Parking and Waiting Restrictions – Update summary

| То: | Ashford Joint Transportation Board – 9 December 2015 |
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| By: | Health, Parking and Community Safety Manager |
| Classification: | For decision. |
| Ward: | Across the District – Various |

Summary:

This report

- (i) provides an update and summarises schemes that have been brought through the Joint Transportation Board,
- (ii) seeks the Board's recommendation regarding the recent consultation on 'Amendment 5'.
- seeks the Board's support to delegate a recommendation on 'Amendment 7' to the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and ABC Portfolio Holder for Highways, Wellbeing and Safety or to convene a special meeting of the Board in early 2016.

1.0 Introduction and Background

- 1.1. This report provides an update and summarises parking and waiting restrictions and any schemes that have been through the Joint Transportation Board and what stage in the process they have reached since the last meeting (see appendix 1)
- 1.2. Members are also asked to indicate whether or not they support introduction of the recently advertised 'Amendment 5' order, plans of which can be seen in Appendix 2.
- 1.3. The Board's support is also sought for delegating recommendation on 'Amendment 7' to the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and ABC Portfolio Holder for Highways, Wellbeing and Safety; or, subject to a certain threshold of objections being reached, convening a special meeting of the Board in early 2016.

2.0 Amendment 5 Consultation

2.1 A formal consultation was held between 3rd September and 24th September 2015 on alterations to parking controls in Ashford, Charing, Mersham and Tenterden. These changes were proposed to improve the safety of road

users (Ashford, Charing and Tenterden) and to facilitate the passage of large vehicles (Mersham and Tenterden).

- 2.2 Of 15 comments made in objection to the proposals, only 3 called into question the reasons for proposing the changes contained within the amendment.
- 2.3 In the case of these three objections, respondents questioned the safety benefit that would arise from the introduction of restrictions in Fairview Drive, Ashford and at the junctions of Providence Street, Riversdale Road and Whitfeld Road, Ashford.
- 2.4 On consideration of these objections, Officers are satisfied that the introduction of the proposed restrictions will provide a safety benefit by improving visibility for road users and preventing obstructive parking on bends and at junctions.
- 2.5 It is the conclusion of Officers that the benefits of the scheme outweigh the merits of the objections received in response to it, and that the scheme will therefore be implemented as proposed. Adjacent sites will be monitored for potential displacement following the introduction of these parking controls.
- 2.6 Officers are recommending that the Board support the introduction of these controls which will address safety concerns by preventing obstructive and dangerous parking in locations defined as unsuitable under the Highway Code.

3.0 Amendment 7 Consultation

- 3.1 It is the intention of Officers, as reported to the Board at its meeting of 9th June 2015, to carry out an annual consolidation of Amendment Orders.
 Prior to undertaking consolidation any orders which propose to amend the 2015 Consolidated Order must be completed.
- 3.2 The Amendment 7 Order proposes changes to improve the safety of road users (Beaver Lane, Brooke Road, Bybrook Road, Grasmere Road and The Pasture), to facilitate the passage of large vehicles (Brooke Road) and preserve a disabled persons parking amenity (Kent Avenue). Details of the proposed restrictions can be seen in Appendix 3.
- 3.3 Formal consultation on this Order is currently on-going and will close on Thursday 10th December. Should objections be received to this Order it will not be possible to bring the Order before members for consideration until March 2016 without convening a special meeting of the Board.
- 3.4 Given the desire to undertake consolidation in the early part of 2016, Officers are asking the Board to recommend delegating recommendation on this Order in the following regard:

- a. If fewer than 10 objections (equivalent to 5% of properties directly consulted) are received related to the statement of reasons for proposing the Order, a recommendation will be sought from a panel comprised of the Board Chairman, Vice-Chairman and ABC Portfolio Holder for Highways, Wellbeing and Safety.
- b. If 10 or more objections related to the statement of reasons for proposing the Order are received, or objections are received from any statutory consultee, a special meeting of the Board will be convened in early 2016 to make a recommendation.

