

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Office](#)
Subject: TMBC Parking Action Plan Ph.13 - Stevenson Way & Kipling Drive (TMBC Ref.Phase 13-inf-DD/591/16) - Consultation Response
Date: 25 January 2022 07:51:05
Attachments: [TMBC Parking Action Plan - Ph.13 Consultation Response Sketch.pdf](#)

Dear Sirs,

I write to respond to the TMBC consultation on the proposed parking restriction at the junction of Stevenson Way & Kipling Drive, Larkfield and as indicated on your Drg.No.DD/591/16.

I am **NOT** in favour of these proposals for changes to the on-street parking arrangements for the following reasons:

Even though the proposed double yellow line locations are limited to be immediately adjacent to the three specific property boundaries of No.'s 6, 8 and 8a Stevenson Way, I am of the view that the imposition of parking restrictions in such a limited manner will devalue the respective properties and will be open to legal challenge;

The reality is that vehicles park on the road at various locations in Stevenson Way and Kipling Drive. In particular, the continual presence of parked vehicles in Stevenson Way directly opposite the head of Kipling Drive and as sketch indicated on your site plan means that vehicles entering the estate from Gighill Road have to swerve out to avoid the parked cars. This is particularly hazardous during daylight hours when the absence of vehicle headlights makes it impossible to know if other vehicles are approaching from either direction, with the potential for vehicle collision and pedestrian impact;

One of the principal safety hazards associated with vehicular movement is the absence of 'Give Way' road markings and signage at the junctions of both Kipling Drive & Stevenson Way and Austen Way & Stevenson Way. Vehicles very often do not slow from either side road onto Stevenson Way and, in my personal experience, this has resulted in several near misses of vehicular collision;

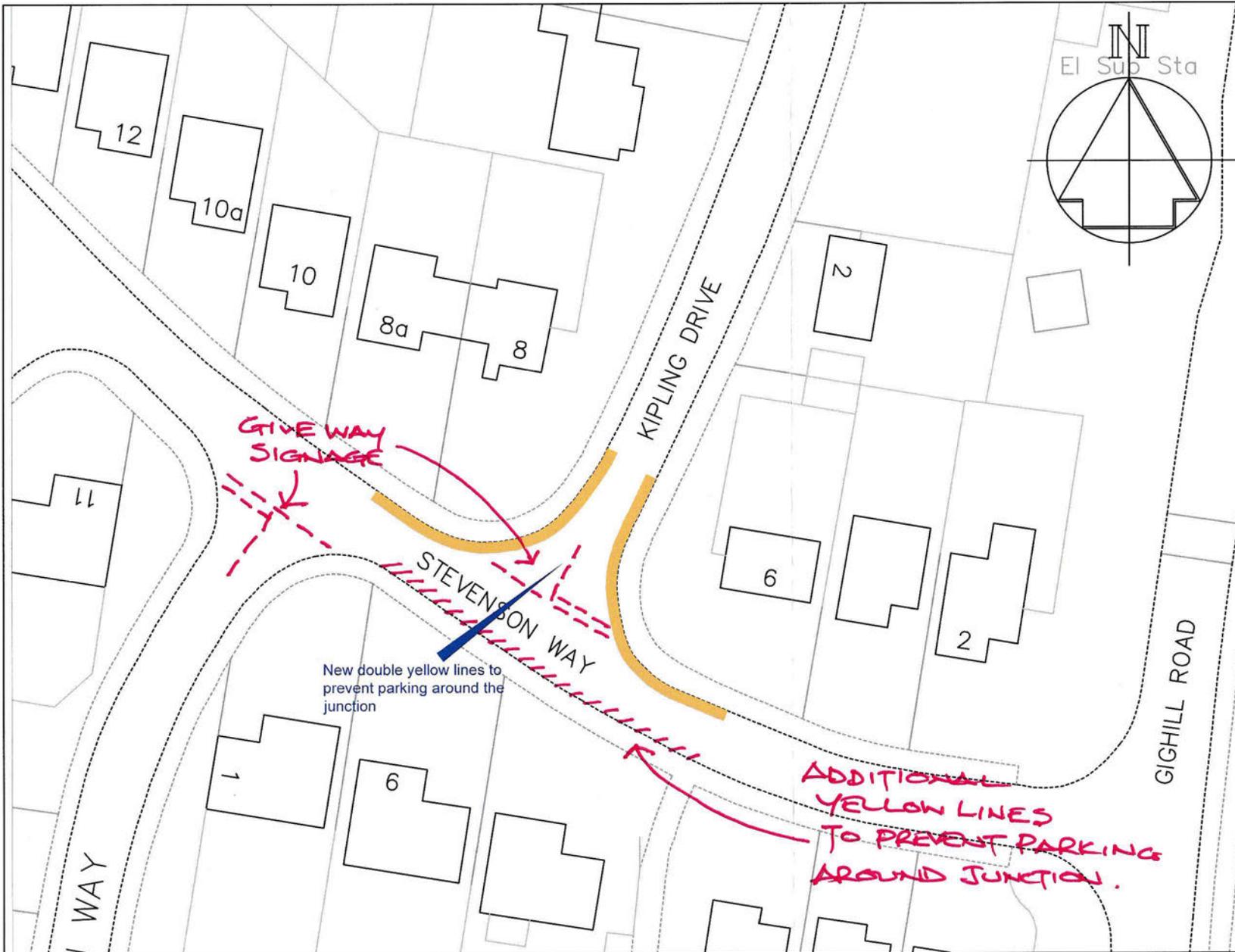
Therefore, if TMBC are considering imposing parking restrictions, I am of the view that for them to be of value and effective in improving road safety, the restrictions should be more comprehensive and applied throughout the estate roads rather than simply confined to only outside three specific properties. I'm also of the view that if restrictions are to be limited due to financial constraints, the bare minimum required for road safety at this particular location should be as highlighted on your layout drawing, copy attached;

