

Tutbury Parish Council response 1st April

Please see in red text below the response from the Parish Council following the meeting 1.4.19

Response from Staffordshire County Council on Parking restrictions changes

March 12th, 2019

Dear Councillor White, Tutbury Parish Council
Please find my recommendations which refer to the representation received on 19-Feb-19;
forwarded to me from Tutbury Parish Council.

Proposal 1

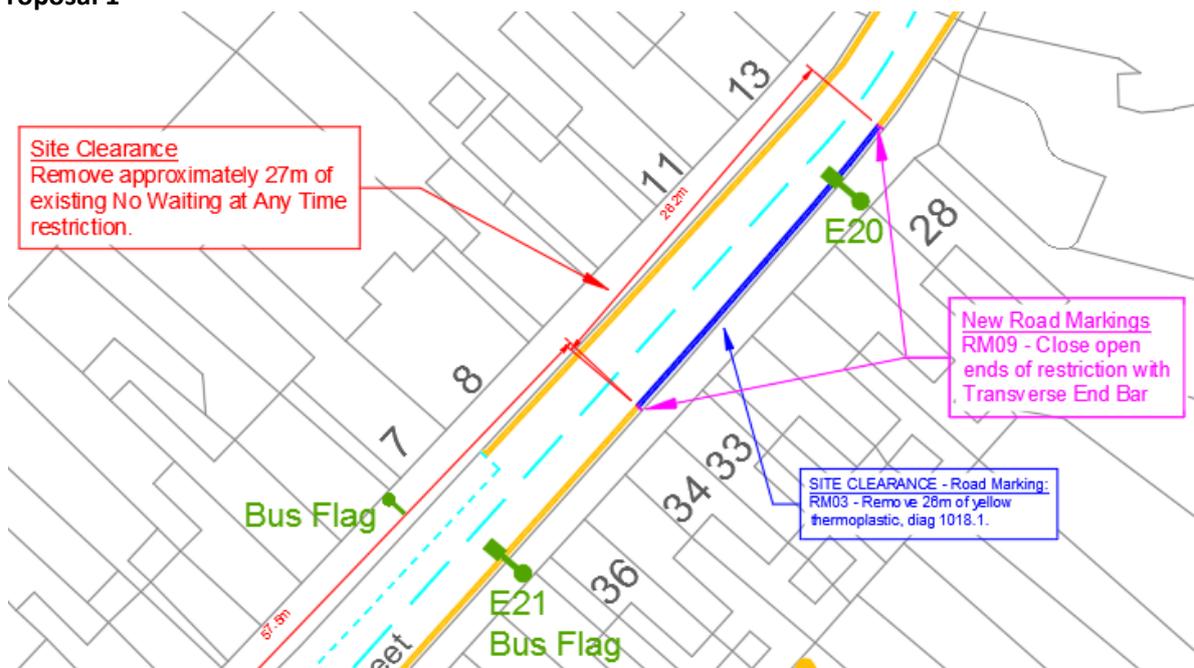


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Representation

.....by removing the restriction from that side of Bridge Street, this would reduce visibility when exiting the Little Bridge houses. It would reduce visibility of the tight bend on Lower High Street. It would make it difficult for the buses to get through and stop at the bus stop.



Tutbury Parish Council comments:

Cllrs voted to reject this proposal and requested that the waiting restriction should be removed opposite outside numbers 8-11

County Councillor White comments:

Would like further information regarding the practicality of Tutbury Parish Council's alternative proposals for Bridge Street and Lower High Street.

Andrew Cartlidge comments:

I agree permitting motorists to park outside of properties 28 – 33 could cause visibility issues for motorists joining Bridge Street, however, if the NWAAT restriction was removed from outside of properties 8 – 11, this would permit any motorist to park for unlimited periods, and if a bus pulled into the bay to allow passengers on / off they would have to turn sharply into the opposing lane to allow them to gain road position prior to driving ahead.

I would like to recommend the bus flag be resited outside of the parking bay. If visibility is the concern close to the bend of the carriageway, it would be advisable to leave all the restrictions in place, as north bound motorist could find themselves meeting south bound motorists at speed in a head on alignment.

01.04.19 PROPOSAL1 To remove waiting restrictions in Bridge Street.

The highways response to remove waiting restriction outside 8 to 11 was met with concerns on the impact of the bus pulling out of the bay near a bend. Cllrs proposed, seconded and voted in favour to leave the existing restrictions in place.

