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Date: 15<sup>th</sup> February 2013 Ref: 303/TRO/13775/13

Mr Andy Bracey
Senior Engineer
Transportation Services
Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council
Gibson Building
Gibson Drive
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Kent
ME19 4LZ

Dear Mr Bracey,

Thank you for your letter dated the 7<sup>th</sup> February 2013 in relation to new or amended on-street traffic regulation orders in the Borough of Tonbridge & Malling, Kent and the attached plans and associated schedule.

Kent Police have no specific observations to make regarding this proposal, however in general terms we would expect the following:

The application meets the necessary criteria.

The introduction of prohibition of waiting and the bus stop clearway comply in all respect with the Traffic Signs and General Directions 2002.

If being used for 'corner protection' the prohibition of waiting restriction is for a 24-hour period and extends for a distance of at least 10 metres from any junction. Thus preventing vehicles mistakenly parking during the hours of darkness and contravening provisions of the Roads Vehicles Lighting Regulations 1994.

The introduction of such measures will not leave the Police with the task of carrying out constant enforcement issues such as obstruction by transferring the problem to other areas.

The safety of other road users is not compromised by the introduction of these measures.

Decriminalisation of parking will require your Authority to ensure resources are available to enforce this proposal.

Yours sincerely

Tactical Operations London Road, Coldharbour Lane, Aylesford, Kent ME20 7SL Tel: 01622 798523 Fax: 01622 798529 www.kent.police.uk

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#### parkingplans - Proposed parking restrictions in Nevill Court.

From:

To: "parkingplans@tmbc.gov.uk" <parkingplans@tmbc.gov.uk>

Date: 10/02/2013 11:15

Subject: Proposed parking restrictions in Nevill Court.

Dear Sirs,

Having lived in Nevill Court since June 1989, I am fully aware of the parking situation in this development where every resident has a garage or parking facility, none of the latter being allocated to any particular property. However, to avoid inconsiderate parking in Nevill Court, we the residents arranged for the 14 parking spaces to be marked out. This gave 4 spaces on the right hand side as you enter Nevill Court, a non parking area on the bend to allow large vehicles access and a further 10 spaces on the left hand side down to the entry into private property. This is exactly as you show in your proposals with one exception, NO PARKING marked on the right hand side as you enter N/C to prevent vehicles stopping or parking on this very busy junction which is obscured when turning off Town Hill by the high bounday wall of No 31. We have had two accidents in this area and the danger is increased due to the speed of motorists ignoring the 20mph zone when coming down the High Street.

As already mentioned, all residents either have a garage or a non allocated parking space and whilst some do park in the road, this is an unnecessary use of the limited parking available for employees working in nearby offices. I suggest therefore that you enquire whether a resident has a garage or parking space to maximise the 14 spaces marked out on your plans which is a replica of the use in this road for over 20 years. I hope this is useful information and will help identify who can park in Nevill Court

#### parkingplans - Amendment 3 plans

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"parkingplans@tmbc.gov.uk" <parkingplans@tmbc.gov.uk>

10/02/2013 11:01 Date: Subject: Amendment 3 plans

CC:

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Regards

Sandown Road West Malling

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# Nevill Court, Water Lane and St Leonard's Street

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All responses must be received by 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2013.

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# parkingplans - Amendment 3 plans (further comments)

From: To:

"parkingplans@tmbc.gov.uk" <parkingplans@tmbc.gov.uk>

Date:

14/02/2013 16:06

Subject: Amendment 3 plans (further comments)

Further to my earlier comments (attached) I should like to add additional comments relating mainly to the Water Lane & St Leonard's Street proposals.

A recently published Lib Dem "Headline" has incorrectly suggested that "The extra long stay spaces in water Lane & St Leonard's Street should relieve pressure on the High Street Car Park'. As cars already park in these locations, the actual gain is zero! I cannot see how painting a few lines on the road will somehow change what already exists. To exacerbate the parking shortage, the recent fire has actually reduced the number of spaces.

I have an aquaintance who told me recently that the staff in one of the High Street Hairdressers, use the short stay car park, because they know they can get away with it. TMBC have got to ignore loud minority voices and start charging for parking in the car parks. The revenue will pay for proper patrolling & policing of the parking areas throughout the Town. The absurd aguement that charging will cause people will go elsewhere is false. People already go elsewhere because they cannot park due to insuffient parking capacity. Speaking as a motorist, I would rather pay to park, if fees emptied the car park of those who should not be there. Come on TMBC, don't listen to the minority!

Clearly the workers in the town do need spaces too. I reiterate my arguement for making Ice Fields into a workers car park as outlined below.

