

# Objection to Shipston on Stour Stour Court Proposed No Waiting at any Time (Double Yellow Lines)

1 message

13 August 2018 at 15:47

To: pmc@warwickshire.gov.uk

Hi,

Would like to raise my objection to the proposed double yellow lines along the length of Stour Court. There are 54 properties in Stour Court and the car park only has 9 parking spaces. The double yellow lines would make it almost impossible to park anywhere near home as Old Road is also almost constantly full of parked cars which will mean that many residents will need to try and find spaces and park 5 or more minutes walk away. As majority residents on Stour Court are 60+ with many actually being much older than that, this will make it difficult or many to remain independent due to the potential of having to park too far away for them to comfortably walk, and the knock of affect of that carers and daycare visitors will also have to try and find parking elsewhere.

Would recommend that Warwickshire Council have a consultation with Orbit housing regarding the parking situation as the garages are hardly used, and the removal of the 6 garages would potentially result in around 9 additional parking spaces. As the current proposal I believe will have a will have a negative affect for many residents of Stour Court and likely roll over to causing issues on Old Road and any surrounding road at any point where there is a spot without double yellow lines.



# Fwd: Stour Court, CV36 4HF

1 message

traffic and safety <trafficandsafety@warwickshire.gov.uk>
To: Parking Management Consultations <pmc@warwickshire.gov.uk>

20 August 2018 at 09:25

Dear colleagues,

Please see below.

Warm regards,

Amy

----- Forwarded message -----

Date: 16 August 2018 at 12:57 Subject: Stour Court, CV36 4HF

To: "communities@warwickshire.gov.uk" <communities@warwickshire.gov.uk>

Good Afternoon,

We have received complaints from our customers regarding the attached plans for double yellow lines at Stour Court. Please can you confirm whether you will reconsider the proposed double yellow lines?

Thank you in advance.

Kind Regards,





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# **Objection to the Variation Order**

1 message



17 August 2018 at 14:53

#### Dear Mr Alford-Longley

I am writing to inform you that we object to the proposed 'No waiting at any time' on the north-west side, from 10m north east of Mayfield Drive. Our concerns are as follows:

- 1. 10m does not allow us to drive in and out of our driveway safely, as shown on the attached pictures. We are a retired couple who have two cars in the drive and everyday we have to put up with cars parked all day long from 7am-6pm. This makes it incredibly difficult to leave and enter our driveway safely.
- 2. Having spoken to our neighbour at they have also encountered many problems driving into their driveway safely and have suffered a car accident. This was due to cars being parked opposite their driveway and the need to manoeuvre backwards and forwards in order to access their own property. Whilst doing so one driver tried to pass as my neighbour was reversing she reversed into this impatient driver. Had there been no cars parked on the opposite side this would not have occurred.
- 3. Since the train station has become busier over the last few years and more people driving to work in Henley in Arden, they are now parking the full length of Station Road, causing dangerous driving when approaching the bend at the top near the train station. This is a blind bend and its very difficult to see oncoming cars approaching the train station. There have been several near misses as you cannot see clearly round the bend.
- 4. How are ambulances/fire engines suppose to be able stop safely outside any of the houses on Station Road. It is restricting their access. Whilst a fire engine may stop outside a house on the road an Ambulance would need immediate access to the driveway / house frontage this would not be possible either currently or after the proposed changes.
- 5. When Henley had a market day, the council did not allow any cars to park along Station Rd, now we have no market place these restrictions have been lifted. The previous restrictions were successful in maintaining a safe highway for road users.

We would like you to consider extending the parking restriction further up the road to ensure that the residents of Station Road and nearby residents can safely drive into and out of their driveways and also to be ensure other drivers to drive safely along that road, this also includes emergency services.

We have attached pictures taken recently. In conversation with Marcus he explained that the CC had visited the site, however it was unknown as to the time and therefore the road may well not have been in its usual state. Hopefully these pictures will give you a better idea of just what the residents have to cope with, albeit as mentioned above summer holidays mean the road is not as bad in August as all other months.

Many thanks





## Parking restrictions for Station Road

1 message

To: pmc@warwickshire.gov.uk

1 August 2018 at 17:38

Dear Mr Alford-Longley,

I have just received your diagrams of the proposed parking restrictions for Station Road. Thank you for the clarification of the written directions, which I found difficult to interpret.

