

From: [James Lark](#)
To: [Andy Bracey](#); [Steve Crisp](#)
Cc: [Martin Coffin](#); [Andy Edwards](#); [Robert Styles](#)
Subject: Re: Parking Action Plan - Phase 15
Date: 14 February 2025 14:16:46

Andy

Very many thanks and I know the problems in both these areas well . I am supportive of your suggestions And will await the results if the consultation

Kind regards

James

Sent from [Outlook for iOS](#)

From: Andy Bracey <Andy.Bracey@tmbc.gov.uk>
Sent: Friday, February 14, 2025 1:52:13 PM
To: Steve Crisp <Steve.Crisp@tmbc.gov.uk>; James Lark <James.Lark@tmbc.gov.uk>
Cc: Martin Coffin <Martin.Coffin@tmbc.gov.uk>; Andy Edwards <Andy.Edwards@tmbc.gov.uk>; Robert Styles <Robert.Styles@tmbc.gov.uk>
Subject: Parking Action Plan - Phase 15

Dear Ward Members for Bourne

The Street, Plaxtol

Residents have expressed concerns about obstructive parking on the south side of The Street, near No's 17 & 19.

To address this we are proposing double yellow lines to prevent obstructive parking. Accordingly we are asking those in the local area for their views.

Details of the proposals are shown on the enclosed plan reference DD607-11 Plaxtol - The Street.

Upper Green Road, Shipbourne

Concerns have been raised about obstructive parking on Upper Green Road and parking close to the bus stops.

With this in mind we are proposing new bus stop clearways and new double yellow lines to prevent parking on the north side of the road, to prevent parking around the junctions and to provide passing places. Accordingly we are asking those in the local area for their views.

Details of the proposals are shown on the enclosed plan reference DD607-13 Shipbourne - Upper Green Road.

This informal consultation runs from 18th February 2024 and if you wish to comment (either in support or against the proposals) it would be appreciated if you could return your

comments by 16th March 2024. We will then collate and review the responses and consider the next steps.

Andy Bracey FIHE
Parking Manager
Street Scene, Leisure & Technical Services

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Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-450

I object to the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

I will not be able to park and visit the Post Office/shop in the high street if I am unable to park outside the shop. Alternative readily available parking is not available in the village. Yellow lines here will adversely affect the trade for a well used and respected village facility.

Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-411

I object to the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

This will severely affect the Post Office and Village store which is used by Dunks Green and Roughway residents, many of which are elderly and need to drive to get to the shop for their supplies and postal services, if they can not park nearby they will simply go somewhere else that they can park thus severely affecting the only local shop and post office in these villages.

Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-410

I object to the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

The additional lines are unnecessary. The road is straight and speeds are necessarily low, so the argument for visibility does not stand up.

Restricting parking at this point, especially waiting, will impact the convenient use of the post office/shop which is a vital community asset.

Additional road signage increases urbanisation of a rural village.

Cost of installation is unwarranted.

Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-440

I object to the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

This local post office and village shop is a lifeline to our village and surrounding community . If these new parking restrictions are put in place it will severely impact the post offices business as there is already very limited parking options . It will also cause huge difficulties for residents as many properties only have street parking . You will find that it forces people to potentially park at the top of the street by the junction which would be dangerous

Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-442

I support the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

The roads are too narrow for cars to be parked, it is hard for the buses to get through and a fire engine would struggle. There is also limited or no pavement so school children have to walk in the road

Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-338

I object to the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

There is no need for yellow lines outside Plaxtol Stores. Whilst parking is tight, locals have been living with it and managing it with common sense for years. This proposal is an over bureaucratic and unhelpful suggestion, which has minimal local support in my experience.

Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-438

I object to the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

Yellow lines in that location are unnecessary and an eyesore in an AONB village. Most blockages that occur there are temporary delivery drivers who ignore yellow lines anyhow. The yellow lines will also not be enforceable. Finally restricting short term parking in that area threatens the viability of the shop and post office.

Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-445

I object to the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

No comments

Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-317

I object to the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

Parking is required for delivery drivers to the shop and would restrict residents parking further if imposed

Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-457

I object to the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

Double yellows would be a disaster for the Shop and Post Office. I have lived four doors from the shop for 20 years and the stopping time for deliveries and people picking up items is very very short. From 8.30am there is parking spaces on same side as shop. If shop has to close because of the yellow lines I for one plus a large number of elder people will be housebound.

Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-439

I object to the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

Parking is limited enough in Plaxtol, run a struggling business and this will not help. I look forward to a reduction in my business rates if you do this.

Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-452

I object to the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

I am of an age now where I can no longer walk up the hill to the post office, I need to park to use the post office. The double yellow lines will stop this for me which already has very few parking spaces.

It also is the only shop in Plaxtol and will affect the shops trade and I can see it shutting down .

Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-464

I object to the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

This really isn't a problem. We are a very small village and not a town, we must protect our rural aesthetics and this will be unpoliced with people parking on any doubles that would be inserted, just like near the school. If (big IF) it was adhered to, this just pushes traffic away from a much needed shop in which a lot of villages rely on.

Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-462

I object to the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

My personal feeling is it will reduce custom to the local shop, which we are very lucky to have. In 10 years of living in Plaxtol I have never seen anyone block the drives here or use the space as a 'permanent' parking place. If need be it would be better as a 15 minute limited parking space, or similar.

Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-436

I object to the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

This seems a completely unnecessary change, will limit accessibility to the village shop (young kids, elderly, people outside a 50 metre radius of the shop, or those who don't want to get rained on). Any true consultation would consider the volume of accidents (I suspect negligible) vs the number of people who use the parking to reach the village shop (clearly above non-zero).

Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-448

I object to the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

There won't be any parking to use and support our local post office shop. This would be the end of our only shop in the village if you can't park outside

Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-444

I object to the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

The issues around parking close to the shop are not a problem. The bus getting stuck is an issue further down the Street below the Papermakers. The Borough Council really needs to consider the impact of their actions on local businesses - this is not needed and will have an adverse impact on the village shop - a vital amenity for residents.

Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-441

I object to the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

This will cause the footfall to the shop to be impacted and the visual impact on a traditional Kent village would be detrimental.

Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-446

I support the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

No comments

Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-455

I support the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

No comments

Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-460

I object to the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

There is nowhere else to park for the shop and there have been no issues with it as it is.

Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-482

I object to the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

No comments

Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-352

I object to the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

The lines would have a huge impact on people using the Village stores and would look unsightly in the village where the only yellow lines are by the primary school. I have every sympathy with the residents of nos 15-17 The Street and instead wonder if they could place plant pots outside their front doors (as No 16 has done) or have a sign that says 'private property space in constant use' or similar to the one in the drive to Nutwood House (diagonally opposite no 15.)

Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-435

I object to the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

Not everyone can walk to the shop and post office and not being able to park will make people go elsewhere, which will jeopardise the future of the business. It will also make it difficult for those people making deliveries to the shop, which may mean they no longer want to supply it. I've lived in the village for 18 years, 7 of which where opposite the shop at number [REDACTED] and access to and from Red Lion Square was never an issue.

Location – Plaxtol - The Street

Consultation response – Phase 15 Online-319

I object to the proposed changes for Plaxtol - The Street

Comments

Unless an area outside the plaxtol shop is reserved for very short term parking, to enable quick visits to the shop, this will reduce visits to the shop. Hence reduce the shops trade. What a shame.

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Name (please print)	
Address	RED LION SQUARE THE STREET PLAXTOL SEVENOAKS KENT TN15 0QE
Telephone	
Email	

I am (~~in favour~~ / **not in favour**)* of the Borough Council's proposals for changes to the on-street parking arrangements for The Street, Plaxtol, Sevenoaks shown on plan DD607-11 Plaxtol - The Street

* *delete where not applicable*

Comments	
<p>IF you put yellow lines outside 20 18 17 15 then are you trying to destroy the village shop I think you should let the Labour party do that</p>	
Signed	Date 4.3.2025.

