EAST PARISHES: PROPOSED WAITING RESTRICTIONS

COMMENTS OF OBJECTION AND SUPPORT

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68 Comments received (57 objecting, 11 supporting and 0 commenting on) Table below shows distribution of consultation comments

Breakdown by road	Breakdown by road			
Road	Objections	Support	Comments	
Market Lavington				
High Street/Stobberts Road	2	0	0	
High Street o/s 29-39	17	0	0	
Pewsey				
The Crescent/Church Street	0	0	0	
High Street	0	1	0	
Avonleaze/Broomcroft Road	0	7	0	
Cosser Road	16	3	0	
Potterne				
Whistley Road	16	0	0	
Court Hill/ High Street	2	0	0	
Rowde				
Cock Road	5	Petition	0	
Marsh Lane	0	0	0	
Springfield Road	0	0	0	
Ludgershall	No comments received from consultation			

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A1	Market Lavington	19	
	High Street between Nos 29 to 39 Removing the restricted parking between Monday to Friday between 9am and 6pm and replacing with No waiting at any time parking places will lead to further increased parking problems		Due to the negative response, at consultation stage, from residents adjacent the 'No parking' zone, due to insufficient parking elsewhere along with the Parish Council withdrawing its backing for the scheme. The scheme has been withdrawn, with the remaining restrictions remaining in place.
	Whilst we understand the need to address traffic flow in the village we feel that this is not a workable approach as it does not take into account the knock on effects the lack of parking will have on the home owners and other residents. The housing along both the High Street and Church Street are primarily terraced and without parking. The village already suffers from an extreme lack of parking resulting in the Market Place, Broadwell and Community Hall carpark being almost full every evening alongside the on street		The proposed restrictions would remove 10-11 parked cars on the Northern side of High Street; the proposal has been put in place to allow through traffic to go through unhindered by parked cars, causing a bottleneck in the High Street at busy times. Caused by the continuous line of parked cars.
	parking. White Street is another example. It is completely full almost all day, every day with residents from not only White St but also the High Street/Church Street, so much so that the double yellow lines near the junction with The Clays is often used. This was recently made into a 'no parking' zone to ensure access for the emergency services to turn onto The Clays. Yet despite two house fires recently it is still regularly parked on because of the lack of space		The restriction has not been proposed at the detriment of local residents but rather to improve the safety of vehicles navigating the road. It is recognised that the proposed restrictions would result in parking issues being moved elsewhere. This is the same for any proposed parking restriction.

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Ref	Comment receivedelsewhere. If more parking is removed where exactly are residents to park? Without impacting other residents? Or traffic flow elsewhere - High St (outside CoOp/P.O.)/White St/The Clays/Parsonage Lane particularly. 		Officer Comment
	At the moment, we can return from work at 6pm and park outside our house, leaving before 8am, a pattern many villagers follow. This would not be possible under the new proposals. The Market Place car park is already too full, as are the White Street and Broadwell spaces.		

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A2	Market LavingtonHigh Street / Stobberts Road JunctionPewseyParking restrictions will be to the detriment of residentsparking in High Street due to loss of parking.Two comments were received based on this.	2	The restrictions have been bought about by the need to allow traffic to ingress and egress Stobberts Road from High Street, which has been inhibited by parked cars in High Street. The new markings will free up the junction and provide better sight lines and clearance for traffic negotiating the junction. The minimum amount of lining has been proposed in order to minimise the effect on residents in High Street. The cost to residents in slightly reducing parking in High Street is outweighed by the risk of an accident at this junction.
A3	PEWSEY Avonleaze Road/Broomcroft Road Junction Pewsey Support Proposal to have NO WAITING at junction of Avonleaze Road and Broomcroft Road, Pewsey I completely agree with this proposal as I have had several near misses due to restricted view coming out of Avonleaze Road.	7	Comments have been noted and the installation of the double yellow lines will improve sight lines for traffic to ingress and egress the junction.

