
Meeting: Delegated Decisions by the Executive Member for Community Services on Traffic Regulation Orders

Date: 25 August 2015

Subject: Brookes Road and Greenways, Flitwick – Consider Objections to Proposed Waiting Restrictions

Report of: Paul Mason, Head of Highways

Summary: This report seeks the approval of the Executive Member for Community Services for the implementation of waiting restrictions in Brookes Road and Greenways, Flitwick

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Public/Exempt: Public

Wards Affected: Flitwick

Function of: Council

CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

Council Priorities:

The proposal will improve road safety and improve the amenity of the area for residents.

Financial:

These works are being funded from the Council budget allocated to minor traffic management and parking schemes.

Legal:

None from this report

Risk Management:

None from this report

Staffing (including Trades Unions):

None from this report

Equalities/Human Rights:

None from this report

Community Safety:

The proposal will improve road safety for all road users.

Sustainability:

None from this report

RECOMMENDATION(S):

- 1. That the proposal to introduce am/pm type Waiting Restrictions in Brookes Road, together with No Waiting at any time near to junctions be implemented as published.**
- 2. That the proposal to introduce 1 hour and 3 hour Limited Waiting with an exemption for resident permit holders in the Brookes Road shops layby be implemented as published.**
- 3. That the proposal to introduce am/pm type Waiting Restrictions in Greenways be approved, but that they are implemented at the south-eastern end and north-western end only, leaving a section in the middle unrestricted. Parking will be monitored after implementation and if necessary the full restrictions be implemented within two years of the original publication of the proposals.**

Background and Information

1. A petition submitted by residents of Brookes Road and Greenways was considered at the Delegated Decisions Meeting on 11 August 2014. It was recommended that, subject to funding, the parking situation in Brookes Road be assessed in more detail, including adjacent roads such as Greenways, and a consultation exercise be undertaken to determine residents' favoured options.
2. Other roads in this area of Flitwick already have parking restrictions aimed at addressing commuter parking and it is clear that some of the parking in Brookes Road and Greenways is by railway commuters. The Council has received reports of buses having severe difficulties getting through Brookes Road due to parked cars. In addition, there have been requests to introduce some form of time limited parking outside the Brookes Road shops to encourage a higher turnover of parking.
3. A consultation exercise was undertaken to determine the level of local support for parking controls and the preferred type of restriction. The headline results were as follows:-
 - 66% of residents responded.
 - 82% have experienced parking problems in their street.
 - 79% want something done about parking.
 - 64% (68% Brookes Road, 56% Greenways) of those who stated a preference favour single yellow line am/pm restrictions.
 - 36% (32% Brookes Road, 44% Greenways) of those who stated a preference favour residents permit parking.

4. It is clear that a majority of residents who responded want some form of parking control. Whilst not overwhelming, a majority of respondents in both roads favour the am/pm single yellow line type of restriction. As a result, it was decided to proceed with that in most lengths of road.
5. The single yellow line type of restriction would not be appropriate near to the shops, and some of the businesses asked for short-stay parking to prevent people parking there all day and encourage a higher turnover of parking. As a result, the Council is proposing 1 hour parking immediately outside the shops and 3 hours parking opposite. In both cases, operational 7 days a week between 8am and 6pm, so that parking is unrestricted overnight. The time limited parking would obviously affect residents that park in the immediate area, so a small permit parking zone was proposed, which would exempt permit holders from the time limits. Permits would not be available to the business owners or they would take up space that should be available to customers. The 3 disabled spaces would remain and would have no time limit.
6. The waiting restrictions proposals were formally advertised by public notice in June 2015. Consultations were carried out with the emergency services and other statutory bodies, Flitwick Town Council and the Ward Members. Residents were individually consulted by letter and public notices were displayed on street.

Representations and Responses

7. A total of ten representations have been received as follows:-
Brookes Road – 3 representations, all of which are opposed to the proposal.
Greenways – 5 Representations, all of which object to the proposal.
Brookes Road shops lay-by – 2 representations, both expressing concerns.
8. Copies of all representations can be found in Appendix C. The main points of made by the objectors are summarised below:-

Brookes Road

- a) The restrictions will create serious problems for those people who have inadequate off-road parking and need to leave their cars on-street all day. Shift workers and those who work in London and use the train will be unable to park near to their homes because they will be unable to move them at lunchtime.
- b) The parking issues are not serious with few commuter cars parked in Brookes Road and they do not create a problem.
- c) A large majority of residents were against the proposals or did not respond.
- d) If yellow lines are introduced, residents would like to be able to apply for permits.

