

SWALE JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Meeting Date	Monday 7 th September 2015
Report Title	Possible Waiting Restrictions – The Street, Boughton-under-Blean
Cabinet Member	Cllr David Simmons
SMT Lead	Dave Thomas
Head of Service	Dave Thomas
Lead Officer	Mike Knowles (SBC)
Classification	Open

Recommendations	<p>Members are asked to consider the results of the recent informal consultations and recommend that Officers:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Include the double yellow lines across the Gas Lane entrance in the next Traffic Regulation Order• Abandon the proposed double yellow lines between 179 and 191 The Street
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Purpose of Report and Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report provides a summary of informal consultation results with residents and statutory consultees on proposed amendments to waiting restrictions in The Street, Boughton-under-Blean.

2 Background

- 2.1 The requests for two sets of additional double yellow lines have come from bus operators and residents of Gas Lane, off The Street.
- 2.2 A copy of the consultation material for the proposals can be found in Annex A.

3 Issue for Decision

- 3.1 Details of the consultation results and comments received can be found in Annex B.
- 3.2 A request was received from several residents of Gas Lane, which has access off of The Street, for a short section of double yellow lining to be installed across the entrance to their road. There is currently a non-enforceable white bar marking

across the access and problems have been reported with parked vehicles obstructing the entrance.

- 3.3 Shortly after this request was received, we were approached by the Stagecoach Bus Company with a request for some additional double yellow lining further along The Street. The bus company had reported that their vehicles were experiencing difficulties travelling along The Street due to parked vehicles, resulting in some congestion issues and vehicles being forced to reverse.
- 3.4 A site meeting subsequently took place with officers from Swale Borough and Kent County Council, Parish and Ward Councillors and Stagecoach to discuss the issues and possible amendments to the waiting restrictions. Following this meeting, a proposal to extend the existing double yellow lines on the south side of The Street by approximately 25 metres between 179 and 191 The Street was prepared, and an informal consultation took place with local residents and formal consultees on these proposals and the proposed double yellow line across the entrance to Gas Lane. A copy of the consultation material can be found in Annex A, and the results of the consultation can be found in Annex B.
- 3.5 Of the 37 properties consulted, 19 responses were received, 7 supporting the proposals and 12 objecting.
- 3.6 Boughton-under-Blean Parish Council stated that due to the timescale of the informal consultation and their scheduled meetings, they would be unable to respond with comments in time for the June JTB report deadline. For this reason, it was agreed that the report to the Joint Transportation Board would be deferred until the September 2015 meeting. A copy of the Parish Council's response can also be found in Annex B.
- 3.7 The informal consultation produced a wide range of comments and suggestions, although there were no major objections raised to the proposed double yellow lines across the access into Gas Lane. It is felt that there is insufficient support from residents in the area to progress the proposed extension to the double yellow lines on the south side of The Street between 179 and 191.
- 3.8 Members of the Board are requested to note the comments and objections received and recommend that Officers include the double yellow lines across the Gas Lane entrance in the next Traffic Regulation Order. Members are also asked to recommend that Officers abandon the proposed extension to the double yellow lines between 179 and 191 The Street.

4 Implications

Issue	Implications
Corporate Plan	Improving Community Safety through safer Highways.
Financial, Resource and Property	Costs associated with Traffic Regulation Order, and necessary lining.
Legal and Statutory	Traffic Regulation Orders to be sealed 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.

5 Appendices

5.1 The following documents are to be published with this report and form part of the report:-

- Annex A – Copy of Consultation Material
- Annex B – Results of Consultations

6 Background Papers

6.1 None