



**PROPOSED WAITING
RESTRICTIONS, HIGHCLERE
ROAD, KNAPHILL**

**LOCAL COMMITTEE FOR WOKING
18 JULY 2005**

KEY ISSUE:

To consider a proposal to modify an existing waiting restriction in Highclere Road, Knaphill.

To consider a proposal to delegate to the Local Transportation Director authority to introduce new waiting restrictions, in consultation with the Chairman and Divisional Member.

SUMMARY:

An extension to existing double yellow lines in Highclere Road is proposed, to enhance road safety and prevent regular partial obstruction of a private vehicular access.

Delegated authority for the Local Transportation Director authority to introduce new waiting restrictions, in consultation with the Chairman and Divisional Member is sought, in order to improve response times to requests and to streamline the process.

CONSULTATIONS:

The Police, the Divisional Member and the resident of No. 19 Highclere Gardens have been consulted. Further consultation will take place as part of the legal process, when notices will be published in the local press and posted 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 Act 1984 to extend the waiting restriction at the western end of Highclere Road, as shown on Drawing No. 11967, and**
- (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, and**
- (iii) that authority to introduce new waiting restrictions in the future be delegated to the Local Transportation Director, in consultation with the Chairman and Divisional Member.**

INTRODUCTION and BACKGROUND

1. Highclere Road is a residential road in Knaphill, the easternmost end of which forms a junction with High Street, Anchor Hill and Lower Guildford Road. From this junction the road runs north-westward, then roughly westward for a distance of approximately 280 metres. At this point there is a sharp bend in the road, which then runs roughly southward to rejoin High Street. (See location plan attached at Annex A).
2. There is a waiting restriction at its western end which prohibits waiting at all times and which has been in place for many years, but which was extended in 2002 to cover the sharp bend. The waiting restriction partly covered a vehicular access into the front garden of No.19 Highclere Gardens which had recently been constructed. An access protection marking was provided, but unfortunately has not been particularly successful in preventing partial blockage of the access.
3. The Local Transportation Service receives many requests for new waiting restrictions. Changes in the way such restrictions are implemented are proposed in Para. 5 below, in order to improve response times to requests and to streamline the process.

ANALYSIS AND COMMENTARY

4. It is proposed to extend the waiting restriction on the outside of the bend by approximately 6 metres, so that the yellow lines terminate at the boundary between Nos. 19 and 21 Highclere Road. The proposal is shown on Drawing No.11967, attached at Annex B. This extension is proposed for two reasons: First, to enhance road safety at the bend and secondly to prevent obstructive parking which partially blocks the access to No.19.
5. In order to streamline the process of introducing waiting restrictions in the future, it is proposed that authority be delegated to the Local Transportation Director, in consultation with the Chairman and Divisional Member, to introduce new waiting restrictions.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6. The cost of advertising and making the necessary Traffic Regulation Order to extend the waiting restriction in Highclere Road is estimated to be £750 and can be met from the "Signs and Aids to Movement" budget for the current financial year.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IMPLICATIONS

7. There are no sustainable development implications.

CRIME & DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

8. The proposal will reduce a point of conflict in Highclere Road.

EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

9. There are no equalities implications.

CONCLUSIONS AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

10. The modification to the waiting restriction in Highclere Road, as described above, will enhance road safety and improve vehicular access to and from No.19 Highclere Road.

11. Delegating authority to the Local Transportation Director to introduce new waiting restrictions will enable officers to respond more rapidly to requests received for new waiting restrictions.

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