

WEST WILTSHIRE PARISHES ORDER: PROPOSED WAITING RESTRICTIONS**COMMENTS OF OBJECTION AND SUPPORT****Contents**

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76 Comments received (16 objecting, 60 supporting and 0 commenting on)

Table below shows distribution of consultation comments

Breakdown by Road			
Road	Objections	Support	Comments
The Common, Holt	10	45	0
The Street, Holt	0	1	0
Aintree Avenue, Epsom Road, Newmarket Avenue and Windsor Road White Horse Business Park, North Bradley	1	2	0
Meridian Park, North Bradley	2	0	0
St Nicholas Close, North Bradley	0	0	0
The Rank, North Bradley	0	1	0
High Street / Norton Road, Sutton Veny	3	11	0
Dane Rise, Winsley	0	0	0
Total	16	60	0

Ref	Comment received	Number of Times Received	Officer Comment
A1	<p><u>The Common, Holt</u></p> <p>a) Residents of The Common have stated that on occasion they have parked in Beckerley Lane but have never had a problem with pulling out, as the parked cars on The Common slow the traffic down enabling them to make a good judgement to access the road.</p> <p>They worry that the removal of cars along that stretch of road would speed up the traffic making it even more dangerous to pull out. They comment that it appears the proposal is addressing the wrong issue. By increasing the yellow lines it would make the parking even harder for those residents who do not have driveways.</p>	3	<p>The proposals were developed following requests from the Parish Council regarding the visibility from the Beckerley Lane junction. It is considered that the proposed extension will maximise the available visibility from the Beckerley Lane junction.</p> <p>Wiltshire Council, as highway authority, has a duty imposed on it to maintain the highway for “the passage and re-passage of persons and goods” and, as such, any parking on the highway is an obstruction of that right of passage. Therefore, there are no rights to park on the highway.</p>
	<p>b) As residents of The Common with young children it is crucial we are able to park as it is already very restrictive for spaces in and around The Common.</p> <p>We mainly park in Beckerley Lane as the limited spaces on the main road are normally taken and can confirm that I have never had an issue pulling out nor being seen pulling out of that junction. (Both ways)</p> <p>Also the main road is a 30mph limit and cars usually go slower due to the parking each side of the road. We have never felt worried pulling out from this junction, you can see both ways and the cars aren't travelling at a speed for this to be an issue for us.</p>	2	<p>Parking is condoned in areas where access over dropped kerbs or the passage of through traffic is not inhibited.</p>

