



SCC LOCAL COMMITTEE IN EPSOM & EWELL – 10 September 2018

OPEN FORUM IN ADVANCE OF FORMAL MEETING VERBAL PUBLIC QUESTIONS

Question 1: Mike Houghton

Mr Houghton is a resident of Dirdene Gardens and yellow lines have been proposed outside his house in the current parking review and previously. He is grateful that the proposal in this review would not proceed, but asked whether the proposal could be re-submitted for a future review. He has requested a dropped kerb for off-street parking but this has been refused on safety grounds as he is near to a junction and he is concerned that if a yellow line is introduced he will have nowhere to park.

Response:

The Chairman responded that as there is an open process for the submission of requests for consideration in parking reviews it would not be possible to prevent a similar request being submitted. The divisional member indicated that she would be unlikely to support a request unless the situation changes and so there can be no guarantee. She undertook to see whether anything could be done to permit off-street parking.

Question 2: Residents of Lynwood Road

Lynwood Road residents are preparing to submit a request to the next parking review. They asked whether their proposals are likely to be agreed if a high majority of residents are in favour and if several suggestions are submitted which will be submitted to the review.

Response:

The Chairman responded that if the majority of residents are in favour the proposal will receive serious consideration. The divisional member indicated that she would be working with residents to ensure that the proposal most favoured by residents and considered to be suitable by the parking team was submitted to the review.

Question 3: Town Centre works

There were several questions from residents in relation to the highway work in Epsom town centre.

Responses:

The crossing near TK Max will remain in its current location. The signals are being replaced currently and it will reopen shortly.

The barriers currently in South Street were installed as a safety measure whilst motorists got used to the new road layout. They are being removed in stages and should be gone by Friday 14th. There are still issues to be resolved with the co-ordination of the lights by the Ashley Centre.

The works at the Spread Eagle junction will commence on 17 September having been slightly delayed by other works taking place in the vicinity.

Question 4: Tree in Providence Place

A resident was concerned that a tree was dangerous and blocking visibility.

Response:

The resident was invited to discuss with the Maintenance Engineer after the meeting.

Question 5: Epsom By-pass

A resident asked whether discussions had taken place with Chris Grayling over the possibility of building a by-pass around Epsom town centre.

Response:

No discussions have taken place, but it was felt that this would be highly unlikely to proceed on the grounds of cost and also that it would need to cross Epsom Common which is protected land.