

CABINET (TRAFFIC AND PARKING) COMMITTEE

15 JULY 2014

TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER – STANMORE LANE, QUEENS MEAD AND  
WESTMINSTER GATE, WINCHESTER

REPORT OF ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (BUILT ENVIRONMENT)

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RECENT REFERENCES:

None.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

In conjunction with traffic signal and junction improvement works at the junction of Romsey Road and Stanmore Lane, Winchester by Hampshire County Council's Strategic Transport Group additional waiting restrictions in the immediate vicinity of the junction were requested to ensure the new signals work to their optimum capacity, to prevent obstructions at the junction with Oliver's Battery Road North and to benefit road safety in general.

Due to potential displacement of parked vehicles to immediately adjacent roads residents in these roads were also consulted as part of the proposal. Following initial consultations with residents proposals were formally advertised for new restrictions in Stanmore Lane and Westminster Gate.

Objections to the restrictions in Westminster Gate were received from parents of pupils at St Peter's School. A revised proposal is recommended which will maintain two parking spaces in Westminster Gate, thus mitigating some objections, whilst ensuring the rest of the road is kept clear for access and for the safety and benefit of all users.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1 That the waiting restrictions be introduced as detailed on the revised schedules and plans attached as Appendices G and H to the Report.
- 2 That the Head of Legal and Democratic Services be authorised to make the necessary Order.

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#### DETAIL:

##### 1 Introduction

- 1.1 In conjunction with traffic signal and junction improvement works at Romsey Road/Stammore Lane, Winchester being carried out by Hampshire County Council's Strategic Transport Group the City Council was instructed to implement a Traffic Regulation Order to introduce additional waiting restrictions on the approach to the signals on Stanmore Lane to prevent obstructions and ensure the new signals work to their optimum capacity, especially in conjunction with the proposed new school crossing patrol.
- 1.2 Due to potential displacement of parked vehicles to immediately adjacent roads residents in the vicinity were also consulted as part of the proposal. The residents of Monmouth Square, Queens Mead and Westminster Gate were consulted regarding the proposed restrictions for Stanmore Lane and asked if they would support restrictions in their roads. Only residents of Westminster Gate were in favour of new restrictions for their road.
- 1.3 Proposals were consequently drafted for new restrictions to be introduced in Stanmore Lane and Westminster Gate as detailed in Appendices A, B and C.
- 1.4 These were approved by Members and the police and were subsequently formally advertised on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2014 as per Appendix E.
- 1.5 11 objections were received in response to the notices, as summarised in Appendix F. These were all from parents of pupils at St Peter's School who use the road for parking when dropping off/collecting children from the school. Westminster Gate is a narrow cul-de-sac with no footways and vehicles parking inconsiderately can cause access issues. As there are no footways pedestrians have to either walk in the road or on the grass verge, with neither option being totally satisfactory. Despite these objections it is considered that restrictions should be introduced on access and safety grounds to reduce the potential conflict caused by pedestrians, especially young children, walking in the road and the possible conflict with other road users.
- 1.6 3 comments in support of the proposal were received from residents of Westminster Gate. (See Appendix F) Although in support of restrictions being introduced, the residents requested that no restrictions be placed in the small

parking area/turning space. This suggestion will maintain two parking spaces, thus mitigating some of the objections, whilst still ensuring clear access and safety of all users. This change is considered to be beneficial to all concerned and has been incorporated in the revised Schedule and Plan as attached in Appendices G and H respectively.

- 1.7 It must be noted that St Peter's School has been working closely with the local Members and Officers at Hampshire County Council on their School Travel Plan and are supportive of the proposal. It is intended that the new Park and Ride facility at Pitt Manor will include specific short-stay parking spaces which will benefit parents of St Peter's School and a new footpath is being constructed for access from the Park and Ride site. These measures should alleviate the need for parents to park in Westminster Gate and will be of benefit to all users of Oliver's Battery Road North and Stanmore Lane by reducing the number of vehicles using this route and especially reducing congestion at the local junctions. It is understood that the Park and Ride car park is likely to be available later this year/early 2015.
- 1.8 No comments were received in relation to the proposed restrictions along Stanmore Lane and the entrance to Queens Mead, which remain as originally advertised.
- 1.9 Although the objections are acknowledged it is still recommended to introduce the restrictions as revised and as set out in Appendices G and H.

#### OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

##### 2 COMMUNITY STRATEGY AND PORTFOLIO PLANS (RELEVANCE TO):

- 2.1 The proposal is in keeping with the Community Strategy in its attempt to provide a high quality environment and safe and strong communities.

##### 3 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

- 3.1 The cost of implementing the traffic regulation order and associated signs and lining works will be covered by the Traffic Management agreement with Hampshire County Council.

##### 4 RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES

- 4.1 Risks are fully considered as part of the assessment process of all Traffic Regulation Orders. The changes proposed are not believed to represent significant risks.
- 4.2 There is a possibility that vehicles will be displaced by the restrictions and will seek alternative areas to park on nearby roads. It must be noted that residents of Monmouth Square and Queens Mead are aware of this but were not in support of the introduction of additional restrictions as part of the current proposal. Should displaced vehicles prove to be a problem in these roads any

requests to introduce additional waiting restrictions will be added to the TRO programme requests list for future review and prioritising in line with other TRO requests.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:

None.

APPENDICES:

Appendix A – Copy of plan showing extent of original proposal for Stanmore Lane (Drawing No. 810402/288/001)

Appendix B – Copy of plan showing extent of original proposal for Westminster Gate (Drawing No. 810402/288/002)

Appendix C – Copy of Statement of Reasons and Schedule

Appendix D – Copy of proposal notice

Appendix E – Copy of proposed Order

Appendix F – Summary of comments received

Appendix G – Copy of revised plan showing extent of amended restrictions for Westminster Gate (Drawing No. 810402/288/002 Rev A)

Appendix H – Copy of revised Schedule

Appendix J – Copy of revised Order

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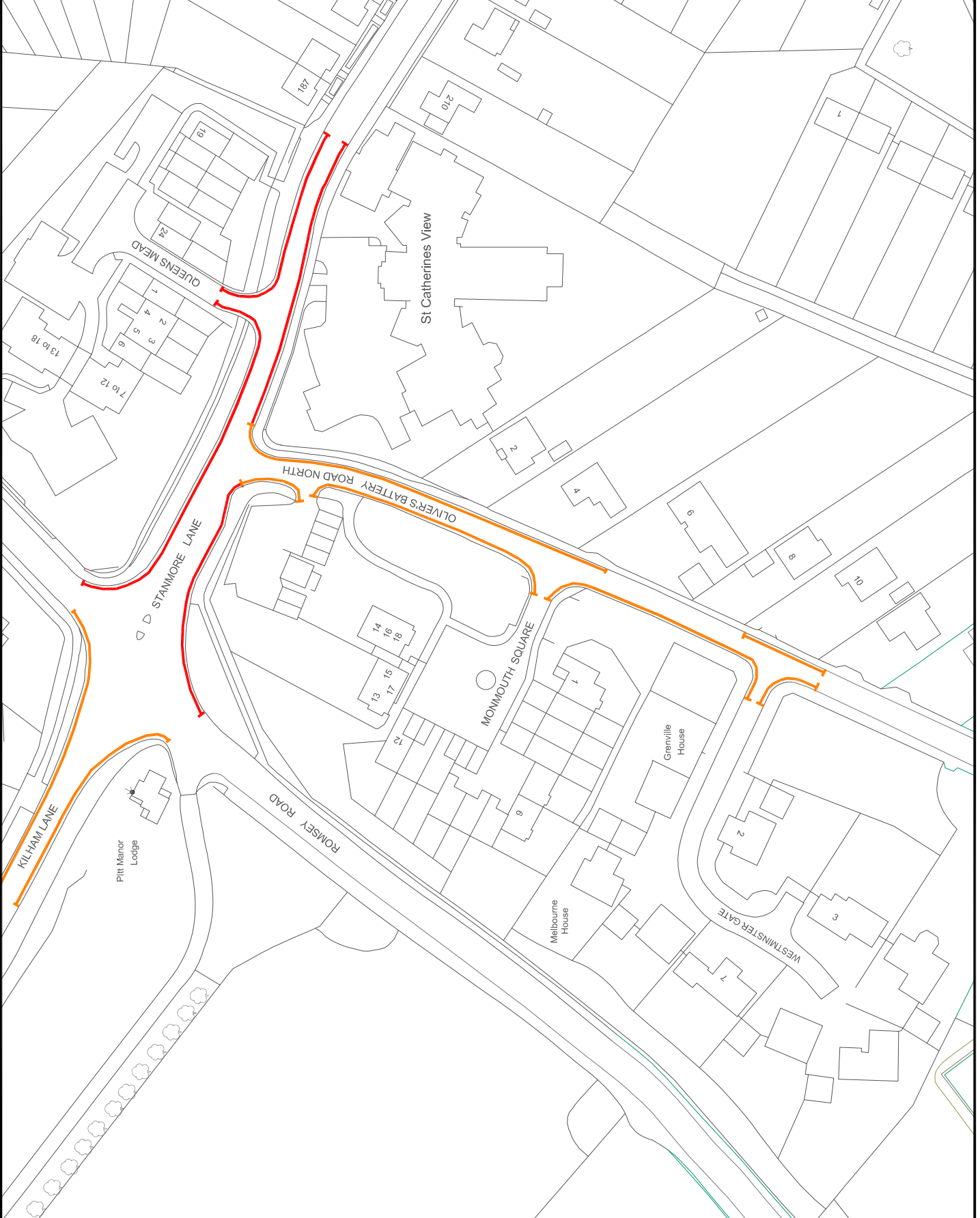


