

**From:** [Mark Hood](#)  
**To:** [Andy Bracey](#); [Stacey Pilgrim](#)  
**Cc:** [Martin Coffin](#); [Robert Styles](#); [Andy Edwards](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Parking Action Plan - Phase 15  
**Date:** 17 February 2025 23:08:26

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Dear Andy

I certainly support both of these suggestions. I have previously asked for double yellow lines at the junction of The Spinney and College Avenue too because of the persistently parked cars on corners there.

Kind regards

Mark Hood

Councillor for Judd Ward

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**From:** Andy Bracey <Andy.Bracey@tmbc.gov.uk>  
**Sent:** Friday, February 14, 2025 2:17:05 PM  
**To:** Mark Hood <Mark.Hood@tmbc.gov.uk>; Stacey Pilgrim <Stacey.Pilgrim@tmbc.gov.uk>  
**Cc:** Martin Coffin <Martin.Coffin@tmbc.gov.uk>; Robert Styles <Robert.Styles@tmbc.gov.uk>; Andy Edwards <Andy.Edwards@tmbc.gov.uk>  
**Subject:** Parking Action Plan - Phase 15

Dear Ward Members for Judd

### **Douglas Road**

Concerns have been raised by residents about obstructive parking on Douglas Road.

To address this we are proposing new double yellow lines to prevent parking, in accordance with the Highway Code Accordingly we are asking those in the local area for their views.

Details of the proposals are shown on the enclosed plan reference DD607-21&22  
Tonbridge - Douglas Road.

### **College Avenue & West Rise**

Concerns have been raised about parking on the bend in College Avenue, and around the junction with West Rise.

With this in mind we are proposing new double yellow lines to prevent parking (in accordance with the Highway Code). Accordingly we are asking those in the local area for their views.

Details of the proposals are shown on the enclosed plan reference DD607-24 Tonbridge - College Ave & West Rise.

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** – Tonbridge - College Avenue & West Rise

**Consultation response** – Phase 15 Online-73

I support the proposed changes for Tonbridge - College Avenue & West Rise

**Comments**

In my opinion, this is a very good and sensible proposal, and I fully support it. Thank you.

**Location** – Tonbridge - College Avenue & West Rise

**Consultation response** – Phase 15 Online-470

I object to the proposed changes for Tonbridge - College Avenue & West Rise

**Comments**

I cannot understand the need for double yellow lines to be implemented here in the middle of a residential estate! Residents utilise this space for parking near to their homes. By placing double yellow lines in the proposed areas - you will be forcing Residents and visitors to park further down the roads i.e. outside our houses. Furthermore, the parked vehicles in the area help to slow traffic moving through the estate. By placing double yellow lines in the area, you will increase the speed of traffic causing more potential accidents as well as hit and runs.

I genuinely can't understand the benefits of this and cannot understand why this has been proposed when there are so many other priorities in and around Tonbridge that should be focused on.

**Location** – Tonbridge - College Avenue & West Rise

**Consultation response** – Phase 15 Online-280

I object to the proposed changes for Tonbridge - College Avenue & West Rise

**Comments**

Dear Council Members,

I write to express my concerns regarding the proposed introduction of double yellow lines on College Avenue. In the three years I have lived here, there have been no recorded accidents, and the parking issue previously experienced was simply relocated when the permit zone was introduced further down the road. I am concerned that similar unintended consequences will arise if double yellow lines are implemented, particularly since many households own more than one car and parking is already limited for visitors, carers, and school students.

I believe the underlying issue is that the 20 mph speed limit is not consistently adhered to throughout the estate. To address safety without exacerbating parking problems, I respectfully propose either converting the road to a one-way system (excluding dead-end streets) or installing speed bumps. Both options should help control traffic speeds effectively while mitigating the risk of displacing the parking challenge to adjacent areas.

Thank you for considering my suggestions. I look forward to a solution that balances road safety with the parking needs of our community.

