





**OBJECTIONS TO ADVERTISED TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS**



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| <b>Scheme:</b>         | <b>BRACKNELL FOREST BOROUGH COUNCIL WAITING PROHIBITIONS ORDER 2014</b>            |   |   |
|                        | <b>OWLSMOOR, CHURCH ROAD.<br/>WAITING PROHIBITION<br/>NO LOADING AND UNLOADING</b> |   |   |
| <b>Date Advertised</b> | <b>13 March 2014</b>   | <b>No. of Objections/<br/>Support Received:</b> | <b>A) 11 objections received – 3 from the same household</b><br><br><b>B) 9 objections received - in the form of a petition from 44 –to 60 (even numbers only)</b><br><br><b>C) 27 objections received - based on standard letter</b><br><br><b>D) 7 in support</b> |

| <b>Objector</b>  | <b>Summary of Objection</b>  | <b>Officers &amp; Councillors Comments</b>                       | <b>Decision</b><br>Abandon/<br>Modify/<br>Proceed as advertised. |
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|  | <p> wrote</p> <p>(Letter printed in portrait with some words missing)</p> <p>I am writing to you to object to the proposed double yellow lines down Church Road. I understand that ...the parking. I believe that the majority of the inconsiderate parking that is caused by the parents picking up... the children at Owlsmoor school. I feel it is unfair to victimize the local residents for people who do not even.... why should we have to struggle to park near our properties when these people have long gone? Wouldn't.....you are intent on improving the parking situation, to extend the single yellow lines you have already in the.... parking in these areas during school pick up/ drop off times when traffic is at it's highest. Again, I feel it's..... local residents and visitors to families in Church Road 24/7 when the issue is confined to a 2 hour</p> | <p>See Officer Summary and Recommendations at base of table.</p> |  |

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|                          | <p>window.... I hope you take my objections and do not introduce the double yellow lines down Church Road.</p>  |   |  |
| <p>██████<br/>██████</p> | <p>██████ wrote:</p> <p>I am a semi- disabled 93 year old who relies on friends and relations for transport. Therefore, a clear parking space in front of my house is essential. Under the present conditions, this is quite often not the case.</p> <p>I consider that further parking restrictions of other parts of this road will worsen my situation.</p>  | <p>The proposed parking restrictions do not extend across this property.</p> <p>There is a garage and space to park 3 cars within the driveway of this property.</p> <p>The proposed restrictions should not affect this property</p> |  |
| <p>██████<br/>██████</p> | <p>██████ wrote:</p> <p>I would like to register my objection to the proposal to create double yellow lines on the junction of Church Road and Owlsmoor Road.</p> <p>I fully understand and support the measures to restrict parking on the roads and corners in the locality of the school. However, I have lived at ████████ (two houses away from the junction) for the past 23 years and can, with complete confidence state that I have never seen any parent park outside my house to drop children off in the morning or collect them in the afternoon. The problem of inconsiderate school run drivers is completely restricted to the other end of the road in the locality of the school. The parking problems are restricted to the area to the east of Millins Close and not to the west end of Church Road.</p> <p>The application of double yellow lines at this particular junction will have absolutely no effect on the problems of inconsiderate parking associated with the school. The consequence of the application of double yellow lines to this junction will be to force the occupants of the two houses on the corners of this junction to find parking for their vehicles further along Church Road. This will reduce the amount of parking that is currently available for parents and will increase the problem of inconsiderate school run drivers</p> | <p>See Officer Summary and Recommendations at base of table.</p>  |  |


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|   | <p>blocking drives or double parking.</p> <p>I would also like to understand the logic behind the application of double yellow lines (No Waiting At Any Time) to all the junctions on Church Road except the junction directly opposite the school which according to the supplied drawing number (number 317) is to remain as an existing single yellow line (No Waiting Mon- Fri 8.15am to 9.15am &amp; 2.45pm to 3.45pm). Surely the junction directly outside the school should have no parking at any time owing to the fact that the school often holds extracurricular activities such as fetes, parents evenings etc which often fall outside of these times.</p>  |  |  |
|  | <p> wrote:</p> <p>My initial observations are specifically-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) The map printed on the reverse of the letter sent by your colleagues at Bracknell Forest Council is largely unworkable. The print quality is such that dwellings cannot be made out, roads are difficult to determine, and I envisage that you will not get a fair and measurable response- potentially from certain residents including the elderly, who will simply not understand what has been sent. The annotation is passable- but the map is simply not clear enough, at least on the copies sent to my neighbours and I.</li> <li>2) I would be interested to hear about the 'number of concerns', and who these have been made by. I am up most mornings in the kitchen, looking out of the window onto Church Road, directly opposite the green- and thus have an unobstructed view of most of the area which your proposals capture, at the peak times of school drop off. I also see a good deal of the vehicular movement at school student pick up time. I have never once seen a near miss, tempers being escalated, nor an accident of any description. I furthermore have never seen inconsiderate parking.</li> <li>3) I have however, seen cars failing to adequately give way at junctions, not to the extent that accidents have been</li> </ol> | <p>The original A4 plans copied on the back of the residents' consultation letter were of poor quality so larger A3 copies were sent out with added dimensions for clarification within the statutory consultation period.</p> |  |

