

**SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL**

**LOCAL COMMITTEE (REIGATE & BANSTEAD)**

**DATE: 1 December 2014**

**SUBJECT:**

**WRITTEN PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

**DIVISION: Earlswood & Reigate  
South**



**Question from Linda Hammond**

**Answer from Chairman on behalf of the committee:**

**Traffic in Vevers Road and Lynn Walk, Reigate**

What are the County Council planning to do about the massive increase in traffic along Vevers Road and Lynn Walk in Reigate which is causing noise, congestion and exhaust pollution problems for the residents of what was, until about a year ago, a quiet housing estate? There is also an increased danger to the local elderly residents and children in the nursery in Lynn Walk with speeding drivers and badly parked cars.

Is it possible to put in place some traffic calming measures (speed humps or chicane to narrow the road) which would encourage drivers back on to the A217 and Woodhatch Road?

**Response:**

The traffic flow in the Reigate area is being adversely affected at the present time by works elsewhere on the road network. Pebble Hill Road is currently closed to enable the water company to renew its infrastructure and, up until mid November, there have been major works on the M23 between the M25 and Gatwick Airport. These works have resulted in large numbers of drivers seeking alternative routes, one of which is the A217 through Reigate and surrounding roads. This was compounded by emergency utility works being carried out on Cockshot Hill, with traffic being controlled by temporary traffic signals.

There is no proposal to introduce measures in Vevers Road or Lynn Walk to address what is likely to be a temporary situation. Should residents still have concerns about traffic in these roads once the roadworks currently affecting traffic movement in the Reigate area have been completed and traffic patterns have settled back down, it is recommended that they contact their divisional Member who will raise this with the South East Area Team for investigation.

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