

Elmbridge Parking Review 2019-20 – Petition responses and recommendations

The following table provides a summary of the petitions received, analysis of them, and our recommended actions. The leaders of the petitions will receive correspondence from the Parking Team informing them of this committee’s decision, reasons for the decision, and any other information considered helpful in each case.

Town	Road	Division	Request	Analysis	Recommendation
Cobham	Hogshill Lane	Cobham	To introduce parking restrictions on the eastern side of Hogshill Lane from the existing restrictions at the Tartar Road junction. Signed by residents of 7 properties.	Whilst it would undoubtedly cause problems if motorists were to park on the eastern side of the road as well as the accustomed parking on the western side, we do not have evidence of this happening on a regular basis.	Do not proceed with any proposals here as part of the current parking review. We would be happy to re-consider this in future, should parking patterns change.
School Road, Challoners Close	East Molesey	East Molesey and Esher	To carry out another consultation with residents of School Road and Challoners Close, to explain all of the options available with respect to residents parking.	We have carried out a consultation here as part of the Moleseys and Dittons parking review. The idea put forward as part of that review was explained sufficiently for residents to make a decision, and was as favourable to residents as it is possible to make. The consultation received only a 37% response rate. There seems little point in revisiting ideas that have been rejected previously.	Do not proceed with any proposals here as part of the current parking review.
Weston Green Road	Esher	The Dittons	To implement a residents parking scheme for Jubilee Villas, on Weston Green Road. Of 14 houses in Jubilee Villas 2 are vacant and 10 are very interested in permit parking to resolve the problems we face.	The residents of these properties do not have off street parking, and existing parking controls (or lack thereof) cause both problems for residents to find a parking space, and for traffic to flow along Weston Green Road.	Carry out an informal consultation regarding parking with residents as per plan provided in Annex 1. Progress this depending on outcome of the above.
Oxshott	Broom Hall	Hinchley Wood, Claygate and Oxshott	Request a parking restriction “No waiting 9.30-11am” from the white gates down to Silverdale Avenue. To prevent parking of up to around 17 vehicles near to the white gates from 6.45am onwards.	The parking near to the white gates does not appear to be problematic. It does not conflict with parking needs of residents, and provides some space for people that work in the town to park (for example). To remove these vehicles may cause them to be displaced to a less safe location. Given that the entirety of the rest of the road is essentially available for parents to park during pickup-drop off it seems unnecessary / undesirable to create space for another 10 or so vehicles to park here purely for that purpose.	Do not proceed with this idea. However, some controls are proposed in order to improve traffic flow and safety at ‘school times’. See Annex 1.

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Oxshott	Holtwood Road (two petitions).	Hinchley Wood, Claygate and Oxshott	Two separate petitions received requesting the implementation of double yellow lines on Holtwood Road, at the southern end on both sides up to the access to the Oxshott Village Centre, and continuing on the western side around the 90 degree bend, and on both sides at the bend. These measures are suggested in order to improve access and safety, and reduce congestion.	Parking here is particularly problematic at school times. Given that the road is of insufficient width to allow parking on both sides simultaneously, it seems reasonable to prohibit all parking at all times on one side. It is also beneficial to prevent parking on the inside of the 90degree bend for obvious reasons.	Proceed with this scheme as requested – see Annex 1 for details.
Oxshott	Oxshott Village / Holtwood Road / Goldrings Road (three petitions)	Hinchley Wood, Claygate and Oxshott	<p>Petitions ask that the ‘gaps’ in the yellow lines in Holtwood Road, and Goldrings Road are ‘filled in’ with the single yellow line as existed a few years ago, as all day parking by rail commuters currently prevents use of them by local workers.</p> <p>Petitions also ask that new yellow lines of the same type that already existing in Holtwood Road and Goldrings Road are extended to Silverdale Road and Broom Hall.</p> <p>Petition asks that a scheme is introduced to allow local workers to park on these yellow lines, perhaps with the use of a permit which would be distributed by the resident association and made free of charge or at very little cost, as there is currently insufficient space in the village car park to accommodate them.</p>	<p>There is no engineering reason to justify reintroducing the yellow lines that were previously removed. Doing so would also increase conflict between rail commuters and local workers in other roads.</p> <p>The idea of a worker permit scheme is interesting, and certainly has a well-intentioned rationale. Unfortunately, there is no such scheme operating on the roads within the county at the moment. A low income worker scheme has been adopted by at least one borough council, but is operated within their off street car parks and allows a reduced fee parking charge.</p> <p>At the moment the only permit schemes supported by our parking strategy are residents parking permits, and business permits (for vehicles required for the functioning of a business, not for ‘commuters’.) Requests for residents parking schemes already outstrip resource available to assess/develop/implement them. By approving a ‘local worker’ scheme here, it would be set a precedent across the county that could not be realised.</p>	Do not proceed with this idea at the current time. We are happy to engage with residents and businesses to explore any other ideas they may have further.

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Oxshott	Silverdale Avenue	Hinchley Wood, Claygate and Oxshott	Parking by local workers, school staff, and local contractors causes the road to be narrowed to single track use. This is exacerbated by school ‘pick up and drop off’ traffic and parking. The key concern for residents is parking across driveways, and access for emergency service vehicles. Yellow lines operating “Mon-Fri No waiting 9.30-11am” are requested, as per other surrounding roads, in order to prevent all day parking, to alleviate congestion.	It is evident that there are a few vehicles at the section nearest to Oakshade Road that park all day. Given that this interferes with traffic on the ‘school run’, and causes congestion we think it is appropriate to introduce some form of parking controls. It does not seem necessary to control the entire road at the current time, so we have developed some proposals that cover most of the road, up to the Broom Hall junction.	Proceed with proposal as defined in Annex 1.
West Molesey	Adecroft Way, Merton Way	West Molesey	Petition signed by local residents requests double yellow lines at the junction to prevent parking which compromises sightlines and safety.	Request is reasonable.	Proceed with proposal as defined in Annex 1.
Weybridge	Cricket Way	Walton South & Oatlands	Request for parking controls to prevent parking opposite driveways which makes it difficult for residents to get in and out of driveways, compromises visibility along the street, and at times makes the road impassable. Residents parking scheme requested (as an option).	Given that the properties on Cricket Way have ample off street parking, it would be in contravention of our policy to propose the idea of a permit parking scheme. Site observations did not uncover any significant problems, indeed there was no parking whatsoever at the far end of Cricket Way at the time of assessment. It was also observed that small notices had been erected, asking people not to park opposite driveways. There was little evidence of damage to verges which would indicate turning problems. This is not to say that we do not think there are problems at times, however it is difficult to promote a scheme as a priority which may be designed to solve a problem that happens only occasionally.	Do not proceed with any proposals here as part of the current review.

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