Details of Each Individual Location for Proposals

1. Richmond Street Area, Sheerness

A meeting was held with Kent Fire Brigade in regards to existing problems of access into various roads off Richmond Street. This is due to vehicles parking close to the junctions causing obstructing to larger vehicles. The Fire Brigade was concerned that current parking problems at junctions could hinder the promptness of attending an incident.

A consultation took place proposing corner protection in the form of double yellow lines to improve the current problems. Of the 390 (approximate) consultation letters sent out, there were 81 responses. 69 supported the proposals, 8 objected and 5 were undecided. It is therefore recommended that the restrictions be installed, as they will improve visibility and vehicle movements at the junctions. The existing double yellow lines on the east side of Richmond Street at the junction with James Street should be reduced to 10 metres in length to maximise parking. Comments from the objectors are included in Annex B.

2.Grovehurst Avenue Junction Pavillion Drive, Sittingbourne

A request was received from a resident asking for parking restrictions on the north side of Grovehurst Avenue and at the junction with Pavillion Drive. It was reported that vehicles park on the north side of Grovehurst Avenue near the junction of Pavillion Drive, therefore restricting visibility for vehicles exiting the junction of Pavillion Drive into Grovehurst Avenue.

Of the consultation letters sent out, 11 supported the proposals, 2 objected and 1 was undecided. It is therefore recommended that the restrictions be installed, as they will improve visibility and vehicle movements at the junction and beyond. Comments from the objectors are included in Annex B.

3. Newman Drive Area, Sittingbourne

A request was received from a resident asking for parking restrictions at the junction with Donemowe Drive and Newman Drive, Sittingbourne. It was observed vehicles parking on the south side of Newman Drive near the junction with Donemowe Drive created a hazard for vehicles exiting Donemowe Drive and vehicles travelling west from Newman Drive towards the roundabout in Grovehurst Road. Vehicles exiting the roundabout and entering Newman Drive were met by oncoming traffic that had overtaken the parked vehicles and therefore on the wrong side of the road. The proposed restrictions will also improve vehicle movements and visibility at the Donemowe Drive, Adisham Green junctions.

Of the consultation letters sent out, 18 supported the proposals, 3 objected and 0 were undecided. It is therefore recommended that the restrictions be installed, as they will improve visibility and encourage safer vehicle movements in the Newman Drive area near the Grovehurst Road roundabout. Comments from the objectors are included in Annex B.

4. Seasalter Road, Graveney

A request was received from Graveney Primary School for the existing School Keep Clear markings in Graveney Road to be extended approximately 20 metres in a southerly direction. The purpose of these proposals is to keep the pedestrian crossing point at this location clear of parked vehicles during the school drop off and collection times.

Of the 6 consultation letters sent out to residents, one comment was received neither supporting nor objecting to the proposals. It is therefore recommended that the proposed extension to the markings goes ahead. Details of the comment received can be found in Annex B.

5. Salters Lane/Canterbury Road, Faversham

Following a request generated at the Faversham Local Engagement Forum, a consultation took place with residents to install double yellow lines on this junction to improve safety by removing parked vehicles. The proposed lining was kept as short as possible to minimise the effect on parking for residents. Kent Highway Services are investigating the full issue of vehicle movement and safety at this junction following discussions with residents at the previous Joint Transportation Board meeting in March 2009.

Of the 17 consultation letters sent out to residents, 8 were returned, 6 supporting the proposals and 2 objecting. It is therefore recommended that the installation of these restrictions is progressed. Comments from the objectors can be found in Annex B.

6. Highsted Road, Sittingbourne

A consultation was carried out last year to install double yellow lines opposite the junction of Kestrel Close, and to extend the existing double yellow lines in Highsted Road, Sittingbourne. This followed a request from a resident in the area, but due to the objections received at the time these proposals were not progressed. As we have now received a further request from a resident, a second consultation has been carried out on revised proposals to extend the existing double yellow lines west of the junction of Kestrel Close on the north side of Highsted Road, but not to install the previously planned restrictions opposite the Kestrel Close junction.

Of the 12 consultation letters sent out to residents, 9 responses were received, 7 supporting the proposals and 2 objecting. It is therefore recommended that the proposed extension to the restrictions is progressed. Comments from the objectors can be found in Annex B.

7. Fairview Road, Sittingbourne

Several reports of vehicle access difficulties in Fairview Road, Sittingbourne have been received from local businesses and residents in the area. A consultation therefore took place to install double yellow lines at various points along Fairview Road, to remove some of the parked vehicles and allow safer and easier vehicle access. To reduce the effect on the parking capacity for residents in the area, the restrictions have been kept to a minimum.

Of the 83 consultation letters sent out to residents, 42 were returned, 35 supporting the proposals and 7 objecting. In view of the overall support for the proposals, and the problems previously reported in local newspapers with the Fire Service unable to gain access due to parked vehicles, it is recommended to proceed with these restrictions. Details of the objections received can be found in Annex B.

8. Bellevue Road, Minster

A request was received from a resident of Bellevue Road, Minster, for School Keep Clear markings to be installed in the vicinity of the school entrance, following concern for pedestrian safety due to the number of vehicles parking close to this entrance, some times partly on the footway. A consultation subsequently took place with residents in the area.

Of the 13 consultation letters sent out to residents, 10 responses were received, 7 supporting the proposals and 3 objecting. In view of the majority support for the planned restrictions, and the issue of pedestrian safety, it is recommended to progress these proposals. Details of the objections received can be found in Annex B.

9. Lammas Gate/Abbey Street, Faversham

We have received correspondence from a local resident in the Lammas Gate/Abbey Street area with regard to problems experienced in the evenings with vehicles parking in Abbey Street, near the junction with Lammas Gate. There are currently single yellow lines at this location with daytime waiting restrictions, but it has been reported that outside of these restricted hours vehicles are parking here, opposite vehicles on the opposite side of the road, leaving insufficient carriageway width for larger vehicles including emergency services' vehicles. A consultation therefore took place with residents to replace these single yellow lines with double yellow lines.

Of the 28 consultation letters sent out, 13 responses were received, 10 supporting the proposals and 3 objecting. In view of the majority support for these restrictions, it is recommended to progress these proposals. Details of the objections can be found in Annex B.