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| Appendix List | |
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| Appendix 1 | List of sites and their current status |
| Appendix 2 | Plans of changes proposed under Amendment 5 |
| Appendix 3 | Plans of changes proposed under Amendment 7 |

Parking and Waiting Restrictions update December 2015

Amendment 1 (Ashford and Charing)

This Order introduced and amended controls in areas of Ashford and also made administrative changes concerning Ashford and Charing. It came into force on 20th July 2015.

Amendment 2 (Wye)

This Order introduced and amended controls in areas of Wye and came into force on 2nd November 2015.

Amendment 3 (Tenterden)

This Order (which was made in part) introduced and amended controls in Tenterden and came into force on 10th August 2015. A supplementary consultation on a reduced scheme of lining for Rothley Close has been undertaken and Officers are now preparing to bring the remainder of the Order into force.

| Location | Description of Scheme | Date at JTB | Current Status | |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|--|--|
| TENTERDEN | | | | |
| Ashford Road | Introduction of double yellow lines | 08/09/15 | Consultation completed, Order submitted for sealing | |
| Rothley Close | Introduction of double yellow lines | 08/09/15 | Consultation completed, Order submitted for sealing | |

Amendment 4 (Ashford)

Kent County Council led Member Highway Fund scheme for Lees Road, Willesborough. Following on from discussions between KCC, ABC and the Divisional and Ward members, an informal consultation will be held on two options to address the issues caused by parking in this location to determine the scheme for formal consultation.

Amendment 5 (Ashford, Charing, Mersham, Tenterden)

| Location | Description of Scheme Date at JTB | | Current Status | |
|-------------------|--|---|------------------------|--|
| | ASHFORD | | | |
| Fairview Drive | Introduction of double yellow lines on bend leading from junction with Monument Way | 08/12/15 | Consultation completed | |
| Godinton Road | Replacement of section of double yellow lines with limited waiting parking bay | Consultation completed | | |
| Providence Street | Introduction of double yellow lines at junction with Riversdale Road and Whitfeld Road | Riversdale Road 08/12/15 Consultation | | |
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| Whitfeld Road | Introduction of double yellow lines at junction with Providence Street 08/12/15 Consulta and Riversdale Road | | Consultation completed | |
| | CHARING | | | |
| Pett Lane, | Introduction of double yellow lines at junction with The Hill and High Street | 08/12/15 | Consultation completed | |
| The Hill | Introduction of double yellow lines at junction with Pett Lane and High Street | 08/12/15 | Consultation completed | |
| High Street | Introduction of double yellow lines at junction with The Hill and Pett Lane | h The Hill and Pett 08/12/15 Consultation | | |
| | MERSHAM | | | |
| Church Road | Introduction of double yellow lines along pinch point to north of Ashford-Folkestone rail line overbridge | 08/12/15 | Consultation completed | |
| | TENTERDEN | | | |
| Austens Orchard | Introduction of double yellow lines | 08/12/15 | Consultation completed | |
| Smallhythe Road | Introduction of double yellow lines around junction with Austens Orchard | 08/12/15 | Consultation completed | |

Amendment 6 (Ashford)

This Order has been completed and introduced controls prohibiting loading from 8am-10am and 4pm-7pm on Somerset Road in the vicinity of the Wellesley Road junction. It came into force on 19th October 2015.

Amendment 7 (Ashford)

