



SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL LOCAL COMMITTEE - PETITION

16 FEBRAURY 2009

KEY ISSUE

To advise the Committee that a petition has been received.

SUMMARY

Wording of Petition

The wording on the petition was as follows:

All Weather Pitches – Parking in Claydon Road. The undersigned support the action to stop those using the all weather pitches in Goldsworth Park from parking in adjacent roads.

Presentation of the Petition

The petition was received via Humfrey Malins CBE MP who attached a copy of the petition signed by 75 people

Jenny Isaac Head of Highways, responded

Dear Mr Malins

PARKING IN CLAYDON ROAD, HORSELL

Thank you for your letter dated 26 November 2008 and its accompanying petition, which was addressed to Paul Fishwick and concerned the parking that takes place in Claydon Road, Horsell, by users of the nearby sports fields.

As you will be aware from my response to your similar letter of 3 November 2008, Officers were in discussion with residents of Horsell Birch in 2006 / 07 about users of the sports fields who were parking in Horsell Birch to walk up to and along Littlewick Road to enter the sports fields by an access gate

there. This led to us putting down some white-hatched markings in some places and white “H-bar” markings across some driveways in an attempt to discourage parking. Unfortunately the photographs that accompany the petition pre-date the introduction of these markings.

The obstructive parking tends to be in the evenings or at weekends. So we can only deal with this parking by introducing double yellow lines, which would be enforceable “At Any Time”. We would have to put yellow lines down the entire length and both sides of Claydon Road and Horsell Birch (cul-de-sac) and an unknown length of Littlewick Road. If we did not, the parking would simply displace from those areas that had lines to those areas that did not.

Out-of-hours enforcement in out-of-town locations would be difficult for our colleagues at Woking Borough Council to enforce on a sustained basis. Any enforcement would not differentiate between resident/visitor parking and sports field parking. Any resident or their visitors would be as liable to enforcement on double yellow lines as the users of the sports fields. I understand that the Deputy Chief Executive of Woking Borough Council, Douglas Spinks, has written to you along similar lines.

Paul Fishwick will present the petition to the Local Committee (Woking), at its meeting on 16 February 2009, although this will not be with a view to the immediate introduction of any waiting restrictions. We are not proposing to make another amendment to the Woking Traffic Regulation Order, which allows waiting restrictions to be introduced and enforced, until at least the second half of 2009 as we have only recently made the last such amendment.

I am sorry that I cannot offer an immediate solution to this matter but I hope this information is helpful.

Yours sincerely

Jenny Isaac
Head of Surrey Highways