9. Brookes Road shops layby

- a) The parking area was provided for the shops and flats above, but is used by commuters and carers.
- b) A large number of carers vehicles can be parked outside the shops all day and overnight.

Greenways

- a) When residents submitted the petition they wanted the grassed areas to be converted to parking areas, rather than parking restrictions.
- b) The restrictions will create serious problems for those people who have inadequate off-road parking and need to leave their cars on-street all day.
- c) There are a number of residencies in Greenways that have no off-road parking of any kind, so would be severely affected by the proposal.
- d) Some would prefer permits if they were at a suitable price.
- e) Some have suggested that they would rather the parking be left as it is presently rather than having single yellow lines.

10. Central Bedfordshire Highways' response to the points above are as follows:-

Brookes Road

There are a total 64 residencies in Brookes Road, with 18 being flats or bungalows located immediately adjacent to the Brooks Road layby and eligible to apply for a residents permit.

It is acknowledged that the restrictions would create problems for those people who have inadequate off-road parking and need to leave their cars on-street all day. There are some small parking areas that would not be restricted in any way. If the restrictions were introduced there would be no solution to this as it would not be possible to have permits to exempt them for the yellow line restriction. Residents' permits would require a permit parking zone, which only 32% of respondents to the earlier consultation favoured.

Brookes Road is relatively narrow and there have been clear issues of parked cars obstructing larger vehicles, such as buses and lorries delivering goods to the Brookes Road shops. Residents have provided photographic evidence and on-site observation would confirm this. Most of this occurs towards the south-eastern end of Brookes Road with progressively less parking towards the north-western end of the road.

Looking at the results of the preliminary consultation; of the total 64 residencies, 44 responded to the preliminary consultation. 26 (59%) of them favoured the published single yellow line restriction, 12 (27%) favoured a permit scheme and the remaining 6 (14%) stated no preference or wanted no change.

As part of the statutory process all residencies and businesses were formally consulted on the chosen option and only 5 responded of which only 3 are opposed to the proposal. This would indicate that a large majority of those living in Brookes Road are in favour of the published proposals.

Brookes Road shops layby

There are 18 flats or bungalows located immediately adjacent to the Brooks Road layby and eligible to apply for a residents permit. There are 5 businesses who were consulted, but would not be eligible for a permit.

The businesses are concerned about long term parking, which denies space for their customers. The proposed time limits should help, particularly in respect of removing commuter vehicles. There are clearly concerns about carer vehicles who would normally be able to apply to the Council for a special permit to allow them to park in residents permit zones.

No replies were received from those living adjacent to the shops who would be eligible to apply for a residents permit.

It is hoped that the proposals will improve the situation in this area. Also the introduction of restrictions in Brookes Road itself and the consequential removal of commuter parking itself will provide scope to park on one side in the morning and the other side in the afternoon.

Greenways

There are a total 46 residencies in Greenways, including 3 in Brunswick Gardens.

There are significant areas of wide verges on the outer circumference of Greenways that could in theory be converted into parking bays. This would have the benefit of allowing parking on both sides of Greenways, thereby significantly increasing parking capacity. However, this would be costly, particularly if underground services needed to be re-located. The provision of parking facilities in residential areas is not a priority for the Council's highway service, whose main focus is on the safe and efficient management of the road network.

There is a larger grass area on the inner circumference of Greenways, but the conversion of that area to parking is unlikely to be feasible due to the height of the grassed area and likely concerns about loss of open amenity space.

There do appear to be a number of households, possibly 10-15 in number, that have no off-road parking. There are, however, two blocks of garages located in Greenways.

Looking at the results of the preliminary consultation; of the total 46 residencies, 31 responded to the preliminary consultation. 14 (45%) of them favoured the published single yellow line restriction, 11 (36%) favoured a permit scheme and the remaining 6 (19%) stated no preference or wanted no change. It is accepted that this does not represent overwhelming support for the published parking restrictions.

