

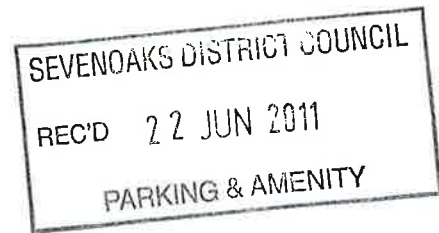


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Parking & Amenity Team  
Sevenoaks District Council  
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Your Ref: T/2009 Amend 22 Formal  
Our Ref: 204/TRO/11892/11

Date 17<sup>th</sup> June 2011

**The Kent County Council (Various Roads in the District of Sevenoaks)  
Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading and Unloading and  
On Street Parking Places (Amendment 22) Order 2009**

Dear Mr Bracey

Thank you for your letter dated 8<sup>th</sup> June 2011 and enclosed drawing concerning the above subject.

Kent Police have no specific observations to make regarding this proposal, however in general terms we would expect the following:

- The application meets the necessary criteria.
- The introduction of prohibition of waiting complies in all respect with the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002.
- If being used for 'corner protection' the prohibition of waiting restriction is for a 24-hour period and extends for a distance of at least 10 metres from any junction. Thus preventing vehicles mistakenly parking during the hours of darkness and contravening provisions of the Roads Vehicles Lighting Regulations 1994.
- The introduction of such measures will not leave the Police with the task of carrying out constant enforcement issues such as obstruction by transferring the problem to other areas.
- The safety of other road users is not compromised by the introduction of these measures.

Civil Parking Enforcement will require your Authority to ensure resources are available to enforce this proposal.

Yours sincerely

Paul Cave  
Police Constable 7981  
Traffic Management Unit.

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Please indicate your support or objection by marking the appropriate section in the table below.

Road	In support	Against	No opinion
Bubblestone Road	✓		
The Butts	✓		
The Old Walk	✓		
Preventing parking on corners	✓		

Comments
<p><i>Double yellow lines should be put further down towards main road, so can turn off main road into Bubblestone Road and the shops have more room to move with no cars parked so close to the shops. As it is it is and accident waiting to happen.</i></p>

Signed: <span style="background-color: black; color: black;">[REDACTED]</span>	Dated: 14/6/11
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*sent 2/7/11*

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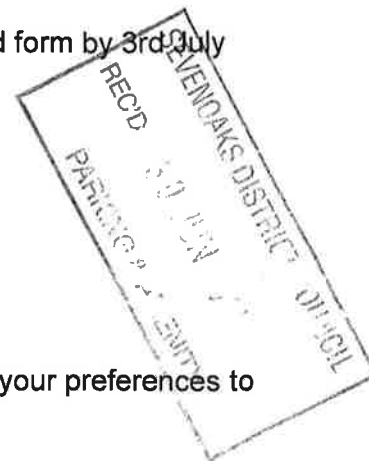
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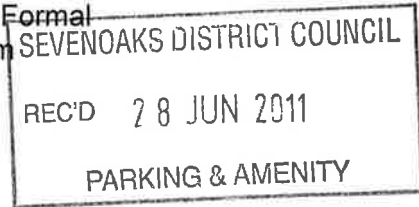
Comments
<p>WE HAVE MAJOR PROBLEMS WITH PARKING IN BUBBLESTONE ROAD ESPECIALLY WHEN CARS ARE PARKED EITHER SIDE OF OUR DRIVE. IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO SEE ANY ONCOMING TRAFFIC WHEN EXITING. COMMUTER PARKING WOULD ADD TO THIS PROBLEM.</p>

Signed:		Dated:	27.06.2011
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*AKC 20/6/11*

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Comments
Will Traffic wardens be monitoring the situation? + how often.