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	With reference to the proposed no waiting at any time area at the junction of Avonleaze and Broomcroft Roads Pewsey may we state we are fully in favour of this being installed. At present it can be a very dangerous procedure when pulling out of Avonleaze Road into Broomcroft Road as the view of any oncoming traffic in Broomcroft Road can be completely obscured by parked vehicles. The area indicated on your plan actually conforms to the area requested not to park mentioned in the highway code however this is disregarded by most motorists. We therefore look forward to its adoption,		
A4	Cosser Road Pewsey Lack of other parking if scheme went ahead I am emailing to object to the plans to put double yellow lines on Cossor and Olympian roads. I wonder if you could explain why on earth there are plans in place to do this? I have lived on Olympian Rd for 6 years and have never had a problem parking outside my house. I find all my neighbours very considerate of each others parking spaces. Occasionally there has been the odd thoughtless person who parks in a dangerous or inconsiderate place, this is usually someone going off to the station rather than a resident. Perhaps better policing would be more effective rather than penalising everyone who lives here. As most homes have at least two cars now; and garages these days are used for storage of wheelie bins, bikes and	16	Due to the Parish Council withdrawing support along with the objections received from residents this scheme has now been removed. It was proposed that this road be double yellow lined throughout, due to the narrow road width, parking on footways and blocked residents driveways. The consultation produced 16 No objections based primarily on residents having no alternative location, locally, to park. Support was then withdrawn by the Parish Council and the scheme has been withdrawn. The theme of all the correspondence received during consultation was based on where else do residents park?
	these days are used for storage of wheelie bins, bikes and mowers as gardens are too small for a shed. I am unsure of where you are expecting people to park, let alone any guests.		Some support (4) has been received from the scheme, notably the police, who are in agreement of the scheme as put forward.

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	The car parks provided are very small and difficult to manoeuvre in, which is why so many people park on the road. It is very rare that parking is so bad that dustbin men or emergency vehicles can't get through. Part parking on pavements allows room and as pavements are wide pushchairs can still get through. To restrict the parking to this degree seems unnecessary on these residential roads and would cause significant hardship for many of the residents and visitors to this estate and increased dangers when parking their cars outside of the estate roads. There are a lot of cars parked road side, some of which I accept are inconsiderately parked, but not dangerously so. The majority of these do not cause an inconvenience to other road users or pedestrians. The roads are access only, there is no thoroughfare, so it is only residents to use should this restriction be implemented and this will result in other roadside areas being used for parking. With these proposed restrictions implemented, it would push the excess vehicles to park on the busier roads such as Vale Road, Old Hospital Road, Wilcot Road or at the school/Sports Centre. As these roads are main throughfares in and out of Pewsey, it would appear that this would cause an increase in danger and hazards for many more drivers and pedestrians. It would also mean that families would have to cross more roads to return home after parking their car in a remote location as well as impacting these travelling to and from the Primary and Secondary schools on Wilcot Road. Visitors such as myself simply would have nowhere to park.		It was felt that the implementation of double yellow lines as a parking restriction would firstly clear the carriageway of parked vehicles, allowing cars to be parked on residents' driveways and clearing the highway. Residents currently do not park on their drives as they are blocked in when vehicles are left opposite their access points. Hence, more cars are left on the road. Due to the narrow width of Cosser Road, cars often have to straddle the footway when parking, causing obstruction to pedestrians.

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Ref	Comment received Support I have been asked to contact you regarding the parking problems in Cosser Road, Pewsey and I believe there is currently a discussion concerning the possibility of double yellow lines being put on the road. I have spoken to many of the residents in the road and nearly all of them have mentioned the parking issues and the number of cars parked on the road. They have also mentioned other concerns mentioned below. The first concern is as stated the number of cars on the road and parked curbed on the pavement. This is because many of the properties have two to three cars used by each house and residents trying to park directly outside their properties instead of supplied bays further away. This also makes it difficult for some residents to drive out of there parking spots as there are either cars parked directly behind them or on corners causing blind spots. Also the cars that are parked half on road and pavement makes it difficult for pedestrians to pass.		Officer Comment Comments from the Police are shown and highlight the issues.
	The other concern is the children playing in the street, this is not directly connected to the parking, but I have had a number of reports about children playing football in the street and the balls going under cars, The children are then crawling underneath cars with their legs pointing out on to the road. Some of the residents have mentioned that children have almost been hit due to this. The cars also cause blind spots and there is a risk of children not being seen and been hit by oncoming traffic.		