As part of the statutory process all residencies and businesses were formally consulted on the chosen option and only 5 responded, which may suggest that the majority of local people are satisfied with the published proposals.

11. Bedfordshire Police have raised no objection to the proposals.

Conclusion and Recommendations

12. The area can be split in three as the circumstances in each are different.

Brookes Road

There is a clear need to tackle parking in this road due to reports of obstruction to larger vehicles. The proposed yellow line restriction appears to have support from most residents. Regrettably, some people will be inconvenienced, but there remain roads within walking distance that currently have no parking controls. Parking in Greenways is an option if restrictions are not introduced in that road. The proposed single yellow line restriction will only apply from Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm, so parking will remain unrestricted during the evening and weekends. It is recommended that the restrictions be implemented as published.

Brookes Road shops layby

The published proposal should help business owners by encouraging a higher turnover of parking. Residents living in the immediate area will be able to obtain a permit to exempt them from the time limits and there have been no concerns about that. The issue of parking by carers is difficult to resolve, but the published proposals will generally allow more short/medium stay parking. It is recommended that the restrictions be implemented as published.

Greenways

The case for parking controls is less clear in this road because it is not used as a through route and there is no requirement for larger vehicles, such as buses, to use it on a regular basis. In addition, there is less public support for parking controls. The options would appear to be:-

- a) Implement the restrictions as published.
- b) Implement the published restrictions at the south-eastern end and north-western end, leaving a section in the middle unrestricted. This would provide a degree of parking control, but still retain some on-street parking for those with no parking facilities. It could be that this partial scheme will work because commuters will not park on the unrestricted length due to residents already being parked there and/or commuters falsely believing that the whole road is covered by the single yellow line restriction.
- c) Do nothing, which may result in displacement of commuter parking from Brookes Road and possibly residents of Brookes Road who wish to avoid falling foul of the restrictions in their own road.

With option b) or c) the Council would have the option to implement the full restrictions within two years of the proposals being published. The officer recommendation is option b)