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 PROPOSED WAITING RESTRICTIONS  
 ROMSEY RD/STANMORE LA SIGNALS  
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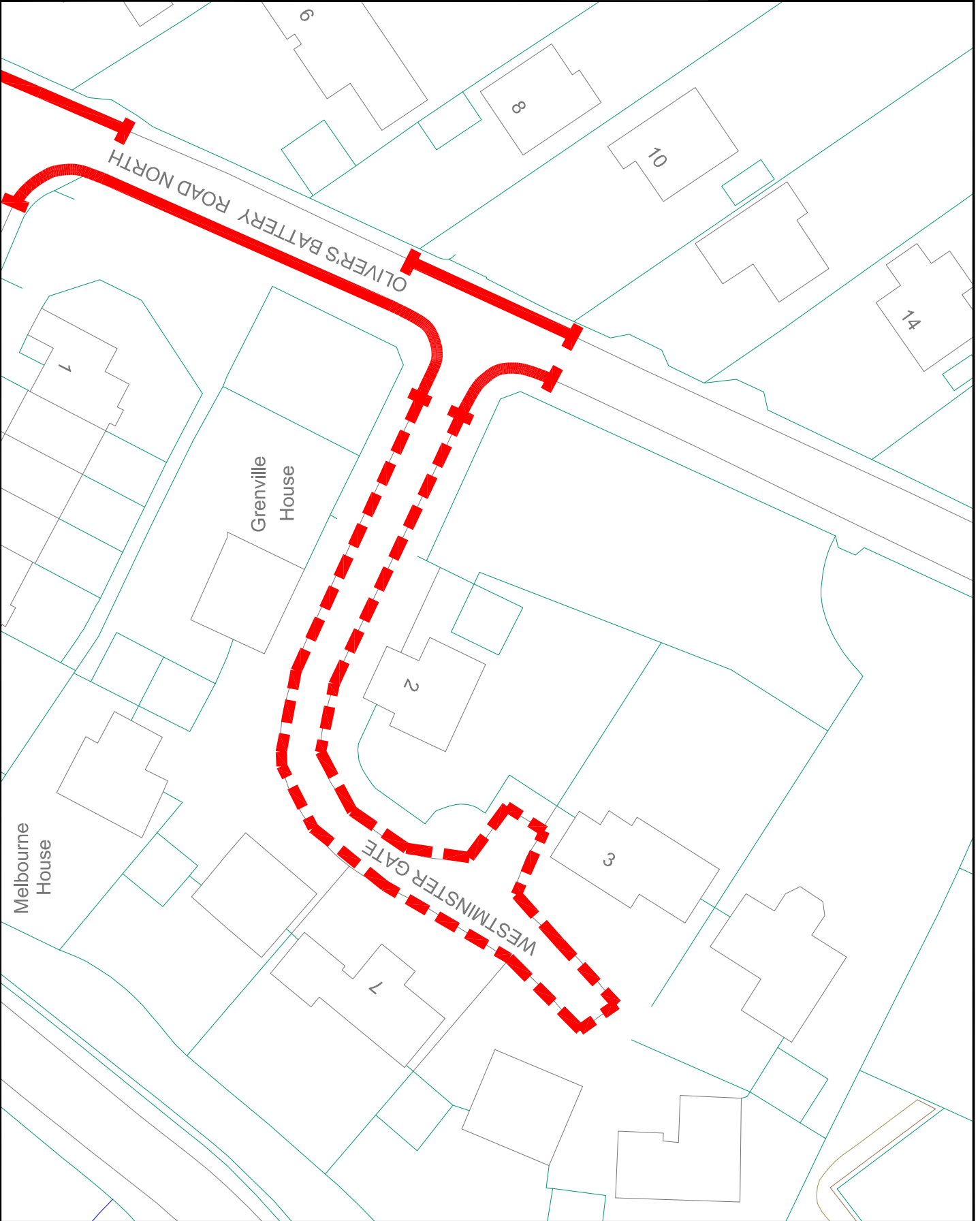


