

## **Report to Communities Committee – 12<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

### Parking Review – Carters Ride, Dorchester Close, and Walnut Close.

#### Background

Back in 2021 residents started to contact the Parish Council regarding commuter parking that was causing problems in Carters Ride and Dorchester Close. Cars were being parked opposite resident's driveways and close to the crossing point in Carters Ride causing problems for residents to enter / exit their driveways. There was also concern that Emergency Vehicles would not be able to enter the estate if required. In some cases, Buckinghamshire Council Refuse Collection teams have places notices on cars as they have difficulty getting through.

In March 2022, I contacted Buckinghamshire Council to find out what the process was and what options were available.

Before submitting any request to Buckinghamshire Council, I thought it best to consult the residents to see that there was a majority in favour of introducing a scheme, so in May 2022 all residents received a letter which asked them to indicate if they were in favour of a parking scheme and, if so, what option they would prefer out of three possible, which were:

1. Double yellow lines on all roads.
2. An extension of the existing single yellow lines to all roads.
3. Resident parking permits.

Over 50% of the residents responded with over 75% being in favour of a parking review.

The three Buckinghamshire Council councillors were then contacted for their support, which they gave.

Then in October 2022 a Parking Review request was submitted to Buckinghamshire Council via their website.

Despite chasing Buckinghamshire Council Parking Services nothing was heard until I had a meeting with the Parking Services manager in January 2023 where I outlined what had been done. After consideration the Parking Team proposed the following two options.

1. Single and double yellow lines on the ground with time plates throughout for the single yellow line restriction.
2. Double yellow lines on the ground with entry point signs and repeater signs throughout.

These options were presented to the residents in March 2023.

Again over 50% of the residents responded with just over 50% being in favour of option 1.

#### Current Position

The results of the consultation were sent to Buckinghamshire Council for a costing appraisal.

In July there was a meeting with Parking Services and the Contract Commissioning Team to review the proposal before it was formally costed. The only change was that there are areas in Carters Ride that are blocked paved which makes it difficult for the paint to stick and so there would be an ongoing maintenance problem. It was agreed that these areas would be Signed Zoned Areas with no lines.

### Next Steps

Buckinghamshire Council have reviewed the scheme and are now able to formally issue the required Traffic Regulation Orders and to consult with the residents.

They have submitted the following quote for consideration.

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Stage</b>		
Atkins	Statutory Consultation	£7,838.60	
	Detailed Design	£2,382.60	
	Completion activities incl. making of TRO and supervision	£1,626.50	
Balfour Beatty Living Places	Manufacture, provision and installation of signs, posts and lines <b>(quote to be requested when detailed design completed)</b>		
<b>Total due from Stoke Mandeville Parish Council</b>			<b>£11,847.70</b>

### **For Decision**

The Communities Committee is required to consider the quote and, if in agreement, recommend to Full Council that the quote be accepted.

If the quote is accepted Buckinghamshire Council will be notified to start the process.

### **Other Documentation**

Layout Option Final. To go to residents.