

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL

LOCAL COMMITTEE (EPSOM & EWELL)

DATE: 07 December 2020

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SUBJECT: EPSOM AND EWELL PARKING REVIEW (PHASE 13)

DIVISION: EPSOM AND EWELL



SUMMARY OF ISSUE:

To consider the introduction of new parking restrictions or changes to existing restrictions at various sites in Epsom and Ewell.

Since the introduction of Decriminalised Parking Enforcement (DPE) in May 2005, new parking / waiting restrictions in Epsom and Ewell have been introduced in twelve phases, with the most recent being implemented during 2020.

This report details locations and general proposals for the Phase 13 parking / waiting restriction review, to be progressed in 2021 and seeks approval to carry out statutory consultation on the proposals.

ANNEX 1 contains drawings detailing the suggested changes to parking restrictions, following the consideration of requests received since the last review went to committee in September 2019. Requests were received from both local councillors and the public alike and a statement of reasons is also included as part of this annex.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Local Committee (Epsom & Ewell) is asked to agree:

- (i) That the changes to parking restrictions and controls described in annex 1 should be introduced;
- (ii) That the committee contribute £13,000.00 funding towards the introduction of the proposals in Annex 1 from the 2019/2020 parking surplus.
- (iii) That the County Council's intention to make an order under the Road Traffic Regulation act 1984 be advertised and, if no objections are maintained, the order be made;
- (iv) That if objections are received, the Parking Strategy and Implementation Team Manager tries to resolve them.
- (v) If there are unresolved objections, in accordance with the County Council's scheme of delegation, the Parking Strategy and Implementation Team Manager, in consultation with the Chairman/Vice Chairman of this committee and the county councillor for the division, decides whether or

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not they should be acceded to and therefore whether or not the order should be made, with or without modifications.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is recommended that the waiting restrictions in this report are progressed as they will help to:

- Improve road safety
- Increase access for emergency vehicles
- improve access to shops, facilities and businesses
- Increase access for refuse vehicles, buses and service vehicles
- Reduce traffic congestion
- Better regulate parking

1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND:

- 1.1 Changes to the highway network, the built environment and society mean that parking behaviour changes and consequently it is necessary for a Highway Authority to carry out regular reviews of waiting and parking restrictions on the highway network.
- 1.2 In August 2008 the County Council, after recognising there was a need to devote specialist resources to parking problems around the county, formed a new centralised Parking Strategy and Implementation Team. This team carries out these reviews in consultation with local county members.
- 1.3 Following the introduction of Civil Parking Enforcement (CPE) in Epsom and Ewell amendments to waiting restrictions were prioritised into phases. Phases 1 to 12 have been largely implemented.

2. ANALYSIS:

- 2.1 Since the last parking review, the parking team collated all the new requests for changes to parking controls and restrictions within Epsom and Ewell.
- 2.2 The requests were assessed and any that had already happened, were unfeasible or impractical were eliminated. The rest were investigated and prioritised and the recommendations of the Parking Team for the changes to waiting and parking restriction proposals for Phase 13 are contained in ANNEX.

3. OPTIONS:

- 3.1 That the committee agree advertising all of the proposals in Annex 1
- 3.2 That the committee agrees advertising some of the proposals in Annex 1.
- 3.3 That the committee decides to not make any of the proposed changes, which means none of the acknowledged problems will be resolved.

4. CONSULTATIONS:

- 4.1 There have been no formal consultations carried out at this stage, for this review, but county councillors have been consulted during the development of the proposals.
- 4.2 Residents will be informed by way of local press, street notices and flyers of the proposals agreed by this committee.
- 4.3 Letters, FAQs and plans will be sent to residents within proposed resident permit schemes.

5. FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS:

- 5.1 The costs for implementation of the review (Phase 13) are likely to be about £23,000 and would be met jointly by the Local Committee and SCC Parking Team.
- 5.2 The SCC Parking Team can contribute up to £10,000, and the rest would need to be provided by the committee (approximately £13,000). This would come from the parking surplus generated in 2019/2020. The total surplus is reported as £41,970.00 with the Local Committee share being £25,182.16.
- 5.3 The proposals for a verge parking ban, as set out in the Phase 12 parking review, also came from the 2019/2020 parking surplus, as agreed by the committee, this was at a cost of £12,000. Leaving the committee with £13,182.16 to contribute to this parking review.
- 5.3 Epsom and Ewell Borough Council carry out the enforcement of on street parking restrictions for Surrey County Council. The county council ultimately has to pay for on street enforcement so any new restrictions should be carefully considered to make sure they do not place an undue burden on the existing enforcement costs.

6. EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS:

- 6.1 New disabled parking bays help improve access for disabled drivers.

7. LOCALISM:

- 7.1 Many of the new proposals in the report have been put forward by members of the community and their representatives.

8. OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

Area assessed:	Direct Implications:
Crime and Disorder	Set out below
Sustainability (including Climate Change and Carbon Emissions)	No significant implications arising from this report.
Corporate Parenting/Looked After Children	No significant implications arising from this report.
Safeguarding responsibilities for vulnerable children and adults	No significant implications arising from this report.

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Public Health	No significant implications arising from this report.
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8.1 Crime and Disorder implications

There should be fewer instances of obstructive parking as a consequence of the restrictions.

9. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 9.1 It is recommended that the committee agree to all of the proposals being advertised.

10. WHAT HAPPENS NEXT:

- 10.1 A Traffic Regulation Order will be advertised and public notices detailing the proposed changes will be displayed in the local press and on site. Notices will also be posted to all immediately affected residents.
- 10.2 Subject to any objections to the proposals being resolved, a traffic regulation order will then be made and the appropriate signs and lines installed to allow the restrictions to be enforced.

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Consulted:

As part of the statutory advertising period, residents will be notified of the proposals agreed by the committee.

Committee members have been consulted with regarding the proposals put forward for the main parking review.

Annexes:

Annex 1 – Statement of reasons and plans for the Epsom and Ewell Phase 13 parking review.

Sources/background papers:

- None
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