vehicles often park in the bay and overhang adjacent driveways as the bay is insufficient for two vehicles.

Shalbourne Rise j/w Upper Park Road (1323)

Upgrade existing single yellow line to double yellow lines on the junction with Upper Park Road, extending further into Shalbourne Rise to prevent parking on the junction at any time of the day and night.

Middle Gordon Road (1329, 1326)

Convert the existing three 'permit holders or 2 hours' parking bays outside numbers 72 to 80 and the parking bay outside number 48 and 50 to 'permit holders only'. This will designate parts of Middle Gordon Road to residents during the CPZ operational times, as currently residents are finding that large amounts of parking bay space is taken up by visitors to the town centre using the 2 hour free restriction.

Whitehill Close j/w College Ride (1368)

Introduce double yellow lines on the junction to maintain sight lines and road safety.

CAMBERLEY WEST

Southwell Park Road (1324)

Upgrade existing single yellow lines to double yellow lines in the vicinity of Grand Avenue and France Hill Drive to prevent parking outside of the CPZ operational hours obstructing sight lines and compromising road safety for through traffic.

Tuscam Way (1331)

Revoke part of existing double yellow line restriction at the end of Tuscam Way opposite the works to allow parking by office workers following a request by local offices. The turning space required by large goods vehicles to enter and exit the works site has been taken into consideration.

James Road (1343)

Adjacent to the Bristow School, introduce double yellow lines between the two existing school keep clear markings to prevent parking between these markings which occurs half on and half off the footway, obstructing access for school children.

Leonard Close (1349)

Introduce double yellow lines on both sides of the bend and extending along the shrubbery side of the road to prevent obstructive parking on the bend and on approach to the bend.

Carisbrooke j/w Oldbury Close (1373)

Introduce double yellow lines to maintain sight lines and road safety on the junction.

Gilbert Road (1347)

Adjacent number 60 convert existing advisory disabled parking bay into an enforceable bay following reports of abuse by non disabled badge holders.

Cambrian Close (1327)

Upgrade existing single yellow line restriction to double yellow lines including the junction with The Avenue to maintain road safety and sight lines at all times of the day and night.

France Hill Drive (1329)

Upgrade existing single yellow line restriction opposite all parking bays from Southwell Park Road up to the entrance to Camberley County First School to double yellow lines to prevent parking on both sides of the road at any time of the day and night.

Firwood Drive (1329, 1324)

Upgrade existing single yellow lines to double yellow lines to keep parking within marked bays only. Vehicles parking opposite and on approach to the parking bays outside of the CPZ operational hours disrupt traffic flow for through traffic. The section of Firwood Drive where there are no parking bays is a bend and therefore the upgrade is being proposed for the entire street.

In addition, amend the location of the unrestricted parking bays (on the Traffic Regulation Order only) to reflect the current layout on the ground, which has been altered following new and reconstructed driveways and entrances. This proposal includes upgrading the single yellow lines between the parking bays to double yellow lines to maintain access to properties at all times of the day and night.

Seaton Road j/w The Avenue (1333)

Introduce double yellow lines on the junction to maintain sight lines and road safety. This proposal includes revoking a section of parking

bay on The Avenue, north of Seaton Road, to allow for the double yellow lines to extend to their required length.

Frimley Grove Gardens (1362)

Introduce an additional length of single yellow line restriction to prevent parking on approach to the bend outside numbers 52 to 60.

FRIMLEY GREEN AND MYTCHETT

Gresham Way (1357), Frimley Green

Convert the existing double yellow line restriction opposite the entrances to the Cross Farm School to a single yellow line restriction applying Monday to Friday during daylight hours to allow parking to take place on the restriction when the school is closed. This proposal includes an extension of the restriction up to the boundary of number 18 to further prevent parking on the bend.

The Green (1358), Frimley Green

Extend existing double yellow line restriction to cover the entire length of the green's perimeter. This will allow delivery lorries to access the local stores safely and will prevent displacement to other parts of the green.

Salisbury Grove (1361), Mytchett

Extend double yellow lines adjacent numbers 85 to 87 Mytchett Road to prevent parking on approach to the junction. This is an amendment for the Traffic Regulation Order only as the lines are already on the ground.

HEATHERSIDE AND PARKSIDE

Wilderness Road j/w Farm Road (1372)

Introduce double yellow lines to maintain road safety and sight lines on the junction.

Badgerwood Drive (1365)

Extend existing double yellow lines opposite Bayfield Avenue to prevent parking opposite the Bayfield Avenue junction, and on approach to the bend. Introduce a single yellow line restriction opposite the lay-by outside numbers 19 and 21 to provide a passing place for through traffic.

High Beeches (1367)

Revoke section of single yellow line outside number 30 to allow residents the opportunity to park outside their homes. In front of and adjacent to number 38 introduce double yellow lines to prevent parking on the bend.

Bayfield Avenue (1365)

Extend existing double yellow lines adjacent number 1 Blythwood Drive to prevent parking on approach to the junction of Bayfield Avenue with another section of Bayfield Avenue.

WINDLESHAM, BAGSHOT AND LIGHTWATER

Kennel Lane (1370), Windlesham

Introduce double yellow lines on both sides of the road, on the bend, and on approach to the bend in the vicinity of the Windlesham Club and Theatre to maintain road safety on this hazardous section of Kennel Lane.