Proposal 2

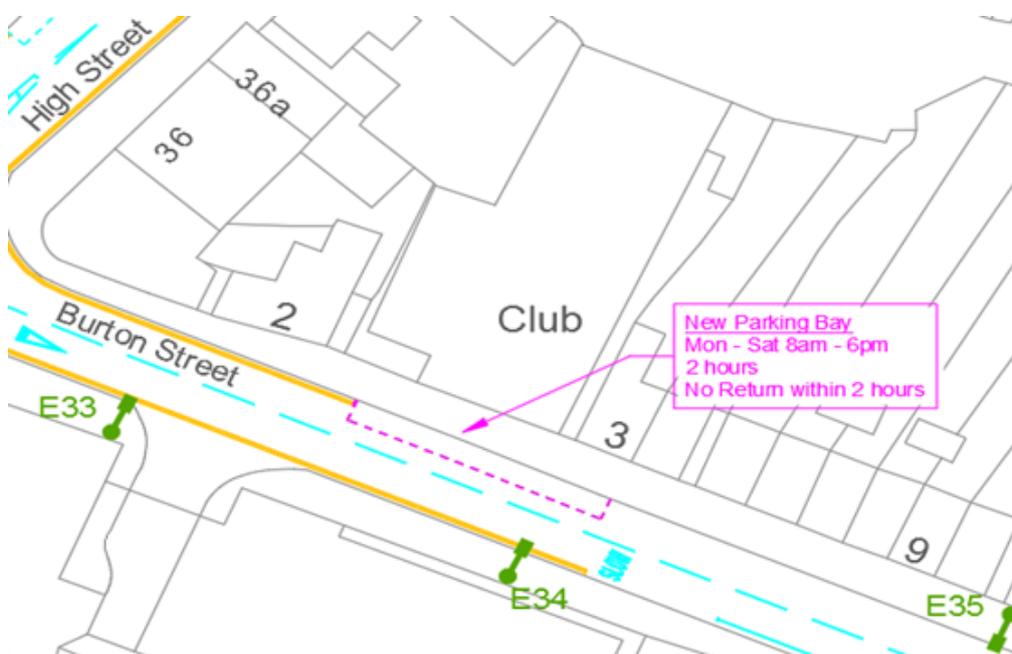


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Representation

..... concern regarding the unauthorised parking on the restrictions outside Crystal Court. This problem is prevalent in the evening. The unauthorised parking causes a problem for vehicles trying to access Burton Street as parking is on both sides of the road.



Tutbury Parish Council comments:

Cllrs voted to accept the proposal for the additional bays subject to enforcement of the existing restrictions during the day and evening.

01.04.19 PROPOSAL 2 To remove the restrictions in Burton Street.
Cllrs previously agreed to this proposal

County Councillor White comments:

Support the new parking bay arrangements for Burton Street.

Andrew Cartlidge comments:

Amendments will be made as above and the appropriate team informed of contravention issues.