Signed:	Dated: 24/06/11
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*luk 24/6/11*

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Comments

Signed: Dated: 26/6/11

ack 29/6/11

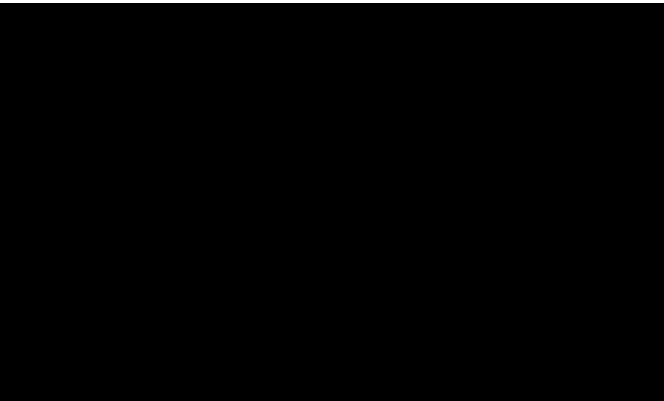
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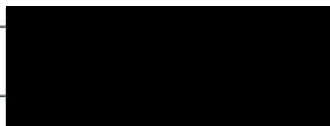
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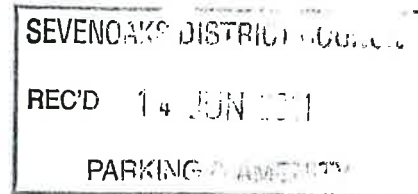
Comments
<p><u>ALSO</u> There is a major problem with cars parking on the A225 (right on the left hand side where it meets the duck pond roundabout) so that cars risk an accident approaching the roundabout as they avoid the parked cars.</p>

Signed: 	Dated: 11 June 2011
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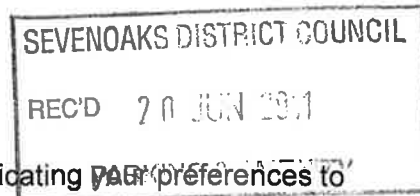
**Comments**

The double yellow lines are not necessary in the cul-de-sac at the end of the Old Walk. There is no room to park at all as all the space is taken by the entrances to the houses. Perhaps the restrictions could be switched - the morning 9-10 put on the other side of the road & visa versa.

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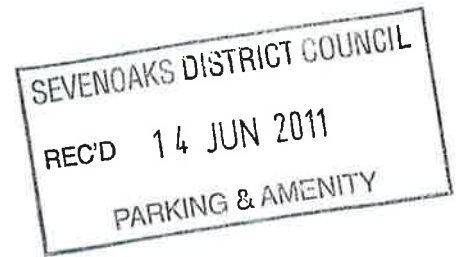
Comments
<p>if will make it hard for families and people using the shops. P.S. plus workers in the shops</p>

Signed: [Redacted]	Dated: 14/6/11
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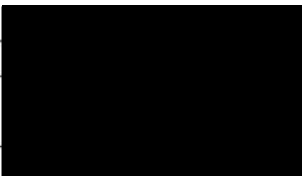
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Comments

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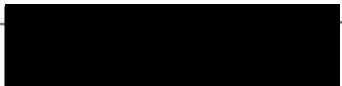
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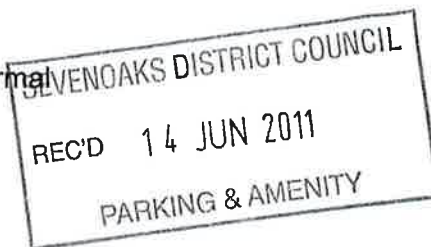
<p>Comments</p> <p>there is already daily parking in Bubblestone Rd especially opposite my house NO 2 A not only making it often difficult to access my drive but also for overtaking vehicles. More parking at cheaper rates is needed at the station.</p>
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Signed: 	Dated: 18th June '11
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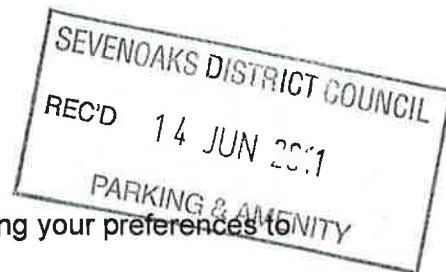
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Comments

Sadly, I think parking restrictions need to be put in place, but I think 9-10am is too short/early to prevent commuter parking. I think it would be better to have no parking on one-side 9-1 & then on the other side 1-5. Otherwise we will have parking both sides of the road for the majority of the day.

