

## **Report regarding survey relating to Petworth Close/Grantham Avenue parking**

### **Issue**

For some time now residents of Petworth Close and parts of Grantham Avenue have complained of problem parking created by those who are avoiding the parking charges levied at the Country Park by parking on their roads.

### **Actions**

A letter was sent to all 39 houses in Petworth Close and to around 20 residents of Grantham Avenue asking them to complete an online survey.

The results can be seen in appendix one

In addition, some residents were not able to complete the survey and responded by phone and email and their responses can be seen in appendix two.

### **Outcomes**

Out of the 59 residents canvassed 26 responded which is 45%

It would appear that the majority of residents who responded do consider there to be a parking problem in the areas.

Overall, most people do not want yellow lines. However, in Petworth Close a small majority would like yellow lines. In Grantham Avenue no one wants yellow lines.

Marginally more residents are in favour of a resident parking scheme but when split between the two roads it is clear that in Petworth Close the majority do not want such a scheme but in Grantham Avenue all 7 responses were in favour of such a scheme.

The North Essex Parking Partnership (NEPP) were clear that any such scheme must have the support of a large proportion of the residents. Looking at how the response is split between Grantham Avenue and Petworth Close it does not appear that there are sufficient responses nor enough people in favour of such a scheme to persuade the NEPP that it is wanted by residents at present

## **Appendix One - The Survey monkey Survey**

24 people completed the online survey.

### **Question 1 - Which road do you live in**

Petworth Close 17 responses

Grantham Avenue 7 responses

### **Question 2 Do you consider there to be a parking problem in your road**

Yes – 21 responses No - 3 responses

Out of those who responded from **Petworth Close**

Yes -14

No - 3

Out of those who responded from **Grantham Avenue**

Yes - 7

No - 0

### **Question 3 Are you in favour of yellow lines being installed on your road**

Yes 10 responses No 14 responses

#### **Petworth Close**

Yes 10

No 7

#### **Grantham Avenue**

Yes 0

No 7

### **Question 4 would you be willing to pay for a residents parking area in your road**

Yes 13 responses No 11 responses

#### **Petworth Close**

Yes 6

No 11

#### **Grantham Avenue**

Yes 7

No 0

## **Appendix two – other responses**

### **Phone calls**

**18/10/22** A lady from Grantham Avenue who was struggling to access the survey from her phone rang and complained about the parking along Grantham Avenue and that many people do not appear to use their drives or garages. She mentioned Country Park parking but appeared more concerned about regular resident parking. She is in favour of yellow lines and a residents' parking scheme

**1/11/22** A gentleman from Petworth Close rang and was anxious to avoid a situation where the Parish Council applies for paid for residents parking. He advised that the houses at the top of Petworth Close are all large and have plenty of parking so he would not want to have to pay a charge for parking he would not use. In addition, he is not in favour of yellow lines. He did accept that there is a certain amount of parking along what is a fairly narrow road and that it is inconsiderate at times but that yellow lines would prevent all manner of vehicles parking such as delivery vehicles, contractors for when people are having home improvements. He did comment that it does appear to be the same vehicles parking and that residents have put signs on windscreens but to no avail. He does accept that it is frustrating but believes it is just something residents have to tolerate.

### **Emails**

**10/10/22** I received the letter from you regarding the parking on Petworth Close and Grantham Avenue . I have completed the survey as requested.

I have lived on Petworth Close for over 10years now and have only had a handful of inconsiderate parking on the road.

However I have always had an issue with parking on the entrance of Cuckoo Way on the bend near Tesco . How there has not been an accident there I do not know. So many people park on that bend, you have to do pot luck when you go around them as you cannot see oncoming traffic. I hope this road will be considered for double Yellow lines.

I don't like to be a winger but while I am on the subject , could there be a consideration of putting give way signs on the road were Hidcote way comes out at Petworth Close .

People come out of Hidcote way very fast without stopping , they think its part of there road. I have had to do a lot of emergency stops and my daughter has had near misses On her bike .

Please don't take this personally , the opportunity has come about and I think the Parish should be made aware of these accident prone areas.

I think you all do a very tough job and I am glad that the residents of this Parish are being listened to .