



**HIGH ROAD & BINFIELD ROAD
BYFLEET AND GLOSTER ROAD,
OLD WOKING AND ENGLEFIELD
ROAD/BROADWAY, KNAPHILL -
PROPOSED CHANGES TO WAITING
RESTRICTIONS**

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KEY ISSUE:

To consider:

- a. changes to waiting restrictions in High Road and Binfield Road, Byfleet, in Gloster Road, Old Woking, in Englefield Road, and Broadway junction with Queens Road, Knaphill,
- b. the removal of the existing loading restrictions in Gloster Road and
- c. an additional waiting restriction in Broadway opposite The Vyne.

SUMMARY:

Both Binfield Road and Gloster Road carry significant volumes of residential traffic. On-street parking near their junctions with the main road causes obstruction and difficulty for drivers entering and leaving. Double yellow lines are proposed at both locations to tackle this problem.

Englefield Road provides access to a large car park and is often obstructed by vehicles parked on the existing yellow line. Double yellow lines are proposed to alleviate this problem for pedestrians and drivers going to the car park.

Broadway at its junction with Queens Road has a single yellow line which is generally ignored by drivers. There is scope to allow some parking on Broadway, away from the junction and it is proposed to provide 7 bays allowing vehicles to wait for 20 minutes in any hour. Drivers do have difficulty turning out from Queens Road and it is proposed to place double yellow lines on either side of the junction, thus improving sight lines.

Bus drivers turning from The Vyne into Broadway experience difficulty due to cars parked opposite the junction. It is proposed that a double yellow line is introduced to improve this situation.

CONSULTATIONS:

The Divisional Members were consulted during the preparation of this report.

The Police have been consulted and have no objections to the proposals

The Public were consulted for the Englefield Road and Broadway proposals including a public meeting of the Knaphill Residents Association. As a result of this consultation original proposals for the Broadway at Queens Road were amended.

The public will be consulted as part of the legal process when the proposals are advertised in the local press, on street and on the Council's website.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Committee is asked to agree

- (i) to advertise a Traffic Regulation Order under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 to:**
 - a. amend the waiting restrictions in High Road and Binfield Road, Byfleet, as shown on Drawing No. 11529,**
 - b. amend the waiting restrictions and remove the existing loading restrictions in Gloster Road, Old Woking as shown on Drawing No. 11530,**
 - c. amend the waiting restrictions in Englefield Road, Knaphill as shown on Drawing No. 11557,**
 - d. amend the waiting restrictions in Broadway, Knaphill at its junction with Queens Road as shown on Drawing No. 11550,**
 - e. introduce waiting restrictions in Broadway, Knaphill opposite The Vyne as shown on Drawing No.11556.**

- (ii) that authority be delegated to the Local Transportation Director, in consultation with the Chairman and Divisional member, to consider and determine any objections and to make the order.**

INTRODUCTION and BACKGROUND

- 1 Binfield Road, and the roads off it, are residential roads containing almost 120 dwellings. Binfield Road provides the only access, via High Road, to the road network for all of these properties. There are daytime waiting restrictions at the Binfield Road/High Road junction. However, at other times parking within Binfield Road can cause difficulties for drivers entering and leaving the road. In addition, parking by lorry drivers opposite the junction can obstruct traffic on High Road. A request has been received from the Divisional Member for the introduction of additional waiting restrictions in order to alleviate this problem.
- 2 Gloster Road is a residential road which also gives access to a very large residential area to the north and provides access for these properties to the A247 Old Woking High Street. As with Binfield Road, there are daytime waiting restrictions, but at other times, particularly in the morning, parked vehicles within Gloster Road, parked between the A247 and Priors Croft, can cause obstruction, difficulty and delay for drivers entering and leaving the main road. Requests have been received from local residents and the Ward Member for the introduction of additional waiting restrictions in order to alleviate this problem.
- 3 There is an existing daytime ban on loading within fourteen metres of Old Woking Road.
- 4 Englefield Road has few residential properties but leads from High Street, Knaphill to a large car park. The majority of traffic flow is vehicles entering the car park, which then exit through Queens Road. Many drivers ignore the existing waiting restrictions and park in Englefield Road causing obstruction to vehicles attempting to access the car park and to pedestrians. Two incidents where pedestrians were struck by vehicles are directly related to this parking. Requests have been received from residents, Police and a member of the Local Committee (Councillor Kingsbury) to introduce additional waiting restrictions to alleviate the problem.
- 5 Broadway links the A322 Bagshot Road with High Street Knaphill. At its northern boundary as it meets the High Street a variety of shops exist on both sides of the road and Queens Road forms a junction with Broadway on its southern side. This area currently has a single yellow line restricting parking from 08.30 to 1800 hours and there is a pedestrian crossing outside Moss the Chemist. Many drivers abuse the single yellow line and there are occasions when they park on the limits of the crossing. Requests have been made by the Police and Councillor Kingsbury to amend the waiting restrictions in an effort to alleviate the situation, in particular to improve sight lines for drivers exiting Queens Road.
- 6 Between Redding Way and Broadway a link road allows access from Broadway to The Vyne and a public car park opposite. Buses on the 34/35 and 91 routes can enter or leave this road from Redding Way by means of mechanical bollards whilst