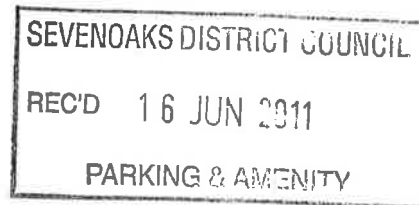
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<b>Comments</b>
<i>It would be better if we could have narrow yellow lines (there are 2 widths)</i>

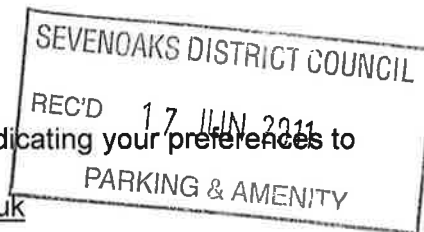
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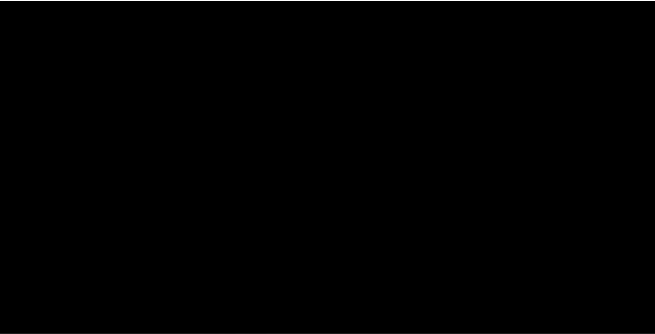
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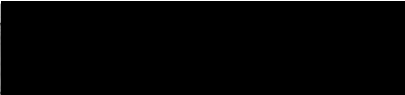
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<b>Comments</b> Congratulations, a well thought out plan. Just one thought the road between the houses of Nos 5 & 7 at the junction of the Butts should be double yellow lined as many cars & vans use this area to turn round, we have seen many "near misses".
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Signed: 	Dated: 20 June 2011
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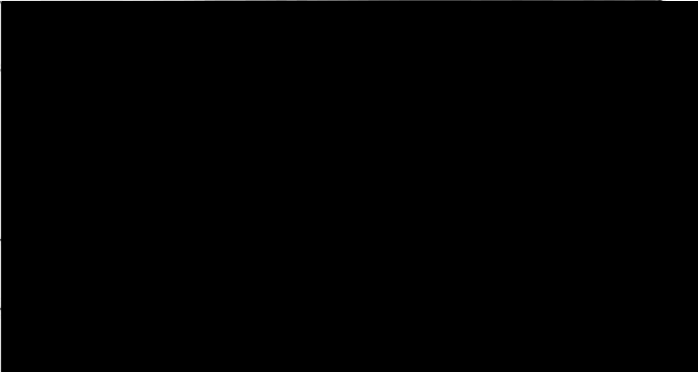
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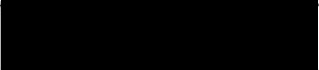
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Comments
<p>As the shop owners park at the start of Bubblestone Road so as to give customers parking places, I wonder how this plan will affect their business.</p>

Signed: 	Dated: 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2011
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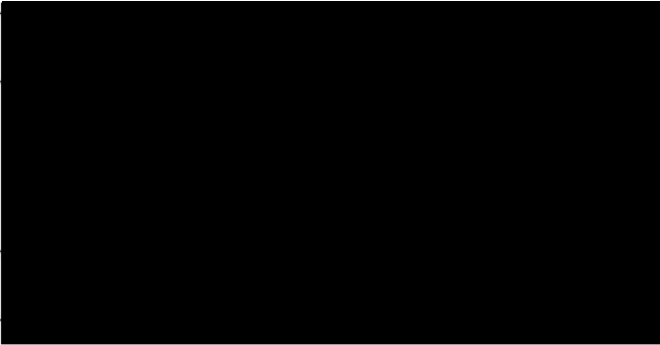
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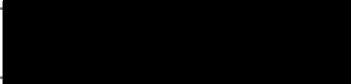
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Name: (Please print clearly)	
Address	
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Road	In support	Against	No opinion
Bubblestone Road	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Butts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Old Walk	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Preventing parking on corners	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

