

## CAMBOURNE TOWN COUNCIL

District of South Cambridgeshire

### TRAFFIC MATTERS & ROAD SAFETY

Council Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> December 2020

#### 16.1 Summary of consideration for Yellow Line Consultation.

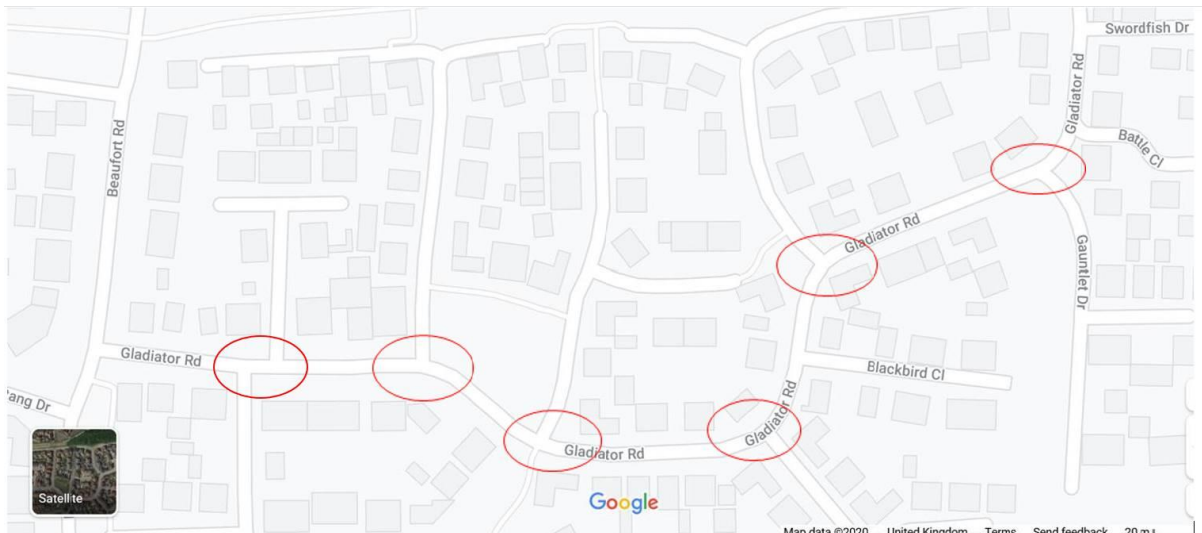
The Town Council recently began the Yellow Line Consultation and below are the responses we have received so far, from Residents:

Consideration for yellow lines to be placed on the following roads:

- Gladiator Road x 2
  - The junction where Brace Dein meets Stirling Way
  - Beaufort road between Brace Dein and Firefly road
  - Priory Walk on the approach to the car park
  - New Hall Lane x 2
  - The whole of Back Lane
  - The whole of Sterling Road.
  - The whole of Lancaster Gate.
  - Mosquito Road outside the Upper Cambourne Co-operative
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- The main stretch of **Gladiator Road** (Upper Cambourne) has been getting worse and worse over the last couple of years with on-street car parking getting out of hand. Cars are now parking regularly on bends, very close to junctions, opposite junctions, and opposite or very close to cars parked on the other side of the road. Gladiator Road is quite unique in the area in that it is full of bends and junctions and unfortunately it seems residents, visitors and contractors either don't know the law regarding legal parking, or choose to ignore it. Driving on the main stretch of Gladiator Road has become really dangerous, because cars parked on the road are obstructing the view for other drivers, quite significantly sometimes, and in some spots it becomes impossible to see ahead, especially if it is a large vehicle or multiple vehicles parked on a bend, which happens very regularly. There are safety concerns for all road users; the road is used by pedestrians (dog walkers, toddlers and school children walking to and from the Vine Primary school). Views are also obstructed for those pedestrians attempting to cross the road (just like they are obstructed for the car approaching them from a distance and trying to negotiate a difficult spot).

Please add yellow lines to **Gladiator Road**; they are desperately needed here to encourage legal parking and to protect the safety of all road users.

Please see the map below for the most dangerous spots in red, based on my experience as a driver and a resident/pedestrian with small children.



- I would like to bring to your attention a junction in Cambourne which would benefit with having double yellow lines.

The junction where Brace Dein meets Stirling Way is very busy with cars and pedestrians. Many cars use this junction to move between the upper and lower parts of Upper Cambourne. In addition, many of the pupils attending the Vine Primary School cross this junction. Both pedestrians and motorists' lives are put at risk when cars park around this junction.

The junction does have a single yellow line painted on the road but motorists tend to ignore this which puts lives at risk. I therefore would like to put forward a proposal to change the single yellow line at this junction to a double yellow line to discourage motorists from parking their vehicles near to this critical junction for safety reasons

- I would request following areas to be marked with yellow line for safety reasons.

1. On Beaufort road between Brace Dein and Firefly road.



- I note your recent article re yellow lines and wonder if any consideration has been given to parking restrictions on Priory Walk on the approach to the car park.

At school drop off / pick up vehicles parked along this road (often mounting the footway), cause a number of issues.

Firstly, they make it difficult to see approaching vehicles when crossing the road and secondly, they cause congestion due both entering and exiting the car park being able to pass each other.

I am sure outside of the school drop off / pick up the parking of vehicles on this road causes very few issues, so possibly school time parking restrictions may work for all. However, I am aware that without enforcement they are not always as effective.

Also, I wonder if you could confirm the rationale around additional restrictions on School Lane, near Monkfield Park, I rarely see anyone park along that stretch.

- Following the article in the Crier this month on Road Safety and implementing more yellow lines, I would like to suggest an area in New Hall Lane that is a hazard with parked vehicles.

Specifically, the S bend about 100 yards into New Hall Lane from the roundabout usually has so many cars and vans parked along it you cannot see around the bend, or indeed further down the road. I have had several near misses with cars coming the other way who also cannot see me, and I would dread to think of a child going across the road from the adjoining paths of the nature reserve not being seen due to parked cars.

Ideally, on the left side (as you enter New Hall Lane from the roundabout) there would be yellow lines from the exit junction of the hotel to the nature reserve entrance. And on the opposite side, there would be enough lines that sufficient distance to see down the road from either direction is provided.

- I would like to put forward the following roads for consideration for double yellow lines.

The whole of Back Lane.

This has become a nightmare at the weekends with users of the playing fields using this main road between Upper Cambourne as a car park. This causes problems for motorists, buses and pedestrians. Also, on the corner near the outdoor gym the road is used for parking for drop off and pick up from school and drivers cause problems to the verge with their parking here.

The whole of Sterling Road.

This is a bus route and should be kept clear.

The whole of Lancaster Gate.

Again, problems happen with cars parked on the side of the road in several places and buses have problems.

Mosquito Road outside the Upper Cambourne Co-operative.

Whilst the Co-op has parking, motorists would rather park outside on the road for ease of access.

If the 20mph goes through, consideration must be made to make the bus routes clear of parked traffic so the buses can have a clear route and keep to time.

- After seeing your article in the crier this month on Road Safety, I would like to add New Hall Lane into the proposed yellow lines suggested areas. Primarily it is the first two bends on New Hall Lane that are the main concern. Often when you enter New Hall Lane from the roundabout you are unable to see any traffic coming towards you due to cars being parked on bends. There is also a well-used pedestrian place to cross into the nature reserve however this regularly has cars parked on the bend so you cannot see oncoming traffic while crossing the road. When leaving New Hall Lane there are always cars parked on the bend opposite the last set of flats this means that you cannot see any oncoming traffic and is dangerous especially at peak times. There are often near misses on these bends.