13. If the approved the works are expected to take place within the current financial year.

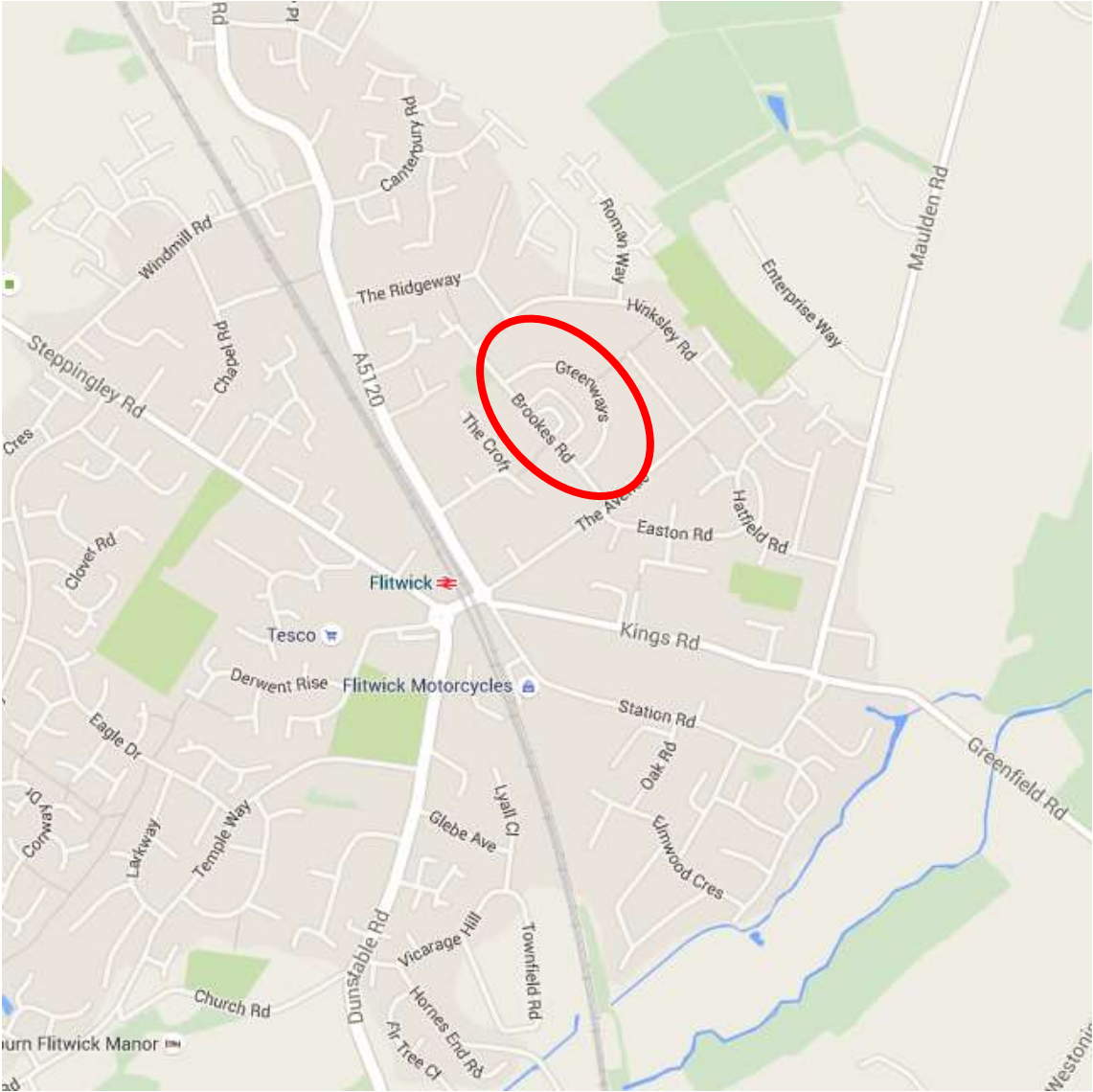
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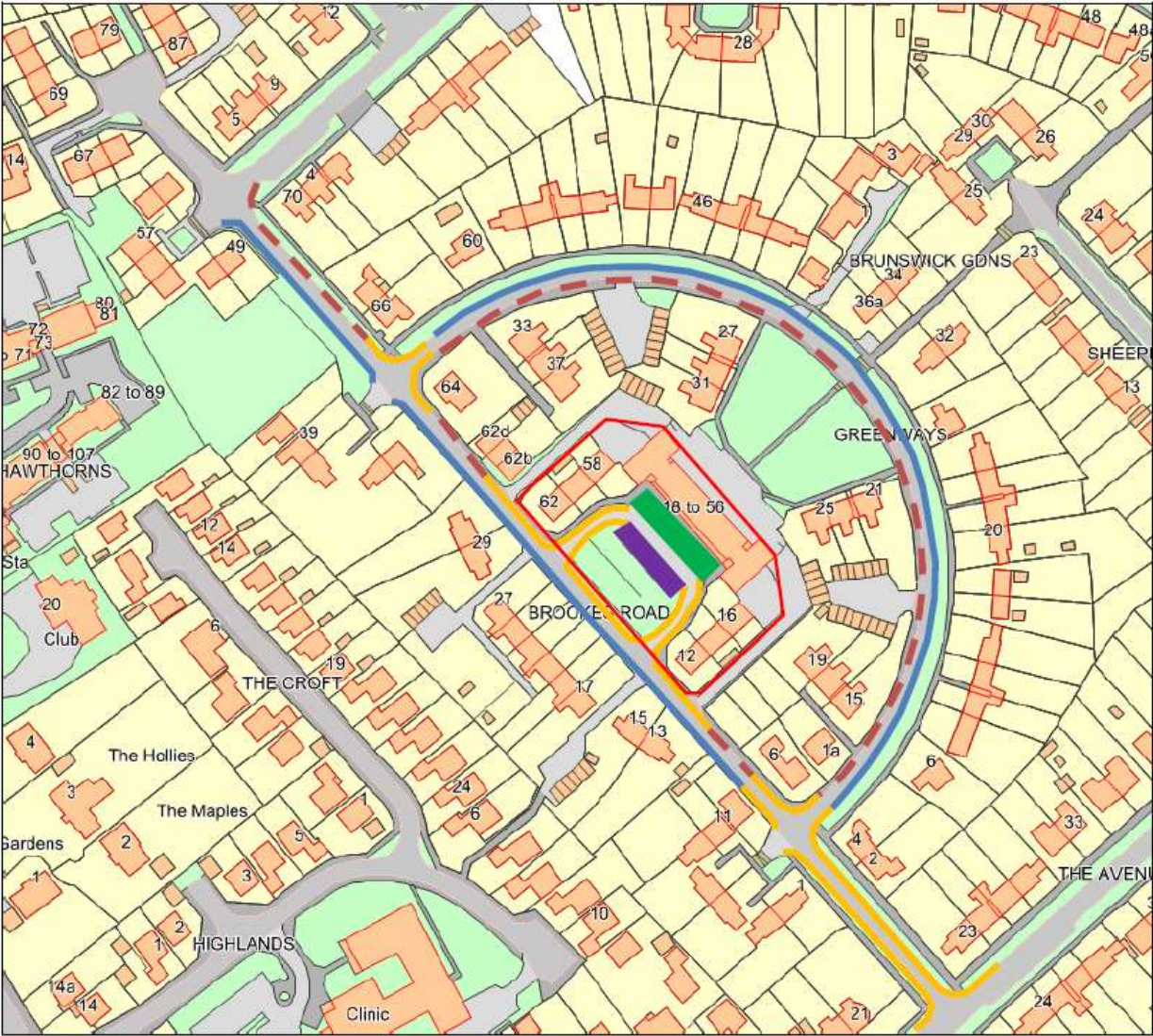
Appendix A – Location plan and Drawing of Proposal