<b>Comments</b> <i>Delighted we are being included.</i>


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Signed:		Dated:	<i>19/6/11</i>
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Name: (Please print clearly)	[REDACTED]
Address	[REDACTED]
Phone number:	[REDACTED]
Email:	

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Bubblestone Road			
The Butts			
The Old Walk			
Preventing parking on corners			

Comments
<p>My concern would be the look - this is currently a pretty village road. If parking signs are erected they would need to be sympathetic to the surroundings and placed with care - i.e. next to existing telephone poles.</p>

Signed: [REDACTED]	Dated: 20/6/11
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*Note 23/6/11*

## Andy Bracey

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**From:** Janet Hawkins  
**Sent:** 13 June 2011 07:35  
**To:** Andy Bracey  
**Subject:** FW: otford parking proposals

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Posted At:** 12 June 2011 15:01  
**Posted To:** Parking & Amenity (parkingandamenity@sevenoaks.gov.uk)  
**Conversation:** otford parking proposals  
**Subject:** otford parking proposals

[REDACTED]  
Otford  
TN14 5PR

Dear Andy

Thankyou for your recent letter outlining parking restriction proposals.  
I support the restrictions completely, particularly as you enter Bubblestone from the main road.  
The constant all day parking creates huge difficulties for drivers and I welcome double yellow lines in this area whole heartedly.  
The other roads would most definately benefit from the proposed single lines too, as it is inevitable the cars would start to filter down to the lower roads ( bubblestone/the butts/the old walk0 from the station.  
I look forward to these new parking restrictions being implemented.

Many thanks

[REDACTED]  
Additionally, my neighbour [REDACTED] has asked me to advise you, he is also in agreement with the proposals.  
He is [REDACTED] and not a computer user, so please consider this as his response.  
Thanks again for your time and attention.

23/06/2011

*see 23/6/11*

**Andy Bracey**

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**From:** Janet Hawkins  
**Sent:** 21 June 2011 07:44  
**To:** Andy Bracey  
**Subject:** FW: TRO 2009 Amendment 22 - Formal

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Posted At:** 20 June 2011 15:47  
**Posted To:** Parking & Amenity (parkingandamenity@sevenoaks.gov.uk)  
**Conversation:** TRO 2009 Amendment 22 - Formal  
**Subject:** TRO 2009 Amendment 22 - Formal

To:  
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The Parking and Amenity Team  
Sevenoaks District Council

Formal consultation response

Name: [REDACTED]  
Address: [REDACTED] Otford, TN14 5PN  
Phone number: [REDACTED]  
Email: [REDACTED]

Support or Objection

Bubblestone Road - Against  
The Butts - Against  
The Old Walk - Against  
Preventing parking on corners - Against

Comments

Yellow lines are not a solution, they will just move the parking problem somewhere else.

Otford badly needs more affordable parking.

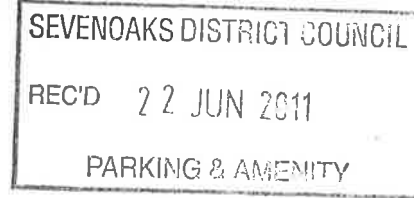
- 1) It needs more parking for commuters. A lot of people who live in or near Otford commute.
- 2) It needs more parking for shoppers and shop assistants. We have already lost enough shops. Don't make it harder for the struggling few.
- 3) It needs more safe parking for the school runs. Parents use cars for the school runs - the Otford roads are very busy.

I do understand the problems Tudor Drive is having but I do not think that painting yellow lines all over the village will solve the parking problem.

Many regards  
[REDACTED]



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20<sup>th</sup> June 2011

Dear Mr Bracey

With reference to the above, and in response to your letter dated 8<sup>th</sup> June 2011, please find enclosed my completed consultation response. May I say how grateful I am for the Council's positive response to the request to extend the originally proposed parking restrictions in Otford to include Bubblestone Road, The Butts and The Old Walk and to prevent dangerous parking on corners.