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|  | <p>caused or nearly caused- but a balanced observation to make. There is absolutely no way that the introduction of double yellow lines would assist with this problem in any way, as the omission of people to give way is not due to restrictions in visibility- I would strongly suggest it is more to do with the fact that the existing white lines in the area are virtually indeterminable. It is mystifying how proposals can be made to place additional yellow line restrictions, when those existing white lines cannot be made out. Having seen the flow of pedestrian and vehicular movement consistently for some time, I can state that the lack of clear white road junction markings have the potential to be a hugely contributing reason for any collisions in the future, should it remain unchecked. It cannot be claimed that your proposals are a fair and balanced reflection of fact, when those already existing road lines are not legible.</p> <p>4) I have a further concern that the area of grass land adjacent to the terraced properties on Church Road will become used for the temporary parking of cars, and cause damage to the ground, thus bringing the aesthetic quality of the area down. This also has the potential to present dangers to pedestrians.</p> <p>5) Your letter specifically states of concern about 'visibility issues outside the school at peak times'. Even if the whole road were to be pedestrianised in the area of Church Road where your proposal outlines, it would not solve any visibility issues 'outside the school'- as it is some distance away. Furthermore, if the concerns are only valid at 'peak times', then it would seem disproportionate to have double yellow lines, when single yellows with time restrictions would be a more appropriate approach.</p> <p>I do not use my position to gain any preference nor wish it to influence, as hopefully my observations above will be clear enough- but I am a serving Police officer in my 12<sup>th</sup> year of service, and have a good level of experience in dealing with road traffic issues. My comments are therefore rounded, and whilst I understand that there are undoubtedly issues to address, the implementation of double yellow lines in an area</p> | <p>The situation will be monitored and if necessary wooden bollards maybe introduced to prevent parking on the verge.</p> <p>See Officer Summary and Recommendations at base of table.</p> |  |
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|   | <p>which is essentially some way away from the school does not appear to be proportionate or justifiable response- particularly when the already existing (or nor existing!) road markings are quite simply sub standard.</p> <p>I oppose the proposals- at least at this time. They appear illogical and I believe will fail to achieve the aims which are sought.</p>  |  |  |
|  | <p> wrote:</p> <p>We are concerned about the proposed double yellow lines commencing on the Owlsmoor Road to 29 metres down into Church Road.</p> <p>We have lived at this address since 1977, and during this time we have no recollection of any accident at this junction due to parked cars. We feel, in fact, that the residents cars that park within this 29 metres area act as a speeding deterrent to drivers turning into Church Road from Owlsmoor Road. Once released from the speed humps, car automatically put their foot on the accelerator. During the daytime when residents' cars are not parked within this area, we find we have to be extremely cautious when reversing into the road from our drive because of the excessive speed of some drivers turning into Church Road.</p> <p>If this proposal is implemented, it will make the above situation worse, as more vehicles will have to park further down the road, again making it extremely hazardous and difficult to reverse into the road between parked vehicles. Our further concern is that because of less street parking available, bad feelings will occur amongst the neighbourhood over cars parking outside other people's homes, when these areas are needed by visiting friends and relatives often with young families on board.</p> <p>We find that the proposed double yellow lines issue at this end of Church Road has no bearing on the 'Sustainable Modes of Travel to Owlsmoor Primary School' title of your project.</p> | <p>See Officer Summary and Recommendations at base of table.</p> |  |

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| <p>██████████</p> <p>██████████</p>                   | <p>██████████ wrote:</p> <p>We have received the proposed yellow lines for Church Road.</p> <p>We have live at █████ Church Road and park directly outside our house and at the side.</p> <p>Please can you advise the distance of the lines? As we believe they will cause disruption to our residential parking.</p>   | <p>The original A4 plans copied on the back of the residents' consultation letter were of poor quality so larger A3 copies were sent out with added dimensions for clarification within the statutory consultation period.</p> |  |
| <p>██████████</p> <p>██████████</p> <p>██████████</p> | <p>The Residents wrote:</p> <p>Please formally accept this letter, as our collective response to these proposals, and kindly note our strong opposition to said proposals.</p> <p>We have attached an aerial photo of our location and would draw your attention to the proposed change being:</p> <p>“Church Road- From a point 7 metres west of its junction with the entrance to the car park in front of 42- 60 (evens) Church Road eastwards for a distance of 20 metres.”</p> <p>Please note, at the time this photo was shot, 10x cars can be seen in this car park, however there are at least 16 vehicles operated by the residents.</p> <p>By expanding the current yellow lines and creating no parking areas, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, you will severely affect the residents of this rather small area of Church Road, not to mention any visitors.</p> <p>This area is only affected adversely by non- resident traffic, at school opening times in the morning and afternoon.</p> <p>We are of the firm belief, the yellow lines and parking time restrictions currently in place are sufficient, if policed at the</p> | <p>See Officer Summary and Recommendations at base of table.</p>   |  |

