

Formal Consultation
New & Amended Parking Restrictions
New Road, Kiln Barn Road, St Peters Road and Cherry Orchard, Ditton

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Comments		
<p>IT WILL ONLY WORK IF IT IS ENFORCED THE OTHER CONCERN I HAVE IS THAT IT WILL PUSH THE PARKING DOWN THE STREAM AND BLOCK THE ACCESS FOR RESIDENTS AND EMERGENCY HOSPITAL VEHICLES.</p>		
Signed		Date 27/07/21

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Comments	
<p>This proposal will exacerbate the existing parking problems at The Stream which are not caused by residents of The Stream.</p>	
Signed	Date 13.7.2021

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Office](#)
Subject: Proposed double yellow lines - Cherry Orchard
Date: 29 July 2021 12:50:53
Importance: High

To whom it may concern,

As residents of Cherry Orchard, Ditton, we object to the double yellow lines being placed within the road of Cherry Orchard. As a coldesac, it deems unnecessary to insert double yellow lines in such a quiet road and area. Cars parked on this road/close have never been an issue for other cars driving, or parking, throughout the coldesac.

Considering the curvature of this culdesac, the straight length of road and pavement, where the double yellow lines and only two parking spaces have been suggested, is vital for visitor parking. If this space has double yellow lines, and only two car parking spaces available, people and visitors will resort to parking on the bends in the close (where there are no double yellows), which will be far more dangerous for the community and the area. These visitors will be left with no option other than to park there as the other proposed double yellow lines across all of the others areas/roads in ditton means there is no other visitor/free parking physically available elsewhere.

The current straight road as you enter Cherry Orchard happily allows for 3 to 4 visitors in the close and is a very helpful area for visitor parking that does not cause any congestion or traffic issues (please see photos attached for different time periods where this is evident).

While some of the other proposed double yellow lines in Ditton would be useful, since they would avoid heavy traffic and parking on the roads, we do not understand why double yellow lines have been proposed in such a small, quiet close (Cherry Orchard) where this area of available parking for people/visitors is very useful for the community and causes no traffic issues. Instead, putting double yellow lines here would cause more traffic issues as people will have to resort to the other very limited (and more dangerous) areas around the close.

We do hope you take our comments into thoughtful consideration as these proposed yellows lines in this small coldesace has caused clear unhappiness in the area and would also be a key reason when someone is looking for a family house to not buy in this coldesac due to very limited parking which is currently a huge benefit to the community in Cherry Orchard, which causes no current issues.

Thank you.

Best wishes,

Cherry Orchard Residents

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<p>Cherry Orchard It will only push parking further around the close as it is used by work vans and for the school run</p>	
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Comments		
<p>YELLOW LINES ON ST PETERS ROAD OPPOSITE ST PETERS COURT WASTE OF TIME AS ITS ALL DROP KERBS NO ONE EVER PARKS THAT SIDE OF ROAD!. I NOTE NO DROP OFF ZONE FOR SCHOOL WHICH IS THE MAIN PROBLEM BETWEEN 8-30 - 9-15 AND 245-315. DISPLACEMENT CARS NOW PARK IN DITTON COURT CLOSE WHICH IS A PROBLEM FOR RESIDENTS. ALSO YOUR PLAN IS OUT OF DATE AS HOUSE NO 14 DITTON COURT CLOSE HAS NOW BEEN BUILT IT'S HAS PARKING BUT WILL IT BE USED YOU DONT KNOW!</p>		
Signed	[Redacted]	Date
		13 07 2021

* WHAT IS THE POINT OF THIS WHOLE PROJECT.

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Comments	
<p>Stopping parking in St Peters Road will force those wishing to park for Allchurch (Congregation) weddings, christenings & funerals & those dropping off & picking up at school, into the side roads. The side roads already have insufficient parking per residents, deliveries & emergency vehicles</p>	
Signed	Date
	22nd July '21