Appendix B – Public Notices of Proposals

Appendix C – Objections and representations

Appendix A





- - - No Waiting Mon-Fri between 9am and 12noon
- No Waiting Mon-Fri between 1pm and 4pm
- No Waiting at any time
- 30 minutes Limited Waiting with No Return within 2 hours between 8am and 6pm except residents' permit holders and one Disabled Parking Space
- 3 hours Limited Waiting with No Return within 2 hours between 8am and 6pm except residents' permit holders and two Disabled Parking Spaces
- - - Residents' permit parking zone eligibility boundary

PUBLIC NOTICE



**CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL PROPOSES TO INTRODUCE
WAITING RESTRICTIONS IN BROOKES ROAD AND GREENWAYS, FLITWICK AND
A RESIDENTS' PERMIT PARKING SCHEME NEAR THE BROOKES ROAD SHOPS, FLITWICK**

Reason for proposal: The proposed Order is considered necessary for facilitating the passage of traffic on the road and for preserving or improving the amenity of the area through which the road runs. The restrictions are intended to address indiscriminate parking by non-residents. The proposals also include the provision of time limited parking in the service area to the front of the shops, with an exemption for residents' permit holders.

Effect of the Order:

To introduce No Waiting at any time on the following length of road in Flitwick:-

1. Brookes Road, north-east side, from a point approximately 27 metres north-west of the south-east flank wall of no.6 Brookes Road extending in a north-westerly direction to a point approximately 6 metres south-east of the north-west flank wall of no.62d Brookes Road.
2. Brookes Road, north-east side, from a point approximately 5 metres north-west of the south-east flank wall of no.64 Brookes Road extending in a north-westerly direction to a point in line with the south-east flank wall of no.66 Brookes Road.
3. Brookes Road shops front access road, both sides, the entire length except for the designated parking areas on the north-east and south-west sides.
4. Greenways (northern end), both sides, from its junction with Brookes Road extending in a north-easterly direction to a point in line with the rear wall of no.64 Brookes Road.

To introduce No Waiting from Monday to Friday from 9am to 12noon on the following lengths of road in Flitwick:-

1. Brookes Road, north-east side, from a point approximately 7 metres north-west of the south-east flank wall of no.6 Brookes Road extending in a north-westerly direction for approximately 20 metres.
2. Brookes Road, north-east side, from a point approximately 6 metres south-east of the north-west flank wall of no.62d Brookes Road extending in a north-westerly direction to a point approximately 5 metres north-west of the south-east flank wall of no.64 Brookes Road.
3. Brookes Road, north-east side, from a point in line with the south-east flank wall of no.66 Brookes Road extending in a north-westerly direction to a point in line with the south-west flank wall of no.70 Brookes Road.
4. Greenways, south-west side (inside of semi-circle), from a point in line with the rear wall of no.64 Brookes Road extending in a clockwise direction to a point approximately 1 metre south-west of the rear wall of no.6 Brookes Road.