Yours sincerely,



**Location** – Tonbridge - College Avenue & West Rise

**Consultation response** – Phase 15 Online-134

I object to the proposed changes for Tonbridge - College Avenue & West Rise

**Comments**

This might solve the problem at West Rise but not the problem at the entrance to The Spinney. - A “Residents Parking Scheme” would be much better. This suggested solution as is being suggested will only push the problem to The Spinney and it will prevent affected residents parking outside their own property at all times? The Spinney is completely blocked for access if cars park on both sides of the entrance road. Judd School were the main cause of problems last academic year but they now seem to have alternative parking away from this area and it is now much improved this academic year. [REDACTED] - resident at [REDACTED]. Thank you for your consideration.

**Location** – Tonbridge - College Avenue & West Rise

**Consultation response** – Phase 15 Online-204

I support the proposed changes for Tonbridge - College Avenue & West Rise

**Comments**

The proposed changes will make entry/exit from West Rise by vehicle much safer. The same applies to traffic passing, by not entering, West Rise.

**Location** – Tonbridge - College Avenue & West Rise

**Consultation response** – Phase 15 Online-433

I support the proposed changes for Tonbridge - College Avenue & West Rise

**Comments**

It is very dangerous trying to negotiate the vehicles that are parked on the corners of entry and exit to West Rise and therefore yellow lines here would be a good step to take. We do not however want more people to try and park in West Rise instead. There are also multiple vehicles including campervans and other large vans and vehicles that have been left as permanent fixtures on College Avenue. Going up and down the hill at College Avenue down to Brook Street is also very tricky. There have been several near misses caused by all these vehicles from the top to the bottom hill.

**Location** – Tonbridge - College Avenue & West Rise

**Consultation response** – Phase 15 Online-359

I object to the proposed changes for Tonbridge - College Avenue & West Rise

**Comments**

I object to the proposal as it will force cars to park further up West Rise causing parking issues for residents. We already have been adversely impacted by the parking changes further down College Avenue which have resulted in cars having to park in West Rise (particularly in term time from people parking for the schools on Brook Street).

An alternative suggestion would be if double yellow lines were just put on one side of the junction (the side nearest to 50, 52, 54 and 56 College Avenue) as cars turn in to West Rise. That

would ensure it was always kept clear to turn in and out of the road, but not cause many cars to have to park further up the road as they could continue to park on one side.

**Location** – Tonbridge - College Avenue & West Rise

**Consultation response** – Phase 15 Online-4

I object to the proposed changes for Tonbridge - College Avenue & West Rise

**Comments**

The parked cars actually slow down traffic, if no cars are on the side the cars will speed around the corner which is blind to pedestrians crossing. I have lived here for 8 years and at [REDACTED] College Avenue for 5 years before that and have not once witnessed a collision on the bend mentioned apart from one which was a drunk driver and not due to parked cars. There is nowhere to park for those houses and it will push the problem into the Spinney. We have 2 cars and the driveway only fits one, therefore we already park either at the bottom of the drive or opposite the house and the spaces there are already used daily. Where are all the cars going to park? The sensible suggestion would be to make the central road around the estate one-way, meaning all parking places can be utilised, in at Shakespeare Road End and out at Masefield Way. This will also stop traffic bottlenecking at the initial bend on Shakespeare Road.

**Location** – Tonbridge - College Avenue & West Rise

**Consultation response** – Phase 15 Online-237

I object to the proposed changes for Tonbridge - College Avenue & West Rise

**Comments**

Parking is already an issue for residents that do not have a driveway or parking spaces, making this double yellow will cause more of this issue. Currently having the cars parked there means people have to slow down on what is already a dangerous bend when taken at speed. Having the double yellows will cause cars to drive even faster and cause potential accidents. The people parking there currently are residents so this will only create issues for them and does not seem fair. I would understand if it was all day everyday but it's only in the evenings from what I see, when people are at home so for the buses and bin people etc shouldn't be affected by them parking there.

**Location** – Tonbridge - College Avenue & West Rise

**Consultation response** – Phase 15 Online-397

I object to the proposed changes for Tonbridge - College Avenue & West Rise

**Comments**

There are no problems around college avenue/west rise site and only one accident in the last 10+years that was due to a drunk driver hitting a vehicle that was parked outside of the proposed lines.

**Location** – Tonbridge - College Avenue & West Rise

**Consultation response** – Phase 15 Online-120

I support the proposed changes for Tonbridge - College Avenue & West Rise

**Comments**

Propose change is favor to users on the road. It avoids parked cars bother drivers view.

