

**WINDSOR DRIVE AND BRICKLEY LANE, ROUNDWAY: PROPOSED WAITING RESTRICTIONS****COMMENTS OF OBJECTION AND SUPPORT**

15 Comments received (1 in support, 13 objecting, 1 comment)

Objections

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A	<p><u><i>Proposed restrictions will move parking to nearby residential area.</i></u></p> <p>If this scheme were to go ahead, I would have to resort to parking within the estate opposite the school, which is already over-crowded and would be grossly unfair to the residents there.</p> <p>Restricting parking/waiting in these areas will only push people to park further along Brickley Lane or onto the housing estate. It will cause more problems in these built up areas and potentially cause accidents with so many children about.</p> <p>This proposal is not well thought out and will just move the real or perceived problem to the estate roads as parents have no option but to park as close as is possible to the school.</p> <p>The current proposal is likely to lead to greater problems with people parking in residential areas.</p>	12	<p>The request for waiting restrictions along Windsor Drive and the surrounding area was first raised by the school as a way of ensuring that buses can pick up and drop off students at the designated location safely.</p> <p>The extent of the scheme ensures safe access and egress onto the roundabout at all times whilst also allowing the bus enough room to manoeuvre into position outside the school.</p> <p>It is recognised that the proposed restrictions would result in parked vehicles moving further into the estate. This is the case with any new waiting restriction.</p> <p>Wiltshire Council has no duty to provide parking for Individuals; its statutory duty is to maintain the right of passage along the highway. It is the responsibility of the owner/keeper of the vehicle to find somewhere safe to park the vehicle and it is something for which The Council cannot take responsibility.</p>

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	<p>This will mean parents dropping off and picking up children from Nursted School will park instead in Freeman Road, Chivers Road and Brickley Lane (where a 20mph zone has just been introduced). As a resident of Freeman Road for 9.5 years, I know the road is already full of cars, and this will make it worse. Why should residents suffer from increased parked cars?</p> <p>By allowing such a ridiculous proposal to be put through you will only move the problem to another area of the estates surrounding the school.</p> <p>If this was put in place all these cars will park down residential streets all around the school.</p> <p>However, your proposal simply moves the problem without providing a solution. Clearly, this will lead to cars being parked in a similarly inconsiderate manner which may well be outside the restricted areas, but encroaching on local residents.</p> <p>It is also to be expected that a consequential effect will be to drive parking further into the residential streets of the nearby housing estate. This will both cause significant nuisance to local residents and do nothing to improve pupil safety.</p> <p>The anticipated impact will be to drive drop-off parking further into the residential streets on the nearby housing estate. This will both cause significant nuisance to residents and do nothing to improve pupil safety.</p> <p>These proposed changes would just move the problem further away from the school, and would have a negative</p>		<p>It is considered that a reduction to the proposed restriction could be made, to allow some parking on sections to the East and West of the roundabout. Whilst ensuring that it only takes place in areas that do not cause obstruction or access difficulties. The Amendments can be seen in <b>Appendix 3</b>.</p>

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	<p>impact on those living in these areas. This in turn could cause complaints</p> <p>I live opposite the school and the parking is already a nightmare for residents!! So making parking restrictions on the main roads will just push the cars onto the housing estate (Chivers rd / jubilee rd/ freeman rd- more so than it happens now making it even more impossible to get out of Chivers Rd</p>		
B	<p><u><i>Drop of Zones should be created to allow parents to drop off children safely at school</i></u></p> <p>Then drop-off zones could be allocated for school start and finish times in clear areas of Windsor Drive and Brickley Lane.</p> <p>Think around the problem and consider turning the wide verge into a parking area don't push the problem further down the residential roads.</p> <p>While I understand your wishes to improve the flow of traffic past the school I don't see how this can be implemented without additional off street parking being made available to the parents of children in attendance. There is an area of land next to the road to the allotments, why not tarmac this area and lift the restrictions on the school side of the roundabout, we all have to compromise this may be a place to start.</p> <p>An alternative may be a car drop of point but this would need at least one member of staff to supervise children. Or a small school bus? Have alternatives been discussed?</p>	7	<p>The introduction of 'drop of zones' outside Nursteed Primary School is outside of the scope of this scheme. Any requests for drop off zones should be directed to the school to consider.</p> <p>This Waiting restriction deals with parking control only and ensuring the junction is kept clear at all times, when considering the original request Wiltshire Council must also take into account the entire area in ensuring the safe passage of vehicles on the highway.</p>