Regards

Sandown Road WEST MALLING

From:

To: parkingplans@tmbc.gov.uk

Subject: Amendment 3 plans

Date: Sun, 10 Feb 2013 11:01:04 +0000

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Water Lane	In favour*	Not in favour*
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### parkingplans - West Malling Parking Review-Formal consultation

From: To:

<parkingplans@tmbc.gov.uk>

Date:

11/02/2013 13:50

Subject: West Malling Parking Review-Formal consultation

I am in favour of the proposals for Nevill Court, Water Lane and St Leonards St.

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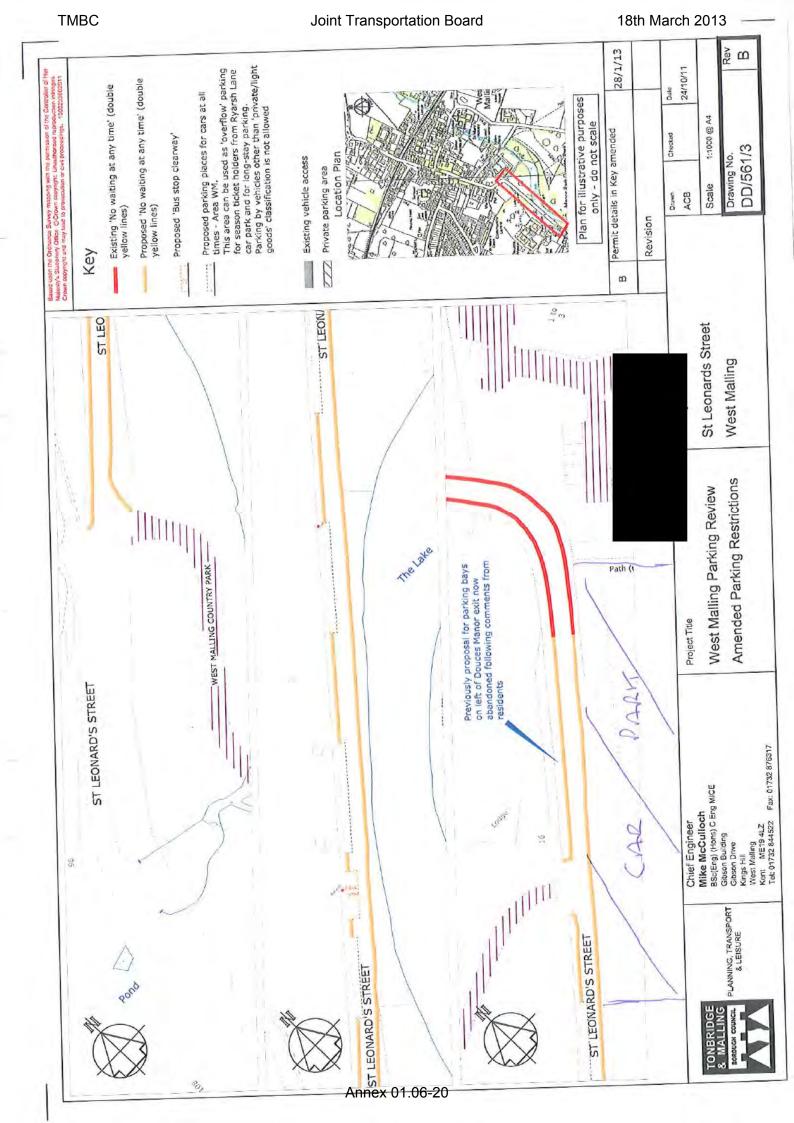
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Date
17/2/13

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Signed	Date
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We agree with the proposal for refurbishment and (where necessary additional) painting of yellow lines and parking bay areas, but cannot see how the introduction of limited time and permit parking benefits the present situation other than to provide extremely modest income through permit purchase.

The present parking facility works very well in coping with requirements and being an area that attracts very little shopper parking (even though currently free) the sort of restrictions you indicate will do nothing other than cause inconvenience and disruption to those office workers in the immediate locality who have a need for the current free parking arrangements to continue.

We reiterate that it should only be necessary to repaint the speed recommendation, parking bays and yellow line signage indicated on your plan.

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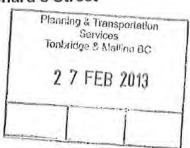
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## Andy Bracey - Re: West Malling Parking Consultation.

From:

Mike OBrien

To: Date:

27/02/2013 17:28

Subject: CC:

Re: West Malling Parking Consultation.

Andy Bracey; Trudy.Dean@kent.gov.uk

Thank you for your thoughts on this.