**Location** – Tonbridge - College Avenue & West Rise

**Consultation response** – Phase 15 Online-227

I support the proposed changes for Tonbridge - College Avenue & West Rise

Duplicate response

**Comments**

No comments

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [REDACTED]; [Parking Office](#)  
**Subject:** DD607-24 Tonbridge - College Ave and West Rise  
**Date:** 26 February 2025 12:19:56

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Dear TMBC Parking Office,

Thank you for your recent communication re an Informal Consultation re parking at the junction of College Avenue and West Rise, Tonbridge.

I and my wife have resided in West Rise since 1988 so I hope I can offer some insight with the benefit of many years living here. My thoughts are as follows:

1) Residents been parking on that corner ever since I have lived here and the subject as never been raised before.

2) There are already Highway Code regulations (Section 243 - 'Do not stop or park ...opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space). These have never been enforced in the 37 years I have lived here.

3) Two years ago a resident living in the terraced houses on the junction of West Rise and College Avenue parked a very large XLWB Sprinter van PLUS a large trailer just inside West Rise. The vehicle and trailer was the equivalent, in my opinion, of the length of three large cars. This vehicle meant you were always turning into West Rise blind and had to take special care when entering to avoid collisions. Again, this vehicle was parked there for at least two years and nothing was done. I wonder what has changed now to make you question this?

4) Currently we have another resident with a van and a large SUV parking at that junction.

5) My wife and I have two cars - one is parked in our drive and one on the road. There are probably another four cars that are regularly parked in the road.

6) My real fear with you imposing double yellow lines is that those residents parking near the junction will just park outside other properties in West Rise, potentially forcing those residents, when they return home, to park outside someone else's house and so it will spiral. This would potentially lead to tension between neighbours (and West Rise has been a very neighbourly road by and large over the past 37 years) and inevitably we would start going down the path of parking permits.

In conclusion, I and my wife would NOT support double yellow lines going down the entrance to West Rise as the problem will just be moved to outside our property.

Best Regards,

[REDACTED]

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**Informal Consultation  
New & Amended Parking Restrictions  
College Avenue & West Rise, Tonbridge**

Please return this form to;

The Parking Team  
Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council  
Gibson Building, Gibson Drive  
Kings Hill, West Malling  
Kent ME19 4LZ

Alternatively, responses can be sent via email to [parking.office@tmbc.gov.uk](mailto:parking.office@tmbc.gov.uk), quoting reference DD607-24 Tonbridge - College Ave & West Rise.

Want to go digital? You can view the proposals and respond online by visiting [www.tmbc.gov.uk/parkingphases](http://www.tmbc.gov.uk/parkingphases) or scanning this QR code



All responses must be received by 16th March 2024.

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Name (please print)	[REDACTED]
Address	[REDACTED] COLLEGE AVENUE TONBRIDGE KENT TN9 2NZ
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 College Avenue & West Rise, Tonbridge shown on plan DD607-24 Tonbridge - College Ave & West Rise

\* *delete where not applicable*

Comments	
<p>THIS MIGHT SOLVE THE PROBLEM AT <u>WEST RISE</u> but does <u>NOT</u> solve the problem at <u>The Spinney</u>.</p> <p>A <u>Neighbourhood PARKING SCHEME</u> would be better - this <sup>one</sup> will shift the parking problem to the SPINNEY junction - this will make matters worse for us at No [REDACTED] - I need to park outside my house!</p> <p>Visitors will not be able to park outside 50-52 at all? - is this really the best overall solution?</p>	
Signed	Date
[REDACTED]	22 - 2 - 2025

NOTE

Judd School have been the worst offenders until recently - things have improved this year

\* [The Spinney is blocked if cars park there on both sides of the road]





**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Parking Office](#)  
**Cc:** [Adam Voller](#)  
**Subject:** Your ref: DD607-24  
**Date:** 11 March 2025 21:06:44

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Hi

In response to your letter of 18 February 2025, we are only “not in favour” of the proposals as we are concerned about the knock on effect it will have to people parking in front of our drive. Accordingly, if this proposal goes ahead, we would like the yellow lines across everyone’s driveways to be repainted.

