

Non-strategic Traffic and Highway improvement

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Location	Wardens Grove
Proposal	Remove three paid parking bays and install double yellow lines. This space will be utilised by a local business.
Ward(s) affected	Borough and Bankside

Background/Request

- Wardens Grove is a dead end road, which runs from Great Guildford Street west parallel to the railway tracks. The road has had the footway built out on the northern side. The remaining length of the north side is dedicated to three paid parking bays.
- Local business Caravan Bankside, which is situated on the corner of Great Guildford Street and Wardens Grove requested that the council suspend these three parking bays to enable them to put additional tables and chairs outside during the pandemic. Caravan Bankside financed the suspension of the parking bays.
- This arrangement has been successful and the parking bays have been suspended numerous times. Caravan Bankside have asked if this arrangement can be formalised.

Purpose

- The three parking spaces are currently being used for tables and chairs by Caravan Bankside.

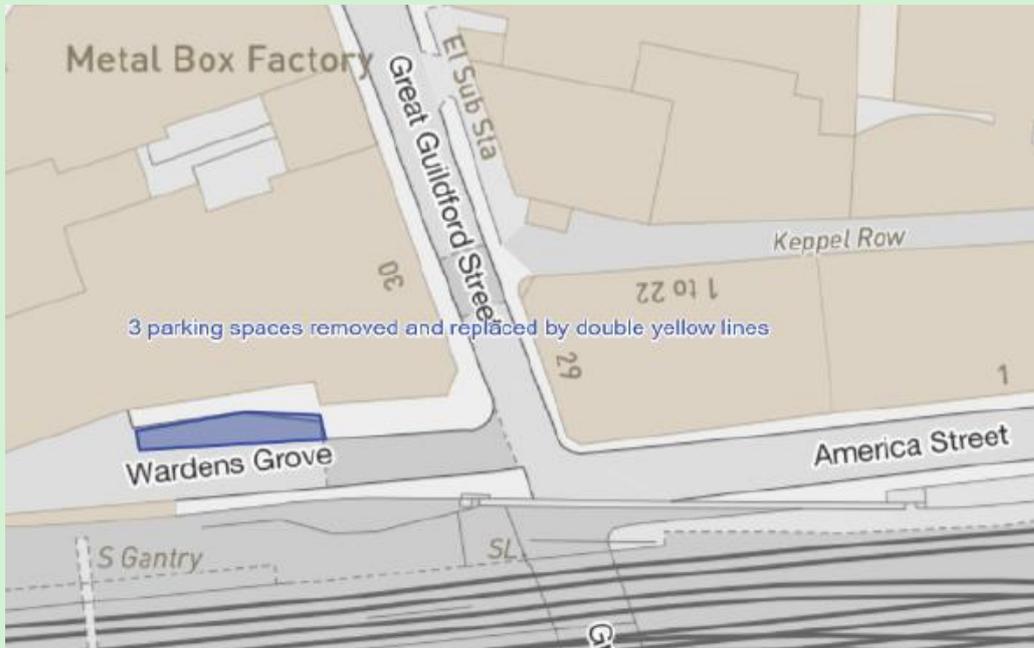


Background / Request

- This request came from Caravan Bankside and is supported by Better Bankside.

Location

Wardens Grove and the proposed parking bays to be removed.



Investigation and conclusions

- Officers from the parking team have been consulted and have advised that the paid parking bays on Wardens Grove are not heavily occupied so therefore support them being removed.
- The parking bays will be replaced by double yellow lines, to ensure no parking when tables and chairs are not in situ.
- Officers from Highways and Licencing & Enforcement have been consulted, and have advised that Caravan Bankside will continue to be required to hold a Tables and Chairs license to use this space.

Recommendation

It is recommended that three parking bays are removed and replaced by double yellow lines to enable a local business to utilise this space.

This proposal is subject to Traffic Management Order (TMO) statutory consultation. A TMO is the legal mechanism the council as traffic authority uses to control aspects of the way that the highway is used. They provide the legal backing to signs and road markings used on the highway and allow them to be enforceable.

A detailed design drawing of the proposal is provided within this document.

Next steps

Should this non-strategic Traffic and Highway improvement proposal be approved, then arrangement will be made to carry out statutory consultation.

Following the statutory consultation period, the council will make arrangements to remove the parking bays and signage and install the new restrictions (road marking and signage).

Should objections be received during the statutory consultation period, these will be presented to the Cabinet Member for determination.

Audit trail

Reference	61
Report author	CG
Ward members notified	Yes
Comments	None