

# HARTLEBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Date	Dec 2018
Agenda Item No	7
Title	<b>Parking on the Old Worcester Road</b>
Background	<p>The Parish Planning process revealed that parking was a major concern for residents in Hartlebury. We held a Public Consultation event in September for residents to tell us their concerns. We agreed to invite a representative from Worcestershire Highways to meet with us to be made aware of all residents' concerns relating to parking in the parish. We met with the representative and discussed those concerns. This representative drew up suggestions for residents to consider. We then gave residents the opportunity to tell us what they thought of those suggestions. We stressed throughout this consultation process that nothing has yet been decided.</p> <p>At the Parish Council meeting in June 2018 we decided to delay making any decisions until we had explored alternative solutions - primarily attempting to provide a community car park to supplement or replace on road parking. This is proving to be a lengthy and difficult process. Following 2 accidents on the OWR around the top of Inn Lane the Council decided to revisit parking issues at this particular location.</p> <p>If there is anything we would want to proceed with it would need the support of County Councillor, Peter Tomlinson. Following on from this a Traffic Regulation Order would need to be made before any restrictions could be put on the ground. This is a fairly lengthy legal process which requires consultation with statutory bodies such as the Police, District Council, Parish Council etc. followed by public advertisement. The whole process could take between 6-9 months depending on the receipt of objections.</p>
Considerations	<p><b>We need to consider the following issues:</b></p> <p><b>Safety</b> relating to parking, speed and size of vehicles          Difficulty in negotiating the junction with Inn Lane due to parked vehicles  <b>Safety</b> relating to pedestrians needing to leave footpath to negotiate parked cars  <b>Protection</b> for local businesses and parish assets i.e. Shop, Post Office, Hairdressers          The potential impact of new properties at The Talbot          Inconsiderate parking by residents and others  <b>Disregard</b> for the Highway code: 243 <b>DO NOT</b> stop or park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space</li> <li>• on a bend</li> </ul> <p>Residents' responses to the <b>original plan (1) made by Highways</b> are attached. Whist figures alone support the introduction of some of the suggestions, written responses are varied and in some cases emotive. Key considerations from the responses: Double yellow lines will change the nature of the village; they will only displace parking; cannot be enforced and legitimise parking elsewhere. The suggestions are unimaginative and do not provide solutions.</p> <p>Highways have now provided 2 plans. The original suggestions <b>(1)</b> and a modified one <b>(1a)</b> aimed specifically at reinforcing the Highway code:</p>
Proposal	<p>We consider both plans and either:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Select one of the plans to take forward</li> <li>2. Request a plan to be modified</li> <li>3. Do nothing</li> </ol>
Risk	High
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