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	The other main concern I have personally and a couple of the residents was for emergency vehicles such as ambulance and fire engines. Due to the number of cars on the road and the way they are parked it is nearly impossible for one of these larger emergency vehicles to get through. When I have been there myself in a standard Police car, I have had to drive on to the curb on the opposite side of the road to avoid hitting cars and to get past them. This would obviously means that the larger emergency vehicles would not be able to get past.		
A5	<u>Potterne</u>		
	Whistley Road	16	
	 Parking at this location not causing a problem I am writing in response to the consultation regarding the proposal to restrict parking at Pump Corner, Whistley Rd, Potterne I have parked a car there for 18 years without incident, and my view is that, as parking is in short supply, this proposal would put more pressure on our neighbours and cause congestion further round the corner. 		The scheme proposed is for a double yellow line to be placed on both sides of the road, at the 90 degree bend in Whistley Road adjacent to the pump location. This is due to cars parking on the bend whilst people fill bottles with water from the pump and cars parked on the highway verge surrounding the pump. In order to avoid the risk of someone having a head on collision at this location a short length of lining has been proposed in the interest of road safety.
	A twenty mph speed limit and more parking spaces would be more practical, together with some cost effective traffic calming measures.		Residents are concerned that cars parked at the pump will relocate outside their properties either prior to or after the bend.
	As it stands the proposal will just be a nuisance for the		It is felt that the risks of parking on a blind bend

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	residents and a waste of badly needed money.		outweigh the risks of a few cars parking on straighter sections of Whistley Road nearby. The cars that do stop for water are normally there for approximately 30 mins.
			The Highway Code recommends that vehicles should NOT park on a bend.
	I am against the proposal for Several reasons. 1. The double yellow lines will mean that cars now parked in these areas will be parked further down the road where there is little room available and the bank adjacent to the stream will be broken down even more.		As the pump is located in a Conservation Area it is proposed to use a 50mm wide, primrose yellow colour double yellow line at this location in keeping with the surroundings.
	2. the issue has been fine for many years until recently		The contractors are now off site.
	when contractors with many vehicles (Gaigers) working on two cottages caused the stream bank to be broken down and it is now in a very bad state .3. Should we have double yellow lines in a conservation area? I don't think it will look in keeping with the area.		The risks from parking on a blind bend outweigh the risk on the straighter section of road. Minimal parking is expected at any one time.
	In my view, as a resident within 100m of the proposal, the no waiting restriction seems unwise. 1). It is in a conservation area and seems inappropriate. 2.) It will inconvenience local residents. 3.) It is likely to enable 'rat		Pedestrians will be safer by vehicles being removed from the bend as they can then access the verge rather than having to walk round a parked vehicle into the middle of the road on a blind bend.
	runners' to proceed with even less caution and at greater speed along Whistley Road. Walking this part of Whistley Road is already hazardous to even the able bodied; more so to those with young children. Enabling greater transit speeds around the corner will be unacceptably dangerous. 4.) It will force residents' parking to the straight and level		Enforcement teams can be contacted via the Parking Team at Wiltshire Council to arrange enforcement, by the Parish or resident.

