

**Informal Consultation  
New & Amended Parking Restrictions  
Ashburnham Road, Tonbridge**

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I am **(in favour / not in favour)\*** of the Borough Council's proposals for changes to the on-street parking arrangements for Ashburnham Road, , shown on plan DD/591/18

\* *delete where not applicable*

Comments	
<p style="font-family: cursive;">I support extending the yellow lines at the entrance from the Shiptbourne Rd, but not quite this far as parking already very tight on the street. I suggest that half the additional lines would be sufficient</p>	
Signed	<div style="background-color: black; width: 100%; height: 20px;"></div>
Date	15/1/22

**Key**

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



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Revision		Date



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**Project Title**  
Parking Action Plan - Phase 13  
Informal consultation

**Drawing Title**  
Tonbridge  
Ashburnham Road

Drawn	Checked	Date
ACB	AE	12/2021

Scale 1 : 1000 @ A4

Drawing No.	Rev
DD/591/18	-

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Parking Office](#)  
**Subject:** Informal consultation ref. DD/591/18 Ashburnham Road  
**Date:** 11 January 2022 17:08:25

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Dear Sir or Madam,

I am a resident of Ashburnham Road and writing to outline my objections to the proposal for new and amended parking restrictions in Ashburnham Road.

To be clear, I am not in favour of the Borough Council's proposals for changes to the on-street parking arrangements for Ashburnham Road shown on plan DD/591/18.

These are my reasons:

**West end of the road (towards numbers 23 and 26 Ashburnham Road).**

In my [REDACTED] living here, I have never known anyone to park right at the very end of the cul-de-sac. Doing so would obstruct the dropped kerb access for numbers 23 and 26. People do occasionally park for short periods outside number 21. In recent months, I understand that this has been professional carers attending to a resident [REDACTED]. Occasional parking there does not pose much if any inconvenience to anyone else in the street.

**East end of the road (Shipbourne Road end).**

As long as people do not park on the existing double yellow lines here, there is no significant problem for vehicles turning in or out of the road. The existing double yellow lines here are sufficient.

In addition to the specific comments above, there is already too little space for residents to park in Ashburnham Road. Any action that would further reduce it would be contrary to the interests of residents.

I would support a different amendment that is not part of this proposal:

A double yellow line extending only across the driveway access between numbers 21 and 19 Ashburnham Road. There is currently a single white line here (which I do not believe is a legally enforceable parking restriction) but it has faded badly, leading to people parking too close to the driveway access on the number 19 side. This area is commonly used as a turning point for residents, visitors and deliveries, and when people park across the existing (faded) white line, it does make turning difficult.

May I also suggest that your energies would be better spent preventing the complete mess of parking outside the small parade of shops to the south of Ashburnham Road, along Shipbourne Road (Indian Takeaway, Kebab Shop, Fish and Chip shop, etc)? The road width in this area is already very large compared with the width of pavement and to allow cars to park up on the kerb in this area is completely unwarranted.

Thank you,



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**To:** [Parking Office](#)  
**Subject:** DD/591/18 Ashburnham Road  
**Date:** 14 January 2022 08:40:05

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Parking Office

We are in favour subject to the road being turned into a parking permit restriction. Currently Ashburnham Road is experiencing non resident and/or obstructive parking making it very difficult to park safely.

There is also a resident who has an Electric Vehicle and reserves a space outside the property with cones on a daily basis in order to run a black cable from the property to the vehicle. Whilst clearly electric vehicles are a positive to the environment, and are an ambition for the future, we do have concerns on pedestrian safety because the charging period is over a significant period of time (several hours +). Which therefore limits the parking further. Apologies, I just wanted the Joint Transportation Board to be made aware of this when considering the proposal.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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I am (**in favour / ~~not in favour~~**)\* of the Borough Council's proposals for changes to the on-street parking arrangements for Ashburnham Road, , shown on plan DD/591/18

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Comments	
<p>This will only work if it is regularly monitored by traffic wardens because people park anywhere down the road, blocking our driveway and dont care. This road should be parking permit only as there are not enough spaces for residents and people park on the road while they go to work - Please raise Parking permits to the</p>	
Signed	Date 22/1/22

relevant department and ask for a survey of residents and majority agree with this in the road road.



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Parking Office](#)  
**Subject:** DD/591/18 Ashburnham Road  
**Date:** 24 January 2022 08:45:57

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Good morning,

I am writing to you to provide a response regarding the new and amended parking restrictions on Ashburnham Road.