To introduce No Waiting from Monday to Friday from 1pm to 4pm on the following lengths of road in Flitwick:-

1. Brookes Road, south-west side, from a point approximately 7 metres north-west of the south-east flank wall of no.6 Brookes Road extending in a north-westerly direction to a point approximately 7 metres north-west of the front wall of no.49 Brookes Road.
2. Greenways, north-east side (outside of semi-circle), from a point in line with the rear wall of no.64 Brookes Road extending in a clockwise direction to a point approximately 1 metre south-west of the rear wall of no.6 Brookes Road.

To introduce 1 hour Limited Waiting with No Return within 2 hours from Monday to Friday between 8am and 6pm, except Residents' Permit Holders, on the following length of road in Flitwick:-

1. Brookes Road shops front access road, in the designated parking area on the north-east side, except for the disabled parking space.

To introduce 3 hours Limited Waiting with No Return within 2 hours from Monday to Friday between 8am and 6pm, except Residents' Permit Holders, on the following length of road in Flitwick:-

1. Brookes Road shops front access road, in the designated parking area on the south-west side, except for the disabled parking spaces.

Residences eligible to apply for a permit to park in the Residents Permit Parking spaces identified above:-

Properties nos.12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, 50, 52, 54, 56, 58, 60 and 62 Brookes Road.

To introduce Parking Places for Disabled Badge Holders only on the following lengths of road in Flitwick:-

1. Brookes Road shops front access road, in the designated parking area on the north-east side, from a point approximately 16 metres south-east of the north-west end of the parking area extending in a south-easterly direction for approximately 3 metres.
2. Brookes Road shops front access road, in the designated parking area on the south-west side, from south-east end of the parking area extending in a north-westerly direction for approximately 3 metres.
3. Brookes Road shops front access road, in the designated parking area on the south-west side, from north-west end of the parking area extending in a south-easterly direction for approximately 3 metres.

Further Details may be examined during normal office hours at the address shown below, viewed online at www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/publicstatutorynotices or tel. 0845 3656116.

Comments should be sent in writing to the Transportation Manager, Central Bedfordshire Highways, Woodlands Annexe, Manton Lane, Bedford MK41 7NU or e-mail centralbedsconsultation@amey.co.uk by 3 July 2015. Any objections must state the grounds on which they are made.

Order Title: If made will be "Central Bedfordshire Council (Bedfordshire County Council (District of Mid Bedfordshire) (Civil Enforcement Area and Special Enforcement Area) (Waiting Restrictions and Street Parking Places) (Consolidation) Order 2008) (Variation No.*) Order 201**"

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Appendix C

Brookes Road

Hi I am a little concerned with the proposal of introducing of yellow lines, restricted parking down Brookes Road in Flitwick. I live at number xx Brookes Road and my family and I will find it very difficult with parking outside our house if lines were to be put into effect. I work nights so it would be very difficult for me to have to keep moving my car throughout the day, from one side to the other. Also we have three drivers in our household all with cars and my daughter is about to learn so therefore very shortly would be four cars to find parking spaces for. We have a little colder sack for parking for the residents in our block but obviously this does not even accommodate the six houses let alone partners and siblings parking. We as residents would of preferred parking permits if anything. Is there any possibilities that even with yellow line residents can apply for parking permits for outside their property. Look forward to your reply and hope my concerns are noted many thanks

I currently live at xx Brookes Road, Flitwick and have just received a letter about the proposed parking restrictions on Brookes Road. My house has no private parking. I commute every day by train to London, so leave my car at home during the week outside my house. If this goes ahead as planned, it will leave my property with no parking areas within a several of hundred meters of my property.

I feel it is unreasonable to expect a 3 bedroom house to have nowhere in several hundred meters to park a single car. I object to this proposals and request that it is reconsidered to make it workable not just for me but the other properties on the street that also do not have private parking of their own.

