

Summary of Comments and Objections
West Sussex County Council
(Mid Sussex District) (Parking Places & Traffic Regulation)
(Consolidation No.2) Order 2006)
(Hassocks: Various Roads Amendment) Order 2018

Comments	Engineer's Response
<p>Resident of Chancellors Park: Objects to the proposals on Chancellors Park –</p> <p>The proposed changes add to the problems of obstruction caused by heavy commuter parking in the road by forcing five cars to be parked further down an already congested road. When the road is congested cars and lorries mount the grass verges to inch through gaps and get through.</p> <p>Planning applications are being considered which could potentially increase the number of houses in Hassocks by 900+. The knock on effect on traffic and parking in Hassocks will also make the current problems worse with motorists trying to find "rat runs" and alternatives to avoid the congestion.</p> <p>Changes in Hassocks should be made in conjunction with changes to address the commuter parking problem, not separately.</p> <p>Replacing existing parking with 2hr limit parking will only make the current situation worse as it will result in more cars parking further down the road and making it even more congested than it is today.</p>	<p>The proposed parking restrictions on the Chancellors Park are to assist in maintaining the traffic flow, by creating areas for vehicles to pass within this heavily parked road and traffic, particularly larger vehicles such as HGV's and Waste Collection vehicles, struggle to pass through or are totally obstructed. At the same time formalised parking to help ease the parking issues.</p> <p>These proposals may shift the problem parking further afield, however this is unavoidable when small scale measures such as this are implemented and an area wide parking strategy may better address the general parking issues in Hassocks and Keymer.</p>
<p>Resident of Farm Close: Objects to the proposals - why are there no proposals for parking restrictions in Stonepound Road? This road is used as a rat run and has no passing spaces when cars are parked along the southern end of the road. This creates chaos when cars are travelling in both directions.</p> <p>Parking on the bend in Stonepound Road completely restrict the view of the road ahead when travelling northwards. Steps are being taken to address parking in North Court. Unless something is done about the parking in Stonepound Road then the council is sending more cars into this area to block the road.</p>	<p>Stonepound Road was not included in the original scope of the works, nor during the subsequent design process that has been implemented; and therefore not considered for this scheme.</p>
<p>Resident of Downs View Road – Supports the scheme – Regularly sees major problems on Downs View Road, working from home recently respondent saw cars parked in a way that resulted in vans being unable to get passed them and reversing back along the road. An ambulance or fire engine would have been obstructed.</p>	<p>Comment noted.</p>

<p>Resident of Little Copse Road – Supports the scheme but suggests amendments: Restrictions should be placed on the bend joining Little Copse Road to Abbots Close.</p> <p>Single yellow line on Little Copse Road should be extended to finish at no.25 to make it easier for lorries and emergency vehicles get by.</p> <p>Vehicles parking on the pavement at this location people with pushchairs or wheelchairs will be forced to use the road.</p> <p>Many problems in the area are caused by commuter parking and it was previously suggested to prohibit parking from 11am to 12pm Monday to Friday. This would solve the problem and be easy to enforce.</p>	<p>Comment noted. The restrictions in addition to the proposals are beyond the scope of the current scheme.</p>
<p>Resident of North Court: Objects to the location of the parking restrictions - supports the proposal as commuter parking is at ridiculous levels, however, the proposal for the single yellow line in North Court should be outside the houses and not on the grassed bend opposite. Respondent’s drive has been blocked in on numerous occasions by commuters parking and a yellow on the bend will force the commuters to battle for a space nearer driveways.</p> <p>Supports the proposal for the other roads in Hassocks but North Court should be re-considered. A residents parking scheme would be preferable.</p>	<p>The proposed parking restrictions on the bend in North Court are to assist in maintaining the traffic flow, by creating areas for vehicles to pass within this heavily parked road and traffic, particularly larger vehicles such as HGV’s and Waste Collection vehicles, struggle to pass through or are totally obstructed.</p> <p>These proposals may shift the problem parking further afield, however this is unavoidable when small scale measures such as this are implemented and an area wide parking strategy may better address the general parking issues in Hassocks and Keymer.</p>
<p>Resident of North Court: Objects to the proposals - Proposed restriction in North Court will encourage the cars that arrive on a daily basis to access the park in the remaining lengths of the road. There needs to be provision for ample parking for the station that is cheap enough for commuters to use.</p> <p>Scheme inconveniences residents but leaves commuter parking problems.</p>	<p>The proposed parking restrictions on the bend in North Court are to assist in maintaining the traffic flow, by creating areas for vehicles to pass within this heavily parked road and traffic, particularly larger vehicles such as HGV’s and Waste Collection vehicles, struggle to pass through or are totally obstructed.</p> <p>Agree that the proposals may shift the problem parking further afield, however this is unavoidable when small scale measures such as this are implemented and an area wide parking strategy may better address the general parking issues in Hassocks and Keymer.</p>
<p>Resident of North Court: Objects to the proposals -</p> <p>Proposed restrictions on the bend in North Court, combined with restrictions in nearby roads, will increase the demand for parking in the remaining parts of the road. This will obstruct bin lorries and</p>	<p>The proposed parking restrictions on the bend in North Court are to assist in maintaining the traffic flow, by creating areas for vehicles to pass within this heavily parked road and traffic, particularly larger vehicles such as HGV’s and Waste Collection vehicles, struggle to pass through or are</p>