Proposal 3

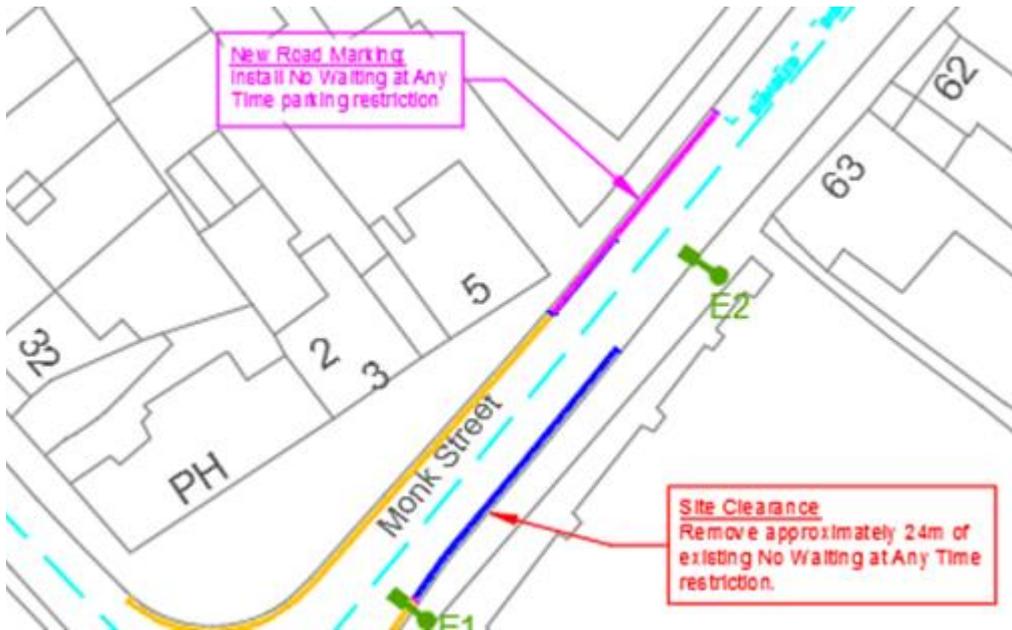


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Representation

To install a waiting restriction so near to the surgery would prevent elderly and infirm patients from parking close to the surgery.



Tutbury Parish Council comments:

CLRs voted to reject this proposal.

County Councillor White comments:

I met with Monk Street residents last night to agree a final position on the lifting of parking restrictions at the Bridge Street end of the road. We agreed that the current proposal to remove the restrictions is the best option and this is supported.

I note the feedback from Tutbury Parish Council regarding the other proposed changes and **am happy to support their position on not taking these proposals further.**

Andrew Cartlidge comments:

Amendments to the scheme will be made as above.



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Representation

It was felt that one set of restrictions would be enough to allow the bus to access the route.



Tutbury Parish Council comments:

Cllrs voted to accept the installation of the restrictions outside Number 61 Wakefield Avenue but reject the waiting restrictions outside Numbers 58 to 64 and also outside numbers 61 to 63

County Councillor White comments:

I note the comments from Tutbury Parish Council regarding the need to all of the restrictions proposed to allow for buses to traverse Wakefield Avenue efficiently.

I would like further information regarding their preferred solution of one set of restrictions outside no 61 only.

Andrew Cartlidge comments:

In my experience designing such schemes, it is better to restrict the whole junction (as proposed) or not at all. This is because, if restrictions are applied to one section only, motorists deem the sections not restricted as being approved for parking by the authority.

Leaving the junction unrestricted would require motorists to comply with the highway code and not park within the junction area.

As can be seen above, vehicles are parked not in accordance with the highway code which states:

Department for Transport, Highway Code, Updated 30 November 2018, Rule 243

DO NOT stop or park:

- near a school entrance
- anywhere you would prevent access for Emergency Services
- at or near a bus or tram stop or taxi rank
- on the approach to a level crossing/tramway crossing
- **opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space**
- near the brow of a hill or hump bridge
- opposite a traffic island or (if this would cause an obstruction) another parked vehicle
- where you would force other traffic to enter a tram lane
- where the kerb has been lowered to help wheelchair users and powered mobility vehicles
- in front of an entrance to a property
- on a bend
- where you would obstruct cyclists' use of cycle facilities

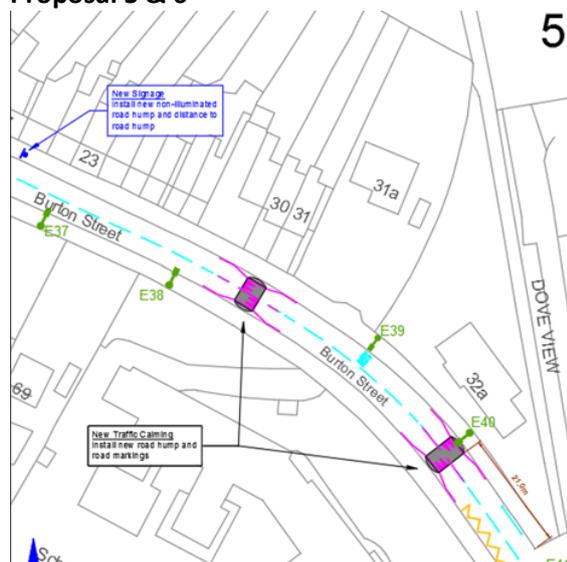
except when forced to do so by stationary traffic.

As it is suggested parked motor vehicles cause buses difficulty when manoeuvring through the junction; my recommendation would be to install the NWAAT restrictions as proposed or to not install any restriction and operate the junction in its current format.

01.04.19 Proposal 4

Members proposed and seconded that if the one set of restrictions outside house 61 could not be implemented, then no restrictions should be implemented. The majority of councillors voted in favour with one abstention and one rejection of this proposal.

