

Comments Received and Officer Comments:

Ref.	Comment	Officer Comment
1.0	Objection – concerned the proposals will lead to an increase in use of Kennet Gardens by parents due to perceived wider road resulting from the removal of parking. Suggests introducing a “School streets” initiative to prevent motor vehicles accessing the road at specified times.	School Streets schemes are enforced by the use of ANPR cameras and would be expensive to implement. It is felt that due to budgetary pressures, waiting restrictions are a more cost-effective measure.
2.0	Objection – has been parking car in Kennet Gardens due to waiting restrictions on Frome Road and no longer commutes so needs access to 24-hour parking provision. Pressure on available parking in the area has grown with recent housing developments.	<p>It is acknowledged that the proposals may increase pressure on available parking in nearby streets.</p> <p>There is no obligation on the Highway Authority to provide parking for vehicle owners as the highway is for the passage and re-passage of vehicles.</p> <p>The purpose of the proposals is to permit safer pedestrian access to the school and it is considered this benefit outweighs the inconvenience of the loss of a small number of parking spaces.</p>