Objection/Comments

Resident of Lambs Farm Road

Objects to this restriction for the following reasons:-

- 1/. It will not resolve the inconvenience caused by commuters using Littlehaven station who choose to park on side-streets around the station. it will just shift the inconvenience further eastward along Lambs Farm Road, inconveniencing different residents. See also 5/. below.
- 2/. As occupation of the new North Horsham development begins; we can reasonably expect that more commuters will drive from that development to the nearest station (Littlehaven) and the above situation will likely worsen over time
- 3/. They are not aware of any accidents arising from the existing on-street parking in the proposed location. This appears to be a change to lessen inconvenience affecting a few residents, but in doing so, is likely to shift the inconvenience to other residents
- 4/. If the aim is to address the potential dangers of on-street parking; this is not the most potentially dangerous area of on-street parking along Lambs Farm Road. Drivers affected by on-street parking at the position of the proposed new restrictions have clear sight of each other because the road is straight and on a hill, giving good visibility of oncoming traffic in either direction
- 5/. More potentially dangerous on-street parking occurs on the North side of Lambs Farm Road in the area opposite to and between the junctions of Hawkesbourne Road and Honeysuckle Walk, where the road bends to the left/north east and uphill. This forces eastbound traffic on to the wrong side of the road, into conflict with oncoming traffic. Due to the bend and hill, affected drivers cannot see each other until they are very close.
- 6/. There are already issues with drivers using Lambs Farm Road as a cut through and rat-run when the crossing at Littlehaven Station is closed, and more recently to avoid congestion on the A264 caused by the works

Comments from Director of Highways & Transport

The County Council has received representations from local residents from Morell Avenue, Lambs Crescent, Farhalls Crescent, Lambs Farm Road and Rough Way reporting inconvenience caused by commuter parking using Littlehaven Station leading to potential road safety and localised congestion problems. The proposals as advertised will go some way to ameliorate problem.

The introduction of parking restrictions will inevitably lead to some displacement of vehicles. Whilst relatively small in number, vehicles would be expected to redistribute around the roads in the area. This could cause problems in these other roads. Similarly any increase in the level of development will lead to increase in demand for on-street parking. The Council will monitor the situation and propose further restrictions if necessary.

The applicants refer to a number of minor accidents not all reported to the Police

The County Council has received representations from local residents identifying this very specific location as causing problems for residents living close by. The County Council works very closely with the Police to identify locations where driver behaviour is causing a serious road safety issue. It does however also consider road safety issues identified by local residents and operates a scheme whereby they can apply for new parking restrictions and other road safety measures.

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Consideration for further parking restrictions in any other areas is beyond the scope of the current Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) making process. Such a proposal would need to be the subject of a further TRO application and public advertisement.

APPENDIX B - HON2106

Consultation Response Summary

at the Rusper Road Roundabout. Vehicles parked on the street have the effect of being temporary width restrictors and help to slow traffic. Removing that from the western end of Lambs Farm Road will leave a clear run and may lead to more speeding and unsafe situations

The proposed parking restrictions are localised and targeted at a specific location along the route. On-street parking on sections of Lambs Farm Road will be retained throughout, consequently it is not anticipated that there will be any significant increase in the speed of traffic.