

Appendix C - Other issues arising from the consultation

During the consultation there were a number of other issues that were raised that were outside the remit of this parking review;

Issue	Response
The cost of parking in the Station car park was too high and was poor value for commuters.	The setting of charges is an issue for Southeastern as the train operating company as this is a private car park.
The on-going development of the station car park has reduced the number of spaces	I understand that this relates to works to the substation located to the side of the station car park. This is an issue for Southeastern as the train operating company as this is a private car park.
There are problems with lighting and flooding on the path behind the station	This relates to the station car park and as such is an issue for Southeastern as the train operating company as this is a private car park.
The mini-roundabout on Station Road has caused problems since its construction - Move the roundabout so that it does not cause problems.	This is an issue for Kent County Council as the Highway Authority, but I understand that the mini-roundabout was part of the agreed safety improvements associated with the re-development of the West Kent Cold Store.
The parking issues in Station Road and Station Approach are caused by the chicanes – remove the chicanes	This is an issue for Kent County Council as the Highway Authority, but I understand that the traffic calming measures were part of the agreed safety improvements associated with the re-development of the West Kent Cold Store and Station Approach.
Cars are travelling too fast (on London Road near Mill Road)	Issues of speed management and enforcement are for Kent County Council and Kent Police rather than the District Council.
Visibility of the pedestrian crossing (on London Road near Mill Road) is a problem	Visibility issues of and for pedestrians using pedestrian crossings would be for Kent County Council to address.
Additional parking should be provided by Railtrack and Berkley Homes	I am not certain that there is the facility to require this of train operating companies or developers of private housing.
Speed (on Rye Lane) is a problem and the speed limit should be extended, with traffic calming	Issues of speed management and requests for traffic calming are for Kent County Council rather than the District Council.
HGVs try to get to Otford via Rye Lane when following their sat-navs. The 6'6" width restriction signs should be moved from Ryewood Cottages to the Station Road roundabout.	Lorry routing and width restrictions are issues for Kent County Council rather than the District Council.
There should be traffic calming (on London Road) to slow vehicles from the Tesco roundabout.	Issues of speed management and requests for traffic calming are for Kent County Council rather than the District Council.
The pinch points on Station Road	This is an issue for Kent County Council as the

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were not appropriate, should have been speed bumps	Highway Authority, but I understand that the traffic calming measures were part of the agreed safety improvements associated with the re-development of the West Kent Cold Store.
The inappropriate parking in Station Approach should be discouraged by fining or clamping	The Council cannot clamp any vehicles, nor can it issue Penalty Charge Notices, unless restrictions (as are proposed in this Order) are introduced.
The Chicanes on Station Road need to be removed.	This is an issue for Kent County Council as the Highway Authority, but I understand that the traffic calming measures were part of the agreed safety improvements associated with the re-development of the West Kent Cold Store.
The Crescent (off Station Road) should have parking restrictions to stop commuters.	The District Council explored this option at the informal consultation stage, but this was not supported by the Parish Council and was subsequently withdrawn.
The service road (to the west of London Road, near Lusted Road) should have restrictions to only allow parking for visitors and tradesmen.	This area was not part of the original proposals and has not (to date) had a significant commuter parking problem.