St Leonard's Street in particular was tweaked slightly following feedback from the informal round of consultation and this proposal addresses the known concerns at that time.

We are now at the formal consultation stage of the development of these initiatives and can no longer justify or have the time to consult more widely than we are currently doing, which is already above the statutory requirement.

However there are public notices along the road in St Leonard's Street together with the notice in the local press. At this stage we have agreed proposals and we are not looking to measure public support now but anybody can still object to a proposal for a Traffic Regulation Order. Any objection received will be reported to the Joint Transportation Board on 18 March and if there are no objections the proposals will simply proceed.

I'm sorry if this seems a bit negative but that is not my intention. This really should now be a good news item. If anyone has concerns they are welcome to raise them and these will be reported to the Board.

Regards

Mike

26 February 2013 17:20 >>>

Mike

Many thanks for your prompt and full response to Trudy's Email (and also to Andy from my Email he responded to)

I have checked back and find that you did respond nearly a year ago, when you sent out original plans. At that time T&MBC had decided that 108 St Leonard's was the extent of the Mail Drop. However, I did raise this omission again at the Parking Review held on 7th November. 2012, simply because these changes will affect the traffic at the "Double Bend and at the Manor Park entrance which is to all intents an "Accident Blackspot",

Whilst I can understand the cost constraints on T&MBC, I do think that in this particular case the whole of St Leonard's St should have been canvassed, and probably King Hill. These residents are probably the most frequent users of this stretch of road and indeed many weren't aware of the opportunity to put their point of

Most people I have spoken to are actually positive on the parking plans, but are concerned about the speed considerations.

Several of those who have been engaged in Speedwatch were concerned with the proximity of the "South End of St, Leonard's St Parking" which is close to the "Hill Brow" at Manor Park Entrance. This feature

conceals the road going North towards West Malling High St. Thus the engineering may need further consideration, so that the positioning allows drivers plenty of time to observe the road clearly prior to negotiating the "Parking Chicanes"

Hope this input is of some value

Yours

From: Trudy.Dean@kent.gov.uk [mailto:Trudy.Dean@kent.gov.uk]

Sent: 26 February 2013 11:04

To:

Subject: Fw: FW: West Malling Parking Consultation.

See below. Trudy

From: Mike OBrien [mailto:Mike.OBrien@tmbc.gov.uk]

Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2013 09:45 AM

To: Dean, Trudy - MEM

Cc: Andy Bracey <Andy.Bracey@tmbc.gov.uk>
Subject: Re: FW: West Malling Parking Consultation.

Trudy

The formal consultation on the parking proposals agreed by the Steering Group is being carried out. This covers three areas;

- Water Lane
- Nevill Court
- · St Leonard's Street

The consultation consists of;

- on-street notices
- · advertisements in the local press
- letters to Statutory Consultees (emergency services, bus companies, local Parish Council etc)
- · documents on deposit
- details on the TMBC website \*
- letters to the immediate frontagers of the changes \*

The items marked with a \* are not a statutory requirement, but are standard practice. We sent out letters to 39 properties in St Leonard's Street. The consultation is open to all to comment and how to find further details and how to comment are included in the street notices and newspaper advertisement.

Regards

Mike

>>> <Trudy.Dean@kent.gov.uk> 25 February 2013 16:28 >>>

From: Dean, Trudy - MEM Sent: 25 February 2013 16:08

To: 'mike'

Subject: West Malling Parking Consultation.

Could you please advise me what consultation is being carried out on the changed parking proposals please? I have just had a complaint from a St Leonard's Street resident that houses there have not been circulated. Trudy

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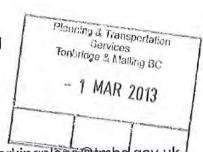
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Mr Andy Bracey
Senior Engineer
Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council
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### Dear Mr Bracey West Malling Parking Review - formal consultation

Thank you for sending me details of proposed changes to the parking arrangements in West Malling and for consulting local residents on this matter. However, I should point out that It appears that no other residents on Town Hill and surrounding area have received the attached form (or maps) - on a matter of great importance to them.

We, along with our neighbours, are delighted that the proposal to have parking bays on Town Hill has been scrapped. We feel that this would have made this stretch of road even more hazardous for road users and pedestrians, particularly mothers with pushchairs, children walking to school and the elderly.

We are also pleased that common sense has prevailed in removing the dangerous proposal to allow parking between the Douces Manor entrance and S bend into the High Street. Cars parked there mean that vehicles approaching the town have to move into the right hand lane thereby risking head-on collisions with on-coming traffic. Last autumn, the owner of a bus company which ferries children to and from local schools expressed to me how worried he was about this. It is therefore imperative that bus operators as well as the emergency services should be consulted fully on these or any future proposals.

