

CABINET (TRAFFIC AND PARKING) COMMITTEE

PROPOSED PARKING RESTRICTIONS, VARIOUS ROADS WHITELEY

TABLE OF OBJECTIONS AND COMMENTS RECEIVED

REF	OBJECTION/COMMENT	RESPONSE
1	Welcomes the proposal as in the last two years the parking has become much worse. It does not go far enough however, and cars will still park on the footway/cycleway	The double yellow lines apply to the highway boundary so wherever the yellow lines are applied, they will also be enforceable for cars that park on the footway/cycleway
2	There was a lack of consultation with people who have to park on Solent Way. There are insufficient transport links to Whiteley and the parking problem will be moved elsewhere. Most people are happy with the situation and the footways are accessible	The public advert constitutes the formal consultation process. There is public transport to Whiteley but this may not be as convenient a car journey. There may eventually need to be much more widespread restrictions but for now the immediate safety issues are being addressed. The number of complaints received did not indicate that other road users were happy with the current situation. The footways are rarely accessible
3 and 7	There has been no consultation with the companies and no surveys of the root cause. The problem will be moved elsewhere. There are insufficient public transport links. New job candidates will be discouraged and current employees may leave. No consideration for the economic impact. The business may have to leave Whiteley	The public advert constitutes the formal consultation process. Surveys were not needed to establish the level of obstruction and issues caused by parking on the public highway. There is public transport to Whiteley but this may not be as convenient as a car journey. The businesses may be encouraged to act if the parking issues are a recruitment barrier. The Council wants to work with the Town Council, members and businesses to identify options to increase off-street parking provision.

4	<p>There has been a lack of consultation with the businesses. There are insufficient public transport links. The problem will be moved elsewhere</p>	<p>The public advert constitutes the formal consultation process. There is public transport to Whiteley but this may not be as convenient as a car journey. There may eventually be a need for more widespread restrictions, but for now the immediate safety issues are being addressed. The Council wants to work with the Town Council, members and businesses to identify options to increase off-street parking provision.</p>
5	<p>There has been a lack of consultation with people who park on Solent Way. There are insufficient public transport links. The problem will move elsewhere. There has not been any solution offered to the parking problem. One side of Solent Way could be left for parking. Cars should not park on the footpath</p>	<p>The public advert constitutes the formal consultation process. There is public transport to Whiteley but this may not be as convenient as a car journey. There may eventually be a need for more widespread restrictions but for now the immediate safety issues are being addressed. The City Council does not own any land to be used for car parking but see comment 4 above. Some parking areas have been left unrestricted along Solent Way. There are also areas within the privately owned areas of road which have double yellow lines but which could accommodate more parking if the land owners removed the lining.</p>
6, 8 and 14	<p>There has been a lack of consultation with businesses and business users. There is insufficient parking for all the workers and further restrictions will move the problem elsewhere. There is no alternative transport. Proper parking provision should have been made before the developments were allowed. There needs to be a park and ride.</p>	<p>The public advert constitutes the formal consultation process. There are public transport links but these may not be as convenient as using a car. There may eventually be a need for more widespread restrictions but for now the immediate safety issues are being addressed. The parking provision in the vicinity of Solent Way is clearly not utilised effectively. The Council wants to work with the Town Council, members and businesses to identify options to increase off-street parking</p>

		provision.
7	See reference 3	
8	See reference 6	
9	Recently visited a business in the area and had to park half a mile away. The parking proposals will make business more difficult and stunt growth	Many of the companies have visitor parking which forces their staff to park on the public highway. The businesses need to engage to help solve the problem. The Council wants to work with the Town Council, members and businesses to identify options to increase off-street parking provision.
10	Parking in the estate is underestimated and people will struggle to get to work. Will consider leaving their job as the public transport would take too long to get to work. Needs to take a car due to child care responsibilities.	It is never possible to know exactly how much parking will be required for each unit as their use differs with different companies. This is why the individual businesses need to cooperate with finding solution. Individuals always make choices regarding transport according to personal circumstance. The Council wants to work with the Town Council, members and businesses to identify options to increase off-street parking provision. .
11	The parking problem will move elsewhere if yellow lines are introduced. This will include Leafy Lane where parking is getting worse. Public transport is non-existent. A suitable solution needs to be found	There may eventually be a need for more widespread restrictions but for now the immediate safety issues are being addressed. Leafy Lane already has parking restrictions which are in force on weekdays. There is public transport to Whiteley but this may not be as convenient as a car journey. The businesses need to be involved in any solution and so far they have been reluctant to engage. There will continue to be the opportunity for the local businesses to engage to try and resolve the issue. As stated above the Council wants to work with the Town Council, members and businesses to identify options to increase off-street

