

**COMMENTS**

<b><u>Ref</u></b>	<b><u>Comment Received</u></b>	<b><u>Officer Comment</u></b>
	<b><u>Bath Road</u></b>	
	<p><b>Comments</b></p> <p><b><u>Residents of Bath Road</u></b>            Objections to the extension of the controlled zone on both the east and west approach to the crossing, resulting in less on street parking availability for residents. This will lead to more on street parking in neighbouring streets around the village. Existing on street parking serves to slow traffic down reducing speed on the approach to the zebra crossing. The installation of LED 'Halo' Belisha Beacons may improve the crossings safety sufficiently without extending the zig zag markings as well.</p> <p>Removing the on street parking in this area will not only impact the residents but also users of the village hall, some of whom have accessibility issues and are unable to walk long distances.</p> <p>Traffic calming measures are welcomed in Atworth, however one resident is not convinced that this proposal is the most appropriate mechanism to achieve a safer road and improve crossing facilities in the village.</p>	<p><b>Response to comments</b></p> <p>Highway law states the public highway is for the passage and repassage of persons and goods, and consequently any parking on the highway is an obstruction of that right of passage. There are no legal rights to park on the highway, or upon the Council (as the local highway authority) to provide parking on the public highway, but parking is condoned where the right of passage along the highway is not impeded.</p> <p>See above response.</p> <p>The extension of the controlled zone will remove parked vehicles therefore improving visibility for both pedestrians crossing and vehicles approaching, which will improve safety in the village.</p>
<b>1.</b>	<p><b><u>Resident of Bath Road</u></b>            Support for the extension of the controlled zone at the existing zebra crossing, the current situation poses a serious safety risk particularly to children and the elderly. Cars parking on the approach to the crossing completely obscure a drivers view approaching from Melksham and for anyone attempting to cross.</p>	<p>It is considered that the extension of the inbound controlled zone on each approach to the crossing will address the safety issues raised improving the overall visibility of the crossing.</p>
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