Dear Sir or Madam,

**Felcott Road and Felcott Close, Hersham - parking consultation**

As part of our review of parking in Walton on Thames and Hersham, we are undertaking a consultation with residents of a number of roads in the area about the idea of a permit parking scheme in their road. This has come about as we have received a number of requests for such a scheme in each location.

We think that the most appropriate type of scheme for this road would be for it to be made a ‘permit parking area’. This is where no road markings are needed, and all space within the street would become a permit holders only area. This would just need a sign at the start of the road, similar to the example shown left, along with a couple of ‘reminder’ signs which would be similar to those right. Permit holders would be able to park anywhere within the area (except of course on yellow lines or across other people’s driveways). Please note, with this scheme you would need to have a parking permit to park in front of your own driveway during the hours of operation.

At this stage all we want to do is gain an understanding of whether or not a sufficient number of residents are interested in the idea of having permit parking. If this consultation shows that there is enough support amongst residents, we would then refine the plans and formally propose to introduce the parking scheme, at which stage we would write to you again and there would be an opportunity to comment on the final proposals.

We are also considering putting in a new double yellow line along the eastern side of Felcott Close, from the junction with Felcott Road, up to the driveway of number 2. This is to stop the current practice of parking on both sides of that road which causes obstruction of the footway.
We think that the best times and days of operation for a permit parking scheme in this location would be Monday – Friday, 8am – 6pm. This would prevent all day parking by shoppers/commuters whilst minimising the impact on residents overnight and at weekends. This is also the times of operation that we are proposing to change the existing controlled parking zone around Walton train station to, and it causes less confusion for motorists when operational times of parking controls are coordinated within the same area.

People eligible to apply for resident and visitor permits would be all those living in all residential properties in Felcott Road and Close. There would be no permits available for businesses.

There are further conditions as explained in the enclosed sheet of frequently asked questions (FAQs), some of which could be amended following feedback to this consultation.

Once you have read the FAQs, please fill in our very short questionnaire, which you can find online at: www.surreycc.gov.uk/parking/elmbridge by following the link within the Walton and Hersham parking review section of the webpage. Please complete the survey by 6 November 2017.

If you do not have access to the internet, please call our contact centre on 0300 200 1003, and a member of the team there will be happy to go through it with you over the phone.

Once the consultation has closed, we will analyse the feedback received and decide what to do. We will publish the outcome of the consultation on the above mentioned page on our website. If the feedback is positive and we decide to proceed with a scheme here, we will write to you again to let you know further details and how you can comment on any formal proposals.

Yours faithfully,

Adrian Harris
Engineer

Enclosed: Frequently Asked Questions