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|                                     | <p>appropriate times.</p> <p>We strongly believe your proposed restrictions will have a severe effect on the quality of life enjoyed by the residents of Church Road.</p> <p>We would draw your attention to the security aspect of parking some distance from our homes.</p> <p>Car thefts and break- ins are more likely and the ability of the owner to hear and react to a car alarm will be hampered, rendering it useless, as well as the nuisance factor for those living near to where the vehicle is eventually parked.</p> <p>For those residents with small children, the added burden of crossing roads to get home, and the safety issues this entails give rise to serious concern.</p> <p>There will undoubtedly be deterioration in the value and marketability of properties, with such draconian parking restrictions in place.</p> <p>We fail to see any benefit arising from the parking restrictions proposed, and would seek the Councils complete clarification as to the expected benefits which will be achieved, for the residents of Church Road, and surrounding areas.</p> <p>We would ask therefore, that no further decisions are made by Council which will have such a detrimental effect on the residents, until such time as this clarification has been submitted to the residents, and that all other avenues are explored.</p> <p>We trust, the depth of protest we feel against this scheme has translated through this letter and look forward to receiving your reply.</p> |  |  |
| <p>██████████</p> <p>██████████</p> | <p>████████████████████ wrote:</p> <p>As a resident of ████████████████████, I object to the parking restrictions as per plan 4361/ 317 concerning the junction of</p>  | <p>See Officer Summary and Recommendations at base of table.</p> |  |