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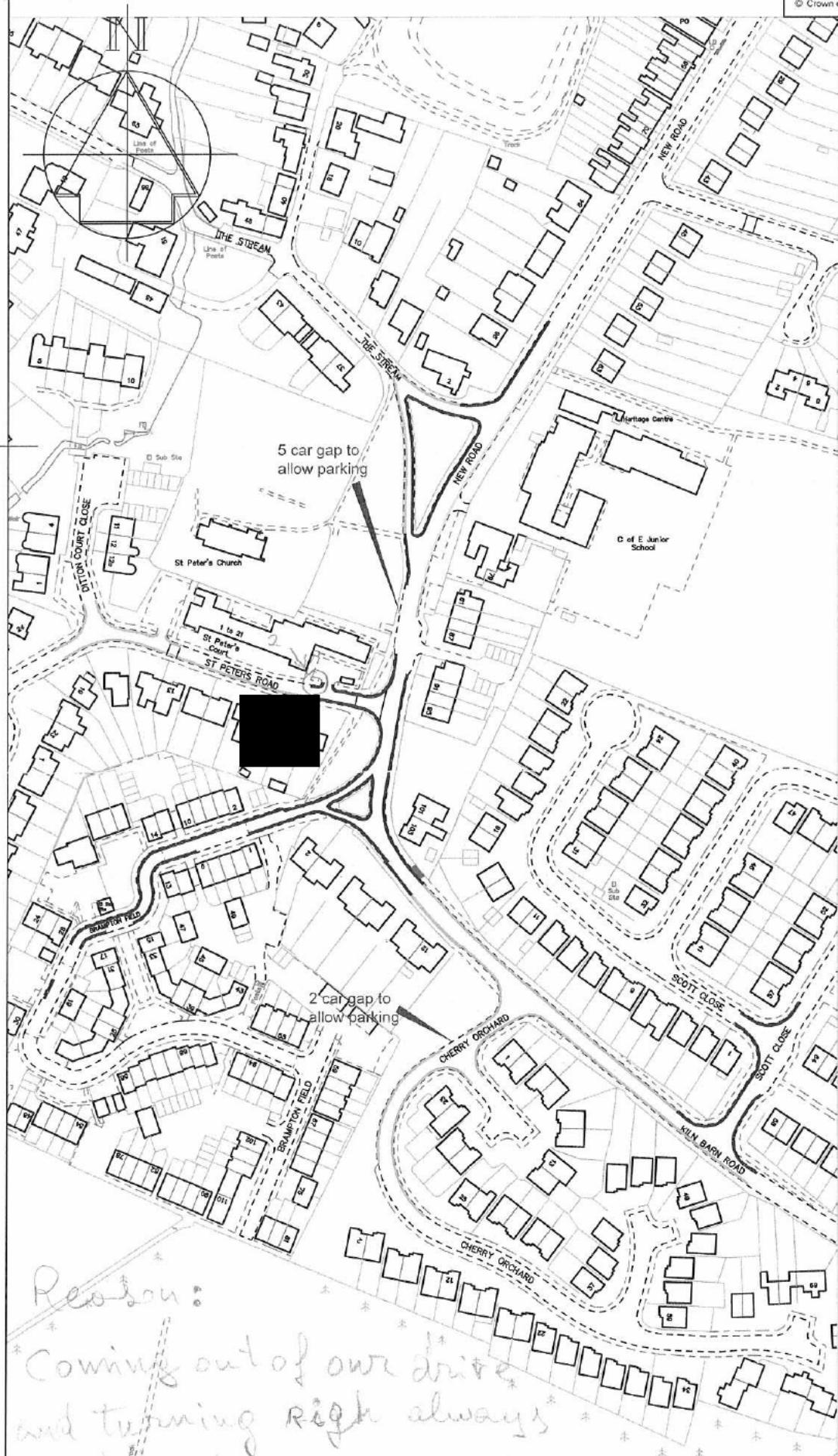
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Comments	
<p>St. Peters Rd... Coming out of our drive, turning right always have to step down a kerb. Yellow line opposite our drive, if they could be extended another 3 metres could make things easier for us. This would be much appreciated...</p>	
Signed	Date 23-July-2021

Double yellow line opposite ST Peters Rd.
could be extended for another 3 metres ???

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Key

Existing "No waiting at any time" (double yellow lines)

Proposed "No waiting at any time" (double yellow lines)

Existing "School Keep Clear" (yellow zig-zag lines)

New double yellow lines to prevent obstructive parking in front of access and at entrance to parking areas, on bends and at junctions, and to prevent pavement parking

A	DYL changed, Revised to Formal	2/21
Revision	Date	



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Project Title

Parking Action Plan

Phase 12

Formal consultation

Drawing Title

Ditton
New Road, Kiln Barn Road, St
Peters Road & Cherry Orchard

Drawn ACB Checked AE Date 7/2020

Scale 1 : 2000 @ A4

Drawing No.
DD/590/04

Rev
A

Reason:
Coming out of our drive
and turning right always
Need to step out a kerb...