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I would like to know the background to the request to prevent parking at this specific junction and, more particularly, what measurable benefits are believed by TMBC to result from the proposed work in order to respond to that request

Regards.

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Key

— Proposed "No waiting at any time" (Double yellow lines)

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Name (please print)	[Redacted]
Address	[Redacted]
Telephone	[Redacted]
Email	[Redacted]

I am (~~in favour~~ / **not in favour**)* of the Borough Council's proposals for changes to the on-street parking arrangements for Stevenson Way & Kipling Drive, , shown on plan DD/591/16

** delete where not applicable*

Comments	
I am not in favour on the following grounds: 1) The scheme appears to be a partial/ piecemeal attempt that may just cause parking issues elsewhere in Stevenson Way, Kipling Drive and Austen Way, and therefore do not believe this is the most appropriate solution. 2) I believe that a more extensive parking study should be undertaken before any decision be made as to how best to manage the modest parking space available.	
Signed [Redacted]	Date 13/1/2022

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Office](#)
Subject: Not in favour: DD/591/16 Stevenson Way & Kipling Drive
Date: 26 January 2022 09:10:32

Dear TMBC

Name: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Telephone: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

I am not in favour of the Borough Council's proposals for changes to the on-street parking arrangements for Stevenson Way & Kipling Drive, shown on plan DD/591/16.

Reasons:

- The few vehicles that occasionally park in the area in question (mainly for deliveries, or a neighbour who has an essential cleaner or trades person) will be forced to partially or fully block driveways between 1-5 Stevenson Way.
- We already have a safe 20 mph speed limit on our streets just implemented recently making our road even safer, I have never had any near misses around the area
- It is an unnecessary! I could understand the logic behind a yellow line at the end of Stevenson Way (on the main junction with Gighill Road) as some vehicles, mainly mini-cabs, and vans have stopped there in the past which makes pulling out on the higher 30 mph limit road more dangerous than it should be. There are hardly any double yellow lines around this part of Larkfield and to place one here would seem a very peculiar decision indeed.