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Office](#)
Cc: [HOME](#)
Subject: Ref: DD607-11 Plaxtol-The Street
Date: 23 February 2025 18:31:20

Sirs,

Ref: DD607-11 Plaxtol-The Street

I have found it difficult to respond to the subject line planning reference, unable to locate the case on your website. A link to same might have prompted a greater number of responses.

Respectfully, while in favour of considering what is a an ongoing, often emotional issue of on road parking at The Street, Plaxol, your suggestion in my opinion does not go anywhere near far enough.

Parking causes a great deal of bad feeling in the village, neighbours often post photos revealing full number plates of what they consider offending cars on our village fb page, even when parked considerately if they do not want cars parked outside their houses, despite being parked on the public highway. Indeed, I have found a very aggressive note on my windscreen in such a situation more than once in the 3 years I have lived in Plaxtol.

The meagre village car park area is not large enough, especially since neighbours use it as a private parking area if they have more than one car; one neighbour leaves an additional two cars parked day in and out; it is rare to find an available space. I suggest the car park should have a time limitation, it should not have been allowed to become long term parking for camper van type vehicles for the few.

My own property is [REDACTED] The Street, I have a deep bay window which leans out onto the main road and with cars parked 24/7 on the opposite side of the street - outside Nutwood - there is barely room for a car let alone the bus to pass, traffic never parks there it would cause an immediate blockage, THEREFORE YELLOW LINES ARE NOT NEEDED IN THAT AREA. It was only only moving into the property I was made aware by neighbours that the bay window had been 'taken out' twice in previous years; I no longer allow my dog or the children to play in that area, far from ideal In such a small house, I have absolutely no idea how such a dangerous design was granted by Planning in 2000.

I struggle to enter and exit the drive to the side of my property in my car, suitable to park only one small car, visibility is very poor and cars drive too fast up and down the road. I therefore request yellow lines should be on the opposite side of The Street, outside Nutwood, to allow my neighbours and I safe access onto the main road. A mirror erected on the telegraph pole outside Nutwood would also make access safer, otherwise we cannot see if traffic is coming until we are too far out onto the main road to be safe.

Regarding the proposed yellow lines outside no's 17-19, if they suffer similar problems,i offer no objection to the proposal. However, I suggest this will only cause to burden the area outside my house, even further.

I would be keen to discuss my suggestions with you further and look forward to your response.

Sincerely,


Tel; 

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Office](#)
Subject: DD607-11 Plaxtol-The Street
Date: 23 February 2025 20:25:38

I am NOT in favour
Comment

This is a small pretty village
Yellow lines not a town

Kind regards
[REDACTED] The Street

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Office](#)
Subject: Consultation response: New Double Yellow Lines The Street Plaxtol
Date: 05 March 2025 09:57:07

FROM: The Resident [REDACTED], The Street, Plaxtol, Sevenoaks, Kent TN15 0QQ

TO: TMBC, Parking Manager

RE: Consultation response: **New double yellow lines The Street Plaxtol Bourne Ward**

Dear Mr Bracey,

Thank you for your letter regarding the proposal to apply double yellow lines as shown on **DD607 – 11 Plaxtol – The Street** and asking for views.

As a resident who lives in close proximity to the site and who walks past it several times every day I am amazed and confused as to why any parking restriction as proposed should be considered.

I strongly object to the proposal for this site for the following reasons:

- The site is in a conservation area where double yellow lines would look totally out of place.
- I have not observed any cars permanently parked on the proposed site.
- I have never seen any temporarily parked cars on the site causing an obstruction. Large vehicles passing through the village street such as the double decker bus manage to negotiate The Street at this point even when a delivery van is there.
- Restrictions that would stop any vehicle such as a post office van or driver of a private car posting a letter or collecting a parcel would seriously put the success of the post office in the village shop in jeopardy.
- The site is used temporarily for very short periods by small delivery vans supplying the village shop opposite and double yellow lines would seriously affect the viability of the shop which is a lifeline for all of us who live here.