	<p><u>The Common, Holt cont...</u></p> <p>c) Several residents are opposed to the proposal as consider that it is already difficult to park outside their properties due to lack of parking availability. When cars are parked outside the area outside it does slow down the traffic considerably. There are far more traffic problems that need to be addressed in Holt than this issue, speed and large lorries.</p> <p>There is no evidence to suggest that there is even a safety issue at the moment as, to their knowledge, there have never been any accidents or near misses as a result of pulling out from Beckerley Lane on to The Common. If anything, extending the double yellow lines means the traffic will be able to pick up speed past that junction, making it more dangerous to perform this manoeuvre.</p> <p>Also a lot of houses on The Common do not have off-street parking. Reducing the number of spaces by just two will make a currently bad situation far worse as it will be more difficult to find a parking space within reasonable distance to our homes. They also have concerns about noise pollution and artificial light invasion in my property.</p> <p>A mirror on the opposite side of the road would be a far cheaper option as drivers could see traffic coming up the hill.</p> <p>Include this section of the road in the Parish Council plans to introduce parking refuges on The Common – this will have both a positive effect on traffic calming and maintain the crucial parking that residents on The Common need.</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>Whilst roadside parking can contribute to reduced traffic speeds, parking close to a junction can reduce visibility which can increase the likelihood of conflict between approaching vehicles. The speed limit remains at 30 mph and will continue to be monitored and enforced by the Police.</p> <p>It is not possible to determine if any 'Near Misses' have occurred at this junction.</p> <p>The assumption that no near misses have occurred at this junction is not information that can be determined from records. The risk at this junction is enhanced by the fact that visibility is significantly impaired by parked vehicles and, as such, poses a risk to those drivers trying to egress from Beckerley Lane into The Common.</p> <p>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>I have to advise you that a mirror is not prescribed in the sign regulations and therefore requires the formal approval of the Secretary of State for use within the public highway.</p> <p>It is not the practice of Wiltshire Council to apply for such authorisation as the road safety benefits of a mirror are very much in doubt. Mirrors can give a misleading image and dazzle due to sunlight or headlights at night can also be a problem.</p>
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<p>A2</p>	<p><u>Aintree Avenue, Epsom Road, Newmarket Avenue and Windsor Road, North Bradley</u></p> <p>I am aware that a major employer on the estate (300 staff) is currently looking to relocate out of the immediate area into a new business park outside of Wiltshire, mainly due to the issues of car parking on the estate and the impact this is having for them to expand.</p> <p>I would strongly suggest to place this proposal on hold. Open dialogue with the business on the estate and the estate owners to come to a parking solution (many areas around to install a car park) prior to commencing any painting of lines.</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>Proposals were developed for Aintree Avenue based on requests received by the management company for White Horse Business Park, B. P. Estates Ltd. in order to effectively deal with the inconsiderate parking taking place on the Business Park, causing obstruction for passing traffic and visibility issues at the junctions.</p> <p>The majority of the long leaseholders, particularly on Aintree Avenue, have requested and worked with B. P. Estates Ltd to control the traffic problems on the Business Park.</p>
<p>A3</p>	<p><u>Meridian Business Park</u></p> <p>a) Renrod Holdings Ltd write on behalf of the Platinum Motor Group and consider that the proposal will have significant and long term effects on the operation of their business located at the Meridian Business Park, North Bradley.</p> <p>What they are requesting is a pragmatic solution to this situation, which allows the vehicle transporter deliveries and collections to continue in the area of the turning circle, where to their belief, it causes no issues and allows them to operate a very busy and established group of businesses in a contained and efficient way given that large volumes of vehicles will continue to be delivered to and collected from the site ongoing.</p> <p>Were this to be prevented in the future, then they would have no place to unload and load vehicles in the immediate vicinity of our business, therefore “pushing” the activity to another place less suitable and geographically remote from our site, instead of the access road next to our business.</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>The proposed parking restriction seeks to make legal the illegal double yellow lines placed on the road by an unknown 3rd party.</p> <p>The proposal is designed to protect junction with the A363, maintain existing parking on the straight section and business accesses and turning area.</p> <p>It is considered after reviewing the comments from the businesses that proposals at the turning area at the end of the road be withdrawn to enable deliveries of motor vehicles to be made in this area and not on the main A363.</p> <p>Therefore, the existing parking will be able to continue, but with the restrictions now being legal and crucially enforceable by Wiltshire Council Parking Services.</p>

	<p><u>Meridian Business Park cont...</u></p> <p>b) Acheson & Acheson have also written in objection along the same lines as Renrod Holdings Ltd above.</p> <p>They state that whilst they do not use the access road for employee parking, they do on occasion use it for delivery vehicles waiting while their delivery yard is busy loading/unloading.</p> <p>They also consider that if the turning area at the end of the road is restricted, then this would cause unavoidable obstruction out on the main road.</p>	1	See comments above.
A4	<p><u>High Street / Norton Road, Sutton Veny</u></p> <p>Objections to the proposed parking restrictions are from residents who live adjacent the junction in Norton road who routinely park at this location and state that:</p> <p>The speed of vehicles turning into Norton Road from High Street, is reduced by the parking of vehicles at this junction.</p>	3	<p>The proposals were developed following requests from the Parish Council regarding the visibility at the Norton Road/High Street and are to prevent vehicle parking as you approach High Street from Norton Road.</p> <p>Currently, there is a risk that cars turning left into Norton Road from High Street do not have sight of the parked vehicles, or vehicles on the wrong side of the carriageway whilst they manoeuvre around parked cars in Norton Road.</p> <p>The proposal reinforces the Highway Code to not park within 10 metres of a junction and also protects the pedestrian access to the bus stop on High Street.</p>
A5	<p>St Nicholas Close, North Bradley The Rank, North Bradley Dane Rise, Winsley</p>		No comments were received. The proposal prevents vehicle parking on the junction and blocking sight lines as the footpath opposite is on a school route.