I am a resident of this street residing [REDACTED] Ashburnham Road, Tonbridge, TN103du. My phone number is [REDACTED]

I am **not** in favour of the proposal for changes to on street parking in plan DD/591/18 for Ashburnham Road. The reason being that parking is already extremely difficult and the issue raised are not a problem in my opinion. In my opinion there is a greater need for parking rather than any extension to the yellow lines at the opening of the road, which has never posed an issue for me or my family.

None of the issues which claim to require the extended or new double yellow lines have been an issue for us. I in fact live [REDACTED] the proposed new lines and see no need for this measure. People rarely park there apart from in an emergency from what I have seen. The addition of these lines will only cause more issues for residence and likely to be ignored by those that park opposite my house on occasions anyway.

Any added reduction in parking availability for Ashburnham Road would need to be accompanied with alternative solutions on where the cars can be parked. Given many properties have 2/3 cars in the street, a method of restricting car numbers to a reasonable and fair amount would be more worthwhile. 1 allocated parking bay per house hold would be one option.

We have [REDACTED] and I regularly have to park on Yardley park road or further away, which means I need to cross the busy Shipbourne road with [REDACTED] as it is. This is extremely dangerous as we have no pedestrian crossing into the street. This again would be more of a priority in my opinion than the measures outlined in this proposal.

Many thanks,

[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Parking Office](#)  
**Subject:** Ashburnham Road DD/591/18  
**Date:** 29 January 2022 20:51:52

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Dear Sirs,

Regarding the proposal to extend the yellow lines in Ashburnham Road, I would like to suggest that at the entrance to Ashburnham Road at the junction with Shipbourne Road, the yellow lines are extended on one side of the road only outside number 2. Parking is already very difficult on this area and the loss of more spaces is not going to add more stress on the residents. Yellow lines being extended on one side will provide a greater means of access for larger vehicles whilst also maximising parking spaces in the road.

I am in favour of the yellow lines at the other end of Ashburnham Road.

Yours,

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Parking Office](#)  
**Subject:** Phase 13-inf-DD/591/18 Ashburnham Road  
**Date:** 23 January 2022 10:07:37

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Dear Mr Bracey and The Parking Team,

I write to you re: 'New "No waiting at any time" (double yellow lines), Ashburnham Road, Tonbridge' DD/591/18.

As a resident of [REDACTED] Ashburnham Rd, Tonbridge TN10 3DU, I am not in favour of the Borough Council's proposals for changes to the on-street parking arrangements for Ashburnham Road shown on plan DD/591/18.

1. 'Double yellow lines extended to prevent obstructive parking around the junction and to assist turning movements': I am strongly not in favour of this proposal. This is unnecessary as the Borough Council has already extended the double yellow lines past the dropped kerb outside numbers 2a and 2b Ashburnham Road, following the said dropped kerb's repair in August 2020 (images attached). Extending the double yellow lines on the opposite side of the road, outside numbers 1 and 3, will not prevent obstructive parking and assist turning movements, as following this aforementioned extension of the double yellow lines there is no longer an issue. Increasing the double yellow lines on the south side of Ashburnham Road (outside 1 & 3) will only result in the loss of a further parking space(s) and potentially lead to increased neighbour tensions over what is already a very volatile subject amongst residents. Residents almost always turn the car at the far end of the road and not in the junction, however turning in the junction can often be done safely. Many passing motorists turn in the road using our junction. If safety of pedestrians, residents or property was at question I would most certainly be in favour, however this proposal would improve none of those things and I am therefore not in favour. [The borough council would be better served investigating how to add a safer crossing point for pedestrian residents and visitors to Ashburnham Road as currently it is impossible to cross the road safely into Shipbourne Road].

2. 'New double yellow lines to prevent obstructive parking' [outside 19-23 Ashburnham Road]: I do not object to these double yellow lines being added as currently no one parks here, except very occasionally visitors to 21/23 Ashburnham Road or tradespeople working at the top end of the street in the middle of the day. Residents are aware that this is the turning space, and as there is a driveway along the south side of the road there is a dropped kerb and parking is not allowed here as per the Highway Code and so the addition of double yellow lines here would change nothing. However, there is therefore no point to the proposal, it is a waste of time and money given that there is almost never any parking here, and where there is parking on very rare occasions it is temporary; I am not in favour of the proposal should the decision mean that double yellow lines are also extended outside numbers 1 & 3.