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|  | <p>Owlsmoor Road and Church Road on the grounds, it would greatly add to the already severe parking problems that exist on Owlsmoor Road. The part of Owlsmoor Road between Church Road and the roundabout at Fakenham Way/ copperfield Avenuw only allows for single traffic because there is nowhere else for the residents to park their cars other than on Owlsmoor Road itself. I feel the same will become of the middle part of Owlsmoor Road i.e. between Church Road and Culver Road and possibly beyond that. With more parked cars on the road itself, the distance would be further increased of having to drive towards oncoming traffic for a more prolonged period of time. This is already at a problematic level. Also, there is a resident's gentleman's arrangement in place at present, that no one parks on the west side of Owlsmoor Road, so as to not block the road completely. I fear this arrangement will be in jeopardy should the parking restrictions be enforced as per your proposal for the junction of Owlsmoor Road and Church Road.</p> <p>I feel the junction restrictions can be safely curtailed to 15 metres south of the junction and 36 metres north from this point, as it pertains to Owlsmoor Road and with regards Church Road parking restrictions, 29 metres eastwards on the north side and 19 metres eastwards on the south side, which would include protecting our driveway. This will alleviate some of the parking issues surrounding the junction and still allow safe mode of travel up and through the junction and along Owlsmoor Road. At that distance from the junction a parked vehicle offers a good degree of traffic calming on the approach to Owlsmoor Road.</p> <p>So, I object to the current proposal on the grounds that:</p> <p>It would greatly add to the already severe parking problems that exist on Owlsmoor Road.</p> <p>I do not feel the parents of Owlsmoor Primary School will be parking on the junction.</p> <p>The proposal would imply the loss of 7 parking spaces. I feel with the curtailed measurements, as I have outlined above, the proposal could be adjusted to safe parameters which would amount to a loss of 4 parking spaces without sacrificing junction protection and significantly increasing the static congestion problem in existence on Owlsmoor Road.</p> |  |  |
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| <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> | <p>[REDACTED] wrote:</p> <p>As the owner of 100 Owlsmoor Road for 12 years, I object to the parking restrictions as per plan 4361/317 concerning the junction of Owlsmoor Road and Church Road on the grounds it would greatly add to the already severe parking problems that exist on Owlsmoor Road.</p> <p>The part of Owlsmoor Road between Church Road and the roundabout at Fakenham Way/ Copperfield Avenue only allows for single traffic because there is nowhere else for the residents to park their cars other than on Owlsmoor Road itself. I feel the same will become of the middle part of Owlsmoor Road i.e. between Church Road and Culver Road and possibly beyond that.</p> <p>With more parked cars on the road itself, the distance would be further increased of having to drive towards oncoming traffic for a more prolonged period of time. This is already at a dangerous level. Also, there is a resident's gentleman's arrangement in place at present, that no one parks on the west side of Owlsmoor Road, so as to not block the road completely. I fear this arrangement will be in jeopardy should the parking restrictions be enforced as per your proposal for the junction of Owlsmoor Road and Church Road.</p> <p>With regards visibility splays and sight lines and after consultation with [REDACTED] in my home, I feel the junction restrictions can be safely curtailed to 15 metres south of the junction and 36 metres north from this point, as it pertains to Owlsmoor Road and with regards Church Road parking restrictions, 29 metres eastwards on the north side and 19 metres eastwards on the south side, which would include protecting my driveway.</p> <p>This will alleviate some of the parking issues surrounding the junction and still allow safe modes of travel up to and through the junction and along Owlsmoor Road. I or 2 vehicles only, just west of 12 Church Road, offer a good degree of traffic calming on the approach to the junction. My property was built in 1895 when the road was just a single dirt track. I have no garage and can park 1 vehicle inside the small courtyard, which I do all the time. Others at the property park on the street only because of necessity, there is nowhere else to park! My neighbours, both on Owlsmoor Road</p> | <p>See Officer Summary and Recommendations at base of table.</p> |  |
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|  | <p>and Church Road, have already voiced their distain at my family being forced to park outside their property should this proposal go ahead. 2 vehicles are here during the day as my wife is semi-retired and my daughter works from home. Please note that visitors to Owlsmoor Park have nowhere to park and Church goes to St. George's church already do not have enough off-road parking.</p> <p>To summarise I object to the current proposal on the grounds that: It would greatly add to the already severe parking problems that exist on Owlsmoor Road.</p> <p>I do not feel the parents of Owlsmoor Primary School will be parking on the junction.</p> <p>The proposal would imply the loss of 7 parking spaces. I feel with the curtailed measurements, as I have outlined above, the proposal could be adjusted to safe parameters which would amount to a loss of 4 parking spaces without sacrificing junction protection and significantly increasing the static congestion problem in existence on Owlsmoor Road.</p> <p>Every resident I have spoken to is in agreement with the slightly curtailed measurements at the Owlsmoor/ Church Road junction as noted above and would not object to the double yellow lines being implemented as I have stated.</p> <p>With regards the school end of Church Road residents and I feel the parking restrictions currently in place are sufficient and are certainly not needed at any other time outside the morning and afternoon school run.</p> <p>Appendix: FYI only<br/>I understand that a TRO cannot be added to. I offer the following as future suggestions only:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 20 mph zone on Owlsmoor Road, from Culver Road to Fakenham Way</li> <li>2. Complete the pavement on the west side of Owlsmoor Road so pedestrians can walk down Owlsmoor Road from Fakenham Road and beyond and not have to cross the</li> </ol> |  |  |
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|  | <p>Church Road junction at all. At present all pedestrians are forced to walk down the East side of Owlsmoor Road and cross the junction if continuing down towards the Yeovil Road roundabout, so up to 50% of pedestrians would never need to cross the junction again with the pavement completed as it should be</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Make better use of the verge outside 28 – 36 Church Road for residents parking</li> <li>4. Extra onsite school parking for the parents</li> <li>5. Utilise the parking (50+ spaces) behind the Community Centre for the parents to park</li> <li>6. School to send out letters to all parents re: parking issues and that any new measures taken will be enforced in future by camera</li> <li>7. Double yellow line on the west side of Owlsmoor Road at its junction with Church Road</li> <li>8. No HGV (except when loading) or coaches. They must use the other Owlsmoor Road entrance (Evenlode Way, South side) and Yeovil Road as the buses do (Bus service number 194)</li> <li>9. Utilize the bottom area of Owlsmoor Park for Park and Church visitors with vehicles</li> <li>10. Look at staggering the end of day at Owlsmoor Primary School so as to split pupil collection times, not by much, 10-15 minutes is what other schools in the area are using to deal with overcrowding at the end of the school day</li> <li>11. Within the scope of the proposed TRO are the double yellow lines around the small green (not the verge) on Church Road. These are of benefit to residents to stop</li> </ol> |  |  |
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|                                  | <p>parents blocking Church Road.</p> <p>12. Centre line in Church road to be continued down length of Church Road taking into account how residents use the south side (verge side) of the road for parking.</p>   |  |  |
| <p>██████████<br/>██████████</p> | <p>██████████ wrote:</p> <p>As the owner of ██████████, I was stunned to receive the Councils letter proposing to completely surround my property boundary with double yellow lines being deemed necessary to protect us all the parents parking badly on school runs. I have lived here for 12 years would agree that a problem exists, but it is so far down Church Road that none of the 50+ local residents or the three councilors including Councillor David Worrall, and Councillor John Porter of Bracknell Forest and Councillor Phillip Wallington of Sandhurst Town Council and ██████████, from BFC with whom I have discussed the matter, could understand why such extreme measures were considered necessary. Everyone I spoke to would like to see Junction Protection measures put in place, not because of the school parents parking here, but to make it safer and protect the residents from parking by inconsiderate visitors, people using the Park and the Parishioners of and visitors to St Georges church (which presently does not have anywhere near enough parking.) Safety and general parking problems are the main issues to the residents in this area. You will have received a letter from our ██████████ confirming that no one recalls any accidents at the junction and they have lived there since 1977.</p> <p>The proposed parking measures are too extreme as they will sterilize 7 parking spaces.</p> <p>To further assess the situation, I invited ██████████ ██████████ to a site meeting ██████████ on 18<sup>th</sup> March and found them very understanding of our concerns about the loss of so many parking spaces and our difficulties with the prospect of being forced to park all 4 of our vehicles on Owlsmoor Road in front of our neighbours properties, as we only have space for the</p> | <p>See Officer Summary and Recommendations at base of table.</p> |  |

fifth one in our courtyard as we do not have a garage. My daughter works from home and I am semi- retired as such our vehicles often do not move all day. The house is large but being built in 1895, it was not designed for modern living. I pointed out to [REDACTED] that 4 of my immediate neighbours are terraced cottages with no parking. That area is already very frustrating and potentially dangerous to drivers and generally operates as only single lane traffic.