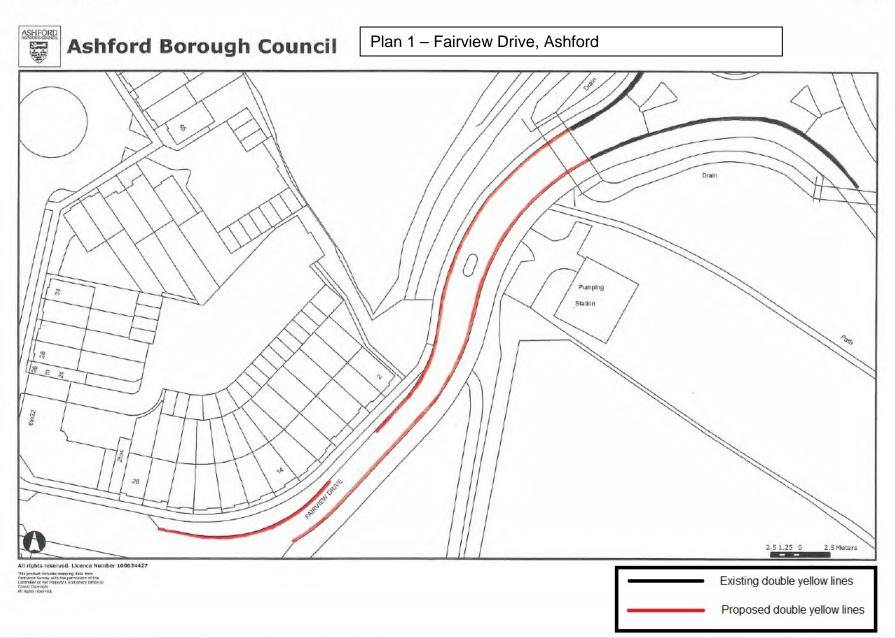
| Location | Description of Scheme | Date at JTB | Current Status | | | |
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| APPLEDORE | | | | | | |
| The Street | Administrative amendment | TBC | Consultation underway | | | |
| | ASHFORD | | | | | |
| Beaver Lane | Introduction of double yellow lines around entrance to residential parking court | TBC | Consultation underway | | | |
| Brooke Road | Introduction of double yellow lines on approach to Magazine Road and TBC Consultation unde around cul-de-sac end | | | | | |
| Bybrook Road | Introduction of double yellow lines at junctions with Grasmere Road TBC Consultation under and The Pasture | | | | | |
| Grasmere Road | Introduction of double yellow lines at junctions with Bybrook Road and TBC Grasmere Road | | Consultation underway | | | |
| The Pasture | Introduction of double yellow lines at junctions with Bybrook Road and Grasmere Road | TBC | Consultation underway | | | |
| Kent Avenue | Remarking of disabled persons parking bay to statutory length | TBC | Consultation underway | | | |
| Alfred Road, Arlington, Bowens Field, Church Road (Kennington), Church Road (Willesborough), Dover Place, Foxglove Road, Hempsted Street, Park Road, Regents Place | Administrative amendment | TBC | Consultation underway | | | |