Has been suggested by one of your councillors
That you could lower the kerb on front of our drive.
Surely this would be more disruptive to the
constant traffic on our road .. than extending the yellow
line opposite our drive ... ???
and less expensive. ???

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Office](#)
Subject: DD/590/04A New Road, Cherry Orchard, Kiln Barn Road, St Peters Road
Date: 12 July 2021 16:35:21

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

WE OBJECT TO the borough council's proposals for changes to the on street parking arrangements for New Road, Kiln Barn Road, St Peters Road and Cherry Orchard on plan DD/590/04A.

More parking spaces are needed than allowed for in Cherry Orchard- only two is just not enough when there is safely room for at least six parking places. We have lived here for [REDACTED] without the "enhancement" of double yellow lines and there have been no accidents as far as we are aware so why the sudden need for them now? Surely their existence will force visitors around the bend to the longer section of Cherry Orchard, probably to obstruct someone's drive, which wouldn't go down too well.

If you have allowed for 5 parking spaces in New Road near the junction with St Peters Road despite the fact that parked vehicles here obstruct the sight lines of vehicles turning out of St Peters Road surely there can be no justification for allowing less than this in Cherry Orchard where parked vehicles do not obstruct the view out into Kiln Barn Road.

Moreover, in St Peters Road you are allowing parking outside St Peters Court when St Peters Court in any case has two designated parking areas and most of the elderly who live there do not have cars anyway. Opposite, the houses have long driveways, so they are unlikely to need it. So the parking here could be reduced to fewer spaces for visitors and reduce the obstruction of parked cars to traffic trying and failing quite often to negotiate their way successfully to what is in any case a tricky junction with New Road.

We notice you have put double yellow lines in Brampton Field – only thought to be necessary because you allowed plans for the estate to be passed without making proper provision for the car parking of occupants of the houses, a mistake you will be making again with the proposed plan for further development at the back of Cherry Orchard, no doubt. Trouble is, it's the people who live here who have to live with the consequences of your mistakes- so please do not make any more.

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Comments	
<p>With reference to the parking problem in Cherry Orchard, we feel that the double yellow lines on the right hand side of the road should continue round to the front of No 6.</p>	
Sign	Date 22-7-2021

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Address (inc postcode)	[REDACTED]

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SEE ATTACHED

* delete where not applicable

Comments	
Signed	Date
[REDACTED]	26.7.21

To: Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council

From: [REDACTED]

Your ref.: Phase 12-Form-DD/590/04A

Re: New Double Yellow Parking Lines

Submission

This consultation process must consider the desperate and long overdue requirement for parking restrictions along the entire length of The Stream. Arguably, given the width of the road, The Stream is affected far more by street parking than other roads included within this consultation process.

From about 2.15 pm on Mondays to Fridays during term time, access to The Stream is at best hindered, at worst blocked entirely, to vehicular traffic by inconsiderate parking. This affects access by residents, delivery and trade vehicles, and has on occasions severely hindered the collection of household waste and recycling.

On at least one occasion that we are aware of, an ambulance responding to an emergency call out to an elderly resident could not access the road, requiring the paramedics to make their way on foot, carrying essential equipment. This delay put the said resident's health and wellbeing at additional and unnecessary risk. In the event of a fire, life would be similarly endangered.

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Comments	
<p>I Object to the parking restrictions as i can see it causing more trouble to the Stean road and the slip road by the church it is bad enough as it is with the mothers not using the facility at Ditton Community centre. It will only make it worse.</p>	
Signed 	Date 14/7/21

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Comments	
<p>I support the revised proposal on the basis of the 5 car gap opposite Nos 81-87 New Road. I would, however like to see signage restricting these 5 parking spaces, and the two lay-bys in front of Nos 87 & 89, to residents and visitors of Nos 81-93, as at present, they [REDACTED] are regularly used during the day by school staff, and at night, by large vehicles from premises some distance away.</p>	
Signed	Date
[REDACTED]	15-07-2021

are regularly used during the day by school staff, and at night, by large vehicles from premises some distance away.

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Comments	
<p>We object to the proposal on the grounds that they will only push parking further down St Peters Road and cause a problem at the junction of Willow Drive. This is exactly the opposite to which you state the reason for the changes</p>	
Sign	<small>New double yellow lines to prevent obstructive parking in front of access and at entrance to parking areas, on bends and at junctions, and to prevent pavement parking</small>
	Date 12/7/2021

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Office](#)
Subject: DD/590/04A New road
Date: 19 July 2021 09:44:36

To whom it may concern,

I wish to object to part of the proposals for cherry orchard only.

