

**VICARAGE CLOSE, MARLBOROUGH - PARKING CONTROLS**

**CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS**

**3 letters of support and 22 letters of objection were received**

- A. The proposals will prevent all day commuter parking but will allow the occasional visitor to the residential properties, who has parked overnight, to remain until 10.00 a.m. rather than earlier.
- B. The proposal will prevent all day commuters, but is unlikely to result in any significant parking outside of the restricted hours, but the situation will be monitored.
- C.
  - i) The proposals are mainly to prevent parking on the double bend at the entrance which impedes visibility and inhibits access for delivery and service vehicles. Parking, albeit with a time limit during the day on week days, is retained where it does not cause an obstruction for deliveries or driveways.
  - ii) A reassessment of the situation indicates that some further parking (approx 5 spaces) could be retained on the outside of the bends on the northern length of Vicarage Close to provide additional facilities in light of the objections; without significantly impeding visibility, although restricting the road to single file traffic, this parking should be time limited similar to the other bays proposed.
- D. The decision to delete a 50 metre length of proposed no waiting at any time, made in the previous report was done on the basis that the area would be looked at more comprehensively, because residents considered that the restriction on one side only would displace vehicles to the other side where there are driveways.
- E. 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. The proposals are to ensure that any parking that takes place does so in appropriate places, so as not to cause an obstruction to the free flow of traffic.
- F. Residents Parking is a potential option for the future. The limited waiting Monday to Saturday could be changed to Monday to Friday to allow residents in the area to park at weekends.
- G. See E and F above.
- H. If the proposals are amended in accordance with C ii) above, this would retain as much parking as is considered feasible to do so, and this should assist resolving the fears expressed by the lone/single females.