

The Essex County Council (Basildon Borough) (Prohibition of Waiting, Loading and Stopping) and (On-Street Parking Places) (Civil Enforcement Area) (Amendment No.34) Order 202*

STATEMENT OF REASONS:

Lee Chapel Primary School is situated on The Knares, Basildon. A zebra crossing is situated outside the school, along with two bus stopping places. Opposite the school is the Castle Mayne Public House, and Sporhams which currently has standard junction protection waiting restrictions.

At school start and finish times, parent parking has been an ongoing problem at this site. It has been reported that vehicles are regularly parked with two wheels on the footways, in the bus stopping places and in sections where parking is prohibited. Traffic comes to a standstill on occasion, with buses and cars unable to pass each other. Vehicles being parked on the footways and carriageway are obstructing through traffic and reducing driver/pedestrian visibility of each other.

The site has become an enforcement problem for South Essex Parking Partnership (SEPP), the school has been contacted but has not responded with regards to the scheme.

A site meeting was held between representatives from the Design Team, SEPP, and the Highways Liaison Officer (HLO), to discuss the ongoing problems, and how best to tackle the situation.

Following the discussion with the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) Manager for SEPP, it was agreed the best way to tackle this problem was to install a length of pedestrian guard railing and a row of bollards on the south side to prevent the pavement parking.

The zebra crossing zig zags in the centre and on the south side are also to be extended, but the parking on the north side is to be retained as it acts as a traffic calming measure.

The 'No Waiting at Any Time' Restrictions (DYLs) on Sporhams are to be extended to allow more space for vehicles to pass the traffic island, and a row of wooden bollards are to be replaced as many are missing.

The extension to the zebra crossing zig zags and no waiting at any time restrictions will reduce vehicle parking, as will the installation of pedestrian guard railing and new/replacement bollards on footways.

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