Thanks
[REDACTED]

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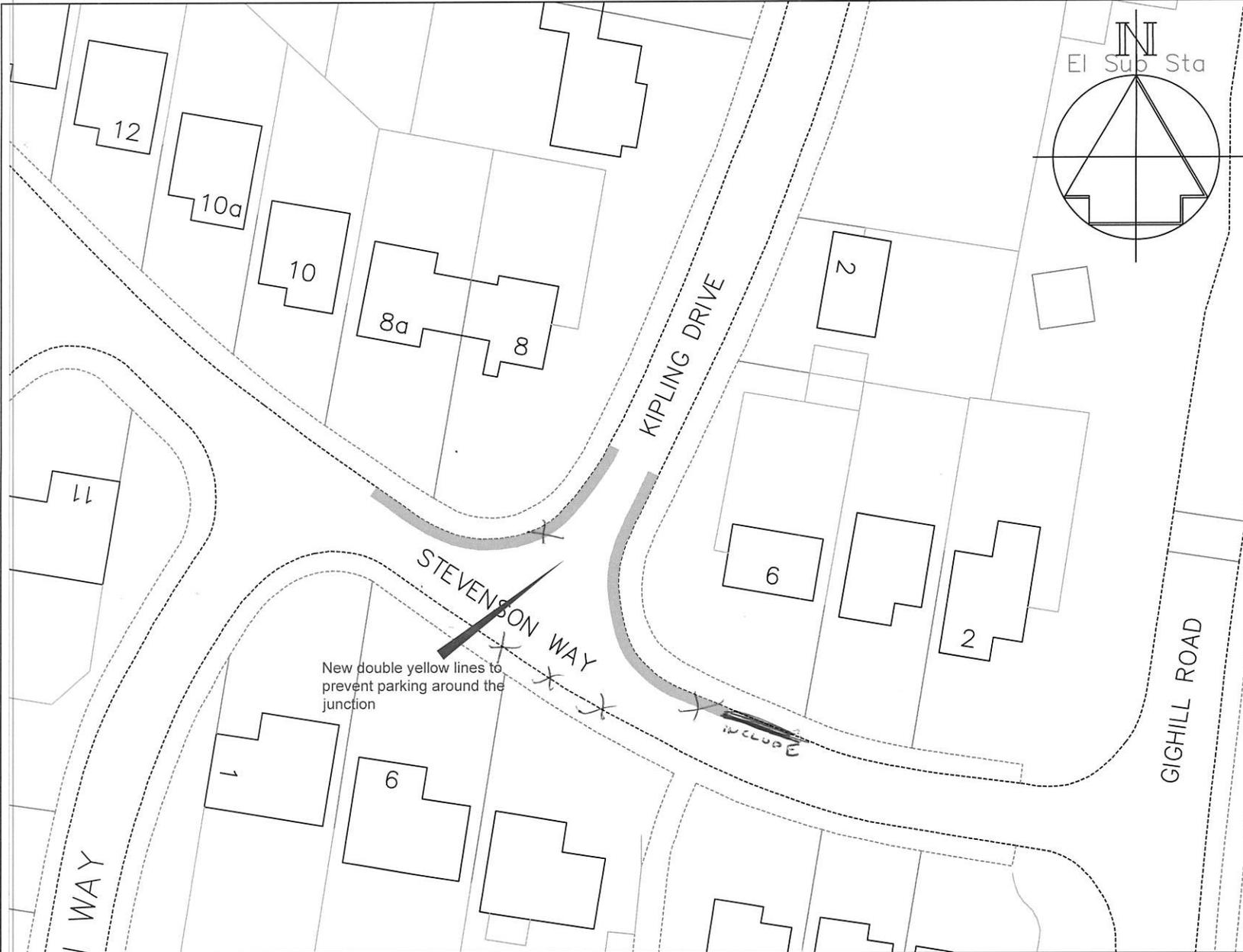
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Comments	
<p>Agree TO DOUBLE YELLOW LINES BUT ON THE OTHERSIDE IS NEEDED! (opposite)</p> <p>PLEASE SEE MAP + INFO.</p>	
Signed	Date
	29.01.02.



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** YELLOW LINES
OPPOSITE AS INDICATED*

*PLEASE NOTE x where
cars park.*

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Office](#)
Subject: Reference DD/591/16 Stevenson Way & Kipling Drive
Date: 11 January 2022 16:09:31

Good morning,

I am one of the residents living at [REDACTED] Stevenson Way [REDACTED]. This morning we have received the proposal to paint double yellow lines at the junction of Kipling Drive and Stevenson Way.

I am not in favour of the proposal.