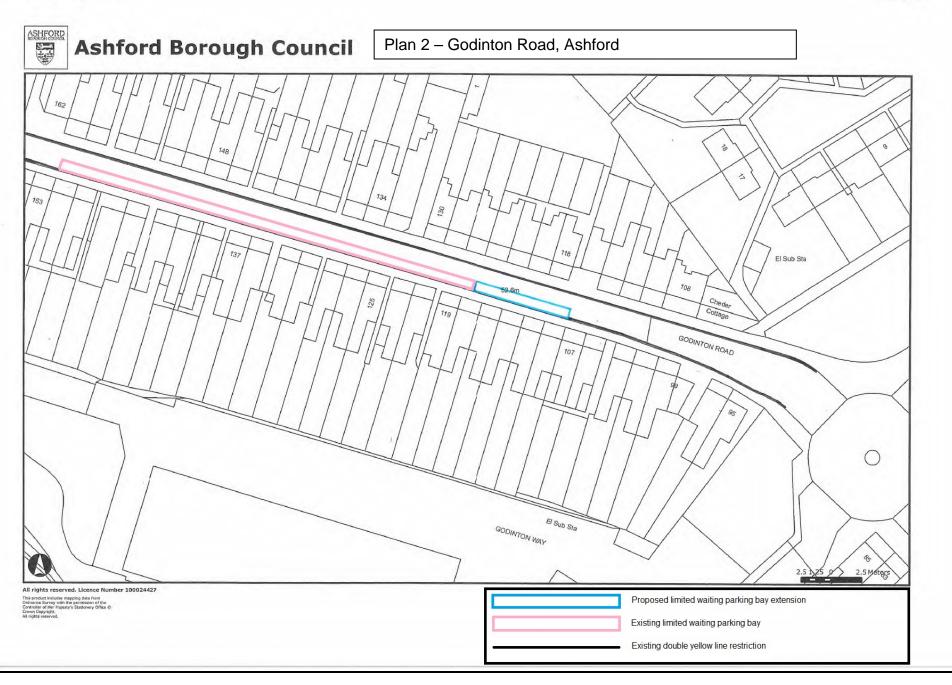
Requests for Investigation

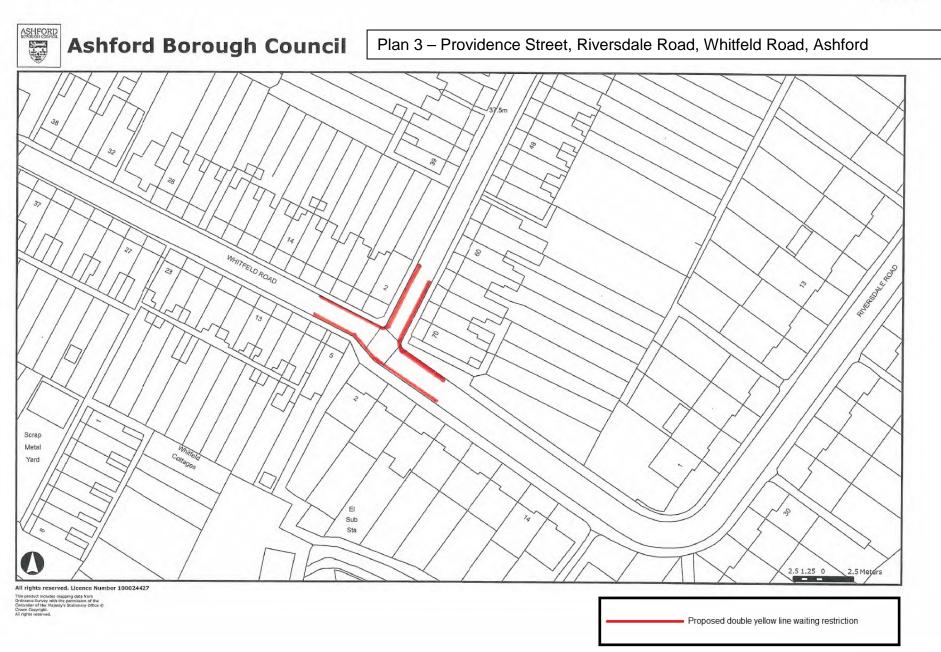
| Street(s) | Area | Focus of investigation | Date at JTB | Current Status |
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| Wotton Road Estate | Ashford | Investigation into obstructive parking | TBC | For investigation |
| Ellingham Way Estate | Ashford | Investigation into obstructive parking | TBC | For investigation |
| Regents Place | Ashford | Obstruction of access for refuse collection vehicles | TBC | For investigation |
| Grosvenor Road | Ashford | Obstruction of bus route cited | TBC | For investigation |
| Upper Vicarage Road | Ashford | Obstruction of bus route cited | TBC | For investigation |