Relative to dangerous parking, may I make a request for an additional short stretch of double yellow lines on the opposite side of Bubblestone Road facing the exit from The Butts in the area marked on the attached map.

- Cars frequently park in the area marked and will still be able to do so outside 9am to 10 am.
- Cars coming up Bubblestone whether to turn into The Butts or to go straight on are forced onto the wrong side of the road when approaching The Butts.
- Cars coming out of The Butts on the correct side of the road frequently meet these oncoming cars face to face involving some very sharp breaking.
- This situation is exacerbated by the very restricted view around the corner of The Butts and Bubblestone due to heavy foliage where marked.

Although there have been no accidents so far as I know, 20 metres or so of additional yellow lines would make this quite heavily used junction much safer; it is also regularly used for cars who have parked facing up Bubblestone to reverse and go back to the main road.

Yours faithfully



Otford  
Kent TN14 5PR

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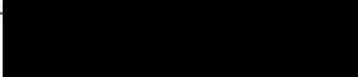
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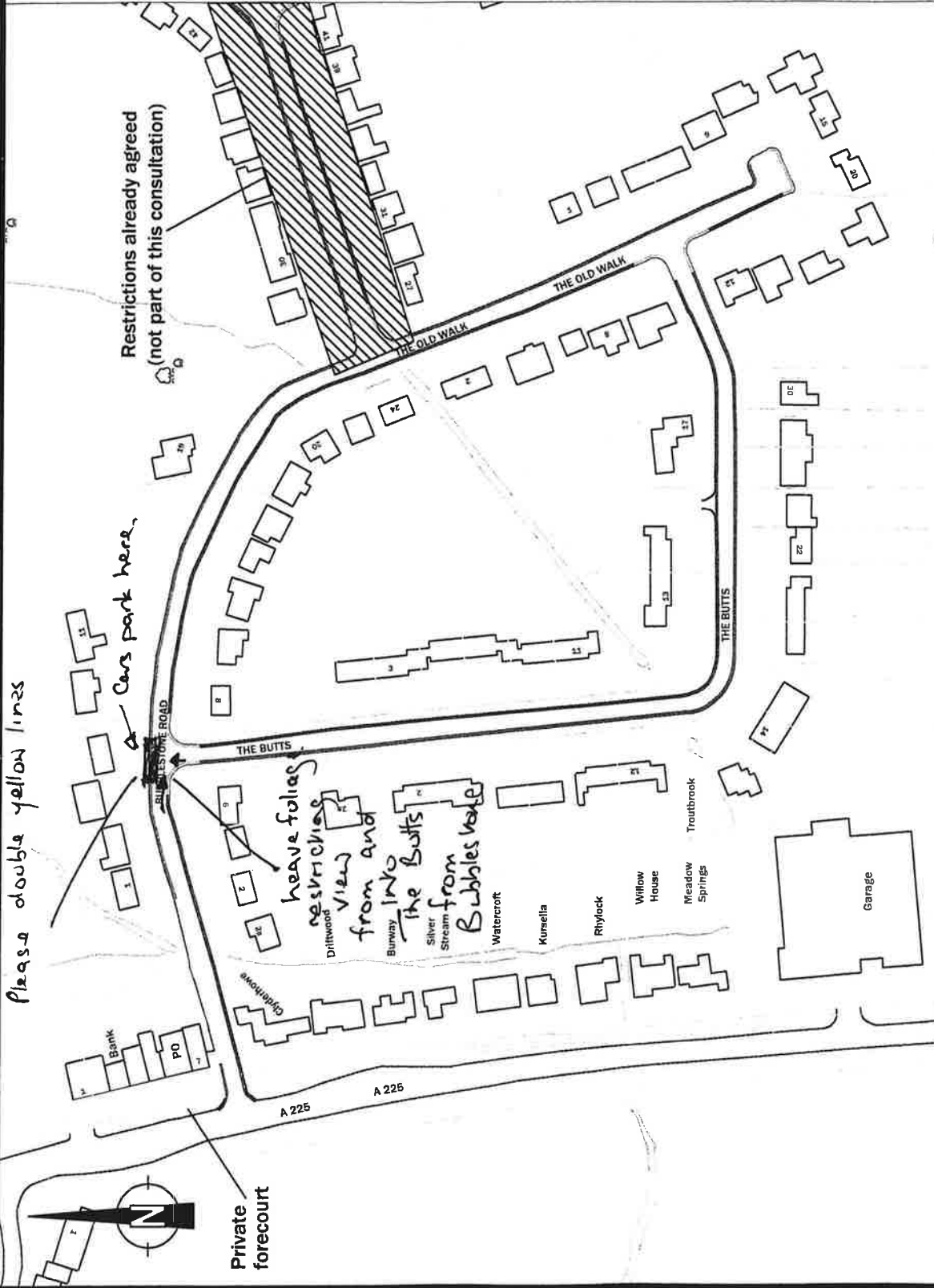
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The Butts	✓		
The Old Walk	✓		
Preventing parking on corners	✓		

