

Meeting Date	Monday 7 th December 2015
Report Title	Fairview Road Area, Sittingbourne – Parking Review
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.
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Purpose of Report and Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report provides a summary of the recent informal consultation with residents and property owners in the Fairview Road, Lavender Court, Aubretia Walk, Heather Close and East Street areas of Sittingbourne.

2 Background

- 2.1 A petition containing 45 signatures was presented to the Swale Joint Transportation Board at the September 2015 meeting. Mr Lynch, a resident from the area who presented the petition, stated that he considered that parking in this area caused health and safety issues, and access for emergency vehicles was difficult.

3 Issue for Decision

- 3.1 Following the petition, an informal consultation leaflet was prepared and sent out to properties in and around the Fairview Road Area. A copy of the leaflet can be found in Annex A, and a plan showing the distribution area of the leaflets can be found in Annex B.
- 3.2 As well as the pre-paid return address on the leaflets, there was also the facility for residents to respond to the questionnaire on line via the Swale website. The closing date for responses was 20th November 2015.
- 3.3 A total of 151 leaflets were hand delivered to properties within the consultation area. At the time of writing this report a total of 37 completed questionnaires and 7 on line responses had been received, providing a response rate of 29%. Any update on these numbers will be reported verbally at the Joint Transportation Board meeting.
- 3.4 An initial study of the results suggests that the majority of reported parking problems occur during the daytime, and it is generally perceived that this problem is caused

by commuters and staff working nearby. At the time of writing this report, 17 responders thought that a Residents' Parking Scheme would help the parking situation, and 7 felt it would not.

3.5 The results are in the process of being compiled and analysed and a full report will be submitted to the Joint Transportation Board in March 2016.

3.6 Members are asked to note the contents of this report.

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	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 Annex A – Copy of Consultation Leaflet
Annex B – Distribution Area

6 Background Papers

6.1 None