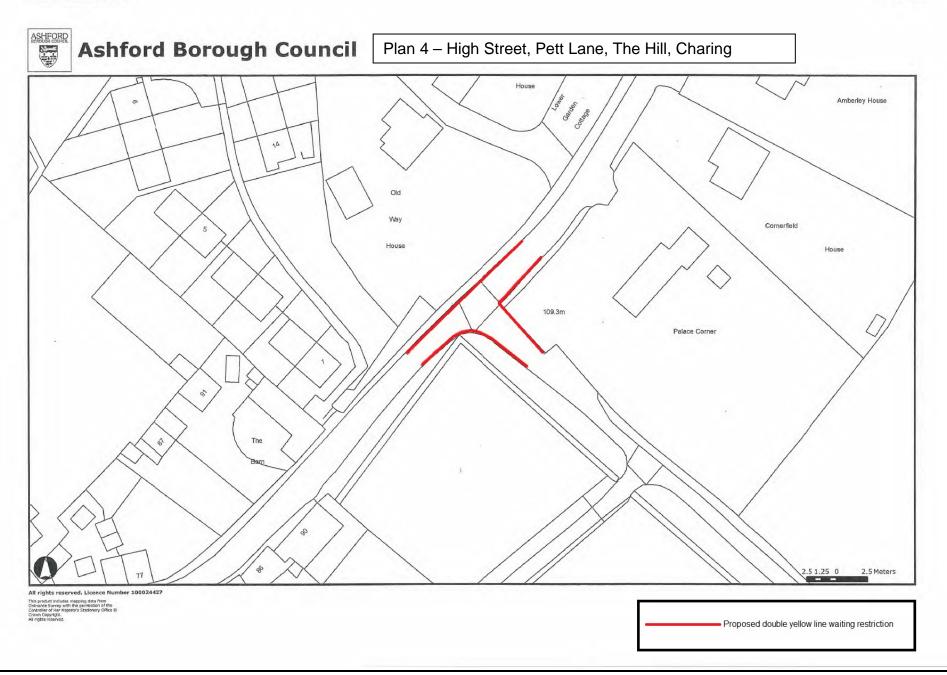
Appendix 2 – Amendment 5

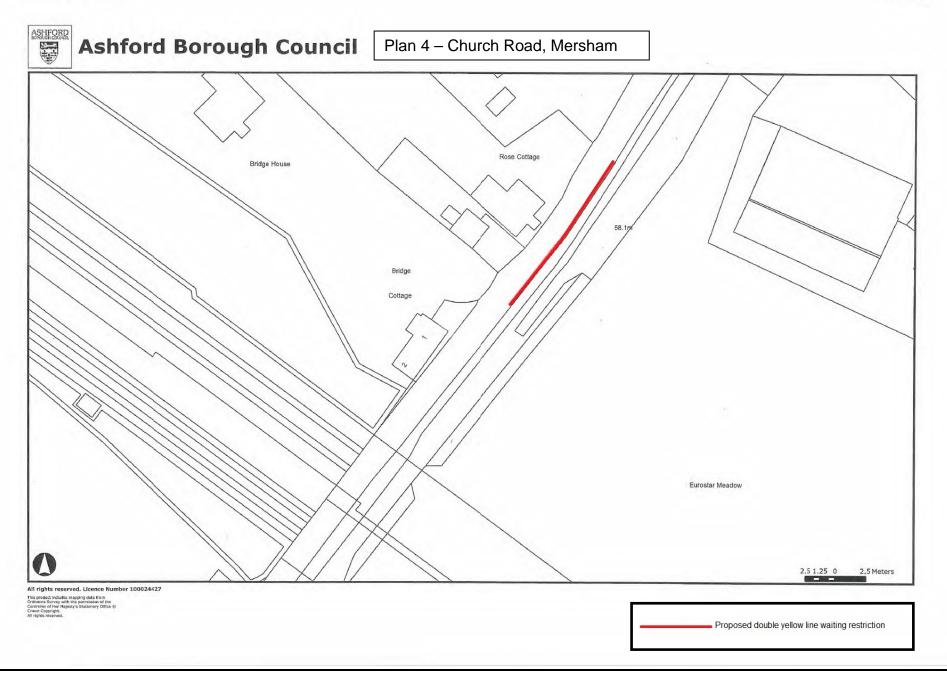
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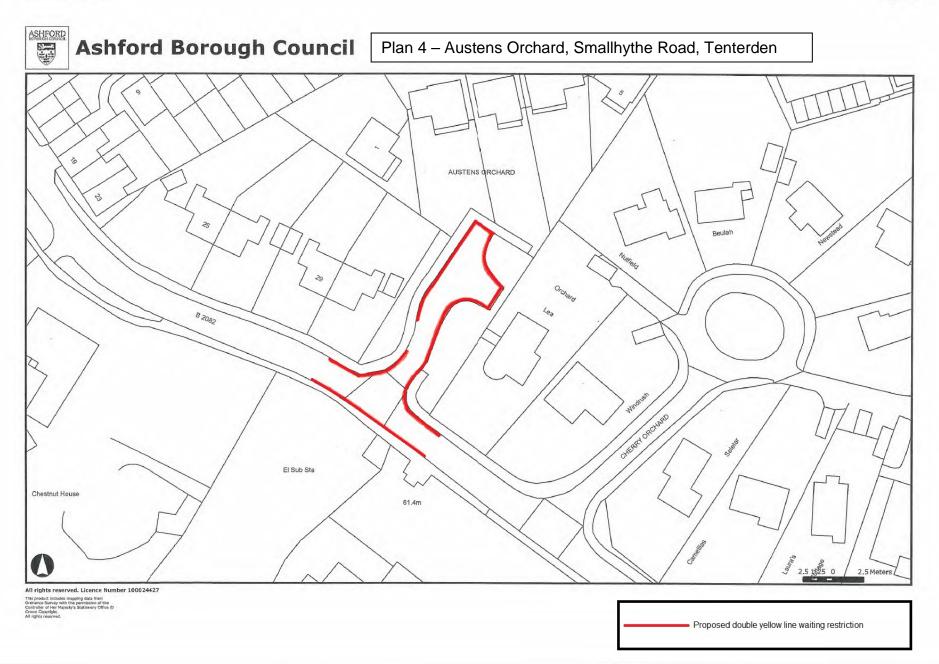