<b>Comments</b>
<p>As one of the people who requested this extension of parking restrictions I am delighted that the Council has responded so swiftly and positively. Many thanks See also attached suggestion/request.</p>

Signed: 	Dated: 20/06/2011
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# Key

- Existing double yellow lines
- Proposed double yellow lines
- Proposed single yellow lines
- No waiting, Mon-Fri, 2-3pm
- Proposed single yellow lines
- No waiting, Mon-Fri, 9-10am



## Proposed changes to parking restrictions - Consultation Bubblestone Road, The Old Walk & The Butts Otford



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**Andy Bracey**

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**From:** Janet Hawkins  
**Sent:** 04 July 2011 07:28  
**To:** Andy Bracey  
**Subject:** FW: Observations on Proposed changes to parking restrictions in Bubblestone Road

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Posted At:** 03 July 2011 19:23  
**Posted To:** Parking & Amenity (parkingandamenity@sevenoaks.gov.uk)  
**Conversation:** Observations on Proposed changes to parking restrictions in Bubblestone Road  
**Subject:** Observations on Proposed changes to parking restrictions in Bubblestone Road

I have only just been shown a copy of your letter dated 8 June regarding the proposed restrictions on parking in Bubblestone Road. I am commenting on these in my capacity as Land lord of [REDACTED] I strongly object to the proposals.

The use of travel by train is to be encouraged. As more and more people need to drive to the station surely the Council should be having a dialogue with the Rail companies to provide more facilities at affordable prices before restricting parking in adjacent roads.

Clearly any restrictions on parking on roads being used by commuters using the station will simply have a knock on effect on other roads currently not being used for this purpose.

In the case of your proposals for Bubblestone Road there will be a severe knock on impact on the shops in the Parade and the residents above. For the most part staff in these shops and the residents in the flats above do not have anywhere to park and for years have used Bubblestone Road from the entrance to the shops up to the rear access way to park. This has not caused any inconvenience to the residents in Bubblestone Road who as you say all have off street parking available.. If this "facility" is not available where do these people park. The need to move a vehicle at some point during the day is of no use to residents out at work all day or say hairdressers who cannot stop part way through a hairdressing appointment while they move their car. Similarly some of the shops only have one employee and to move their vehicle would require shutting the shop.

If parking is restricted it is highly likely that commuters will use the parking outside the shops. This is shown incorrectly on the plan as "Private forecourt" but is in fact Council owned parking beyond the demarcation studs. Commuter parking in this area will have a disastrous effect on the viability of the shops and shopping in Otford. These shops have survived the onslaught of the out of town shopping facilities elsewhere in Sevenoaks to a great extent because of the parking facilities immediately adjacent to the shops. If this is blocked by the users of the station, most shoppers will no longer be able to access the shops.

07/07/2011

*See by email 7/7/11*

These significant disadvantages of the proposals far outweigh the perceived benefits of solving a problem which may or may not arise..

If it is decided to proceed with the proposals, some form of 'residents' parking permits for the shopkeeper/residents will be required to ease their difficulties and support the shops but the problem of commuter parking in the forecourt remains.