Bearing in mind that in my opinion there are no obstruction issues, the visually negative impact of double yellow lines in this historic area and the importance of keeping access to the village shop and post office as available as possible to all, I contend that any double yellow lines as proposed are not only unnecessary but would be highly disadvantageous to the residents of the village of Plaxtol.

Yours,



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Name (please print)	[REDACTED]
Address	FELDON COTTAGES THE STREET PLAXTOL SEVENOAKS KENT TN15 0QF
Telephone	
Email	[REDACTED]

I am (in favour / ~~not in favour~~)* of the Borough Council's proposals for changes to the on-street parking arrangements for The Street, Plaxtol, Sevenoaks shown on plan DD607-11 Plaxtol - The Street

* delete where not applicable

Comments	
<p>DELIVERY DRIVERS 4 THE SHOP NEED TO PARK AS RESIDENTS WE NEED TIME SPACE ON THE SHOP SIDE TO PARK IN NO 1 2 3 E SIDEWALK COTTAGE</p>	
[REDACTED]	Date 23/2/2025

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Office](#)
Subject: REF: DD607-11 Plaxtol - The Street
Date: 14 March 2025 17:14:52

Good afternoon,

In response to the new double yellow lines proposed to prevent obstructive parking on the south side of The Street, near No's 17 and 19, I am not in favour of this proposal. I live at No [REDACTED] The Street and currently park my car directly outside of my property and the land I park on is part of my property but it does join onto the road. I would not want to be penalised for parking outside of my house, as I have nowhere else to park my car.

Parking is already tight and difficult and I believe putting double yellow lines will make parking worse and move the problem elsewhere. I live opposite the village shop which is a great commodity to the village and I believe putting the double yellow lines in place will have a detrimental effect on the shop as not everyone can walk to the shop.

Yours sincerely,

[REDACTED]
No [REDACTED] The Street
Plaxtol
Sevenoaks
TN15 0QQ

[REDACTED]

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Name (please print)	[REDACTED]
Address	[REDACTED] THE STREET PLAXTOL SEVENOAKS KENT TN15 0PW
Telephone	[REDACTED]
Email	

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Comments	
<p>Not in favour as I rely on the shop and Post Office opposite, and do not want this shut due to lack of customers. I am concerned about Church Hill, cars etc. all down one side and difficult to walk up or down, especial with electric cars. Would like to see 20mph through the village</p>	
Signed	Date 3/3/2025

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Name (please print)	[REDACTED]
Address	THE STREET PLAXTOL SEVENOAKS KENT TN15 0QQ
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 The Street, Plaxtol, Sevenoaks shown on plan DD607-11 Plaxtol - The Street

* delete where not applicable

Comments	
<p>1. IT IS A CONSERVATION AREA & YELLOW LINES WILL BE DETRIMENTAL TO THE AREA. WE DO NOT NEED DOUBLE YELLOW LINES IN A COUNTRY VILLAGE IN AN AREA OF OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY.</p> <p>2. IT WILL HAVE A DETRIMENTAL IMPACT ON THE VISITORS TO THE PLAXTOL STORES & POST OFFICE AND BUS STOP.</p> <p>3. THE PLACEMENT OF THE PROPOSED YELLOW LINE (MAKES NO SENSE THIS SIDE OF THE ROAD IS NOT USED FOR PARKING WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE LOCAL/SCHOOL RUN BUS & DELIVERIES TO THE PLAXTOL STORES, POST OFFICE & PRIVATE RESIDENCES ALL OF WHICH ARE AD HOC BY NATURE. THIS STRETCH OF ROAD CONSISTS OF DRIVES & ACCESS ROADS WHICH ARE NOT OBSTRUCTED BY PARKING.</p>	
Signed	Date 27.2.25

27.2.2025

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Office](#)
Subject: Reference DD607-11 Plaxtol-The Street
Date: 12 March 2025 22:13:02

Dear Mr Bracey,

I am emailing following receipt of your letter dated 18/2/2024 concerning the proposal for double yellow lines on the south side of the street, near numbers 17 and 19.

