West Horsley Parish Council

Parking Concerns: Farleys Close, West Horsley

Following agenda item 24/103 (Full Council meeting 21st May 2024), a meeting took place on 7th June with SCC parking engineer, Cllr Mattock, Deputy Clerk and a resident of Farleys Close to discuss the ongoing concerns which residents have with parking and consider possible solutions. Since the Full Council meeting, approval has been given to Wisley following the Public Inquiry. This will have an impact on the road infrastructure which may alter any measure put in place although it will be sometime before this is considered. The following is a summary of the onsite meeting:

- If a formal parking review is considered the best way forward, residents of Farleys Close can apply direct as a group by downloading the parking scheme request form from SCC. The completion of this form is a request for this parking concern to be considered for consultation but does not guarantee it. The deadline for submitting a request is end of June 2024. If a consultation is undertaken, the decision by SCC is final and cannot be appealed. However, whilst the parking measures detailed in a consultation can't be made more stringent, they can be reduced if requests are reasonable.
- Residents park on the grass verges either side of the entrance to Farleys Close which can obstruct visibility. These verges are owned by SCC. One possible solution to prevent this would be double yellow lines although this is likely to move the problem elsewhere rather than solve it.
- Residents also park in Farleys Close, often with 2 tyres on the kerb and in some cases completely on the pavement preventing pedestrians from being able to walk safely. Although several homes have driveways, these are not always fully utilised.
- At the cul-de-sac end, there is a strip of hardcore parking which allows several vehicles to park safely. There are currently no markings to identify spaces and so vehicles do not necessarily park in the most efficient way.
- Between this parking area and housing, there is an open grass area which potentially could provide additional parking spaces. Enquiries are currently being undertaken to identify whether this area is owned by GBC and to explore whether this option is a possibility.

Following the site meeting, it was agreed that the residents would consider if they wanted to request a parking consultation. In the meantime, Deputy Clerk will undertake enquiries with GBC to identify ownership of the grass area so that alternative parking solutions can be explored.