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Title:  
 POSSIBLE WAITING RESTRICTIONS  
 WESTMINSTER GATE  
 WINCHESTER

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**PROPOSED VARIATION TO:-**

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

THE HAMPSHIRE (VARIOUS ROADS, WINCHESTER)  
(PARKING PLACES AND RESTRICTION OF WAITING)  
(NO. 2) ORDER 2002

**STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR REVISION:-**

On traffic management and road safety grounds.

**NEW ITEMS**

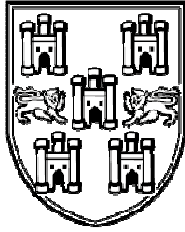
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QUEENS MEAD	BOTH	BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH STANMORE LANE AND A POINT 12.0 METRES NORTH OF THAT JUNCTION.	*

SCHEDULE *new*  
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<u>Road Name</u>	<u>Side</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Zone</u>
WESTMINSTER GATE	BOTH	BETWEEN A POINT 4.7 METRES WEST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH OLIVERS BATTERY ROAD NORTH AND A POINT 91.0 METRES WEST OF THAT JUNCTION - INCLUDING THE TURNING HEAD.	*





# Winchester

## City Council

# TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER

## Notice of Proposals of making of Various Road Traffic Regulation Orders Affecting the District of Winchester City Council

Winchester City Council as agents for Hampshire County Council proposes making the undermentioned road traffic regulation order:-

### **The Hampshire (Various Roads, Winchester) (Parking Places and Restriction of Waiting) (Controlled Zone) (No.2) Order 2012 (Variation No. 6) Order 2014**

The effect of this order will be to introduce no waiting in Stanmore Lane, Queens Mead and Westminster Gate, Winchester. Details are as follows:-

Road Name	Parish	Traffic Restrictions Proposed
Stanmore Lane and Queens Mead	St Luke	No Waiting at any time
Westminster Gate	St Luke	No Waiting 8am to 9am and 3pm to 4pm Monday to Friday

#### FURTHER DETAILS:

A copy of this notice, the proposed order, map showing the location and the effect of the proposal, a statement of reasons may be inspected during usual office hours at the following place:-

- City Offices, Colebrook Street, Winchester, SO23 9LJ

A copy of this notice and plan(s) showing extent of the proposal(s) are available to view online at:

[www.winchester.gov.uk/roads-highways/traffic-regulation-orders](http://www.winchester.gov.uk/roads-highways/traffic-regulation-orders)

**OBJECTIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS:** All objections and other representations in respect of this proposal must state the grounds on which they are made, and be received by 21<sup>st</sup> April 2014.