I would like to make some comments and objections on the proposed parking restrictions for Brookes Rd and Greenways.

[1] It is not right to penalise the residents because of a lack of affordable parking at the train station.

[2] A large minority responded against restrictions or were not bothered, 47.2%.

[3] My household has 4 vehicles and no recognised driveway, (dropped kerb)

[4] No permits are given to no. 64.

[5] We all work various shifts and away on the train sometimes, so it would be impossible to move vehicle from one side of the road to another if we're not here, and not fare if we have done late/night shift.

[6] I feel very strongly that these restrictions are unnecessary , and the commuters who park here are no problem, quite the opposite as the slow the cars down who frequently speed up our road.

[7] People allways get irate if others park in 'their' street and i think this is the issue rather than parking being a problem.

[8] The money would be better spent maintaining our road and disintegrating pavements.

Thank you for replying to my earlier e-mail. Further to my comments I would like to add some more points.

(1) This week, I was at home all week and I made a check on day time parking and observed 4 commuter cars parked in Brookes Road monday to thursday and 3 on friday. Absolutely no parking problems.

(2) If I or any of my family were to go out in the morning and leave our car, there would be no way of coming back to move it for the restrictions and we would be forced to park our vehicles in other streets a long way from our residence. This would be a huge problem and obvious security concerns.

I would like to to reiterate what a waste of time and money I believe this to be, and dearly hope it does not come about.

Greenways

Please be advised that I wish to object to yellow lines and parking restrictions in Greenways Flitwick, I originally organised the petition which was handed to Councillor Charles Gomm, In which 99% of us residents all duly signed.

You are now inflicting yellow lines on us, which is not the common opinion to most of the community in the Greenways.

We wanted parking bays putting in on the grass not yellow lines.???? This obviously costs money, so therefore is not the cheapest option for you???

Putting the above restriction on us is the "cheapest and easiest way for you " not what the residents want. I believe it to be free residents permits that we require by talking with all the residents and extra parking bays.

It also means that if as a resident you don't have a driveway and need to park on the road you are stuffed if you want to go out for a day without your car and will get penalised by having a parking ticket. This is clearly not the solution.....????? Is it?????

If you forget to move your car accidentally you also get a ticket so therefore are the council/highways actually listening to what was out in the original petition ??? I think not???

Your comments are welcomed.

hi, after ringing you today, i am objecting to the yellow lines around Greenways in flitwick beds mk45 1da, at the moment i am having to go to hospital quite a lot , and i get taken there, so my car is left parked on the road outside my house, so what ever the time my appointment is, it is likely that i wouldnt be able to move it at the times it is needed to be moved,

in my opinion and of my husbands , and of my 2 daughters that park on the road, i also have another 2 children that will be at some point be driving (so 6 people against) , this will cause more hassle to the residents that do park on the road , that live in the Greenways, we would prefer permits if a suitable price per year , also not if penalized for having more than one car per household that is parked on the road,

failing that to leave as it is , and let the commuters win , as they are too tight to pay for parking

We write this as occupiers of xx Greenways for over 20 years and although we appreciate that action must be taken we completely dismiss these current proposals. The reason these proposals have come to fruition is due to 'indiscriminate parking by non-residents,' however the proposals for the Greenways are themselves wholly indiscriminate and dreadfully flawed. They lack in depth considerations of specific scenarios which certain households will face and merely seek to brush the issue out of a certain area for it to reappear again in another. Any proposals should be rid of shortsightedness and instead seek to address the root cause of this issue, which is an utter lack of foresight by the council to ensure adequate provision of parking for the commuters within its boundaries.

