

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL

LOCAL COMMITTEE (REIGATE & BANSTEAD)



DATE: 3 MARCH 2014

LEAD OFFICER: DAVID CURL, PARKING STRATEGY AND IMPLEMENTATION TEAM MANAGER

SUBJECT: PETITION RESPONSE – A217 LOWER KINGSWOOD – PARKING OBSTRUCTION OUTSIDE TEXACO GARAGE

DIVISION: MERSTHAM AND BANSTEAD SOUTH

**SUMMARY OF ISSUE:**

To consider a petition submitted by Mr Roger Bali containing 220 signatures agreeing with the statement: "When exiting this forecourt I find my view of oncoming traffic obscured by parked cars."

**RESPONSE:**

**Response of the Parking Strategy and Implementation Team Manager:**

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention. We carry out regular reviews of parking restrictions in Reigate and Banstead to improve safety and help remove obstructive parking.

Our last review, carried out in 2013, is currently being implemented and includes changes at this location that will help to prevent long term parking near the access/exit of the petrol station. These changes were made at the request of some local businesses, who felt there wasn't enough space for their customers. Parking has been allowed in this lay by for many years and provides an amenity for local shops and businesses, and in road safety terms, there have been no accidents involving injury near the exit to the petrol station for at least the last 13 years.

We do, however, wish to achieve the right balance between access and safety, and will look at this again with you. The Parking Team and your County Councillor will contact you in order to meet and look at the access arrangements at the petrol station. If any changes to the parking layout are felt necessary, we will include them in the 2014 parking review.

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