

GUILDFORD JOINT COMMITTEE

ITEM 5: PETITIONS AND PETITION RESPONSES

DATE: 18 NOVEMBER 2020

SUBJECT: NOT INTRODUCE RESIDENTS' PARKING PERMITS TO
SHALFORD VILLAGE

**DIVISION/
WARD(S)
AFFECTED:** SHALFORD

PETITION DETAILS:

We the undersigned petition Surrey County Council to stop any introduction of a residents' parking scheme in Shalford Village, potentially involving the purchase of residents' parking permits because: The purchase of a permit will not guarantee a space. In lockdown, there still weren't enough parking spaces in Station Road. We'd risk paying extra money to the council for no benefit. The annual permit fee is £130/2 cars but there is no guarantee this won't significantly rise yearly. Parking restrictions will inconvenience visiting family and friends and put off potential buyers. We'll become a suburb of Guildford, no longer a tranquil village. More road signs and markings will harm the street's character and reduce house values. There is no guarantee that, after buying permits, the council will not further reduce the available parking spaces without residents' agreement. If such a scheme is introduced, the council would be unlikely to reverse it, even if it fails to produce the hoped-for benefits for the residents. This petition supports keeping free street parking in Shalford Village and we urge the council not to introduce parking restrictions.

Lead petitioner: Cecilia Taylor, resident of Shalford
Number of signatures collected: 125

RESPONSE:

In relation to the petition: Not to Introduce Residents' Parking Permits to Shalford Village – we have noted the residents' support for an alternative solution to the issues and do not recommend a permit scheme is implemented.

RECOMMENDATION

The Joint Committee is asked to note the officer's response.

Contact Officer: Lisa Haydney, On-street Parking Co-ordinator, GBC

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