Objections and representations may be sent to the undersigned by:

- Email to [tro@winchester.gov.uk](mailto:tro@winchester.gov.uk)
- In writing to the undersigned below

Dated the 26<sup>th</sup> day of March 2014

H. N. Bone,  
Head of Legal Services  
Winchester City Council  
City Offices  
Colebrook Street  
Winchester  
Hampshire  
SO23 9LJ



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currently proposed by WCC



**Schedule 1**

Items to be inserted into  
**SCHEDULE II**  
No Waiting At Any Time

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**Schedule 2**

Items to be inserted as New  
**SCHEDULE 1 Part 8**

No Waiting 8am to 9am and 3pm to 4pm Monday to Friday

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WESTMINSTER GATE	BOTH	BETWEEN A POINT 4.7 METRES WEST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH OLIVERS BATTERY ROAD NORTH AND A POINT 91.0 METRES WEST OF THAT JUNCTION - INCLUDING THE TURNING HEAD.	*

Given this            day of            2014

THE COMMON SEAL OF WINCHESTER    )  
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 in the presence of :-                        )

**TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER - STANMORE LANE, QUEENS MEAD AND WESTMINSTER GATE, WINCHESTER**

**SUMMARY OF REPLIES TO FORMAL ADVERT - 26 MARCH 2014**

**SUPPORT**

Support the introduction of restrictions between 8am to 9pm and 3pm to 4pm. However along with others in Westminster gate would be grateful if the yellow lines are not placed in the bay between No.s 2 and 3 Westminster Gate.

Support the introduction of restrictions but also agrees that yellow lines should not be placed in the bay between No.s 2 and 3 Westminster Gate.

Supports the introduction of restrictions to ensure access to properties. As there is no footway in Westminster Gate the road is not suitable for walking in with children & prams etc with traffic driving through. Due to other restrictions being introduced in Stanmore Lane it will put more pressure on people to park in Westminster Gate. Vehicles and pedestrians causing damage to verge/front gardens. Also agrees that yellow lines should not be placed in the bay between No.s 2 and 3 Westminster Gate.

**OBJECTIONS**

The introduction of waiting restrictions in Westminster Gate will increase the risk of accidents for pupils of St Peters School as it will force parents to park in the adjacent, busier roads.

Will force parents to park in Olivers Battery Road North which only has a footway on one side and is only wide enough for a single buggy. Kings School children and St Peters School children are walking in opposite directions meaning Kings School children invariably step into the road to pass. This will be more dangerous if more cars are forced to park in O B Rd North.

The parents of St Peters School children have to park somewhere as many have no option but to drive to the school. They need to park somewhere. If Westminster gate and Stanmore Lane become 'no waiting' the problem will move to Minden Way, Walpole Road and Kilham Lane. Residents of Westminster gate should expect some parking if they chose to live near a school.

This area is home to both St Peters School and Kings School and it is reasonable to expect the local authority to make adequate parking provision for the needs of those dropping off and picking up (pupils) by car. Many of the residents living in the roads in the vicinity of the schools have off-street parking and those who are out at work will be un-affected by the school drop-off and pick-up times anyway. If you choose to live near a school then increased traffic morning and afternoon must be expected. A balance must be struck between the needs of residents and the needs of those using the schools in the area provided by the local authority.

As a parent of a young child at St Peters School it is imperative that I am able to park near the school in order to safely take them there. Parking near the school is at most for 45 minutes in the morning and again in the afternoon during weekdays in term time only. Those who live nearby are not being deprived of parking spaces as they all have off-street parking. The school is currently expanding to accommodate new pupils so any attempt to reduce the number of parking spaces available seems odd particularly with increased attendance expected soon. It goes without saying that anyone living near a school should expect a certain amount of parking near the school and that parking is not unreasonable but absolutely necessary for the welfare of young primary school aged children.

