

**TO:** SWALE JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD  
**DATE:** Monday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2010  
**SUBJECT:** VARIOUS WAITING RESTRICTIONS  
**BY:** Head of Amenities & Environmental Services  
**Classification:** Unrestricted

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**Summary:** A two part report for Members to consider the results of a recent consultation exercise carried out in The Street/Bull Lane of Boughton-under-Blean in relation to proposed waiting restrictions, and to note the response to a letter submitted by Councillor Lowe and Kent Councillor Mike Whiting at the JTB Meeting in December 2009.

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**Implications:** Human Resources Implications - None

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Finance Implications – None

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Legal Implications – Traffic Regulation Orders to be made

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Crime & Disorder Implications (Section 17) - None

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Equalities & Diversity Implications – None

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Sustainability Implications – None

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Risk and Health and Safety Implications – None

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Corporate Plan Implications – Improving Community Safety through safer Highways.

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**Decision Required:** **That Members note the objections/comments from consultees and recommend that the waiting restrictions in Bull Lane, Boughton-under-Blean are implemented.**

**That Members note the information contained in the report in response to a letter submitted to the JTB in December 2009 from Councillor Lowe and Kent Councillor Mike Whiting with regard to road safety in Milton Regis.**

**The consultees are notified accordingly.**

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**Part 1 – Bull Lane, Boughton-under-Blean**

Introduction/Background

1. A consultation has been undertaken with statutory consultees and residents in the vicinity of the Bull Lane/The Street junction in Boughton-under-Blean, in relation to the introduction of a short section of double yellow lining near the junction. These proposals following a letter from several residents in this vicinity.
2. A copy of the consultation material, including a plan of the proposed restrictions, has been included in Annex A.

## Discussion

3. A letter signed by 5 residents was submitted to Councillor Bowles with regard to parking problems in Bull Lane, near the junction with The Street. There is currently a short section of road on the west side of Bull Lane where there are no waiting restrictions in place. This subsequently means a vehicle can park in this area, near the junction of The Street. Residents have expressed concern that vehicles parked at this location, approximately 5 metres from the junction, are not visible to vehicles entering Bull Lane until they have turned the corner, creating a hazard for road users. The letter also states that buses and other larger vehicles experience problems negotiating this junction when a vehicle is parked at this location.
4. It has therefore been requested that the existing double yellow lines on the west side of Bull Lane be extended from the junction with The Street by approximately 6 metres to match those restrictions on the opposite side of Bull Lane.
5. Of the 14 consultation leaflets sent to residents, 9 responses were received, 6 supporting the proposals and 3 objecting. Details of all responses can be found in Annex B.

## Recommendation

6. Members are asked to note the comments/objections made by the consultees and recommend that the existing double yellow lines be extended as proposed.

## **Part 2 – Response to Letter from Councillor Lowe & Kent Councillor Mike Whiting**

### Introduction/Background

7. At the December 2009 Joint Transportation Board Meeting, a letter was submitted to the Chairman by Councillor Lowe and Kent Councillor Mike Whiting with regard to highway safety issues in the Milton Regis Area. A copy of this letter can be found in Annex C.

### Discussion

8. The issues raised in this letter were investigated, and a plan of suggested proposed restrictions was prepared. These restrictions consisted of extending the existing "School Keep Clear" markings to a point opposite the junction of Cooks Lane, and installing double yellow lines on the junction of Cooks Lane and Brewery Road for corner protection. A copy of this letter and plan can be found in Annex D.
9. Confirmation that these proposed restrictions would be favourable was subsequently received from Kent Councillor Mike Whiting, and these proposals will therefore be included in the next round of consultations to take place with residents and formal consultees in the Spring.
10. The issue of a possible scheme to convert part of the pavement between Cooks Lane and Cross Lane to provide additional parking spaces will be discussed with Kent Highways and reported back in due course.

## Recommendation

11. Members are asked to note this information.

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Report approved by - Brian Planner

List of background documents –

Annex A – Plan of Proposed Restrictions

Annex B – Consultation Responses

Annex C – Copy of Letter from Councillor Lowe and Kent Councillor Mike Whiting

Annex D – Copy of Response to Councillor Lowe and Kent Councillor Mike Whiting