Parking is a problem at times in Plaxtol, however my husband and I feel that double yellow lines would be an unsightly addition to our village and would detrimentally affect the ability of people to park and visit the shop, so we are not in favour of the proposed changes to parking in Plaxtol.

Thank you for requesting our views and I hope they will be taken into consideration.

Yours sincerely,

[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Office](#)
Subject: Reference DD607-11 Plaxtol
Date: 20 February 2025 13:40:34

Dear Mr Bracey,

Thank you for the letter regarding parking proposed parking restrictions on The Street , Plaxtol. Our view is that any restriction will simply push and exacerbate the problem elsewhere- likely putting more pressure on parking higher up The Street . We already have vehicles parked up on the pavement right up to the top of The Street-often dangerously obstructing the vision for cars turning left onto School Lane. There are a number of elderly people and young children with their families coming from the almshouses (opposite the park on School Lane) , Plaxtol School and Plaxtol Nursery finding themselves needing to walk in the middle of the road as the pavement is obstructed. One elderly person who uses a walking stick walks every day to the shop from the almshouses on School Lane and has to navigate their way around parked vehicles on the corner of The Street & School Lane parked in such a way (up on the pavement) that makes it impossible to use the pavement safely. I've often thought to mention that some sort of (short) yellow line on the corner might enhance safety . I wonder if this has been considered? I suppose it comes down to what is viewed as the bigger safety risk in balance with the needs of local businesses like Plaxtol Stores who will likely suffer with more restrictions in place.

However, of course, the bigger problem is we are a small village with a growing amount of cars so the dilemma is not an easy one to solve and needs to be viewed as a whole in terms of the village's transport and business needs.

Good luck!
Best wishes

[REDACTED]
The Street
Plaxtol
TN15 0QE

Sent from my iPhone

[REDACTED]
The Street, Plaxtol, Kent TN15 0QE

Tel: [REDACTED]

Email:
[REDACTED]

13th March 2025

Dear Mr Bracey,

**Your Ref: DD607-11 Plaxtol – The Street
Proposal for New Double Yellow Lines**

Thank you for your letter dated 18th February proposing double yellow lines to prevent obstructive parking on the south side of The Street near No. 17 and 19, however, the issues raised are experienced on a very regular basis in other areas of The Street and we would comment as follows.

Whilst we would welcome the implementation of parking restrictions on The Street, we oppose the proposal as it currently stands but would support it if the amendments noted further down in this letter were implemented.

We oppose the proposal in its current form for the following reasons:

- It would lead to increased parking pressures further up The Street where there are already problems due to inconsiderate and obstructive parking with the following consequences:
 - the creation of a “pinch point” at times leading to the bus service being unable to pass through and raising concerns about accessibility for emergency vehicles.
 - on a personal level, inconsiderate and obstructive parking regularly creates issues around the ability to safely enter and exit the driveway at [REDACTED] due to limited visibility and manoeuvrability – at times it is impossible to access the driveway at all due to carelessly parked cars which are either parked directly opposite the driveway or tightly to the edge of either side of the driveway (please find attached a number of photos by way of evidence).

In the time we have lived in the property (13 years), we have experienced:

- Significant damage to our car whilst parked outside our house (north side), when the driver of a commercial vehicle thought he had enough space to squeeze through (there was a car parked on the south side of the street (outside No.12) leaving inadequate width in the road).