<p>ambulances and block residents' driveways.</p> <p>Suggests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • restricted parking on one side of the road, to avoid any narrow areas to allow for ambulances and bin lorries as well as removal vans and delivery trucks to pass. • restrict parking 1 metre either side of each drive way • Mark parking bays to keep parking in areas where it can be accommodated without obstruction. • Introduce a residents parking scheme. 	<p>totally obstructed.</p>
<p>Residents of North Court: Objects to the proposals – Proposal will increase the commuter and holiday car parking, for many roads, including North Court.</p> <p>There are many times when we have great difficulty exiting our driveways; due to the inconsiderate parking.</p> <p>With the new regulations, the whole of the close will be constantly filled with commuter and holiday cars leaving residents' visitors nowhere to park.</p> <p>A restriction of 1 hour a day, say 10 to 11am would solve this problem.</p>	<p>The proposed parking restrictions on the bend in North Court are to assist in maintaining the traffic flow, by creating areas for vehicles to pass within this heavily parked road and traffic, particularly larger vehicles such as HGV's and Waste Collection vehicles, struggle to pass through or are totally obstructed.</p>
<p>Resident of North Court: Objects to the proposals - Is grateful that the Council realises that there is a parking problem in North Court, caused mainly by commuters blocking the road with their cars from approximately 7am until 7pm. The plans, whilst admirable for safety reasons will cause more problems for residents</p> <p>Restricting parking on the bend will push commuters to park in every available space and the road will be full. Recently observed 11 cars parked on the bend and 2 in the turning space this week. Some left overnight.</p> <p>Those 11 cars will move further into the road, parking either side of driveways, causing restricted vision and access to the properties. It will also restrict the ability of residents to have visitors, tradesmen, medical assistance (one resident has a carer twice a day) and in the case of residents having more than one car this will mean no road space for them to park close to their own property. At the moment some residents have to park with wheels on the pavement because of the narrowness of the road.</p> <p>Understands the need to keep the turning space free as lives close to it and often has large lorries turning on their driveway as they are unable to use the turning area due to parked cars. Requests that parking is restricted on weekdays only and not at</p>	<p>The proposed parking restrictions on the bend in North Court are to assist in maintaining the traffic flow, by creating areas for vehicles to pass within this heavily parked road and traffic, particularly larger vehicles such as HGV's and Waste Collection vehicles, struggle to pass through or are totally obstructed.</p>

<p>weekends The residents have previously asked for a one hour parking restriction in the road, preferably between 9 and 10 am. This would allow the residents to carry on their business as normal and eliminate the need for yellow lines as the road would not be full. All nearby roads are full to capacity with three cars parking daily on the grass verge in Stanford Avenue causing it to be a sea of churned-up mud. Another alternative is a residents parking scheme.</p> <p>Accepts that roads are to be available to everybody, Unfortunately North Court is used as a car park instead of a residential road.</p>	
<p>Resident of North Court – Supports the proposal: requests that the new single yellow line is extended to outside no.s 28 & 51. This will aid bin lorries to turn round to leave the close.</p>	<p>Comment noted. The restrictions in addition to the proposals are beyond the scope of the current scheme.</p>
<p>Resident of Pine Trees: Supports the proposals but wishes for some amendments to be made – Approves of measures to ease parking problems but suggests amendments to the proposed restrictions. The double yellow lines proposed at the junction of Stonepund Road should be extended to a point opposite the entrance to the Old Coachhouse. This would prevent creative parking which causes obstruction at this location. Respondent also highlights areas where verge parking frequently takes place and requests measures be taken to prevent this. Restrictions will need proper enforcement.</p>	<p>Comment noted. The restrictions in addition to the proposals are beyond the scope of the current scheme.</p>
<p>Resident of Semley Road – Supports proposed restrictions: Rail users park cars on grass verges and makes the road into a chicane with little clearance for vehicles, making emergency access difficult. Restrictions would be beneficial at the junction of North Court and Stanford Avenue. Downs View Road is difficult to access for vehicles such as minibuses.</p>	<p>Comment noted. The restrictions in addition to the proposals are beyond the scope of the current scheme.</p>
<p>Resident of Semley Road – Supports proposed restrictions: Proposals show gaps between the areas of 2 hour limited waiting restrictions which should be double yellow lines. The junction of Semley Road is shown with a limited waiting restriction when this should be double yellow lines.</p>	<p>Comment noted. The restrictions in addition to the proposals are beyond the scope of the current scheme.</p>
<p>Resident of Stanford Avenue: Objects to prohibition of waiting at any time outside 26 to 32 Stanford Avenue: The proposal is suggested to prevent objectionable parking. The objectionable parking is that of commuters and holiday makers using Stanford Avenue for long term and station parking. This would reduce parking availability for</p>	<p>The proposed parking restrictions on Stanford Avenue are to assist in maintaining the traffic flow, by creating areas for vehicles to pass within this heavily parked road and traffic, particularly larger vehicles such as HGV's and Waste Collection vehicles, struggle to pass through or in some cases</p>

<p>legitimate visitors. A far better solution is to introduce 2 hour limited waiting zones in these areas. The issue is of commuter parking and not of problem parking. In three years as a local resident respondent has not been aware of any adverse incident that resulted from parking in the area proposed to be yellow lines.</p>	<p>obstructed.</p>
<p>Resident of Stanford Close: Objects to the proposal – Proposed restrictions will prevent parking in front of their home. One resident at the property works shifts and the other needs to park close to home due to a long term medical condition.</p>	<p>These proposals may displace local parking as well as shift the problem parking further afield, however this is unavoidable when small scale measures such as this are implemented and an area wide parking strategy may better address the general parking issues in Hassocks and Keymer.</p>
<p>Resident of Hassocks – Supports proposed restrictions: Commuters presently park on grass verges causing damage and cars are often dumped for a week or more by people going on holiday. Proposals will help problems round schools and local businesses and improve everyday life for residents.</p>	<p>Comment Noted.</p>