		parking provision.
12 and 18	The legal precedent does not state what by-laws are being breached. There is no physical evidence to support the proposal. Public money should not be spent on this and this is illegal to do so. Solent Way is unadopted. The plan does not allow for existing bus stops. There has been no consultation and no alternative solution offered. Whiteley Town Council has not put forward a coherent plan and a working group needs to be established.	There are no by-laws being breached. A traffic regulation order is not a by-law. The photographic evidence and complaints support the proposal. The majority of Solent Way is adopted highway. The existing bus stops are covered by bus stop clearways which are not affected by the double yellow lines. Whiteley Town Council is actively engaged with the businesses and City Council to look at other ways of providing off-street parking.
13	As a resident they support the plan but are concerned that the parking will migrate to Rookery Avenue near the school. There is already a problem with parking near the school	The area of Rookery Avenue near the school entrance is would come under the responsibility of Hampshire County Council, as it is outside the district boundary but there are already some restrictions on Rookery Avenue at this point.
14	See reference 6	
15	Supports the proposal and thinks there should be more double yellow lines as the parking is dangerous	The parking situation is continually monitored at Whiteley and restrictions are introduced as necessary.
16	There has been no consultation with the people who need to park there. The problem will move elsewhere. There is insufficient public transport to Whiteley. It is unreasonable not to help people who need to park there so a car park should be built	The public advert constitutes the consultation process. There are public transport links but these may not be as convenient as a car. There may eventually be a need for more widespread restrictions but for now the immediate safety concerns are being addressed. There will continue to be dialogue with local businesses to try and resolve the issue.
17 and 19	The proposals may force more people to park in the residential areas in Whiteley and the shopping centre car parks. There are poor	If the residential areas become affected by displaced parking then further measures may be required but this would be a separate scheme. There

	public transport links and poor infrastructure. A park and ride facility or a bus from the train station would help	are public transport links but these may not be as convenient as using a car. Long term there may be scope to provide a Park and Ride or other options which provide off-street parking but this will require funding and land which is not available at present
18	See reference 12	
19	See reference 17	
20	The proposals will seriously impact local businesses. Public transport is poor and traffic is a key factor when trying to recruit employees. Customers will also be affected. Have tried to introduce car share and flexible working but this has had a limited uptake. The road should be widened to provide parking bays	The businesses so far have shown little appetite to actively engage in discussions about ways to increase off-street parking. If recruitment becomes an issue they may wish to be engage in finding solutions. The Council wants to work with the Town Council, members and businesses to identify options to increase off-street parking provision There are areas of yellow lines within the privately owned roads where additional parking could be provided but the businesses would have to approach the land owners. Public funds will not be used to widen the road
21	There was no consultation with the businesses that rely on the on-street parking. There is a lack of alternative parking and public transport. The pedestrians using the footway are only visiting the business park so this is not a sensible solution. Working and operating a business in Whiteley will be very unattractive	The public advert constitutes the formal consultation process. The businesses should not rely on using on-street parking. There are public transport links but these may not be as convenient as using a car. The assumption that the only pedestrians who use the footways are visiting the business park is not accurate as this is a link to the local school. The Council wants to working with the Town Council, members and businesses to identify options to increase off-street parking provision..

22 and 27	There is limited parking availability around the offices and restrictions will significantly increase the problem. It is not clear what safety concerns the restrictions are addressing as Solent Way is a dead-end. Alternative parking must be provided.	There are empty spaces around the offices and some yellow lines could be removed in the privately owned areas to allow more parking. Although Solent Way is a dead-end it is a busy road when considering all the accesses and large vehicles having to negotiate the parked vehicles to deliver to the various industrial units. The parking around the various accesses completely obscures visibility for emerging traffic and the footway is completely inaccessible in places
23	If the yellow lines are introduced the objector will not be able to work at Whiteley as there is no facility to park anywhere else. There are no bus routes and there will be major disruption for the company.	There will still be some areas Solent Way which do not have restrictions and there are under utilised parking areas within the privately owned car parks. There are public transport routes but these may not be as convenient as using a car. The Council wants to work with the Town Council, members and businesses to identify options to increase off-street parking provision.
24 and 25	No consultation was carried out There is a severe lack of parking so without an alternative place to park they will struggle to get to work and this will cause major disruption.	The public advert constitutes the formal consultation process. There is parking space available within the privately owned areas and some of the yellow lines in the privately owned areas could be removed to allow additional parking.
25	See reference 24	
26	Parking restrictions are not a solution to the shortage of parking. They will not be able to carry on working in Whiteley if yellow lines are enforced. There will be massive disruption	The parking restrictions are being proposed to prevent the obstructive parking which is occurring. The various companies need to engage to help find a solution which may help their own staff and business. The Council want to working with the Town Council, members and businesses to identify options to increase off-street parking provision.

27	See reference 22	
28	<p>Parking restrictions will have a detrimental effect on the businesses. On-street parking will be displaced. There is no justification for the restrictions and no alternative has been made to mitigate the impact of the proposals. Hampshire County Council has stated that parking issues are of low priority unless there are accidents, so this TRO cannot be justified.</p>	<p>The various companies need to engage to help find a solution to the issue and a possible alternative. The restrictions are required on safety grounds and are justified due to the obstruction of visibility and physical obstruction of the footway and cycleway which shows no consideration for pedestrians or cyclists</p>
29	<p>There is a major issue with the lack of parking and the problem will be increased with restrictions. There is no evidence of safety issues. Solent Way is a dead end without vast amounts of walkers or cyclists. Alternative parking should be provided.</p>	<p>There are empty spaces around the offices and near other industrial units which appears to indicate that the parking overall is under utilised. Solent Way may be a dead-end but it accesses numerous businesses, some of which require large vehicles to deliver and who have complained at the lack of access. Walkers and cyclists from other parts of Whiteley use the route.</p>