

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL

LOCAL COMMITTEE (REIGATE & BANSTEAD)

DATE: 2 DECEMBER 2013
SUBJECT: PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS

DIVISION: REDHILL WEST AND MEADVALE; EARLSWOOD AND REIGATE SOUTH



1. Parking near Schools – Cllr Patsy Shillinglaw (Reigate & Banstead Borough Councillor for Meadvale & St Johns)

“I understand that all our schools have problems with parking for staff, visitors and at drop-off or collection times, mornings and afternoons. I understand that schools are committed to the education and care of their young people. However, in order that pressure on the local residents is alleviated at Reigate School, I would ask that the surrounding roads be scrutinised during school hours in term time. Can the following roads be considered for “no parking” double yellow lines in certain dangerous and congested hotspots - along Pendleton Road and on the corners of Willow Road and Yeats Close?”

I also understand that schools have travel plans - and as much as they can do to influence parents/carers wouldn't it be good if parents could walk their children to and from school? As a borough we have done our best to encourage parents not to park on common land near to the school. The school has done its best to encourage staff and parents to park courteously - but it is still a problem for my residents who frequently have their driveways blocked.”

The Chairman responds on behalf of the Local Committee:

“Surrey's sustainable transport team work with schools across the county, including Reigate School to develop and promote school travel plans. These aim to maximise the potential for non car travel to the school as well as promoting sensible traffic management and parking plans for school traffic.

Our parking team also carry out regular reviews of on street parking in the borough and these can include waiting restrictions and zigzags outside schools where safe parking is paramount. The next review of parking in Reigate and Banstead is due to be considered by the Local Committee in March 2014 and the roads you have suggested including Pendleton Road and the corners of Willow Road and Yeats Close will be investigated and included in the review if appropriate.

You can keep up to date with the progress of the reviews by keeping an eye on our web page: www.surreycc.gov.uk/parking/reigateandbanstead”

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