For the future, we urged the authorities to draw up a plans for chicanes on Town Hill and along St Leonard's Street. These will "protect" parked cars from having wing mirrors ripped off or even being smashed up as happens regularly on Town Hill. More importantly, they would curb reckless drivers speeding up as they leave the High Street.

Already this year we have had a spate of serious accidents at the brow of Town Hill where we feel the EXISTING parking arrangements should be urgently reviewed. In the past seven weeks, these included:

- \* Two people carried away on stretchers after a head-on collision when a car hurtled past parked cars in the right-hand lane and hit an upcoming vehicle which clearly became a "write off".
- \* A car, obviously travelling at a high speed, hit a parked car outside Town Hill cottage on the brow of the hill and shunted it several yards, mounting the pavement. It ended up about a foot from the front door of the house. It was impeded by the iron bollard on the pavement otherwise it would have wrecked the house.

- \* In a separate incident, a car ploughed across the pavement next door to Town Hill Cottage knocking down a large oak bollard and hitting the garden wall.
- \* Another car parked in a bay on the hill was destroyed by a car hitting it.

We have photographs of some of these alarming incidents. Urgent action must be taken before people are killed, possibly pedestrians. The first prerequisite for local authorities is surely the safety of people.

Some parking bays would be fine if there was a chicane. A few of these, though, completely block the sight lines for drivers leaving the estate at the top of the hill making it deadly for residents to exit. These should be withdrawn. (Why not urge officers and councillors to pop down in their cars and try it for themselves when the bays are full?)

The increased building at Kings Hill, Leybourne Grange, and elsewhere, including local infilling, will lead to more and more pressure on West Malling. On-street parking will not suffice. So we urgently call for:

# \*Chicanes on Town Hill and St Leonard's Street

\* A SERIOUS, effective plan to provide more off-street parking spaces. On-street parking changes are only tinkering with the problem and a long term solution is already decades overdue. Preferably this could be a multi-storey at the back of Tescos where there appears to be more land which could be used immediately or in the car park at the

If this is not possible for financial reasons, we suggest, albeit reluctantly, that it would be well worth sacrificing a small portion of the country park along St Leonard's Street (perhaps for day time parking only) for the benefit of the town as a whole. This is level as it used to be a POW camp and there is a gate although this should be moved further along the road and a chicane installed to slow on-coming traffic. This area could be attractively screened at low cost and there should be a firm assurance of no expansion plus preservation of the ice house. This will no doubt meet much opposition but common sense dictates that it would be better all round to do this than keep the status quo on parking.

Such a solution would in our view benefit all in the village - residents, hard pressed shop owners, visitors and most of all it would help make the village safer and much more pleasant to visit and shop. It would also mean that desperate-to-park guests arriving from out of the area for weddings and funerals at St Mary's church do not park their cars on the bend causing chaos as happened a week ago, for example.

Although there are budget restrictions at present, we urge councillors to at least draw up a long term plan to be carried out when possible. Perhaps some of the increased "take" from the community charge from new builds in the vicinity could be used for this purpose?

We should be most grateful if you could pass on this letter on to councillors before the next meeting of the Joint Transportation Board.



#### Andy Bracey - West Malling Parking Review Your Ref PTLS/ACB/P4-15-form

From: To:

<andy.bracey@tmbc.gov.uk>

Date: 03

03/03/2013 14:28

Subject: West Malling Parking Review Your Ref PTLS/ACB/P4-15-form

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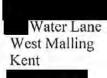
#### West Malling Parking Review - Formal Consultation on on-street parking changes.

I would like to reiterate some of the comments I made in response to the informal review last April.

- If parking is allowed adjacent to the Abbey Barn we would like to see the soft verge reinforced because it has already been eroded significantly by cars that park there, some even park with wheels on the embankment.
- 2. Would it be possible to designate a disabled parking bay near to the pedestrian gate into Pilsdon in order to enable disabled access to the Abbey Barn which is a Chapel and occasionally a venue for concerts and other events?
- 3. Parking along the wall between 9 and 21 Water Lane near the entrance to the Pilsdon site opposite Old Parsonage Court makes it extremely difficult to turn into that entrance with a trailer or longer vehicle (which we use frequently) or to see vehicles approaching when pulling out of that entrance. If the parking area could be reduced to allow a longer double yellow line adjacent to the gate that would be helpful.
- 4. Should there be some indication of width restriction at each end of Water Lane as cars are regularly damaged by through traffic? Perhaps also a weight restriction the little bridge over the Ewell Stream that runs from Manor Park into the Pilsdon at Malling Community may not be strong enough to carry the weight of traffic that uses Water Lane.
- 5. The High Street's 20mph limit should be extended for the length of Water Lane, which has a number of concealed entrances and is used by a large number of pedestrians including children and the elderly to and from Manor Park. Speeding vehicles are a problem at the moment.
- 6. We would welcome a restriction on large commercial vehicles parking in Water Lane.
- We regularly have problems with cars obstructing the three entrances to our site in Water Lane, especially the pedestrian entrance, and would therefore welcome stronger enforcement of the restrictions.