I understand that parents parking in Westminster Gate is undesirable for residents, however, given the large catchment of the only Catholic school in Winchester it means that a number of parents have to drive. Parking in this area is already in short supply and the additional restrictions in Westminster gate will just push the problem somewhere else, and increase safety concerns. More families will be forced to walk along narrow pavements in Olivers Battery Road North to wherever they have parked. This all seems at odds with the increase in pupil numbers at the school. Another short-sighted, short-term measure to please a few nimbys - similar to restrictions imposed in parts of Abbots Barton.

As St Peters School is a faith school it draws pupils from a far wider catchment than most primary schools and it therefore inevitably has a large number of parents who have no choice but to drive their children to school. Westminster Gate provides one of the safer parking areas near the school, for about 10 cars. By limiting parking in this area the Council will be pushing the traffic issues to roads further away and taking away what limited available parking there is to an already expanding school. Unless the Council comes up with some alternative close and safe parking I would strongly urge the Council to consider the need for parking for a couple of hours each day for twenty or more parents before making this order.

As a grandparent of two boys at St Peters School, which has been on the site for 40+ years, I am writing to object to any further restriction on waiting in the area of the school because of the difficulty this will cause to deliver and collect children to and from the school with SAFETY. When the houses in Westminster Gate were built the school was already in existence and thus the short term inconvenience of waiting cars at the beginning and end of the school day was already apparent.

As the parent of 3 young children who attend St Peter's School it is imperative that we are able to park near the school in order to take them safely there. The welfare and safety of young children and their parents must surely be given priority and there has to be a duty of care given to us by Winchester City Council. Any parking near the school is only short term in the morning and afternoon on weekdays during school term, and does not affect residents commuting. Most residents have off-street parking and are therefore not being deprived of parking. The school is currently expanding so any attempt to reduce the number of parking spaces available seems odd. It goes without saying that anyone living near a school should expect a certain amount of parking near a school which is not unreasonable but absolutely necessary for the welfare of young primary school aged children.



We have 2 children at St. Peter's Primary School on Olivers Battery North, and are shortly due to have a baby. We are not fortunate enough to live close to the school and therefore it is necessary to drive several times a week to drop off and collect. I should note that we do use the school bus service regularly but not twice a day, every day. There is already a parking problem with lots of traffic congestion. I worry about the safety of the children and think that if we had to park further away this would be even more of a concern. The welfare and safety of young children and their parents must surely be given priority and there has to be a duty of care given to us by Winchester City Council. Further we would hope that the Council would resist any attempts to make attendance at school harder. Any parking is only for a maximum of 45 minutes twice a day, parents are mindful of the residents and try to be as unobtrusive as possible. Furthermore it is only during the week and not during school holidays.

I am a parent of a pupil at St Peter's Roman Catholic Primary School. As the Council is fully aware, being a faith school this school has the largest catchment area of any primary school within Winchester. It is therefore inevitable that it has a large number of parents who are obliged to drive their children to school. Its surrounding roads also provide some of the most limited parking of any of the Winchester schools. Westminster Gate currently provides approximately ten parking spaces for parents at drop off in the morning (8am - 9am) and pick up in the afternoon (3pm - 4pm).

As considerate people we are fully aware that this is not the most pleasant of times for the residents of Westminster Gate for whose benefit this Order is clearly being made. However, I would point out firstly that they were fully aware when they purchased their houses that they were purchasing close to the school; secondly that the issue is for two hours out of twenty four five days a week; and finally that there are thirteen weeks of the year when they are not troubled by school traffic.

On the other hand many of us have no option, but to park in order to take our children safely into school. We have young children who are not capable of doing their own seat belts up, little ones who need to go in buggies etc etc. There are no safe locations nearby to park and by restricting parking in this area further the Council will be clogging up other roads. Parents are obliged by law to take their children to school. Many parents at this school are obliged to drive their children there. Where exactly does the Council propose we safely park in order to ensure our children get safely to school?