While I am pleased that the parking issue on Station road has now been acknowledged, the proposed restrictions in no way alleviate the bigger problem of cars parked below Mayfield drive (North) towards Bear Lane, on and off the pavement. I am extremely disappointed that residents and local councillors having brought this to the attention of the council and that a comprehensive solution has not been suggested.

- 1. I enclose 3 pictures which I took earlier this year of cars parked below Mayfield Drive, on both sides of the road. A young mother pushing a pram was forced to walk on the road, with traffic coming at her from both directions.
- 2. Under the present proposal, the dangerous and on kerb parking has not been tackled at all and residents would be left with the same issues.
- 4. The pavement on Station road has also just been repaired. In one of my pictures you will see the yellow marks of damaged areas. These are where cars have been regularly parked on the pavement. I would suggest to save the council another repair bill, that the source of the damage is eliminated.
- 5 I would ask you to consider in the interests of safety, that parking is not permitted North of Mayfield Drive and that double yellow lines be extended on both sides of Station Road up to Mayfield Drive from the direction of Bear Lane.

Thank you for your help



#### 3 attachments



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**20171208\_122216.jpg** 4766K



# restricted parking Brook end close

1 message



25 July 2018 at 17:10

To: "pmc@warwickshire.gov.uk" <pmc@warwickshire.gov.uk>

Dear Sirs

I live at the station should oppose the yellow markings fearing it would send drivers to park outside my house. I also feel the station should provide more parking and we shouldnt have to deal with the over spill. The station has become busier since we moved in three years ago.

I also feel some traffic calming measures should be set up along Brookend Dr towards the station. Its an acccident waiting to happen

Regards





## Fwd: Station Road Henley in Arden -yellow lines

1 message



Dear Mr Alford-Longley, Thank you so much for replying and for providing the drawings. This is most helpful and I have circulated them to other interested parties.

My own observations are as follows

- 1) I welcome the proposed yellow lines as per the drawing, this will make all three junctions much safer and considerably improve visibility entering Station Road from both sides of Bear lane and Mayfield Drive
- 2) Unfortunately the proposal does not help alleviate the parking problem in Station Road itself, which was the reason residents made representations to the Parish Council originally. Is there any way that you would consider the following

#### Station Road West Side

Join the yellow lines in one continuous run from Bear Lane to Mayfield Drive, this amounts to just a few more Metres and would make the road much safer, as at the moments in this area vehicles park on the pavement and in the road creating a chicane effect when vehicles speed down the hill past the Station to clear the vehicles parked South of Mayfield Drive.

#### Station Road East Side

Extending the lines from Bear lane East Side, up Station Road to finish opposite Mayfield Drive. This would solves the problem and make Station Road much safer.

I do hope you will consider this suggestion

----Original message----

From: pmc@warwickshire.gov.uk Date: 30/07/2018 - 09:39 (BST)

To 🔳

Subject : Re: Station Road Henley in Arden

Dear Marie

Thank you for response in welcoming our new proposals for Double Yellow Lines along Station road in Henley.

I am sorry to hear that some residents are having a trouble interpreting these descriptions on the public notices, I have attached a plan of the proposed new restrictions to this location.

You can also follow the link below to the Warwickshire County Council Blog where you can also view the plans.

https://wccroadsafetyengineering.wordpress.com/

I hope this helps you and your neighbours.



On 27 July 2018 at 20:59,

Marcus Alford-Langley
Warwickshire County Council
Traffic and Road Safety
PO Box 43 Shire Hall
Warwick
CV34 4SX

03 August 2018

Dear Marcus Alford-Langley

Consultation Plan TR/10817-09 – Bear Lane to Station Road Junction Double Yellow Line - OBJECTION

Thank you for your letter regarding the above proposal to implement a double yellow line (no waiting) at the Junction of Bear Lane and Station Road.

I note your proposals also require the same action at Mayfield Drive and Brook End Close. I write today specifically regarding the Bear Lane to Station Road Junction. This is the junction adjacent to my property of and your proposal directly impacts me and my family the most and is one on this occasion I cannot support and therefore object to your proposal.

I fully understand why one would want to implement double yellow lines at a road junction if it were on a main highway, but I cannot support the proposal based on the below points, which are in no priority order:

### 1. Type of Road and Volume of Traffic:

- a. Station Road is primarily a residential area with roads (no through) leading off to further residential properties.
- b. Station Road is not a highway / main road and I do not believe the volume of traffic requires such a proposal.
- c. 85-90%% of the time, the road immediately outside my property is clear with most of the volume of traffic occurring during early morning and evening when residents return from work.