With these factors in mind [REDACTED] conceded:



- that shortening the length of the restriction on the south side of Owlsmoor Road from 19m to 15m.
- and the restriction down Church Road from 29m to being 19m on the south side of Church Road (north side unaffected at 29m)

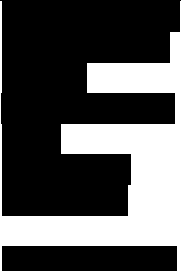
would sufficiently protect the junction for pedestrians and traffic and we would still be able to park three of our vehicles and also have the added bonus of having the entrance to my driveway gates protected from visitors and church goers. It is my understanding that a SMOT can be reduced, just not added to.

To my knowledge, other than ourselves and the residents at [REDACTED] [REDACTED], no one else in Owlsmoor Road has been contacted about the proposals, nor was the proposal posted up on Owlsmoor Road. On paper, these measures would only appear to affect Church Road. The neighbours around here are very concerned and they have already dropped off copies to me of their objections they are sending to you and I have collected a further 8 above, that should enough objections be received, then the proposal must be formally reconsidered. I have not gone back to all the residents I originally spoke to, but should it be needed, I could raise at least another 70 written objections as the residents further up Owlsmoor Road and in the side roads off of Church Road would definitely be interested in having their say.

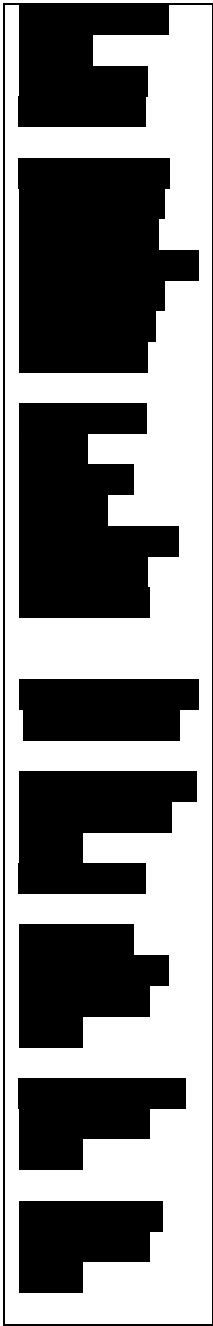



As a separate issue, during my enquires all 30 residents I contacted in Church Road, who live in the vicinity where the other set of restrictions are proposed, are completely against double yellow lines in their area and do not want 24 hours a day, 7 days a week restrictions and potentially devaluing their properties for a problem that exists only 2 hours a day. Regarding the parking

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|                                  | <p>restrictions proposed outside the lower end of Church Road, residents feel the parking restrictions currently in place are sufficient and are certainly not needed at any other time outside the morning and afternoon school run.</p> <p>The current restrictions in place are single yellow lines, limited to school runs and the residents pointed out that that is how the Council has dealt with the problem on the corner at the junction of Church Road and Cambridge Road, which is surely the most problematic area. Double Yellow Lines will cause poor relations with the residents in Church Road. It is not going to work just telling the residents to park their cars in their garages as they were built in the 1980s, and are too small to house any car bigger than a modern Fiesta. Like a lot of buildings around here they cannot accommodate modern living. However, I have been very impressed by the manner in which neighbours try to accommodate each other.</p> <p>I have taken the time and trouble to consult with many of the residents who would be directly and indirectly affected by the proposal SN/ S/ 30/11 and to my knowledge you will receive at least 40 written objections which according to the letters I have read mostly concur. I trust you will give due considerations to their needs and problems in designing your plans and decisions.</p> |  |  |
| <p>██████████<br/>██████████</p> | <p>██████████ wrote:</p> <p>As I understand the new waiting restrictions are proposed solely on 'concern about a number of vehicles parking and visibility issues outside the school at peak times.</p> <p>I would therefore like to object to the no waiting (at any time) restrictions proposed for the Owlsmoor Road/ Church Road junction.</p> <p>I have clear visibility of the Owlsmoor Road/ Church Road junction from my house and have never seen parents parking there either in the morning or mid-afternoon, to walk their children to school.</p> <p>If you feel that parents may park there in the future as a result of waiting restrictions introduced elsewhere, why not simply put in a single yellow line. This will address your stated 'concerns' and will not result in creating a further hazard as residents are forced to</p>  | <p>See Officer Summary and Recommendations at base of table.</p> |  |