Ashford Borough Council - Amendment 7, Plan 1 - Beaver Lane, Ashford



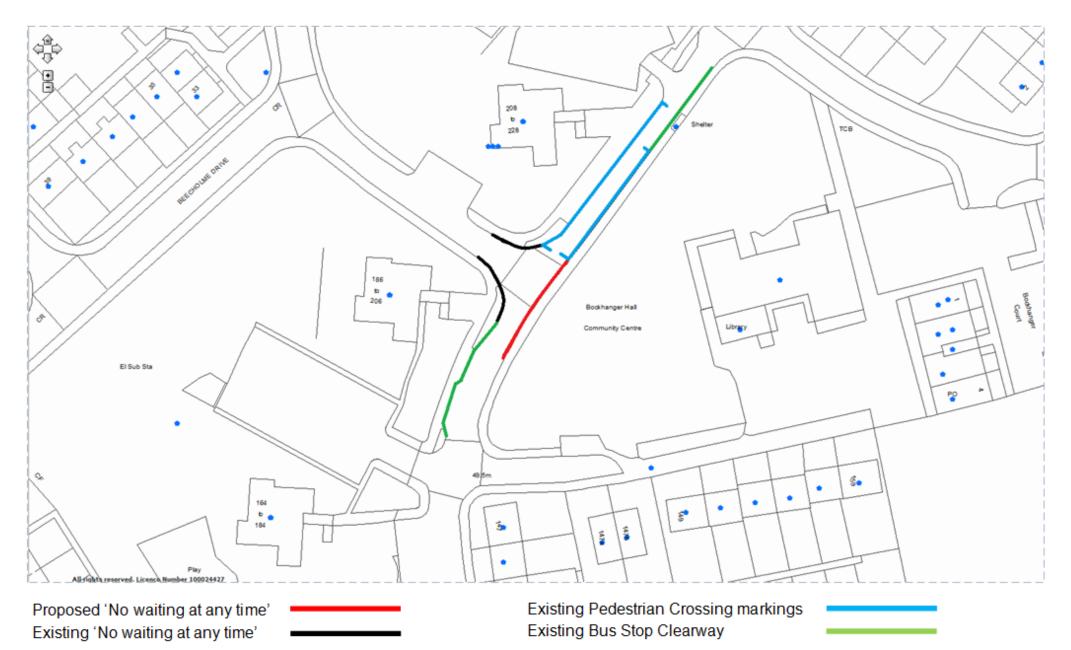
Proposed 'No waiting at any time'

Ashford Borough Council - Amendment 7, Plan 2 - Brooke Road, Ashford



Proposed 'No waiting at any time' Existing 'No waiting at any time'

Appendix 3 – Amendment 7 Ashford Borough Council - Amendment 7, Plan 3 - Bybrook Road/Grasmere Road (west), Ashford



Ashford Borough Council - Amendment 7, Plan 4 - Bybrook Road/Grasmere Road/The Pasture (east), Ashford



Proposed 'No waiting at any time' Existing Bus Stop Clearway

Appendix 3 – Amendment 7 Ashford Borough Council - Amendment 7, Plan 5 - Kent Avenue, Ashford



Disabled persons parking bay to be remarked