- As mentioned above, inability to access or exit our private driveway – on more than one occasion having to call the police to ask them to contact the unknown driver and ask them to move the vehicle due to us being completely blocked in.
- On regular occasions having access blocked due to drivers visiting the shop or dropping off/picking up children from the school - “just parked for 5 minutes”, but unfortunately usually longer meaning we have been late for work, appointments, school runs, trains, etc.
- On many occasions seeing the bus is unable to pass through parked cars as those on the south side of the street have left inadequate width in the road.
- In general, an increase in parked cars as changes in residents have brought more multi-vehicle households (including large commercial vehicles) putting a strain on available parking spaces.

It is usual for cars to park on the north side of the street only (from Pendle Cottage to just beyond Trent Cottage), with the exception from No. 5 up to Rorty Crankle where the road widens enough to allow for cars to also park on the south side. Any cars parked on the south side below and including The Tuck Shop regularly cause problems.

We have approached the council in previous years to discuss possible solutions to this, but unfortunately have never received a response. During a follow up call, we were told it can “take years” for issues such as these to be looked at and responded to. As such, we should be grateful if whilst dealing with the concerns raised in this current consultation, you would consider expanding the proposed “double yellow line zone” as follows:

- to continue further up The Street up to and including No. 5 The Street to ensure there is enough space to allow safe access to and from the driveway of Aberdeen House and Aberdeen Cottage as well as ensuring there is enough space between cars parked on both the north and south sides of the street to allow access to the bus service and emergency vehicles.
- to add lines directly in front of the driveway to Aberdeen House and Aberdeen Cottage extending a little to either side to allow adequate visibility and manoeuvrability thereby always ensuring access.

We attach a copy of your Parking Action Plan amended with our suggested extension (marked in yellow) which we believe would ease parking issues for residents at the top end of The Street, rather than add to the problems which we believe would happen should the plan in its current form be put into place.

We would welcome the opportunity to discuss this further with either yourself or a member of your team and feel a meeting in the village would be helpful in gaining a better understanding of the issues residents face.

Your sincerely



Evidence of Careless/Obstructive Parking at Aberdeen House and Aberdeen Cottage, The Street, Plaxtol TN15 0QE (relating to Parking Action Plan – Phase 15 Informal Consultation – DD607-11, Plaxtol – The Street)















From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Office](#)
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Responses to Informal Consultation on New and Amended Parking Restrictions, The Street, Plaxtol - Reference: DD607-11
Date: 13 March 2025 18:01:46
Attachments: [Letter to TMBC re double yellow lines.docx](#)
[Evidence of Careless and Obstructive Parking.docx](#)

**PLEASE NOTE THIS RESPONSE IS MADE ON BEHALF OF BOTH [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], THE STREET, PLAXTOL**

Please find attached the following documents in response to the informal consultation re: DD607-11 Plaxtol - The Street:

1. Letter on behalf of [REDACTED] expressing concerns around the proposed plan in its current format and requesting an amendment which would benefit both residents based around the current plan, as well as those further up The Street who regularly encounter parking issues of their own (which we consider would be made worse if the current plan is approved and put in place).
2. Photo evidence to support the issues raised in the letter above.
3. Formal response form relating to current plan from [REDACTED]
4. Formal response form relating to current plan from [REDACTED]
5. Suggested amendment to current plan to avoid any further parking pressures being created further up The Street.

We would welcome the opportunity to discuss this further with a member of the department.

Many thanks.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] The Street, Plaxtol TN15 0QE

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Name (please print)	[REDACTED]
Address	[REDACTED] THE STREET PLAXTOL SEVENOAKS
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 The Street, Plaxtol, Sevenoaks shown on plan DD607-11 Plaxtol - The Street

* delete where not applicable

Comments	
As per comments from [REDACTED] this will create further parking problems further up The Street, where we already experience a number of issues on a regular basis - as explained in attached letter and evidence. Suggested amendment to current proposal also attached.	
Signed	Date 13 March 2025

