

SWALE JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD	Agenda Item: 10
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Meeting Date	Monday 21 st June 2021
Report Title	Formal Objections to Traffic Regulation Order – Swale Amendment 23 2021
Cabinet Member	Cllr Richard Palmer, Cabinet Member for Communities
Head of Service	Martyn Cassell, Head of Commissioning, Environment and Leisure
Lead Officer	Brett O’Connell (SBC)
Classification	Open

Recommendations	<p>Members are asked to note the formal objections and comments received to the advertised Traffic Regulation Order and recommend that:-</p> <p>The proposed parking amendments and waiting restrictions in Abbey Street/Abbey Place, Faversham be installed as per the Traffic Regulation Order Amendment 23 2021.</p>
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1. Purpose of Report and Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report provides details of objections and comments received in relation to the recently advertised Traffic Regulation Order, Swale Amendment 23, which covers various amendments to on-street waiting restrictions and parking in Abbey Street and Abbey Place, Faversham.

2. Background

- 2.1 A Traffic Regulation Order has been drafted for amendments to on-street waiting restrictions and parking in Abbey Street and Abbey Place, Faversham. The Statement of Reason summarising the contents of the Order, amendments to the Order and proposed plan can be found in Annex A.

3. Issue for Decision

- 3.1 A member of the Abbey Neighbourhood Association (ANA) submitted a document to the JTB in March 2020 proposing alterations to the parking in Abbey Street and Abbey Place. The proposed alterations include three small areas along Abbey Street where double yellow lines are to be installed creating “passing places” where vehicles can pull in if confronted by a vehicle travelling in the opposite direction. The

proposals also included an extension of an existing parking bay in Abbey Street and a new bay in Abbey Place for two vehicles.

- 3.2 An informal consultation took place in October 2020 and it received 67 responses. 42 of these responses supported the proposals, 22 objected and 3 did not specify either way. The results of the consultation were submitted in a report to the JTB in December 2020. The JTB recommended the proposals be progressed.
- 3.3 A Traffic Regulation Order has now been advertised stating the details of the proposals. The consultation received 12 comments, 6 of which supported the Order and 6 objected. Comments from the consultation were varied, and a copy of the formal objections, indications of support and comments received can be found in Annex B. Any reference to property addresses or personal details has been blocked out or deleted for data protection purposes.

4. Recommendation

- 4.1 Members are asked to note the formal objections and comments received to the advertised Traffic Regulation Order and recommend that: -

The proposed parking amendments and waiting restrictions in Abbey Street/Abbey Place, Faversham be installed as per the Traffic Regulation Order Amendment 23 2021.

5. Implications

Issue	Implications
Corporate Plan	Improving Community Safety through safer Highways.
Financial, Resource and Property	Cost of Advertising Made Order, Cost of Installing Lines and Signs on site.
Legal and Statutory	Sealing of Traffic Regulation Order by Kent County Council.
Crime and Disorder	None at this stage.
Risk Management and Health and Safety	None identified at this stage.
Equality and Diversity	None identified at this stage.
Sustainability	None identified at this stage.
Health Implications	The introduction of double yellow lines as “passing places” throughout Abbey Street could have a positive impact on the mental health of drivers by reducing stress levels and potential

	<p>incidents of road rage.</p> <p>However, parking areas that are to be removed due to the proposed installation of double yellow lines, may have some negative effect on mental health as some residents may be forced to park further away from their properties, potentially increasing the distance to walk at night.</p>
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6. Appendices

- 6.1 Annex A – Statement of Reason, Contents of Am23 Order and Plan
- Annex B – Copy of Formal Objections, Indications of Support & Comments

7. Background Papers

- 7.1 None