

TO: SWALE JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD
DATE: Monday 12th December 2011
SUBJECT: PROPOSED DOUBLE YELLOW LINES – THE BROADWAY,
MINSTER – MEMBER HIGHWAY FUNDED SCHEME
BY: Head of Service Delivery
Classification: Unrestricted

Summary: A report for members to consider results of recent consultation carried out in relation to proposed waiting restrictions 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:

That Members note the contents of the report and recommend that officers either proceed with the proposed waiting restrictions in The Broadway, Minster, on behalf of Kent County Council, or abandon the proposals.

The consultees, County Member and Kent County Council be advised accordingly.

Introduction/Background

1. Following requests from the local community, the Ward County Councillor for the area is promoting the installation of some waiting restrictions in The Broadway, Minster, and is proposing to fund these works through the Members' Highway Fund. The proposals consist of double yellow lines on both sides of the road along two sections of The Broadway, between Wards Hill Road and The Glen, and North of Kent Avenue, to aid the free flow of traffic.

A copy of the consultation material can be found in Annex A.

Issue for Decision

2. The consultation has been split into two sections, "The Broadway North" for the section between Wards

Hill Road and The Glen, and "The Broadway South" for the section North of Kent Avenue. The results of the consultation can be found in Annex B. In addition to the results shown in Annex B, Minster-on-Sea Parish Council also supported both proposals.

3. The Broadway North – Wards Hill Road to The Glen

Of the 34 letters sent out to residents in this section of The Broadway, a total of 13 responses were received. Of those responses, 9 people supported the proposals and 4 objected. The main objections were around the need for carers, visitors and trades persons to park outside of the properties. There was also objection from one property that disabled parents would have no where to park when visiting, although blue badge holders are permitted to park on double yellow lines if safe to do so for up to 3 hours. Another suggested surfacing part of the grass verge to provide parking, but this would require additional funding.

4. The Broadway South – North of Kent Avenue

Of the 34 letters sent out to residents in this section of The Broadway, a total of 10 responses were received. Of those responses, 6 supported the proposals and 4 objected. The main objections from this section of The Broadway related to the proposed restrictions forcing parked vehicles onto the adjoining grass verge and footway. Restrictions placed on the carriageway apply to the back limit of the Public Highway and any vehicles parking on the grass or footway could receive fixed penalty notices in the same way as those parked on the double yellow lines. There were also a couple of objections to say that there is no problem with the current flow or traffic and that the restrictions are unnecessary.

Recommendation

5. Members are asked to note the contents of the report and the comments/objections received and recommend that officers either proceed with the proposed waiting restrictions in The Broadway, Minster, on behalf of Kent County Council, or abandon the proposals.

The consultees, County Member and Kent County Council be advised accordingly.

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Report approved by – Head of Service Delivery

List of background documents: Annex A – Copy of Consultation Material
 Annex B – Results of Consultation