I live at no [REDACTED] cherry orchard and to bring the proposed yellow lines right to our driveway means we have no where for visitors to park. The top end of Cherry orchard is pretty busy with cars out on the road as it is without putting in yellow lines at the bottom end. we are lucky enough to have a driveway for 2 cars but have 3 due to work vehicles so 1 has to be parked out on the road. Not many other houses have the space for more than 1 car so use the road. It is very rare cars are parked in the proposed areas of cherry orchard apart from the ones that are there daily potentially due to limited parking space. If the yellow lines go in at the bottom end of cherry orchard people will come further up into cherry orchard to find parking.

Is there a way in which you could bring in certain time limits to maybe when the double yellow lines are I forced e.g school pick up and drop off times maybe? Allowing the rest of our road to freely use the parking as we do so already.

Thanks

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

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I support / object to* the Borough Council's proposals for changes to the on-street parking arrangements for New Road, Kiln Barn Road, St Peters Road and Cherry Orchard, Ditton, shown on plan DD/590/04A but continue access to the church is important on Sundays and for weddings or funerals.

* delete where not applicable

Comments		
<p>I have a suggestion. Having lived in The Stream, Ditton for more than [REDACTED] years, could I suggest that a yellow line is put on the "pavement" side of The Stream from the green until the path ends. This will enable deliveries, ambulances, & rubbish collectors etc to serve the rest of the houses in The Stream. At the present, this can be a real problem.</p>		
Signed		Date 23.7.2021

Tonbridge and Malling Parking Action Plan – phase 12

Response by the Parochial Church Council (PCC)

St. Peter Ad Vincula Ditton

Location: Parish of Ditton - New Road, The Stream, Kiln Barn Road, St Peters Road and Cherry Orchard

Proposals and Reasons: New double yellow lines to prevent obstructive parking and maintain traffic movements

Response:

St. Peter's PCC does not believe that this proposal is the most appropriate way to address the parking problems experienced in these locations and that if introduced would disproportionately and detrimentally affect people visiting St. Peter's Church, graves in the churchyard and users of the Church Centre and therefore wishes to formally object to their implementation and suggest an alternative strategy to alleviate the very specific parking problems which are occurring.

Local authorities normally only consider the introduction or extension of existing parking controls in the form of double yellow lines, where a Road Traffic Survey (RTS) has been carried out in order to observe, identify and document the parking situation.

The Tonbridge and Malling document, Parking Action Plan –Annex 1 (Locations for Phase 12) 08 June 2020, states that the proposal was made by the Parish Council and local residents back in November 2018. However there is no supporting RTS, nor is there any evidence that either Ditton Junior School, Ditton Church Preschool, the PCC, the various support groups who use the Church Centre or the residents of St. Peter's Court housing unit, were canvased or contacted about the proposals at that time.

Requests to the Local Authority for the provision or extension of double yellow lines should only normally be considered where:

- there's evidence of a regular problem of parking across a vehicle dropped kerb preventing access throughout the day
- there is evidence of a regular problem of indiscriminate parking
- there are genuine safety concerns, for example where there's poor visibility with vehicles approaching at high speed or pedestrians crossing
- there's evidence of regular 'damage only' accidents
- there have been three or more accidents recorded in the last five years which have resulted in injury
- there are access issues for HGV traffic being regularly reported

- the Council's waste management team confirm that waste and recycling collections are regularly being missed due to lack of parking restrictions
- the existing parking problem is causing unnecessary and lengthy congestion issues
- residents/occupants who would be directly affected by the markings are in favour of the restrictions
- the emergency services request double yellow lines to help them carry out their work
- there is no possibility that parking will be displaced to other locations

Evidence should be in the form of a photographic record or witnessed by an employee of the local authority or emergency services, anecdotal evidence should not be used when evaluating or determining the existence or extent of a parking problem.

Whilst no formal RTS has been submitted with this proposal, it is self-evident to any resident of the parish, that the parking problem in these locations only happens at school drop-off and collection times.

During these periods drivers try to park as close to the school as possible, creating congestion, safety issues and contributing to localised air pollution by often leaving engines running whilst waiting.

Outside of these specific periods the roads concerned are almost virtually devoid of parked vehicles.

This is not however, a problem solely confined to these particular locations. During school drop-off and pick-up times, Pear Tree Avenue, Woodlands Road, Linkway and Nursery Road also suffer badly from congestion and parking problems.