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	part of Whistley Road. This will further narrow the road and force greater erosion of the stream-side bank. This is already unsightly, and inappropriate in a conservation area, but is also compromising the capacity of the stream (already inadequate in the heaviest rain) and destabilising a Conservation Area, and to enforce the weight and speed limits through Whistley Road. The bank supporting the road. 5.) I suspect that visitors, who regularly park to draw water from the 'pump' will continue to do so, regardless of the new regulation. 6.) Enforcement of the new regulation is likely to be inconsistent, penalising locals whilst failing to deter casual parking. Better use of public funds would be to re-establish the banks and verges, consistent with		
A 6	Court Hill/ High Street JunctionTRO is a duplicate of Highway Code and therefore not neededThis is not necessary as it is already covered by rule 243 of the highway code.The problem is you do not enforce it. We need action from the council not words.This is irrelevant, not needed and a waste of tax payers money.The effort should have gone into enforcement.	2	Junction protection is required at this location to allow for the safe egress and ingress to and from Court Hill to High Street which is currently inhibited by parked vehicles. The Highway Code is a set of Rules only and it is the Traffic Order that is enforceable using the Road Traffic Act that allows enforcement of the Rules. Road safety is of prime importance to Wiltshire Council and as such money is not wasted implementing schemes that improve it, as in this case.

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	Rule 244 of the highway code is also not enforced in Potterne and frequently results in push chairs and wheelchairs dicing with the traffic on the A360. Do not duplicate existing rules - address the problem.		The TRO allows enforcement to be carried out, the Highway Code does not. If everybody conformed to the Highway Code very few parking restrictions would be required. However, in the real world that does not happen unfortunately. The Highway Code does advise that you should not park with 10m of a junction.
A7	I feel that the proposals are ill considered. The residents of Court Hill need to park their cars somewhere. If the proposals are agreed, then you will just be shifting the problem and creating a more dangerous situation. There are already significant issues in this location due to people parking here when they visit the pub opposite cars park up one side of Court Hill which often reaches the narrow part of the road at the top. If the proposed number of parking spaces are removed, then this will be an almost daily occurrence and will prevent larger vehicles from being able to come down Court Hill. On a few occasions, people have parked on the corner of Court Hill, blocking the view on the exit at the junction. This was however mainly when works were being undertaken on Court Hill and parking spaces had been removed with very little notice or consideration of the impact. Perhaps a smaller number of residents only spaces on Court Hill would be a more sensible solution and would mean that the pub guests would be forced to use their car park. If a no waiting zone goes ahead on this corner, it does not need to be as large as what it is proposed, which would result in 6 less spaces for cars and as previously mentioned would cause additional problems in other areas.		 The Highway Authority is not obliged to provide parking on a public Highway. The public highway will be protected by the implementation of this scheme, including the pub users and will allow the junction to be cleared of all traffic for the safe egress and ingress from the junction and provide good sightlines for drivers at the junction. The Highway Code states that vehicles should not park within 10m of a junction.

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	<u>Rowde</u>		
A8	Cock Road		
	 Please take this as my official appeal against a petition for parking restrictions being put in place for Cock Road in Rowde. My reason for this appeal is because If cars are not parked there this will enhance users not to slow down when taking that turn coming down from Dunkirk Hill. My other reason is because I don't actually have anywhere else to park other than the main road, which would cause disruption to traffic flow or pedestrians. The proposed extension to the Cock Road parking control is ill conceived, as it will greatly impact residents of the immediate area and customers of the local businesses. There are very few drives and personal parking facilities around this part of Rowde, consequently Cock Road tends to be used by the residents of Bunnies Lane, High Street and Cock Road as well as customers and staff of the local businesses - there are seldom any spare parking spaces on Cock Road and as well as it being essential parking, the presence of these cars tends to slow the traffic and make it 		Due to the Parish Council receiving several objections from residents, the Parish Council have withdrawn their support for the scheme in Cock Road. A proposed development further along Cock Road may also change the geometry of this road in the near future. The parking at this junction has a detrimental effect on road safety at this location. Parked cars are making the junction unsafe for people trying to access or egress Cock Road as they are forced onto the wrong side of the road. The proposed parking restriction has been placed to remove parked cars and allow freer access. The Highway Code recommends that no parking should be within 10m of a junction.

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	safer for pedestrians.		
	There is no footpath on Cock Road and at the moment pedestrians benefit from being able to shelter from traffic between the parked cars, removal of these parked cars will seriously affect their safety.		
	The removal of the existing parking spaces will seriously exacerbate the already problematic parking issues around the area and the knock-on effects of these parking controls will be felt around the surrounding area without any benefits to the residents or local businesses.		