

## **Parking and Waiting Restrictions Update**

**To: Joint Transportation Board**

**By: Michael Fairlie, Technical & Transport Officer (Parking, Highways and Transportation)**

**Date: 5 September 2023**

**Classification: For information**

**Ward: All**

**Recommendations: That the contents of the report be noted**

### **Summary:**

This report provides an update on schemes that are currently being progressed by the Ashford Borough Council's, Parking, Highways and Transportation Team.

### **Introduction & Background:**

1. This report provides an update of schemes that are currently being managed and progressed by the Parking, Highways, and Transportation team.

### **Reports:**

#### **2. Park Mall Loading Area**

An informal consultation to introduce a loading only restriction in Park Mall loading area ran for three weeks in July without comment. Formal consultation expected to be completed by mid-September and an order sealed. CEO's will then begin to enforce this area.

### **Road Markings:**

3. A schedule of lining work was completed in June. This was to refresh existing lines, to install new disabled bays & remove ones which are no longer needed. No new restrictions were implemented.
4. A new schedule of lining work is due at the end of September. This is to refresh existing lines, to install new disabled bays & remove ones which are no longer needed.

### **New Schemes and Projects:**

5. Vehicle access markings are going to be listed on the ABC website. These are white lines which are painted across a driveway to make other drivers aware of the access that is required. We've offered this since 2014 when KCC stopped offering the service, but we have never advertised it. They're unenforceable lines, but a good tool to prevent drivers mistakenly blocking a driveway. We charge the same for this as Kent County Council did in 2014 - £121 for installation.
6. New car park entry signs have been installed across the borough. The tariff notice boards will also be replaced as current ones are now very old and worn. These will start going up around September/October time.

### **Tannery Lane (Amendment 2)**

7. Informal consultation has now completed. Work has been passed to KCC to implement the restriction. Formal consultation due to start imminently. There will be three 15-minute parking bays (no return within 2 hours) available for use seven days a week. It is anticipated that this will be in place during October.

Michael Fairlie – Tel: (01233) 330414

[engineering@ashford.gov.uk](mailto:engineering@ashford.gov.uk)

*Reporting to Catherine Darlington, Civil Enforcement Team Leader*