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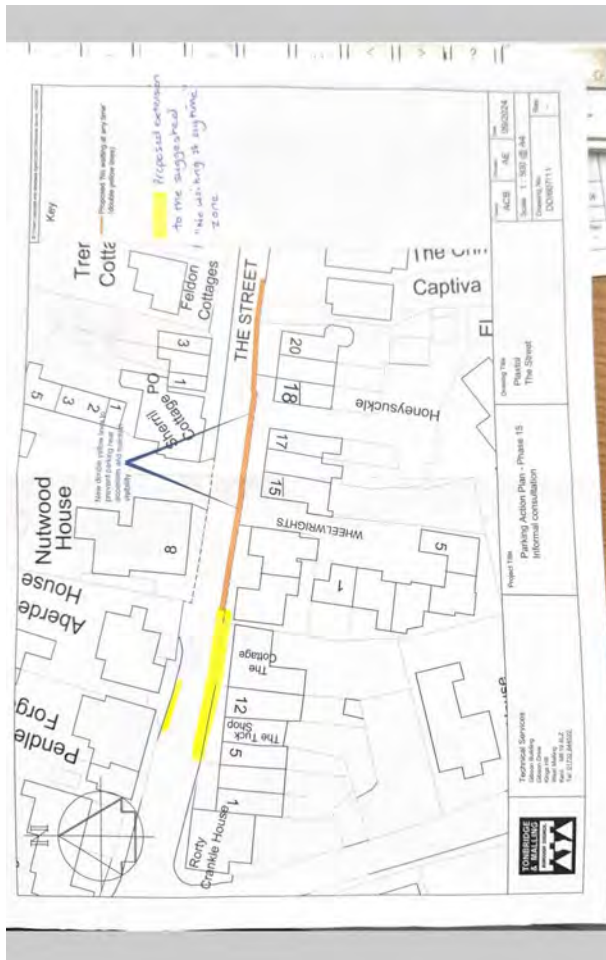
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Comments	
Not in favour as currently planned due to the creation of further parking issues already experienced further up The Street - as explained in attached letter and evidence. Suggested amendment attached.	
Signed	Date 13 March 2025



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Name (please print)	[REDACTED]
Address	[REDACTED] THE STREET PLAXTOL SEVENOAKS KENT TN15
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 The Street, Plaxtol, Sevenoaks shown on plan DD607-11 Plaxtol - The Street

* delete where not applicable

Comments	
<p>We think the parking space plays an important role for local elderly villagers who use the shop. Deliveries for the shop would also become a challenge, as well as less customers, placing pressure on this village asset.</p>	
Signed	Date 22/02/2025

**Informal Consultation
New & Amended Parking Restrictions
Upper Green Road, Shipbourne, Tonbridge**

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Name (please print)	[REDACTED]
Address	PLAXTOL AND SHIPBOURNE TENNIS CLUB UPPER GREEN ROAD SHIPBOURNE TONBRIDGE KENT TN11 9PN
Telephone	
Email	plaxship@tcc@gmail.com

I am (~~in favour~~ / **not in favour**)* of the Borough Council's proposals for changes to the on-street parking arrangements for Upper Green Road, Shipbourne, Tonbridge shown on plan DD607-13 Shipbourne - Upper Green Road

* *delete where not applicable*

Comments	
<p>We want to encourage membership of our small tennis club not discourage it by unwanted & ill thought out restrictions. The tennis club opposes these proposals</p>	
Signed	PP Plaxtol & Shipbourne Tennis Club
Date	8/3/2025

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Office](#)
Subject: DD607-11 Plaxtol - The Street
Date: 16 March 2025 20:45:09

I am responding to this consultation as a consulted resident at [REDACTED], The Street, Plaxtol, letter to me dated 18 February 2025. I find I can no longer respond online, even though the response deadline is today, 16.3.25.

Response is: I am not in favour of the Borough Council's proposals for changes to the on-street parking arrangements shown on the plan DD607-11.

Comments are: parking at this location is not a notable issue. Occasionally people park there to 'pop in' to the shop opposite. Long stay parking is not an issue.