I would like to reiterate that, with the current 'no waiting at any time' double yellow lines outside 2a & 2b on the north side, and 1 & 3 on the south side, there is no issue with obstructive parking, except when drivers have parked illegally. Refuse collection is able to occur with no problem (since the lines were extended in Aug 20 there has been no problem with missed collections for lack of access) and food deliveries and emergency services have been able to access the street as well as tradespeople. I appreciate that in the past prior to Aug 20 there were issues, which affected my household re: refuse collections, however the extension of the double yellow lines in August 20 solved this.

I thank you for this consultation and look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely,



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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Parking Office](#)  
**Subject:** Response to DD/591/18  
**Date:** 30 January 2022 19:00:26

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## **Parking action plan Phase 13 - Tonbridge, Ashburnham Road DD/591/18**

Hello,

I would like to register my response to the above consultation as a resident of Ashburnham Road.

**I am in support** of the proposal to paint double yellow lines at the west end of the road to prevent obstructive parking. Our street is very narrow with cars parked along both sides, which means the only safe place to turn a vehicle is at the extra off-road space between properties 21 & 19. Often there are cars parked across the area being proposed which means turning is impossible, and cars have to reverse at risk back down the road.

Adding the double yellow lines here will only increase the levels of safety on our street. It will also ease congestion and decrease the likelihood of bumps and scrapes to vehicles due to parking across the turning area.

**I object** to the double yellow lines being extended at the east end (exit) of the road because of the pressure this will add to parking on this street. Parking is already inadequate for the number of houses on this street and I have had to go as far as Chiltern Way (0.6km) when Shipbourne Road is also full. There are already lines extended into the road and the new lines look to take up an additional 1.5-2 spaces which will be devastating for drivers on the street.

I also feel there is little benefit to extending double yellow lines near the exit. The proposal states it's to ease access for refuse & large vehicles, but I have observed these vehicles turn with no problem into our street and reverse down. It seems to address a small problem for occasional users of the street by causing a significant hardship for those who still struggle to park near their house.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

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Comments	
<p>we have been asking for this for years. we [Redacted] problems with ambulances at the end of the road - [Redacted] was wheeled in a wheel chair to shippbourne rd because the vehicle couldn't get up the road ([Redacted]). we have campaigned for yellow lines outside our house for years now. we have</p>	
Signe	[Redacted]
Date	10 Jan 22

Thank you so much for this new proposal - it makes a big difference

been trapped in our house not able to get [Redacted] due

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Comments

Sounds eminently sensible to me — go for it. I will be pleased.

Signed	[Redacted]	Date	10-1-22
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Can't see Ashburnham Rd on the list!

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Parking Office](#)  
**Cc:** [Helen Blakebrough](#)  
**Subject:** DD/591/18 Ashburnham Road  
**Date:** 30 January 2022 20:12:38

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am responding to the proposals for new "No waiting at any time" (double yellow lines) in Ashburnham Road (your reference Phase 13-inf-DD/591/18).

We support the proposed double yellow lines at the end of the cul-de-sac. This is entirely sensible and will help prevent obstructive parking.

We do NOT support the proposed extended double yellow lines around the junction. This seems wholly unnecessary - vehicles of all sizes are able to access the road and turn as it is. Extending the double yellow lines would also further limit much needed parking spaces for residents of Ashburnham Road. We will continue to oppose any proposals to implement this change.

Yours faithfully,

[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Parking Office](#)  
**Subject:** Parking Proposal - DD/591/18 Ashburnham Road  
**Date:** 14 January 2022 19:50:32

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Hi,

[REDACTED] Ashburnham Road and would like to fully endorse the parking proposal for the road to include new and updated yellow lines.

I would also like to request and put forward my support for the road to have permit parking. The parking is very difficult as people who do not live on the road are using it (particularly to avoid the nearby roads which require a permit). This means that people who live on the road cannot park or use it for their own means.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Parking Office](#)  
**Subject:** DD/591/18 Ashburnham Road  
**Date:** 12 January 2022 17:24:14

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With response on the double yellow lines  
We are in favour of double yellows at the chl-de-sac end  
However we are not in favour of extending the lines as you enter the road as we will lose to much parking ..

Kind regards [REDACTED]  
Sent from my iPhone