

SWALE JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD	Agenda Item:
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Meeting Date	Monday 7 th December 2015
Report Title	Informal Consultation – Proposed Double Yellow Lines, Chalkwell Road, Sittingbourne
Cabinet Member	Cllr David Simmons
SMT Lead	Dave Thomas
Head of Service	Dave Thomas
Lead Officer	Mike Knowles (SBC)
Classification	Open

Recommendations	Members are asked to note the contents of this report and recommend that the proposed extension to the existing double yellow lines be abandoned.
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Purpose of Report and Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report provides a summary of a recent informal consultation with residents of Chalkwell Road in Sittingbourne, on proposals to extend the existing double yellow lines along a short section of the road.

2 Background

- 2.1 A request was received for the existing double yellow lines in Chalkwell Road, Sittingbourne, to be extended on the odd numbered side of the road between the Staplehurst Road roundabout and the access road between Nos.33 and 35 Chalkwell Road.
- 2.2 Problems have been reported with vehicles parking part on the footway at this location in close proximity to the front of the properties, resulting in some pedestrians with pushchairs being forced into the carriageway.

3 Issue for Decision

- 3.1 A copy of the consultation material can be found in Annex A. Of the 22 letters sent out to properties in the area, a total of 9 responses were received, 4 supporting the proposals and 5 objecting. A summary of the written responses can be found in Annex B.
- 3.2 In addition to the returned consultation leaflets, a Ward Member for the area visited individual properties to gauge support for the proposals. Of the 29 properties visited, 10 supported the proposals, 15 objected, 1 was undecided and 3 were not in.

- 3.3 The responses received have highlighted the severe problems experienced in Chalkwell Road with lack of on-street parking capacity for residents in the area. As adjoining roads are also either saturated with parked vehicles or have waiting restrictions, it is difficult for residents to find alternative locations to park. Most, if not all, of the responses supporting the proposals have come from properties with off-street parking facilities.
- 3.4 Members are asked to note the contents of this report and recommend that the proposed extension to the existing double yellow lines be abandoned..

4 Implications

Issue	Implications
Corporate Plan	Improving Community Safety through safer Highways.
Financial, Resource and Property	None at this stage.
Legal and Statutory	None at this stage.
Crime and Disorder	Police can continue to tackle obstruction issues.
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 Annex A – Copy of Consultation Material
Annex B – Summary of Consultation Results

6 Background Papers

- 6.1 None