As you are doubtless aware, very few houses in the area at the top of The Street have off-street parking. That means households park on the road. There is a convention that they park on the north side of the road; the south side is relatively clear, except for the occasional pop-in to the village stores - an integral mainstay of the community.

There is also the issue of policing. Should yellow lines be installed, I see no plans on how this might be enforced.

Lastly, should the authority even consider yellow lines in this rural location, they would be totally unnecessary where the narrowing of the road makes it impossible (even for a pop-in to the village stores): that is, opposite Nutwood House (the two unnumbered dwellings at the entrance to Wheelwrights) and from number 18 to Captiva.

[REDACTED]
The Street
Plaxtol TN15 0QE

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Office](#)
Subject: DD607-11 Plaxtol-The Street
Date: 22 February 2025 18:26:25

To whom it may concern,

To find in favor of the proposals of the Borough Council in this matter would be catastrophic for the Village Store and Post Office, which reside directly across the street from the involved cottages, and would have knock on effects on Plaxtol as a whole, with the distinct possibility of forcing the closure of these services here in town. The space in front of these cottages have traditionally and historically been sporadically used by villagers and service personnel to momentarily park a vehicle while running into the store/post office. While acknowledging that this might be a momentary inconvenience to the cottage owners, it has been true of this space long before they purchased these cottages and is a situation they should have been logically aware of in buying them. As a tiny village with a single lane high street, this space is critical for the survival of the store and the post office and serves as the only space on the street that is not in constant use by the residents. Without this space, the sporadic customers who come to the store for their paper or to use the Post Office and the service providers who supply the shop/post office would have no where to park their vehicles on most days due to the filled spaces across the street, which are always used first if they are available. Temporary and as inconvenient as these moments are, to close this area for the short time use it gets would cause much more than an inconvenience to these commercial operations and to the village life as a whole. It would threaten the viability of the store/post office and therefore, the quality of life in this village. It would be unconscionable to give this part time inconvenience priority over the better good of an entire village.

I have lived in this village for 23 years and everyone who has ever lived in these cottages before has been tolerant and understanding of the greater good this space provides to the village as a whole. Two of the cottages have dedicated parking space for their cars behind their property and the yellow cottage owner parks her car in front of her property with little to no conflicts with the public at large. No one EVER parks in this space other than very short term out of respect to the home owners.

To draw some comparisons with other situations similar in this village, there are numerous examples going down the street where cars are parked right up against cottages with little space between the two. Everyone understands the obvious need to be kind to their neighbors and to respect the needs of life and it's requirements in a small country village with a single lane high street. The current proposal and circumstance is not as imposing as the examples I've mentioned at the bottom of the street and yet is so much more important to the viability of life as we know it in Plaxtol.

Finally, I desire to register my vote "not in favor" of this proposal.

Kindly,

[REDACTED], resident
The Street
Plaxtol, Kent

TN15 0QF

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*one could make the correlation of finding a bone in chicken soup, which can't be litigated because one can expect to find a bone in chicken soup. The people who own these cottages should have known that cars would be in and out of this space during peak hours and should have made their decision based on an obvious truth.

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Telephone	
Email	[Redacted]

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Comments	
[Redacted]	
Signed	Date 10 March 2025

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Office](#)
Subject: Ref. DD607-11 Plaxtol The Street
Date: 21 February 2025 09:54:55

Dear sirs,

I am in favour of the Borough Councils proposals for changes to the on street parking arrangements for the Street, Plaxtol, Sevenoaks shown on plan DD607-11 Plaxtol- The Street,

Regards, [REDACTED] The Street

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Office](#)
Subject: DD607-11 Plaxtol
Date: 01 March 2025 16:21:26

Good afternoon

I am in favour of the Borough Council's proposals for changes to the on-street parking arrangements for The Street, Plaxtol, Sevenoaks, shown on Plan DD607-11 Plaxtol, The Street

Warm regards

[REDACTED], The Street, TN15 0QF