The blindingly obvious issue with the proposals for the Greenways is that there is blanket coverage of the restrictions and simply dismisses the fact that while many residents have the luxury of a driveway in which to park their cars and vans, some do not. Therefore these restrictions will unfairly punish those whom do not have the benefit of a driveway or a garage to park their vehicles during restricted times. This certainly applies to our household, in which there are 3 young adults. My son, who is 20 years old, commutes to University in London from September to June, he also owns a car which enables him to travel to work out of term times but which is parked on the road whilst he is at University as we do not have a driveway. He will therefore be unjustifiably punished by the council as he is unable to move his car from one side of the road to the other during restricted hours. My other two sons are approaching 17 and will also be learning to drive to enable them to travel to any part time jobs they wish to take up to fund them through their final years in education, therefore any vehicle they acquire will also be left to indiscriminate parking officers to ticket as they too will be commuting to college via the train. These proposals send out a baffling message to my aspiring children that they will be undeservedly punished for wanting to pursue an education and a better life for themselves. Furthermore, this scenario will cause huge problems when Nicola takes her elderly mother out grocery shopping with her sister or when we are able to take a rare family holiday. These proposals therefore send out a message of 'take your car wherever you go,' which is utterly ludicrous.

Hence we would compel you to return to the drawing board with these proposals as they are simply unworkable for the residents whom do not have the luxury of a drive. Failing this, which would be nothing sort of disaster for our family, we would like to explore the possibility of creating access for vehicles to our house. We live mid terrace though have a shared pathway which leads to our house, however the boundaries with surrounding properties are unclear and as the pathway belongs to the council we would like you to clarify where these boundaries lie. If this is possible this could provide an alternative for our family to the absurd proposals.

We hope you take our objections seriously and that you can provide real, workable solutions to this issue that we feel you have completely dismissed.

I would like to object against the proposed plans for parking restrictions on Brookes Road and Greenways.

I live at xx Greenways located on the green and as such have no driveway in order to leave my vehicle on. Both my partner and I have a car and if we were to go on holiday what would we do with our cars?

I originally signed the petition on the understanding that were petitioning for the grass verges to be made into parking bays therefore creating more spaces. I personally have never had a problem with parking on Greenways. I often go out on foot with my youngest son during the day for a picnic to the park which I would no longer be able to do as I would worry about getting back to move my car!

I would prefer to leave things as they are.

We are residents living in Greenways in Flitwick. We are writing to object to the proposed parking restrictions currently under consultation. Although there is a problem with commuters parking on the Greenways during the day which is frustrating, this would be far outweighed by the parking restrictions proposed. It does not seem to be a proportionate response to the problem and as the council admitted in its communication to residents, it was not an overwhelming number of people who want the restrictions proposed.

Our understanding of the initial request to the Council for help was that some of the grass verges near the ends of Greenways - where they join Brookes Road - could be paved over to provide off-road parking which would clear cars from the road making it easier to turn in / out. The parking is less of a problem away from the ends of the road towards the middle of the Greenways.

We are also very concerned about the affect this will have on the residents of the houses who do not have any off-road parking and who cannot create any as their gardens do not front onto the Greenways. The proposed parking restrictions discriminate against those residents. Where are they expected to park their cars during the day if they are at work and cannot come home to move them? Do the residents of Greenways not have the right to park outside their own homes?

We are therefore entirely against these proposals based on the following:

- this is not the original request made which was to pave over some of the verges near the ends of Greenways where the main problem lies
- it discriminates against residents on Greenways who do not have any off-road parking
- there is a risk it will devalue houses (it certainly will to the houses who do not have off-road parking)

We therefore request that the Council do not implement any parking restrictions on Greenways, Flitwick.

Brookes Road shops layby

I am writing to you concerning the car park on Brooke's road. I am a business owner here and feel that to many people are readily taking advantage of our car park IE commuters and carers. Sometimes the carers have as much as 6-8 cars parked in here all day and night. Although as a business owner we are prepared to compromise and park at the back of our shop, I feel that when there drop kerbs have been done they could easily get 2 cars on there drive way. I no they have to park somewhere I feel that something has to give as I could potentially lose business. Please could you give this your up most attention.

Look forward to hearing from you.

I am writing to you concerning the car park on Brooke's Road. I run a business here on the parade and feel that the parking which is meant for the shops and the flats above is being unfairly used by carers vehicles, and commuters.

There is often 6-8 cars parked in here all day and night. Although as a business owner we are prepared

to compromise and park at the back of our shop, I feel that when the drop kerbs have been done they could easily get 2 cars on their drive way. I know they need to park somewhere, but us the businesses on the parade are the ones paying for the area to be up kept through service charges and we should not be penalized by loosing trade from those who cannot park.

I hope we can come to a more reasonable settlement.