

Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Development

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Proposed accessibility improvements A6021 Broom Road, Rotherham

Appendix A – Summary of comments received during the July 2012 consultation

Fifteen responses were received including a 21 signature petition objecting to the cycle lane proposal between 15 and 39 Broom Road.

The main comments received were

- The cycle lane was inappropriate and not justified on current usage
 - The Council has an objective of promoting sustainable transport and will always seek to incorporate features which will encourage and promote increase in cycle use in traffic schemes.
- The cycle lane would affect the resident of 37 Broom Road who has off street parking but has a disabled relative living at the address and needs to park directly outside.
 - The cycle lane between 21 and 37 Broom Lane is proposed to be an advisory cycle lane. Waiting restrictions to prevent parking will be considered prior to the introduction of the cycle lane elements of this scheme. The introduction of the cycle lane is considered later in the report
- Broom Road is fine as it is and no improvements are necessary
 - Safety concerns particularly around Rudston School have been identified
- One resident thought there should be waiting restrictions at the Boswell Street junction
 - Whilst this location was felt to be not affected by “school run” parking it is acknowledged that there maybe inconsiderate parking here on rugby match days. No waiting at any time restrictions will be promoted here
- Four residents objected to proposed restrictions at the junction with Frazer Road
 - It is accepted that this location is not usually affected by inconsiderate parking so no restrictions will be promoted here.
- Parking by Hospice staff on the south west side of Broom Road is obstructing driveways and bus stops.
 - it is proposed to introduce a no waiting Monday to Friday 8am to 4pm to on the south east side of Broom Road as shown on drawing No 126/17/TT232
- Broom Crescent already suffers from some parking from the hospice and Rudston, but the loss of further parking because of the cycle lane termination, the pedestrian island and the proposed parking restrictions at the junctions with Broom Road would exacerbate this. Some houses

on Broom Crescent have no off street parking. Could residents only parking be implemented on Broom Crescent

- Surveys will be undertaken to establish the existing levels of parking prior to any restrictions being implemented. If the restrictions are implemented then further surveys will be undertaken and if necessary residents will be consulted on a residents only parking scheme.
- Prevent driveway obstruction in the sheltered parking area
 - A “St Andrew’s cross” demarcation will be provided at every driveway
- The no waiting at any time restriction outside 76 Broom Road will prevent the resident from parking outside his house.
 - Improvements to the adjacent pedestrian island and increasing the size of the island directly outside Rudston School will reduce the road width available. It will be necessary to prevent vehicles parking in the vicinity of the refuge
- The bus stop clear way between 62 to 86 Broom Road will prevent residents parking and inconvenience visitors to 68 Broom Road who park here. There is plenty of room for a bus to pull in.
 - To make buses “accessible to all” the bus must pull up to a specific location which has a raised footway surface to provide step free access. The presence of parked vehicles will prevent this, so it is necessary to implement a clearway around the bus stop, this has been implemented at many locations throughout the Borough
- Inappropriate use of Council funds in a time of austerity and the money should be used for highway maintenance
 - The scheme is primarily aimed at improving the pedestrian crossing facilities outside the school and addressing obstructive and inconsiderate parking which resulted in concerns related to safety.