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|  | park elsewhere near the church and park.   |  |  |
| <br> | <p>██████████ wrote:</p> <p>We wish to object to the proposed traffic restrictions at the junction of Owlsmoor Road and Church Road.</p> <p>We understand that double yellow lines are extending 19 metres down Owlsmoor Road and 40 metres up Owlsmoor Road in order to improve safety of pedestrians using Owlsmoor Primary School. Unfortunately, these proposal restrictions will exacerbate current congestion and visibility problems for members of the public attempting to cross Owlsmoor Road because of the shortage of existing parking facilities for residents.</p> <p>If, as proposed, a total of 6 parking spaces are removed, inevitably those vehicles will have to be parked outside another person's property in Owlsmoor Road. At busy times of the day, 7 to 9.30am/ 2.30- 7.30pm, there is already considerable congestion. A continuous line of cars park along one side of the road to the junction with Oak Avenue. Cars attempting to come down Owlsmoor Road already struggle to find places to draw in, thus allowing cars going up the road to pass. Many of the residents in Owlsmoor Road have no option but to park on the road as their cottages are over 100 years old and have no driveways. Our first objection therefore is that, far from relieving congestion and improving visibility during a few hours of the day for the school run, this proposal will increase congestion and reduce visibility, particularly at those times shown above and during weekends and evenings.</p> <p>Having lived at the above address for 37 years, we have never observed any cars being parked near our property by parents taking children to school. A similar situation exists on the south side of Owlsmoor Road. The school is simply too far away to make it a viable proposition.</p> <p>Neither our neighbours' driveway nor our own driveway has ever been blocked by parked cars, at any time. As residents of an already congested road, we treat each other with respect. We have always had good relations with those involved with the</p> | <p>See Officer Summary and Recommendations at bottom of table.</p> |  |

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|   | <p>Church, which is opposite our drive.</p> <p>The only time increased parking causes a visibility issue is when visitors to the recreation ground, which is also opposite our property, bring their cars to collect children from the park.</p> <p>Our second objection, therefore, is that most of the congestion relating to Owlsmoor Primary school takes place immediately outside the school, along roads immediately opposite the school and along the lower stretch of Church Road, which is closest to the school. We do not experience any inconsiderate parking or visibility problems relating to Owlsmoor school so the severe parking restrictions proposed by yourselves are not justified.</p> <p>In addition, we would like you to explain the criteria used for the length of the Owlsmoor Road parking restrictions, 40 metres, in comparison with the length of restrictions proposed in the other five areas which are considerably closer to the school and would therefore be expected to have the most severe restrictions. Our third objection, therefore, is that the severity of the restrictions in Owlsmoor Road are unnecessarily exaggerated in relation to the size of the problem.</p> <p>Finally, we would like to point out that there is no need for any parent or child to cross Church Road on the junction with Owlsmoor Road on route to or from the Primary school. No parent would sensibly train their children to cross on a junction unless it was unavoidable. Church Road is easily long enough to enable children and parents to cross it well before they reach the junction whether they need to go up or down Owlsmoor Road. Whilst, in the interest of safety, you may wish to introduce some waiting restrictions should be minimal in length and only applicable: Mon- Fri 8.15am to 9.15am &amp; 2.45 to 3.45pm.</p> |  |  |
|  | <p>Standard letter:</p> <p>As a resident of Church Road, I would object to the proposed waiting restrictions at the junction of Owlsmoor/ Church Road on the grounds it would cause more parking problems by increasing static congestion and also increase the speed of traffic through the junction with no traffic calming measures in place.</p>  | <p>See Officer Summary and Recommendations at base of table.</p> |  |



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|  | <p>I feel the junction restrictions can be safety curtailed to:</p> <p>15 metres south of the junction and 36 metres north from this point, as it pertains to Owlsmoor Road.</p> <p>With regards Church Road parking restrictions, 29 metres eastwards of the junction on the north side and 19 metres eastwards on the south side of the junction.</p> <p>With regards the parking restrictions proposed outside the lower end of Church Road, I feel the parking restrictions currently in place are sufficient and are certainly not needed at any other time outside the morning and afternoon school runs.</p> <p> wrote:</p> <p>As a regular visitor with my wife and 3 small children   in the evenings, Owlsmoor Road is heavily parked. The only parking available in a considerable distance down Church Road and should there be no cars parked for the first 29m of Church Road from the junction, crossing Church Road will even more treacherous as the cars entering Church Road from Owlsmoor Road will be travelling at even greater speeds. I therefore object to the proposed parking restrictions as per project number 4361.</p> <p>I feel the junction proposal can be curtailed to 15m south into Owlsmoor Road and 19m on the south side of Church Road heading east from the junction.</p> <p>With regards the parking restrictions proposed outside the lower end of Church Road, I feel the parking restrictions currently in place are sufficient and are certainly not needed at any other time outside the morning and afternoon school run.</p> |  |  |
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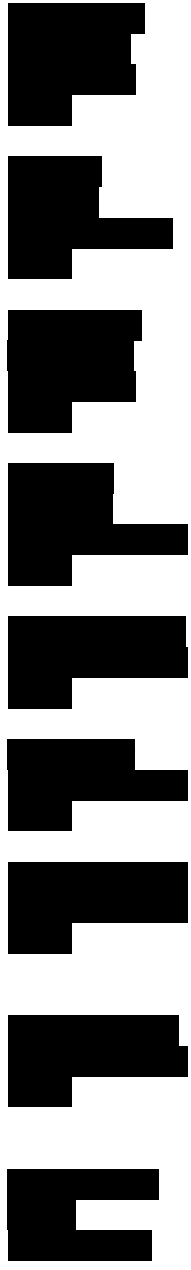