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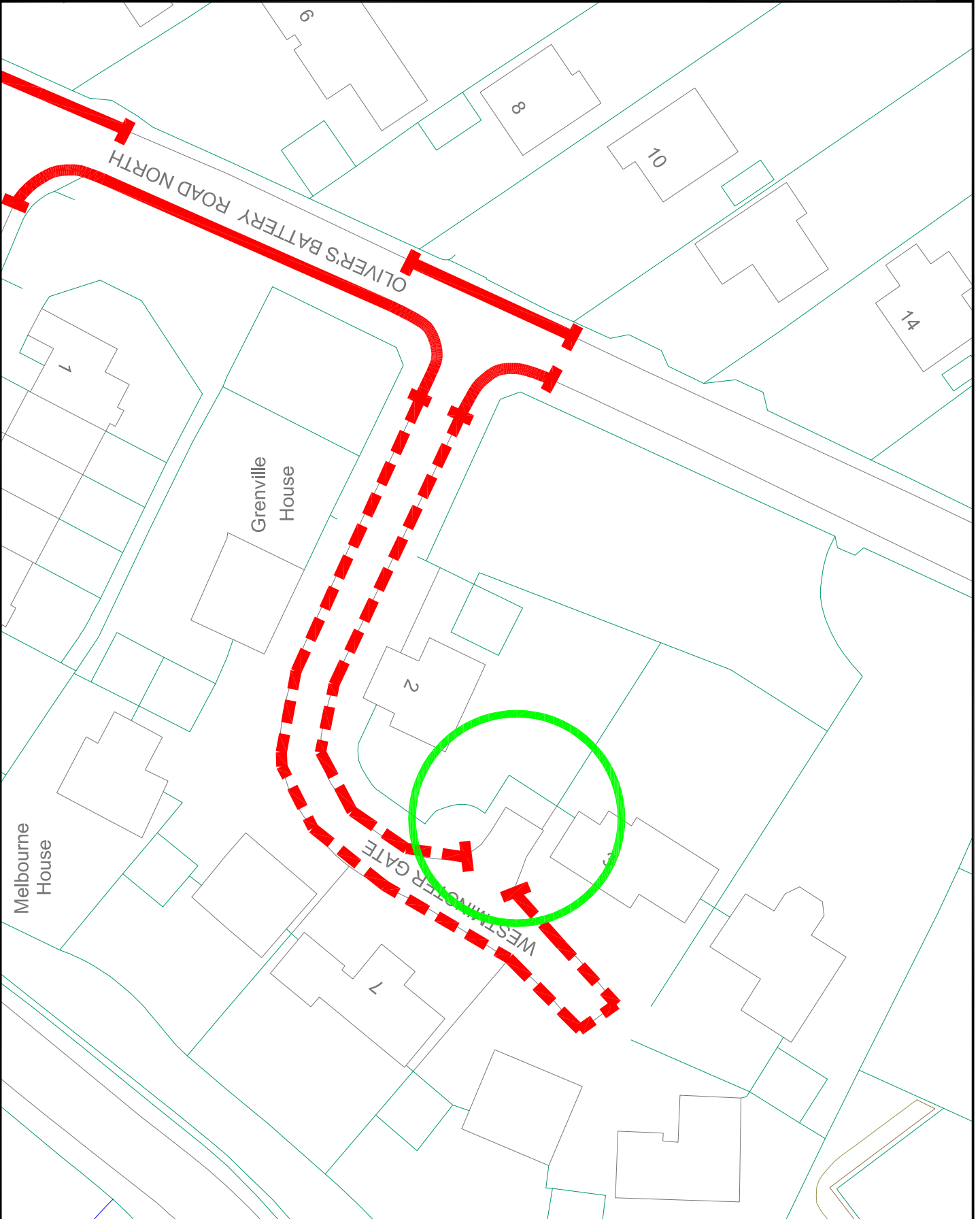
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WESTMINSTER GATE	SOUTH	BETWEEN A POINT 4.7 METRES WEST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH OLIVERS BATTERY ROAD NORTH AND A POINT 68.0 METRES WEST OF THAT JUNCTION.	*
WESTMINSTER GATE	SOUTH	BETWEEN A POINT 75.0 METRES WEST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH OLIVERS BATTERY ROAD NORTH AND A POINT 91.0 METRES WEST OF THAT JUNCTION.	*





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