One way local authorities can address these specific problems is by adopting 'School Street' measures which aim to create a safer, healthier and more liveable street environment for everyone in the community.

This is achieved by introducing wider but limited parking restrictions during specific times of the day in the areas which have a parking problem. These limited parking restrictions would not operate during school holidays or at weekends.

Limiting parking at pick-up and drop-off times gives the whole school community the opportunity to travel to and from school in safety. With less traffic, children can walk, scoot and cycle thereby helping young people to be healthier and more active. Local residents will enjoy quieter, less congested streets. Fewer car journeys means less air pollution and lower impact on climate change, making an important contribution to improving health and the environment for everyone.

The success of any Parking Management Plan the Council ultimately introduces, will be determined by the level of enforcement Tonbridge and Malling devotes to ensuring compliance with the parking restrictions.

At the current time there is no visible parking enforcement in the parish and the double yellow lines already introduced by the Council in New Road opposite the Church Centre and at the junction of Woodlands and New Road are regularly ignored at school drop-off and pick-up times.

Unless enforcement action is carried out by the Council bad and dangerous parking will continue to be a problem whatever parking measures are introduced.

Conclusion:

Neither St. Peter's Church nor the Church Centre has the benefit of their own dedicated off street parking.

It is the belief of St. Peter's PCC, that the current proposals to install double yellow lines in New Road, The Stream and St. Peter's Road are not the most appropriate way to address the perceived problem and that no evidence has been presented to show that the parking issues are sufficiently problematic to warrant such extreme measures and will:

A) Disproportionally and detrimentally affect;

1. Mourners attending weekday funerals at the church (which occur outside of the peak congestion times).
2. People attending midweek weddings.
3. People visiting graves in the churchyard (many of whom travel by car a distance from the parish).
4. People attending St. Peter's Church for private midweek prayer.
5. Staff at Ditton Church Preschool who do not live locally.
6. Members of the two AA support groups who use the Church Centre in the evenings for their meetings (a proportion of whom are not local).
7. The older members of the community group (Crafty Coffee) that uses the Church Centre during the week.
8. People who attend evening prayer groups in the Church Centre (especially those who live outside the parish and or are, older and less mobile).

B) Potentially cause a loss of hire income to the PCC, should the AA groups decide to cease using the Centre for their evening support meetings because their members are no longer able to park within a reasonable distance of the Centre due to the new restrictions.

The PCC feels that Tonbridge and Malling Council should withdraw this proposal and after discussion with all stakeholders, consider the introduction of a much more focused and joined up parking plan which will benefit all members of the community and contribute to both health and environmental improvements in all the locations experiencing parking issues.

[REDACTED]
Churchwarden

For and on behalf of St. Peter's Parochial Church Council

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Office](#)
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: DD/590/05A Laburnum Dv, Hornbeam Close, and The Ferns
Date: 12 July 2021 14:21:21

Dear Sir / Madam

As a resident of Laburnum Drive I wonder will the proposed yellow lines be enforced along with dangerous parking along the rest of Laburnum Drive? It is already a chicane due to dangerous parking, I am already concerned that when I call an ambulance for my husband , which unfortunately I have to do more than I would like, it will be delayed . Also inconsiderate pavement parking makes it difficult and sometimes impossible to use a wheelchair on the pavement.

I realise that these yellow lines cannot be seen in isolation. They need to be considered in relation to the wider area, otherwise the problems are just moved further into the estate, as happened when the yellow lines were put around Maple Close. The needs of residents in other roads without parking such as New Hythe Lane need to be considered. In an ideal world there would be no cars and we would all use public transport and the problem would disappear, but it's not the case , so a realistic solution needs to be found. Might not the large, usually empty car park behind the commercial offices on the corner of New Hythe Lane,opposite Morrisons be used for resident parking? Also by repositioning the letterbox, the grassed area on the corner of Laburnum Drive could accommodate a few cars for New Hythe Lane residents.

There also needs to be sensible discussions between the Planning and Parking departments before new housing is allowed. If there had been such discussions the recent construction of properties behind houses at the top of New Hythe Lane which have added to an already congested area might have been better used for parking.

KInd regards

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Sent from my iPad

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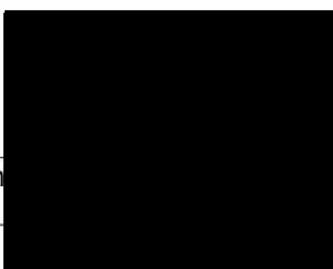
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