SWALE JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Meeting Date	Monday 10 th December 2012
Report Title	Various Waiting Restrictions
Portfolio Holder	Cllr David Simmons
SMT Lead	Brian Planner
Head of Service	Brian Planner
Lead Officer	Brett O'Connell
Classification	Open

Recommendations	Members are asked to consider the objections/comments made by the consultees and recommend that the following waiting restrictions are installed at:-
	Queenborough Road (cul-de-sac), Halfway

Purpose of Report and Executive Summary

1.1 This report provides a summary of a recent consultation carried out for a proposed waiting restriction in the Borough.

2 Background

- 2.1 A consultation has been undertaken with residents and statutory consultees in relation to the introduction of a new waiting restriction. This proposal has come from a resident in the cul-de-sac.
- 2.2 A copy of the consultation plan of the proposal can be found in Annex A.

3 Issue for Decision

3.1 Objections to the proposals are included in Annex B with a response. The location will be discussed in the following paragraph. Where corner protection measures are being introduced, Kent Police have requested that a minimum waiting restriction distance of 10 metres should be adopted. However, in areas where parking demand is high this will greatly reduce local parking capacity. The proposals for corner protection in this report do meet the requirement where possible, however in some locations the need for a waiting restriction has been balanced against the need for parking, so in some instances the corner protection may have been reduced to 5 metres.

3.2 Queenborough Road (cul-de-sac), Halfway

A request from a resident was received to investigate the possibility of installing parking restrictions in part of the cul-de-sac due to access problems.

It had been reported that since a disabled parking bay was installed vehicles were parking directly opposite the bay on a bend in the cul-de-sac, therefore, causing problems with access as that area of the road is quite narrow. It is reported that the vehicles that park there are residents from the main Queenborough Road. The blue badge holder that parks in the bay has been asked to move their vehicle several times by the ambulance that picks up elderly residents as they cannot gain access due to vehicles parking on the bend.

Out of the properties consulted, 9 supported the proposals, 5 objected and 0 were undecided, consultees included residents in the cul-de-sac and part of Queenborough Road (main road) in the near vicinity to the cul-de-sac.

It is therefore recommended that the double yellow lines be extended as per the consultation plan to improve access and vehicle movements in the cul-de-sac.

Issue	Implications
Corporate Plan	Improving Community Safety through safer Highways.
Financial, Resource and Property	Costs associated with Traffic Regulation Order, and necessary lining.
Legal and Statutory	Traffic Regulation Orders to be made.
Crime and Disorder	None at this stage.
Risk Management and Health and Safety	None identified at this stage.
Equality and Diversity	None identified at this stage.
Sustainability	None identified at this stage.

4 Implications

5 Appendices

- 5.1 The following documents are to be published with this report and form part of the report
 - Annex A Copy of the consultation plan
 - Annex B Copy of the consultation objections and a response

6 Background Papers

6.1 None.