Proposal 5 & 6



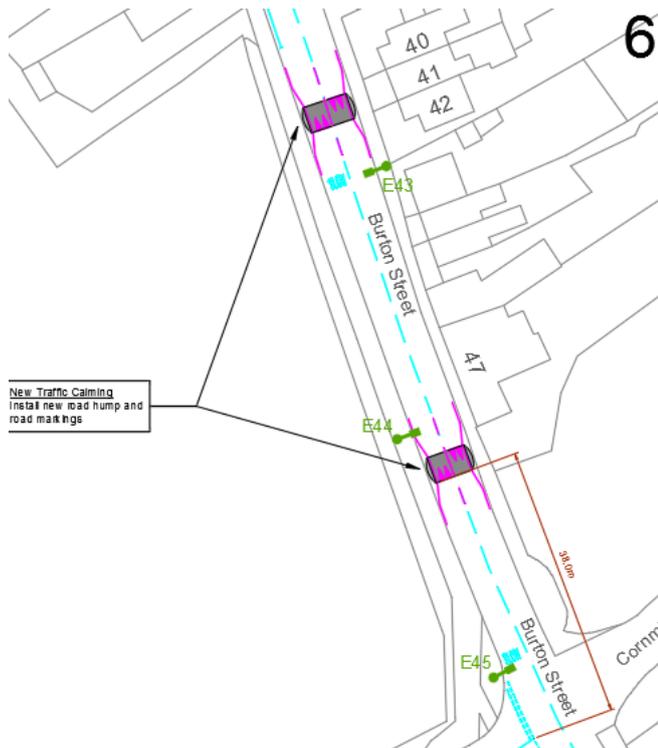


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Representation

..... Cllrs would like more information to consider the option. Information has been requested including details of;

- Road Markings
- Position of the speed humps which properties will this directly affect?
- The costing of this traffic calming
- The costings of other traffic calming options available. Such as cameras and traffic speed indicators.



Tutbury Parish Council comments:

Tutbury Parish Council have also requested to be informed of relevant traffic regulations that are applicable for residents to have permits in an area with existing waiting restrictions.

County Councillor White comments:

Supportive of the proposals for traffic calming on Burton Street in addition to the parking restrictions on this road.

Andrew Cartlidge comments:

No amendments will be made to the above traffic calming proposals, however, I will not progress any other parking features until instructed to do so.

01.04.19 Proposal 5 and 6

Cllrs voted in favour of requesting for a safety review of the whole of Burton Street incorporating the mini roundabout. It was felt that a recent accident could have been avoided if the road layout was enhance/ changed and the speed down Burton Street was reduced.

A proposal was made and seconded to reject the current speed hump until further information has been received. Five members voted to reject the speed hump until further information received four were in favour. Of the current proposal.

. Concerns regarding the position of the humps was raised and whether it would reduce parking near the school and if a property had off road parking. Driver behaviour was also a concern negotiating the humps.

Following a recent meeting;

Concerns have been raised including

Public suggestions not necessarily representative of the council

To reline the existing roundabout.

To consider the roundabout being raised

To consider STOP signs rather than give way

To consider improving the signage approaching the island.

To consider an alternative to a roundabout like hatched lines

To consider rumble lines approaching the roundabout .

To install a metal barrier or railings near the post office

Widen the pavement in front of the post office

Council request

To monitor the speed on Burton Street

To investigate alternative safety measure for speed such as speed traffic indicator sign.

To consider changes to the existing roundabout in line with relining the roundabout and considering signage improvements.

To consider a speed limit reduction to 20 and improve 20 is plenty signage.

Summary

Cllrs voted to reject the speed hump proposal until further information was received to enable the parish council to evaluate the options more thoroughly based on further information received.

The Parish Council have commented on the proposal but would like to invite residents to a meeting and advertise the formal public consultation of the proposals.

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Resident only parking

These bays are white dashed markings that enclose an area of carriageway and have non-illuminated signage erected to define the permitted parking code and timings. Residents have to opt into such a scheme and a percentage of the residents have to be attained to permit the restriction to proceed. An annual fee for the lifetime of the restriction is taken permitting those paying to have two permits and a onetime set up fee is applied. Costs are:

- Joining fee approximately = £50
- Annual permit approximately = £50

As the properties are mainly terraced and one vehicle takes approximately 1 ½ frontages, multiple vehicles belonging to one property will cause conflict issues for other properties as permit parking does not guarantee parking outside of a particular house but anywhere within the permitted code.

I will be able to fully progress the scheme when I have received your clear requirements in writing.

01.04.19 Tutbury Parish Council supported the resident's decision to remove the waiting restrictions on the end of Monk Street that meets Bridge St