

Timeline of Previous Consultations & JTB Recommendations – Capel Road, Sittingbourne

- February 2007 - Request received from resident for waiting restrictions to be installed to tackle high number of parked vehicles in Capel Road. Proposals prepared in conjunction with proposals for Brenchley Road, following request from Head Teacher of School, which could have displacement issues on Capel Road.

Proposals for Capel Road consisted of a single yellow line on south side of road with restrictions between 10:00-11:00am Monday to Friday, plus double yellow lines on junctions of Whitehall Road, Oast Court and Bell Road.

Informal consultation undertaken. 28 letters sent out, 15 returned, 10 supporting proposals and 5 objections.

- March 2007 – JTB considered report and recommended that further consultation be undertaken.
- October/November 2007 – Second consultation undertaken with residents of Capel Road, with revised proposals consisting of double yellow lines for corner protection only. 28 letters sent out, 13 returned, 11 supporting proposals and 2 objections.
- December 2007 – JTB considered report and recommended that proposals be progressed.
- February 2008 – TRO Swale Amendment 4 Drafted and Advertised – no formal objections received. TRO progressed and double yellow lines installed April 2008.
- March 2012 – Request received from residents for parking restrictions to be installed to tackle issues with parked vehicles between No.19-29 Capel Road due to narrow road width causing conflict with vehicles travelling in opposite directions. Also reported problems with vehicles parking in Whitehall Road, close to junction.

Informal consultation undertaken, 28 letters sent out, 20 returned, 14 supporting proposals, 4 objecting and 2 undecided.

- June 2012 – JTB considered report and recommended that proposals be progressed.
- July/August 2012 – TRO Swale Amendment 4B Drafted and Advertised
- September 2012 – Formal Objection petition presented to JTB, objecting to double yellow lines but supporting an option for single yellow lines. JTB recommended that the proposals be removed from the TRO and further consultation be undertaken.

Meeting with officers, Ward Member and petitioner on site to discuss possible options.

- May/June 2013 – Informal Consultation undertaken with residents on revised proposals for combination of reduced length of double yellow lines, single yellow lines (Mon-Fri 8:30am-

9:30am and 2:30pm-5:00pm, parking bays (Mon-Sat 8:00am-5:00pm, 1 hour parking, no return within 2 hours) and new double yellow lines in Whitehall Road. Consultees included residents of Capel Road, Whitehall Road and Hanover Close.

18 responses were received, 14 supporting the proposals, 3 objecting and 1 undecided.

- September 2013 – Results of Informal Consultation reported to JTB. Members recommended that proposals be progressed.
- October 2013 – TRO Swale Amendment 8B Drafted and Advertised. Two Formal Objections received.
- December 2013 – Formal Objections reported to JTB. Members recommended TRO be progressed.
- March 2014 – New restrictions installed on site.
- July 2016 – Petition submitted to Chair of JTB from 23 residents in western end of Capel Road stating that parking problems have been experienced since the introduction of waiting restrictions further along Capel Road. The petition stated that parked vehicles had increased at the western end of Capel Road following the introduction of waiting restrictions at the eastern end, and also stated that vehicles were parking inconsiderably on the footways. A recommendation was made to officers to undertake informal consultation with residents on proposals to improve the situation.
- August 2016 – Informal Consultation undertaken based on two options – Option A to install double yellow lines throughout the western end of Capel Road and Option B to install a single yellow line (08:00 – 18:00 Mon-Fri) throughout the western end of Capel Road.

Of the 80 properties consulted, 16 responses were received, 1 supporting Option A (double yellow lines), 5 supporting Option B (single yellow lines) and 10 objecting to all proposals.
- September 2016 – Report submitted to JTB with a suggested recommendation to abandon any proposals due to poor response rate. Members considered report and recommended that item should be deferred to December 2016 to allow Ward Members to engage with residents to encourage higher response to consultation.
- December 2016 – Following Ward Members delivering letters to all properties in Capel Road, the informal consultation was extended. Despite Ward Members encouraging residents to respond, only 1 response with two names was received by Ward Members, and 3 responses (1 duplicate response to Ward Members) were received by officers.
- December 2016 – Results of Informal Consultation reported to JTB, and Members recommended that proposed restrictions be abandoned.
- March 2019 – Petition and 2 public speakers attended JTB to request existing limited waiting bays in Capel Road be changed to Residents Parking Permit bays.