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	<p>A better solution would be to enable parents to park on the road leading to the school and perhaps convert the wasteland by the mini roundabout to parking spaces. Alternatively to introduce a drop-off zone for parents somehow.</p> <p>Is there somewhere that could be turned in to parking spaces for parents to use? Could a large lay-by be created on Windsor Drive? Or a drop off area to be used by parents of older children who can safely walk themselves in to school unsupervised?</p> <p>I can't understand why you can't provide a lay-by along the side of the Rd? (Windsor drive) The path and grass verge is plenty wide enough to provide this! And would provide parents the chance to pull off of the main Rd which would ease congestion.</p>		
C	<p><u><i>The current parked cars providing traffic calming, any new waiting restriction will lead to an increase in traffic speed</i></u></p> <p>The cars that already park along there provide natural calming measures anyway.</p> <p>Firstly, cars parked down Windsor Drive have a calming effect on the traffic.</p> <p>I feel it will increase the speed of the traffic on the roads around the school, as there will be no parked cars to slow them down, making it more dangerous for pupils.</p>	4	<p>It is acknowledged that parked cars do provide a form of traffic calming in any road. It is, however, noted that the position of the nearby roundabout will be providing suitable traffic calming in the area.</p> <p>Parking near a junction is contrary to the highway code. These proposals are to ensure that parking does not take place around the roundabout; this in turn allows vehicles and pedestrians sufficient visibility when using the roundabout and surrounding areas.</p>

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	<p>It's a 30mph by the school but you'll be surprised the amount of people that travel over this speed! So by making it a parking restriction this will only give them more chance to speed?!</p>		<p>Any cars speeding in the area should be reported to Wiltshire Police who are in a position to enforce the speed limit.</p>
<p><b>D</b></p>	<p><u><i>Where will parents park?</i></u></p> <p>If this measure is implemented where are the parents going to park? As close as they can without getting a ticket, even if this is a driveway or blocking a driveway of a total stranger.</p> <p>Secondly, if the cars can't park along Windsor Drive then where will they park? they have to park somewhere.</p> <p>There has been no alternative provision identified and would welcome the opportunity to discuss this</p> <p>There are no designated parking areas for the school other than the car park in school grounds of which parents aren't allowed to use.</p> <p>We can see no reasonable grounds to restrict their ability to park at these times and again, there is no reasonable alternative for them to park elsewhere if it is removed.</p> <p>In particular, the current proposals remove all facilities for drop-off parking close to the school.</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>Wiltshire Council has no duty to provide parking for Individuals; its statutory duty is to maintain the right of passage along the highway. It is the responsibility of the owner/keeper of the vehicle to find somewhere safe to park the vehicle and it is something for which the Council cannot take responsibility.</p> <p>The school has an active Travel plan which seeks to encourage parents/carers to walk with their children rather than drive. There is a defined route for access to the school including a subway from the nearby estate and key crossing points along Windsor Drive.</p> <p>It is considered that a reduction to the proposed restriction could be made, to allow some parking on sections to the East and West of the roundabout. Whilst ensuring that it only takes place in areas that do not cause obstruction or access difficulties. The Amendments can be seen in <b>Appendix 3</b>.</p>

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E	<p><u><i>The proposed restrictions will make an entirely new issue</i></u></p> <p>By using this strategy you are not addressing the issue just moving it. I think maybe it would be wise to rethink your strategy and find a plan that would suit all. There will be higher risks to children walking home to be hit by one of the cars.</p> <p>The part of Brickley Lane leading from Windsor Drive past the school entrance is also used throughout the day, and outside school hours, by those such as dog walkers seeking to access the nearby countryside and footpaths. There is absolutely no reason to restrict their ability to park in the Lane and, again, no reasonable alternative for them to park elsewhere if it is removed.</p>	2	<p>The school has an active travel plan which seeks to encourage parents/carers to walk with their children rather than drive. There is a defined route for access to the school including a subway from the nearby estate and key crossing points along the road.</p> <p>The proposed restrictions look to improve pedestrian safety in the area, in removing parked cars the line of sight for pedestrians is greatly improved.</p> <p>Whilst it is understood that the issue only normally occurs either side of the school day it still remains an obstruction to park within 10 metres of a junction at any time.</p> <p>It is considered that a reduction to the proposed restriction could be made, to allow some parking on sections to the East and West of the roundabout. Whilst ensuring that it only takes place in areas that do not cause obstruction or access difficulties. The Amendments can be seen in <b>Appendix 3</b>.</p>
F	<p><u><i>A 20mph speed limit should be introduced on the approaches to the school</i></u></p> <p>A possible solution is to introduce a 20 mph zone around the school to slow the speeding lorries that go down Windsor Drive.</p>	1	<p>Any requests for speed limit changes should be submitted through Devizes CATG for consideration.</p>