#### 2. Parking:

- a. Parking in Henley is scarce, and due to this fact / poor planning for it, Station Road has seen a significant increase in cars parking in Station Road to either use the Train Station and/or use for work in Henley Town Centre.
- b. If you were to double yellow line outside my property and opposite at No.16, then factor in the number of non-residential cars using station road for either the train station or Henley Town centre for parking, there will be left approximately 3 off road parking areas available for 8 houses in the immediate area to utilise.
- c. Whilst not a given right to have the ability to park on the road outside your property, I do have a requirement to park directly outside one's house as it is

- c. I read nowhere in the proposal to put double yellow lines on both sides of the area of Station Road (by the train station entrance) that is more severely dangerous to visibility and safety than what you are proposing especially given people frequently cross the road at this junction, including school children as there is a walk-way from Henley High Street to the Station that enters the road at this junction.
- d. For consistency of proposal, there are two other junctions that reside on Brook End Drive which is the road that merges with Station Road (all confusing as it is the same road) and I do not see those being proposed to have double yellow lines and considering they are on a bend one would have thought these to be a priority also.
- 4. As a Father of 3 young children I believe that priority on Station Road should be to reduce the speed limit and introduce an appropriate number of speed humps to alleviate the issue relating to the extra number of vehicles and speeds utilising Station Road. That will introduce safety on Station Road. It is after all, a residential area and not a "Town by-pass" road which it is becoming and will only get worse. Now is the time to act to either restrict vehicles using it as a "by-pass", which is difficult to control, or slow the traffic down.
- 5. Having resided here since 1995, why the requirement now? There is no explanation to support the requirement and why it is a requirement now other than to improve visibility and safety. I don't believe the volume of traffic in Bear Lane warrants it. I work from home and do not see the level of traffic to warrant such a requirement.
  - a. I personally have improved the visibility of the junction two years ago. Having refurbished my property, I removed over 13 Leylandii / Conifer Trees that was on my property at the corner of the junction which was over 8 feet in diameter and 25 feet high. I have improved the Bear Lane junction immensely for visibility as this group of trees did have an impact. Locals informing me alike what an improvement it has made.
- 6. Is this double Yellow line a significantly more important requirement over and above a real safety and visibility issue that exists on Henley in Arden High Street and has done for numerous years?
  - a. The A3400 is a main road and for numerous years people continue to park outside of the local shops – Co-Op and One Stop and the White Swan Public House. All parking is opposite a road junction by the Church. Given the volume of traffic on this road I find the Bear Lane-Station Road Double Yellow Line requirement not as significantly important as this requirement. I attach two excerpts from "Henley News and Parish Council" whereby the local Fire Station and Community Responders have complained yet again.
- 7. Whilst all proposals have plausible merit. I believe Bear Lane and Station Road junction to be a lesser requirement to have double yellow lines, given it is a residential area and not a highway. People must park off-road in residential areas and the volume of traffic in Bear Lane and Station Road does not warrant it at this time and there are alternative measures to put in place.

A more sensible approach to Station Road Visibility and Safety as it is a requirement beyond just a junction are as follow:

#### Option 1:

- 1. Reduce Speed Limit to 20 mph due to the fact Station Road is becoming a "by pass" and young and elderly walk and cross this road.
- 2. Introduce road humps to reinforce slow driving at appropriate locations
  - a. Whilst not favourable to everyone, they serve the function they are designed provided they are designed and implemented correctly they work.
  - b. Introduce double yellow lines on Station Road at the corner leading to and from the entrance of the Train Station in area of a blind corner / bend and where people cross the road from the walk-way.

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#### Extract from Henley News online – 25th July 2018

#### Fire Station Complains about Parking



Two representatives from the Fire Station reported on their increasing concerns about vehicles being parked outside the Co-op and One Stop advising that the Fire Trucks were having difficulty responding to emergencies as they could not get past these vehicles.

They went on to say that the CFRs (Community First Responders) had the same problem and if they did not respond within a certain amount of time, the rate of survival for a cardiac arrest is significantly less. They said that something needed to be done about this situation as there are lives at risk!

The parking enforcement outside Co-op and One Stop is the responsibility of WCC Highways. For over three years, the Parish Council has tried to encourage WCC is undertake its responsibilities but without success.



The time has now come when the Parish Council should take over responsibilities for all parking on the A3400. Clearly WCC is incapable of carrying out its statutory responsibilities.