Please don't hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss my comments further.

Yours sincerely,



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#### Andy Bracey - "West Malling Parking Review - Formal consultation"

From:

To: <andy.bracey@tmbc.gov.uk>

Date: 02/03/2013 09:01

Subject: "West Malling Parking Review - Formal consultation"

CC:

#### Dear Mr Bracey

Having reviewed the proposed new and amended parking restrictions, I would like to confirm that I am not in–favour of the proposals put forward as part of the resident consultation.

On the previous occasion, and I don't recall receiving a request to respond, and on this current one, Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council did not seek the views of all St Leonards Street residents. A new time frame should therefore be put forward to allow all residents to provide input.

The reasons for my not being in favour are as follows:

The parking restrictions to be implemented on the section between Douces Manor entrance and the Country Park entrance will result in traffic approaching West Malling from being forced on to the wrong side of the road for a significant amount of time. There are also significant undulations in the layout of the road that reduces visibility of oncoming traffic. As a result, there will be a danger of collisions occurring as traffic leaving West Malling will assume right of way for the entire stretch of road. This will be exacerbated by South bound traffic having exited West Malling in a 20mph zone from wishing to accelerate as they currently do and travelling at speed on "their side of the road". Their assumption will be that oncoming traffic will be in the wrong.

The parking places are not time restricted meaning that they may be parked there at night and given the rural nature of the road I would doubt that there is ample street lighting in place for the parking bays to be safe. I presume that there are no proposals to change the street lighting as part of the proposals, if they are, they are not clear from the plans.

Whilst one would hope that traffic would be slowed by introducing an on-street parking area, the assumption and speed of traffic exiting West Malling will be that they will always have right of way even if an oncoming vehicle has already crossed to the opposite side of the road in order to negotiate parked vehicles.

There is also a further concern that vehicles travelling towards Kings Hill will accelerate further once they have negotiated the last parked vehicle located in a proposed parking place, located well before the Country Park entrance and will have time to accelerate into the bend (between the Country Park entrance and St Leonards Tower). Please note that the map does not accurately show this bend.

Your proposals do not deal with traffic speeds away from the proposed parking places. As we exit our driveway (which also has a public right of way crossing point) for pedestrians to cross between St Leonards Tower and the Country Park), travel regularly exceeds the existing 30 mph speed limit. The proposed location of parking places on the Douces Manor side of the road will not reduce speeds for traffic exiting West Malling, and even if it did, without some form of traffic calming around the bend, will more than likely result in higher average speeds.

We have for a considerable time been requesting traffic calming measures along St Leonards Street, requesting proposals that don't impact on just one end of the Street. The proposals put forward do not address these issues. In fact, they will encourage traffic to speed up once they have negotiated the

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proposed parking places and as a results will do more harm than good. The majority of accidents that have occurred, including one fatality (1998), has been between the entrance of the Country Park and in the vicinity of 108 St Leonards Street (near to St Leonards Tower). The layout of the existing bend is such that it encourages traffic to increase speed in the vicinity of concealed entrances.

Our requests for traffic calming pre-dated the fatality and yet the only item implemented was a reduction in speed from 40mph to 30mph, and this only came about as a result of West Malling successfully getting a 20mph zone. TMBC and KCC have overlooked St Leonards Street requests, despite the significant increase in traffic in the area resulting from the growth of Kings Hill.

For the reasons outlined above I am not currently in-favour of the proposals proposed. Traffic calming along the entirety of St Leonards Street needs to be considered as a whole before you consider using it for West Malling parking.

Finally, I think it extremely disappointing that Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council chooses to be selective in who it corresponds with by mail regarding this consultation. I am sure if there was a proposal to make changes to on-street parking in your road that you would expect to be consulted. I would be interested in knowing what the Council's policy/criteria is for selecting and corresponding by mail for such consultations.

Yours sincerely

St Leonards Street West Malling Kent