I have lived in Stevenson Way since 2014, and have not experienced any detrimental parking issues within the proposal area that causes continued annoyance. It is a cul de sac, therefore a no through road. There are no business premises. We get along with our immediate neighbours and any issues such as this we have a discussion and compromise and are in my mind very helpful to one another.

The proposal for yellow line impacts our house and the neighbours directly - you would be painting double yellow lines across two dropped kerbs where you can't park anyway therefore there it is not a safety issue in terms of visibility within the mouth of the junction.

Adding yellow lines would be unsightly, given the small area intended as per the proposal and I have a concern that this would affect the value of my property- which is unfair and discriminatory. I also assume that you would be adding more road signage which again can be unsightly. With these reasons in mind may I suggest that the proposal may breach our Human Rights - Article 8 respect for your private and family life, home and correspondence, Article 14 protection from discrimination, Article 1 of the First Protocol; Protection of Property.

In terms of effectiveness, I have already stated that the proposed yellow lines would be painted across two dropped kerbs / driveways, there is good visibility approaching the junction anyway - there will be no added benefit in terms of safety. It could be more proportionate to add the yellow lines on the opposite side of the carriage way as this is where the majority of vehicles are parked routinely. I also suspect that by adding the yellow lines would push any vehicle closer to the mouth of Stevenson Way at the junction with Gighill.

It is rather confusing that this has been proposed, especially as this is the widest part of the both KIPLING DRIVE and STEVENSON WAY. If, anyone ever does park on the bend, it will normally be for a limited time only. By adding these yellow lines you are forcing any vehicles that would otherwise park on the widest part of the road down STEVENSON WAY and create a further unsafe and unnecessary amount of parked vehicles - going back to article

8, the repercussions of the councils proposed actions would mean our something about children,

To conclude.

Stevenson way is not a busy road, there are no business premises, aesthetically yellow lines would be unsightly with the added road signage, economically I question if the expense would be good value for the council. There is an argument that yellow lines would de value properties immediately concerned

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Office](#)
Subject: Re: Reference DD/591/16 Stevenson Way & Kipling Drive
Date: 11 January 2022 17:08:57

Hello,

I need to apologise first as you may have received a message from this email account which was the unedited version at about 4,09pm 11/01/22

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It is rather confusing that this has been proposed, especially as this is the widest part of the road. If, anyone does ever park on the bend, it will normally only be for a limited time. By adding these yellow lines you are really making unnecessary restrictions for a problem that does not exist. On occasion the roads can get busy with visitors, but all in all we as a family consider it a safe environment and we have a 3-year-old son.

To conclude.

Stevenson way is not a busy road, there are no business premises, aesthetically yellow lines would be unsightly with the added road signage, economically I question if the expense would be good value for the council. There is an argument that yellow lines would de value properties immediately concerned, including ours. The road is safe and I don't see a problem to justify the proposal.

Kind regards



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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Office](#)
Subject: Reference - DD/S91/16 - OPPOSED
Date: 28 January 2022 16:09:59

For your consideration -

With regards to the recent letter we received about proposed yellow lines, coming across our drive.

I am OPPOSED to this.

This is not an issue and I'm slightly confused as to why this has even been raised. On the very odd occasion that someone does park at the mouth of the road, it's not of any consequence to other road users. There are always cars parked along STEVENSON WAY opposite the junction of KIPLING DRIVE, and drivers just give way to each other.

What concerns me and is far more of a greater issue (which Yellow lines will not solve) is the lack of JUNCTION /STOP LINE at KIPLING DRIVE. This is where there is always a problem & many a near miss has happened. Due to how sweeping the bend is out of KIPLING DRIVE (into STEVENSON WAY) is, drivers from KIPLING often fail to give way as there is no line suggesting they should. It could be construed by drivers as just a "bend in the road" when in fact those driving from KIPLING DRIVE should be stopping (as it's a junction) and giving way to those drivers already on STEVENSON WAY. I would have thought that on your inspection of the junction the council would have seen this as a far greater issue/risk - over and above on the odd occasionally when a car parks into KIPLING DRIVE.

I wish for the council to take this matter seriously and address this issue regarding the stop line—over the need for unnecessary yellow lines proposed – money needs to be spent on the STOP/JUNCTION LINE and not yellow lines.

Kind Regards & Thanks

[REDACTED]

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