We have a very steep drive with a mound across the path so to get our car onto the drive we have to come in at quite an angle. We often already can’t do this very easily because people try to squeeze up to the edge of our dropped kerb. If the proposal goes ahead, we fear people will park too close to our dropped kerb to be able to get our car onto the drive.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] college avenue, Tonbridge TN9 2NR  
Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Parking Office](#)  
**Subject:** DD607-24 Tonbridge - College Ave & West Rise  
**Date:** 22 February 2025 09:25:53

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am **in favour** of the Borough Council's proposals for changes to the on-street parking arrangements for College Avenue & West Rise, Tonbridge shown on plan DD607-24 Tonbridge - College Ave & West Rise.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WEST RISE, TONBRIDGE, KENT TN9 2PG

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

#### COMMENTS

It is very dangerous trying to exit West Rise when vehicles are parked at the bends of the mentioned roads, I am surprised there have not been more accidents.

Roger Emerson

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From: [REDACTED]  
To: [Parking Office](#)  
Cc: [REDACTED]  
Subject: Ref: DD607-24 Tonbridge - College Ave & West Rise  
Date: 24 February 2025 18:23:51

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**Informal Consultation - New & Amended Parking Restrictions College Avenue & West Rise, Tonbridge**

I am **IN Favour** of proposals for changes to the on-street parking arrangements for College Avenue & West Rise.

**Comments:**

This change is long overdue. It is (and has been for a long time) very dangerous trying to pull out of or in to West Rise, a couple of houses at the end of the road seem to have work vans plus one or 2 additional cars which are parked on or near the bend of the road making it impossible to see around the corners - we have been lucky not to have had a serious accident to date. People also park their cars on the pavement near the bend, which means we have to walk in the road, also on both sides of the road opposite each other, which narrows the gap making it difficult again to drive up the road – very frustrating.

My only concern with this change is that this may lead to those residents now parking further up West Rise (I was told that the houses at the entrance to West Rise **DO** have parking spaces behind their properties – If that is true I am unsure why they don't park there?) Where my house is located I already struggle to get in and out of my driveway due to cars parked adjacent to and opposite my driveway.

There is so much bad parking on the surrounding roads, especially near Brook Street when children are picked up from school – lots of parent cars park on double yellow lines and on the pavements, making it very difficult to drive up or down the road. No one seems to monitor or do anything to prevent this. This isn't helped by older school children using the roads to park their cars whilst at school.

I don't know what the answer is, as there are always too many cars. Ultimately there should be sufficient parking spaces provided for every house when they are built to avoid these issues!

Regards

Liz

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] **West Rise**  
**Tonbridge**  
**TN9 2PG**



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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Parking Office](#)  
**Subject:** DD607-24 Tonbridge - College AVE & West Rise  
**Date:** 22 February 2025 17:28:47

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] College Avenue Tonbridge Kent TN9 2NR.

[REDACTED]

I am in favour of the Borough Council's proposals for changes on plan DD607-24 Tonbridge - College AVE & West Rise.

Many thanks,

[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Parking Office](#)  
**Subject:** Reference DD607-24  
**Date:** 01 March 2025 20:46:55

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Reference DD607-24

Dear Sir/ Madam

Address: [REDACTED] West Rise, TN9 2PG  
Owner/ Occupant: [REDACTED]  
Telephone: [REDACTED]  
Email: [REDACTED]

We are in favour of the proposals shown on plan DD607-24

Double yellow lines as proposed is most welcome and well overdue.

We have owned and lived in West Rise for circa 20 years and approach College Avenue from West Rise with fear and caution. The sight available to drivers when exiting West Rise is always obstructed by cars parked on the road now proposed to be re-marked. The cars obstructing the view are usually the occupants of 56, 54, 52, 50, 48, 46 & 44 College Avenue and 2 West Rise, rail commuters and Judd school children.

From my observation,

- (i) The off street parking available for numbers 56, 54, 52 & 50 College Avenue (located in West Rise and The Spinney) is hardly ever used as these occupants find parking in College Avenue in front of their properties more convenient.
- (ii) The off street parking available for numbers 44, 46 & 48 College Avenue and 2 West Rise (located between 46 and 42 College Avenue) is hardly ever used as these occupants find parking in College Avenue and West Rise in front of their properties more convenient.

Yours sincerely

[REDACTED]

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