

**UPLANDS PARK ROAD, RAYLEIGH
PROPOSED EXTENSION TO EXISTING WAITING
RESTRICTIONS AND NO STOPPING ON EXISTING
SCHOOL KEEP CLEAR MARKING**

1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to ask Members to consider an objection to the advertised proposal, to extend the existing no waiting at any time restriction, and impose a No Stopping Order on the existing School Keep Clear marking in Uplands Park Road.

2. INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 Uplands Park Road is an estate access road running approximately northwest from its junction with the B1013 Hockley Road, just to the north of Rayleigh Town.

Edward Francis Junior and Infant School is sited on the southern side of the junction of the roads, and during school term time, Uplands Park Road becomes heavily congested in the vicinity of the school by parked vehicles at 'dropping off' and 'collection' times.

The presence of parked vehicles on the bend and on the School Keep Clear markings is considered detrimental to public safety.

- 2.2 Proposed extension to existing no waiting at any time, Uplands Park Road – both sides.

From a point 15 metres southeast of its junction with Broadlands Avenue southeastwards for a distance of approximately 37 metres.

- 2.3 Proposed no stopping on school keep clear marking, Uplands Park Road, south side.

From a point 52 metres southeast of its junction with Broadlands Avenue southeastwards for a distance of approximately 111 metres.

Full details of both proposals can be seen on the attached [drawing](#) TRA/11/2201.

- 2.4 Informal consultation of this scheme was carried out between 3 August and 25 August 2001. Members of Rayleigh Town Council considered the proposals and pledged their support for the scheme.

- 2.5 Formal consultation with the general public was carried out between 6 September and 27 September 2001, and the following objections were received.

OBJECTIONS

Objector	Grounds for Objection	Area Manager's Comments
Mrs T Clifton 11 Mendip Close Rayleigh	Proposals will increase the parking problems in this area.	Unlikely, but situation would be monitored.
	Uplands Park Road is a treacherous road to drive during school times, due to double parking. Cars overflow to Mendip Close, Cotswold Avenue and Station Crescent.	The proposals will deal with the parking issues on Uplands Park Road. Parking in these other roads will be investigated at school times.
	The situation is worsened by building works opposite the school.	This is a temporary situation
	The proposed changes will further increase these problems.	Unlikely, but situation would be monitored.
	I am often unable to drive down Uplands Park Road and in and out of junctions due to parked cars, and this is creating an accident waiting to happen.	The proposals will deal with Uplands Park Road. Other roads are to be inspected in due course.
	The advertised proposals will push the parking problems to surrounding roads which are narrower, and likely to cause more accidents.	Unlikely, but situation would be monitored.
	If these proposals go ahead, could ECC consider no parking on the footways and residents parking for Mendip Close	Evidence of verge damage can be considered during the inspection. Residents parking can be considered after decriminalisation
Mr A Cross 4 Mendip Close Rayleigh	Parents and children living within 1 – 2 miles of the school should walk rather than use their cars.	ECC are pursuing the school to adopt safer journeys to school.
	Experiencing problems with parked vehicles, proposals will make matters worse unless a waiting restriction can be extended to Mendip Close.	Unlikely, further inspection to be carried out.

3. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

This scheme would be funded from the Rochford District Locally Determined Budget 2001/2002.

4. RECOMMENDATION

It is proposed that the Committee **RECOMMENDS**

That, notwithstanding the objections which have been received to the proposed extension to existing waiting restrictions and no stopping on existing School Keep Clear markings, the proposals in Uplands Park Road should be implemented.

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Background Papers

Letter from Mrs T Clifton dated 17 September 2001 to County Secretary

Letter from Mrs T Clifton dated 13 November 2001 to Area Manager South.

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