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Many thanks for the correspondence regarding the proposed double yellow lines along Church Road and its adjacent junction's,

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|  | <p>in particular Owlsmoor Road.</p> <p>I live at  and would be greatly affected if this proposal were to go ahead. Most of the houses from 100, which is actually on the corner of Church Road, down to 92 are very old houses and have no off road parking which would cause an enormous problem to us as it would leave us with no- where to park.</p> |  |  |
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| <p><b><u>SUPPORT</u></b></p> <p>██████████</p> <p>██████████</p>                   | <p>In support of the proposed TRO- ██████████ wrote:</p> <p>With reference to the above regarding the double yellow lines, I am in fully agreement with the proposals, my only concern is that the cars and van from ██████████ that are causing the problem with the junction with Church Road will have a knock-on effect in Church Road. This could mean I would have difficulty in negotiating my driveway, as would my neighbours, especially when parents and small children are walking to school. Thank you for your consideration.</p>  |  |  |
| <p><b><u>SUPPORT</u></b></p> <p>██████████</p> <p>██████████</p> <p>██████████</p> | <p>In support of the proposed TRO- ██████████ wrote:</p> <p>Many thanks for your prompt reply. I have to say that I was surprised at not receiving any communication regarding this matter, as our house sits directly opposite Church Lane at 105, Owlsmoor Road. However I am broadly in support of this measure as we have witnessed very many close misses on the corner of Owlsmoor Road and Church lane, due in the main to illegal parking right on the corner</p> <p>To be honest driving down Owlsmoor Road from the Broadmoor (bypass end) has become a nightmare over the last couple of years due to the many cars parked on the road. On another note we were delighted that the road was re-surfaced a few months ago. Long overdue! Pity about the return of the road humps though!</p> |  |  |
| <p><b><u>SUPPORT</u></b></p> <p>██████████</p> <p>██████████</p>                   | <p>In support of the proposed TRO- ██████████ wrote:</p> <p>With reference to your letter dated 19<sup>th</sup> March 2014 to the traffic parking changes in Church Road, I do not think you go far enough.</p> <p>My property is at the junction of Church Road and Cambridge Road, there has always been a problem with, inconsiderate parking opposite Owlsmoor school when it comes to the children go to and from the school and the lack of consideration to the safety welfare of the pupils.</p>   |  |  |

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|  | <p>We have single yellow lines on the corner which are often ignored which only apply at school times ignoring after school activity's and when they have a police presents (rarely) the police are there before school run starts so parents adhere to the rules and regulations.</p> <p>With reference to your changes, I understand that you are not allowed to park on a bend or within 10 metres of a junction anyway. The main consideration should be the school area so why has the whole length outside the school been ignored as well as Rugby Road where there is a nursery school opposite. Double yellow lines should be outside the main area of the school not singles at specific times as at present and singles where you intend doubles namely corners of Millins Cillose, Rookwood Close, and other locations in Church Road.</p> |  |  |
| <p><b><u>SUPPORT</u></b></p> <p>██████████</p> <p>██████████</p> | <p>In support of the proposed TRO- ██████████ wrote:</p> <p>We are writing to you with regards to your letter, Ref. No. SN/S/30/3/11 concerning the proposed double yellow lines along Church Road, Owlsmoor. We live at ██████████ which is situated right on the corner between Owlsmoor Road and Church Road and the proposed yellow lines will go right the way around the road side of our property.</p> <p>We understand that the family from the opposite side of our junction ██████████ have very strong feelings about the proposal, as they have been harassing us and several other neighbours.</p> <p>To give you an insight into their actions over the last couple of weeks, they have ██████████</p> <p>██████████</p> <p>██████████</p>   |  |  |

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We would prefer not to fall out with our neighbours so would appreciate it if you can keep the contents of this letter on a confidential level.

We would welcome double yellow lines around this junction as we have always felt that this junction is dangerous (we have lived here for 7 years now). We regularly hear cars screeching to a halt as they approach the junction in the middle of the road (because of the parked vehicles) and then find themselves face to face with another vehicle as they round the corner. Being parents of children at the local primary school, we are also aware of incidences where people with double pushchairs have had to go out into the road or cross to the other side to manoeuvre around vehicles that have parked across the path.

We have been told by the family at [REDACTED] that you were going to do a site inspection to assess how bad the problem is but we would like you to know we have heard the lady of that house telling people in the street not to park on the corner because of the inspection, that it will make it "look bad".