Wardle Close (1305), Bagshot

Introduce double yellow lines on both sides of the road up to the hammerhead parking area to prevent obstructive parking and maintain safe access.

Guildford Road (1311), Lightwater

In the vicinity of Denly Way, introduce double yellow lines in the two unrestricted sections of Guildford Road outside The Square and outside numbers 58 and 60. This will significantly improve traffic flow through this part of Guildford Road as parked cars here cause vehicles to stop and wait for the chance to pass oncoming vehicles. In addition, introduce a double yellow line restriction between the 20 minute parking bay and the priority restricted kerb build out (outside number 78 to 84).

All Saints Road j/w Christie Close (1311), Lightwater

Introduce double yellow lines to maintain road safety and sight lines on the junction and extending the restriction to outside 19 to 37 All Saints Road to improve traffic flow for through traffic.

Other Locations Assessed

The following list provides the locations that were assessed and considered not appropriate to introduce permanent parking controls at this time. This is because of various reasons, and there are a number of locations on this list that will be re-visited as part of the next review. While every effort has been made to ensure this list is as accurate as possible, there may have been requests that do not appear in this list due to the fact the request was considered along with a nearby road during the assessment. If further clarification is sought please contact Surrey County Council's Parking Team.

Street Name	Town	Street Name	Town
Cedar Close	Bagshot	Alphington Avenue	Frimley
Green Lane	Bagshot	Bridgemead	Frimley
Shire Close	Bagshot	Evergreen Road	Frimley
Waverley Road	Bagshot	Field Lane	Frimley
Carshalton Road	Camberley	Hawkswood Avenue	Frimley
Grange Road	Camberley	Le Marchant Road	Frimley
Greenlands Road	Camberley	Parsonage Way	Frimley
Hartford Rise	Camberley	Station Road	Frimley
Heatherdale Road	Camberley	Elmcroft Close	Frimley Green
Heatherley Road	Camberley	Frimley Green Road	Frimley Green
Hillsborough Park	Camberley	Sturt Road	Frimley Green
Kings Ride	Camberley	Worsley Road	Frimley Green
Kirkstone Close	Camberley	MacDonald Road	Lightwat er
Lancaster Drive	Camberley	The Avenue	Lightwat er
Marlborough Rise	Camberley	Colesford Bridge Road	Mytchett
Middle Gordon Road	Camberley	Rorkes Drift	Mytchett
Moorlands Road	Camberley	Clews Lane	Bisley
Park Road	Camberley	Portway	Bisley
Queen Mary Avenue	Camberley	Queens Close	Bisley
Sullivan Road	Camberley	Guildford Road	West End
Victoria Avenue	Camberley	Woodlands Road	Camberl ey
Watchetts Drive	Camberley	Youlden Drive	Camberl ey
Wishmoor Road	Camberley		

4.0 STEPS TOWARDS IMPLEMENTATION

- 4.1 Subject to approval and budget provision being made available for 2012/13, it is anticipated that the formal advertising process involving notices in local newspapers and at proposed locations, will take place in Spring 2012.
- 4.2 Plans illustrating the amended restrictions will also be placed on deposit in local libraries and the Surrey Heath Borough Council offices during this time. This will provide the opportunity for any interested parties to lodge objections, if they do not agree with the proposals.
- 4.3 The Parking Strategy and Implementation Team Manager will consider and try to resolve any objections. If there are unresolved objections, they will be dealt with, in accordance with the county council's constitution, by the Parking Team Manager in consultation with the Chairman, Vice Chairman and the relevant County Councillor.
- 4.4 Subject to approval, notices will then appear in local newspapers confirming that the County Council has made the Traffic Regulation order.
- 4.5 Finally, the new and amended parking restriction road markings and associated time plates will be installed on the ground in Summer 2012.

5.0 OBJECTIONS

- 5.1 Once the amendment order is advertised, people have 28 days to lodge views and objections.
- 5.2 Objections can relate to the introduction of a new restriction. In cases where there is a coherent argument for not introducing a proposed restriction, it may be omitted, and the traffic order can proceed to be made for the other restrictions without the need to re-advertise.
- 5.3 If restrictions are to be added to those initially advertised, regulations require that these new restrictions must be advertised afresh with the relevant time delay and costs being incurred. For this reason no additional restrictions can be added through the objection process.

6.0 FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

6.1 The cost of carrying out borough/district parking reviews (officer time) is met by the Parking Team. However, implementation costs are met

from Local Committee budgets. The estimated cost of advertising and introducing the restrictions described in this report is £25,000.

7.0 EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

7.1 There are no specific equalities and diversity implications for this report.

8.0 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

8.1 There should be fewer instances of obstructive parking as a consequence of the restrictions.

9.0 CONCLUSION AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 9.1 It is recommended that the waiting restrictions are implemented as detailed in Annex A. They will make a positive impact towards:-
 - Road safety
 - Access for emergency vehicles
 - Access for refuse vehicles
 - Ease traffic congestion
 - Better regulate parking

10.0 WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

10.1 Subject to approval of the committee and budgetary provision being made available, the Traffic Regulation Order will be advertised and the restrictions implemented.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS: None.

ANNEX A: Drawings of proposed amendments to on-

street parking restrictions in Surrey Heath