TO: **SWALE JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD** 

DATE: Monday 16th March 2009

SUBJECT: THE BROADWAY, MINSTER - WAITING RESTRICTIONS

BY: Head of Amenities & Environmental Services

**Classification:** Unrestricted

A report to advise members of a request to install waiting restrictions **Summary:** 

in The Broadway, Minster

Implications: Human Resources Implications - None

Finance Implications – None

Legal Implications – Traffic Regulation Orders to be made

Crime & Disorder Implications (Section 17) - None

Equalities & Diversity Implications – None

Sustainability Implications – None

Risk and Health and Safety Implications – None

Corporate Plan Implications – Improving Community Safety through

safer Highways.

**Decision Required:** Report to be noted

## Introduction/Background

1. A request has been submitted by the Chairman of the Joint Transportation Board for some form of waiting restrictions to be installed on the brows of the two hills in The Broadway, Minster. Concern has been expressed that there is a hazard at the present time, caused by vehicles passing parking cars on these hills and being unable to see oncoming traffic.

## Issue for Decision

2. It has been suggested that double white lines could be installed in the centre of the road at these points, as the Police could then deal with any vehicles parking adjacent to such markings. Lining of this nature would need to be considered and installed by Kent Highway Services, who may feel it necessary to first of all consult with the Police on any proposals.

Should this not be a viable option, double yellow lines could be considered. In the absence of any records of personal injury crashes at these locations, Kent Highway Services would almost certainly refer the matter to the Borough Council for possible inclusion in the next round of consultations to carried out in the spring. In particular, the Borough Council's Parking Control Section would need to be consulted on the issue of the practicality of effectively enforcing such restrictions.

## Recommendation

3. Members are asked to note this report and recommend that the matter be referred to Kent Highway Services for further investigation and consideration.

## Reasons for the Recommendation

4. The proposed restrictions will improve vehicle movements and visibility

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