Progress Report for Information Only

The following sites have been included in this report to update the Joint Transportation Board and do not require decisions at this time:-

1. Stocker's Hill, Boughton-under-Blean

Following two previous consultations with residents on proposed waiting restrictions along Stocker's Hill, Boughton-under-Blean, west of The Street, a site meeting took place with residents and an Officer from Kent Police to discuss the parking issues and possible restrictions to be implemented. The previous consultations had resulted in a high number of objections, and a site meeting was deemed to be the best way of progressing this issue. Following the meeting, a third consultation took place and no objections were received. The Traffic Regulation Order is subsequently now being progressed.

2. Stanhope Avenue, Sittingbourne

A request was received to investigate the possibility of installing parking restrictions in Stanhope Avenue near the junction of The Burrs.

It was reported that vehicles sometimes park on the north side near the junction with The Burrs reducing visibility. There is also an issue with non resident vehicles parking on the south side near the junction reducing visibility for vehicles exiting their driveways. The consultation proposed restrictions on the north side only to keep the junction clear and minimise the chance of vehicles parking on both sides of the road causing possible conflict between vehicles travelling in opposite directions. The consultation showed general support from the proposed restrictions, although residents just outside the proposed restricted area felt double yellow lines would have a negative impact on their parking.

Of the consultation letters sent out, 27 supported the proposals, 13 objected and 3 were undecided. It is therefore proposed to carry out a second consultation on revised proposals following receipt of these comments.

3. School Lane, Iwade

A consultation took place with residents following a request from Kent Highway Services to re-locate the existing School Keep Clear markings as part of various proposals in the School Lane area.

This consultation was sent to 16 residents and 7 responses were received, 3 supporting the proposals and 4 objecting. These results will therefore be

reported to Kent Highways to consider and investigate further prior to progressing this further.

4. Millfield Road/Whitstable Road, Faversham

A request was received from the local Police Community Support Officer following a PACT meeting with residents, for double yellow lines to be installed on the junction of Millfield Road and Whitstable Road, to remove parked vehicles from the junction. Consultation letters were sent out to 17 residents, and 6 responses were received all supporting the proposals. These restrictions will therefore be included in the next Traffic Regulation Order for the Faversham area.

5. Preston Avenue/Bramley Avenue, Faversham

Following the installation of double yellow lines on the south side of Bramley Avenue, on the bend near the junction with Preston Avenue, we received a request from a resident for similar lines to be installed on the opposite side of the road, i.e the north/railway side of this bend.

A consultation was subsequently carried out with residents in the vicinity of the proposed restrictions. Of the 12 consultation letters sent out, 9 responses were received, 4 supporting the proposals and 5 objecting. Because the comments received varied so greatly, it is proposed to arrange a meeting on site with residents, the Police and possibly an officer from Kent Highways, to discuss the issues prior to developing the proposals further. Once this meeting has taken place, a further consultation can be carried out.

6. Sumpter Way, Faversham

A request was received from the Brickwork Site owners for waiting restrictions to be introduced in Sumpter Way, Faversham, to alleviate problems with parked vehicles blocking the vehicle access to their site by parking in the narrow section of the road. A consultation therefore took place with residents to install a single yellow line on the north side of the narrow section of Sumpter Way, with restrictions between 8:30am and 5:30pm Monday to Friday. This will alleviate access problems for the Brickworks during the day whilst minimising the effect on residents' parking in the evening and at weekends.

Of the 19 consultation letters sent out, 3 responses were received, all supporting the proposals, and these will therefore be included in the next Traffic Regulation Order for the Faversham area.

7. Church Farm Road, Upchurch

Following a meeting with representatives from Holywell Primary School, Upchurch Parish Council, the Police and Swale Borough Council, a consultation took place with residents to install double yellow lines on the junctions of Church Farm Road and Forges Lane, and Church Farm Road and Chaffes Lane. The planned restrictions are to alleviate problems with parked vehicles on these junctions, particularly during school drop off and collection times.

At the time of writing this report the consultation period had not ended, and for this reason a verbal update on the results of the consultation will be submitted to the Joint Transportation Board at the meeting.