

Questions from Committee Members (tabled)

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL

LOCAL COMMITTEE (MOLE VALLEY)

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SUBJECT: QUESTIONS FROM LOCAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

DIVISION: ALL



Question from Cllr Rosemary Dickson (Leatherhead South ward)

Would it be possible to change the sequence of the traffic lights at Leatherhead Station in two ways?

1) Coming round towards Leatherhead station and down Station Approach, you reach the traffic lights. Could there be a continuous left hand turn there to take vehicles on to the A245 towards Cobham?

At present, there is a left hand turn governed by a green arrow but it is not continuous. If one could keep moving and turn left, it would clear the backlog that builds up around Lerret Way, past Lidl etc.

2) At the same traffic lights, if one turns right, very often the pedestrian crossing lights are red. Why can these lights not be synchronised with the traffic lights?

Response from Surrey Highways:

- 1) Vehicles approaching from the south of the junction wanting to turn left out of the A245 Station Approach towards Cobham cannot have a continual green, because this would result in conflict with vehicles turning right out of D2643 Station Approach coming from Leatherhead Station.
- 2) The Traffic Operations Team has been out to assess the signal timings of the pedestrian crossing just to the east of the railway bridge. They found that the detection settings on the pedestrian crossing were timed so that in most cases, especially during peak time, the pedestrian crossing would turn red when it saw a vehicle. This would explain why only a few cars made it through the A245 Randalls Road/Station Approach junction and the pedestrian crossing in one go.

The detection settings have now been changed so that the pedestrian crossing will only turn red when it sees a gap in traffic or after 30 seconds, whichever is sooner. This means that in most cases, more vehicles should be able to pass through the junction as well as the pedestrian crossing than before. However, the operation of these signals is still not ideal, and the lights at the pedestrian crossing will still be red as drivers turn right out of the A245

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Station Approach into A245 Randalls Road, but the waiting period at the red signal for the pedestrian crossing should be for a shorter amount of time.

The A245 Randalls Road/Station Approach junction and the pedestrian crossing located on the A245 Randalls Road just to the east of the railway bridge will be monitored. Any feedback regarding the operation of the pedestrian crossing, now that the detection setting has been changed, would be welcomed.

Question from Mrs Hazel Watson (Dorking Hills)

The committee papers suggest that the Mole Valley Parking Review 2015 has been implemented, however, the double yellow lines in Furlong Road in Westcott have not been implemented. When will the missing double yellow lines in Furlong Road be implemented and can confirmation be given that all of the parking restrictions for last year's parking review have been implemented and if not, when they will be completed?

Response from Surrey Parking:

We had previously been advised by the contractor that painting of the lines from the 2014/15 parking review had been completed. The double yellow lines in Furlong Road have now been temporarily marked out and we will be progressing the order for these works as a matter of urgency when we meet with our contractor next Wednesday.