We would also like to add that the parking is not only a problem at peak times. The problem is usually at its worst during the evening and weekends, but can be at any time. It seems entirely unrelated to the school or the church. There are often cars parked until gone 9am as this is when the incidents with the pushchairs that we have mentioned have occurred.

Furthermore, we feel that the proposed double yellow lines do not go far enough. We feel that as the proposal stands, the issue will only be moved from one side of the road to the other. With this in mind, there should also be double yellow lines running along the opposite side of the junction. This would improve visibility and safety as you approach the junction from both Owlsmoor Road and Church Road.

Finally, whilst we are in contact with you, we would like to make a further suggestion to improve road safety in Owlsmoor Road. We

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|  | <p>would like to suggest a safety barrier such as you find outside school gates to be put outside the entrance for Owlsmoor Park. The path is on a downward slope towards the road, and whilst there is already a staggered gate leading into the park, this does not stop runaway balls and if children/cycles do come running through those gates there is very little time for motorists to see and respond.</p> |  |  |
| <p><b><u>SUPPORT</u></b></p> <p>██████████</p> <p>██████████</p> | <p>In support of the proposed TRO- ██████████ wrote:</p> <p>I am writing about the yellow lines being put at the top of the Church Road which I thoroughly agree with.</p> <p>The thing that concerns me is cars and vans park there day and night.</p> <p>Does this mean we will have vehicles parked outside our houses a lot more?</p>   |  |  |

Headteacher of Owlsmoor School – supports the waiting restriction proposals.

Thames Valley Police Traffic Management - no objection to the waiting restriction proposals.

Cllr Worrall – expressed concern over extent of double yellow lines around junction of Owlsmoor Rd and Church Rd and asked if they could be reduced as parking capacity problems in the area

**Local Member comments on consultation responses:**

Cllr Porter - I have noted the objections and spoken with many residents on this issue.

My opinion is to either leave the junction as it is and there has not been any noted accidents, or, shorten the double yellow lines to 15 meters south of Owlsmoor Road and 19 meters on both side of Church Road.

At present motorists turning into Church Road do so with caution but I feel that once double yellows lines are installed then the speed at which motorists take the corner will increase and actually have the opposite effect required. Parking along the roads are already at a premium and by removing several spaces it will only mean a problem arises further down another road. There is also added pressure when the congregation meet at St. Georges Church and it may well be that motorists disregard the double yellows at certain times.

How will the double yellow lines be enforced? The police are already very reluctant to enforce the double yellow lines outside Owlsmoor School!!

I am therefore against the road having double yellow lines.

Cllr Worrall – no further comment.

**Officer comments and recommendations :**

1. Many residents are concerned that the proposed double yellow lines around the junction of Owlsmoor Road and Church Road are excessive and are not related to the school and will severely restrict on-street parking capacity in an already saturated area.

It is accepted that the proposed double yellow lines on the junction of Owlsmoor Road and Church Road are not directly related to parking problems associated with the school but have been added to the TRO to address a general safety issue at this end of Church Road initially raised by Sandhurst Town Council. Observations on site have shown that vehicles park around the junction blocking already restricted sightlines and causing motorists to drive on the wrong side of the road to get through parked cars. Pedestrians also have to cross the road between the parked vehicles where visibility is poor.

Bearing in mind the weight of feeling about parking in the area, the extent of proposed double yellow lines in this vicinity have been reviewed and it is possible to reduce them without compromising safety. It is therefore recommended that the length of double yellow lines along the southern radius of the junction of Owlsmoor Road and Church Rd be reduced by 4 metres in Owlsmoor Rd (one car length) and 10 metres in Church Road (two car lengths). Double yellow lines along the northern radius of the junction to remain unchanged.

2. Some residents thought that the double yellow lines should be replaced with single yellow lines and only be enforceable at school peak times so that residents would not be inconvenienced.

Single yellow lines were considered at the design stage but experience has shown that they are not very effective and are difficult to enforce. They also imply that it's acceptable to park on them outside the times stated when in fact most of them are in places where according to the Highway Code they should not park at all. Double yellow lines seem to be well respected and are therefore more self enforcing. The proposed double lines in Church Road have mainly been placed around junctions to reinforce Rule 243 of the Highway Code which states "DO NOT stop or park, near a school entrance or opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space"

3. Having reviewed the extent of proposed double yellow lines in the vicinity of the car park entrance opposite 69 Church Road and the discovery of an anomaly in the location of the adjacent existing single yellow lines around the junction of Church Road and Cambridge Road, it is recommended that the double lines around both radii of the car park entrance be removed at this time. Owlsmoor school is due to receive further SMOTTs improvements later this year ie footway access improvements etc... when a further review will be carried out on waiting restrictions around this junction with a view to possibly replacing the existing single yellow lines with double yellow lines to maintain consistency of enforcement.

**Officer comments and recommendations :**

Officer recommendation is to proceed with the TRO as advertised with the above modifications to the double yellow lines around the junction of Owlsmoor Rd and Church and removal of the proposed double yellow lines around the car park entrance opposite No 69 Church Rd.