other vehicles are banned from making this manoeuvre. Bus drivers have experienced difficulty when turning from the link road right into Broadway due to vehicles parked on the opposite side of the road. There are no existing restrictions on this part of Broadway to prevent vehicle parking. Arriva, the Company operating these services, have asked for assistance in preventing parking at this location.

ANALYSIS AND COMMENTARY

- 7 It is proposed to modify the waiting restrictions in Binfield Road and High Road, Byfleet, as shown on Drawing No. 11529. (Annex A). The proposed double yellow lines will prohibit parking at or near the junction, thus improving road safety. Any displaced parking can be accommodated further along Binfield Road, or on High Road, away from the junction.
- 8 It is proposed to modify the waiting restrictions in Gloster Road, Old Woking, as shown on Drawing No. 11530. (Annex B). The proposed double yellow lines will prohibit parking on Gloster Road between the A247 and Priors Croft, thus easing the problem of obstruction and improving road safety. Any displaced parking can be accommodated further along Gloster Road.
- 9 The ban on loading is not considered to serve any useful purpose, (there are no premises nearby which require regular servicing) and it is proposed that this be removed. This will simplify the signs and lines required.
- 10 It is proposed to modify the waiting restrictions in Englefield Road by replacing the current single yellow lines with double yellow lines as shown on Drawing No. 11557 (Annex C). The aim is to encourage use of the car park at the end of Englefield Road. Additional signing will be provided directing drivers to The Vyne car park when the Englefield Road car park is full.
- 11 It is proposed to modify the current situation at Broadway and Queens Road Drawing No. 11550 (Annex D) by recognising the reality that drivers wish to stop for short periods to visit shops, in particular the Chemist and Newsagents. Seven parking bays will be provided to allow vehicles a 20 minute wait in any one hour period between 0830 and 1800 hours. The double yellow line proposed at Queens Road will provide sight lines for drivers turning out from the road. This proposal follows consultation with residents, traders and a meeting of the Knaphill Residents Association. It replaces an original scheme to extend the double yellow lines along Broadway where the parking bays will now be placed.
- 12 It is proposed to introduce double yellow lines as shown on Diagram No. 11556 (Annex E) allowing buses to turn safely from The Vyne onto Broadway without being obstructed by parked vehicles.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 13 The cost of advertising the proposals and making changes to the signs and lines is estimated to be £4000 and can be funded from the Aids to Movement budget for 2003/4.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IMPLICATIONS

- 14 The proposals are expected to improve road safety in Binfield Road, Gloster Road, Englefield Road and Broadway.

CRIME & DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

- 15 There are no crime and disorder implications.

EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 16 There are no equalities implications.

CONCLUSIONS AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 17 Both Binfield Road and Gloster Road carry significant volumes of residential traffic. Parking within these roads, near the main road junctions, can cause difficulties for drivers entering and leaving them. The proposed changes to the waiting restrictions will alleviate these problems and improve road safety.
- 18 The proposals for Englefield Road and Broadway will also improve road safety whilst allowing short term parking at a point where there is public demand.

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