

# Review of On-Street Parking Controls In Tandridge

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#### **KEY ISSUE**

To agree a way forward for reviewing and amending on-street parking controls in Tandridge.

#### **SUMMARY**

Decriminalised Parking Enforcement (DPE) was introduced in Tandridge on 28<sup>th</sup> September 2006. Requests have been received from the public for adjustments to be made to the current parking control on roads in Tandridge. This report details the recommendations for the way forward.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

The committee is asked to agree

- (i) that proposals to amend the "The Surrey County Council (Various Roads in Tandridge) (Consolidation of Free On-Street Parking Places) Order 2006"; "The Surrey County Council (Various Lay-Bys in Tandridge And Westway (D1399) Caterham on the Hill) (Free On-Street Parking Places) Order 2006"; "The Surrey County Council (Various Roads in Tandridge) (Consolidation of Free On-Street Parking Places) (Disabled Persons) (No. 1) Order 2006"; "The Surrey County Council (Various Roads in Tandridge) (Revocation and Consolidation of Waiting Loading and Unloading Prohibitions and Restrictions) Order 2006" as detailed in **Annex 1** to this report be published and, if no objections are maintained, the Order be made.
- (ii) that authorisation be given to the Local Highways Manager for Tandridge in consultation with the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Local Members to consider and resolve any objections to the proposals advertised.

- (iii) that the suggestions listed in **Annex 2** be investigated for further consultation with Divisional Members.
- (iv) that a limited pilot residents' parking scheme in Caterham Valley Division be investigated.

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#### 1 INTRODUCTION and BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The waiting restrictions in Tandridge were last reviewed in 2005 with the amended Traffic Regulation Order coming into operation in 2006. The purpose of this was to rationalise any discrepancy between the legal documents and road marking in readiness for Decriminalised Parking Enforcement (DPE). DPE was introduced in Tandridge on 28th September 2006.
- 1.2 Over the last few years, a number of requests have been received from schools, residents and motorists for amendments to be made to the parking restrictions in order to meet current needs or to resolve safety concerns.
- 1.3 A Members' Task Group for DPE met on 30 January 2007. The Task Group recommended that Divisional meetings be set up in order to validate and prioritise requests. It was suggested that requests could be considered on the grounds of safety and then retail support. A meeting was held for each Divison in the District. These meetings successfully produced sets of proposals for consideration by the Task Group and Local Committee.
- 1.4 A proposal to make all School Keep Clear markings mandatory was supported at each of the six Divisional meetings. It was also agreed that where details of a parking control amendment were clearly satisfactory, the proposal should be progressed through the Traffic Regulation Order procedure. Other parking control changes which would need further investigation were added to a separate list. Requests for residents' parking were also discussed at the meetings.
- 1.5 This report details the recommendations for amendments to the existing Traffic Regulation Orders.

#### 2 PROPOSALS

2.1 The proposals for amendments to the parking controls include changes to waiting restrictions and to on-street parking places. The amendments were supported at the Divisional meetings and are detailed in a schedule attached to this report as **Annex 1**.

- 2.2 The proposed amendments to parking controls will help address safety and congestion issues. The proposals are designed to address road obstruction, congestion caused by parked cars, obstruction of sight lines, and use of parking places.
- 2.3 It is also proposed that all School Keep Clear (yellow Zig-Zag) markings on highways in Tandridge be made mandatory. This should assist in safety and congestion issues on roads outside schools.
- 2.4 Sites requiring further investigation are listed in **Annex 2**.
- 2.5 It is suggested that possibilities for a resident's parking scheme be investigated in Caterham Valley Division. There is a high demand for onstreet parking in the area from residents, shoppers, workers and commuters. The proposal for an investigation into a pilot scheme for residents' parking in Caterham Valley was supported at all of the Divisional meetings. If approved and implemented, any residents' parking scheme would be managed by Tandridge District Council under the DPE Agency Agreement.

#### 3 CONSULTATIONS

3.1 Each of the six County Members in Tandridge have recently held meetings to consider amendments to parking controls in their Division. Many District Members and Parish Councils have been involved in formulating the proposals. A Members Task Group for DPE in Tandridge has supported the recommendations of this report subject to confirmation of all details in the Annexes.

### 4 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 A sum of £50,000 for parking has been identified in the Local Transport Plan programme report to the Local Committee. This funding is for new (capital) work such as parking control amendments. The DPE on-street operations, including the Parking Attendants, are funded by a separate County budget.
- 4.2 It is estimated that the cost of the proposals in **Annex 1** will be approximately £20,000, which includes the making of the Traffic Regulation Orders. This sum would be met from Local Transport Plan allocation, set aside for parking management.
- 4.3 The suggestions in **Annex 2** and the proposed investigation for a residents' parking scheme would also need to be funded from the LTP allocation for allocation.

## 5 CONCLUSION AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- It is concluded that the proposals as detailed in **Annex 1**, would enhance safety whilst addressing local and business needs. Therefore it is recommended that the scheme moves forward for advertising in the current financial year. [NOTE: Due to time constraints, with the Chairman's permission any final amendments to Annex 1 will be tabled.]
- 5.2 The locations listed in **Annex 2** require further investigation, as does a residents' parking scheme in Caterham Valley Division.

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