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G	<p><u>Double yellow lines are excessive for an issue that only occurs at school times</u></p> <p>Three of the zones on the map (south Windsor drive, upper and lower Brickley Lane) are used for no more than 20 minutes 2 x a day by parents. It would be foolish to remove these zones for the sake of 40 minutes per day.</p> <p>The higher numbers of cars are only there for approx. 15mins at the start and end of the day not all day like the many cars lining the street outside the Aster building in Devizes.</p> <p>Where they are proposed are main roads and it's only briefly at 8.45am and 3pm that the congestion occurs.</p> <p>The permanence of the proposed restriction is also excessive to address an issue which, at most, exists only for about half an hour twice a day at school drop-off and pick-up times. It will impose an unnecessary restriction on users at all other times of day who have a reasonable cause to park at these locations without creating nuisance or hazard.</p> <p>The permanent parking restriction also seems excessive to address an issue which, at most, exists for around half an hour twice a day - at drop-off and pick-up times.</p> <p>It is also worth noting that it only occurs for a short period of time, twice a day.</p>	6	<p>The proposed restrictions are to enable to clear access of the roundabout at all times.</p> <p>It is recognised that the proposed restrictions would result in parked vehicles moving further into the estate. This is the case with any new waiting restriction.</p> <p>Whilst it is understood that the issue only normally occurs either side of the school day it still remains an obstruction to park within 10 metres of a junction at any time.</p>

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H	<p><u>Alternative travel options aren't safe or feasible</u></p> <p>I support the need to address the parking directly around the school but am unaware of any problem with people parking from the roundabout to the roundabout , adjacent to the park, which is where I park 3 days out of 5 as I live on Avon Road and have to be at work by 9.15. The remaining days we travel by car or during the summer, cycle. However without a connecting bike routes from the canal path along Brickley lane this is a stressful and dangerous journey with 2 small children and there is little space in the school bike area for adult bikes to be left.</p> <p>Also, most of the people who take their children to school by car do so because they have no other choice- in my experience generally those who are able to walk their children to school, do so. These changes are not going to reduce the amount of children arriving by car.</p>	2	<p>It is the parent/carers personal choice on how children get to school. If driving to school is that option then parents/carers must find a suitable place to park a vehicle without causing obstruction.</p> <p>The lack of bike parking within the school is an issue that should be raised directly with Nursteed Primary School.</p> <p>Further improvements to the cycle network can be requested via the Area Board issues system for consideration by Devizes Community Area Transport Group. The 'submit a 'community issue' sheet can be found on the Wiltshire Council website within the Area Board section.</p>
I	<p><u>Amendment</u></p> <p>On behalf of the Governors, either to abandon the proposed Order altogether or to amend it to restrict it to the original concept of a bus/coach bay and associated parking restriction only on that part of Windsor Drive to the South of the School.</p>	1	<p>Wiltshire Council, when considering waiting restrictions, must take the wider network into consideration. Whilst it is understood that the initial request only detailed restrictions to assist the bus to the south of the roundabout, it did not take into account the entire issue at this junction.</p> <p>The proposal was put together to enable to roundabout to be access and egressed safely at times.</p>



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Support

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J	<p><u>Support for scheme</u></p> <p>This will be a breath of fresh air, the amount of obstruction caused is ridiculous how there hasn't been an accident is beyond me, the incessant times access to my own home has been blocked by parents picking up children I've lost count and evening functions also causes the same issues, it will be nice to think that we are not going to be stuck if we need to get out or home.</p>	1	Comments of support are noted.