

# HILL LANE AND ORCHARD CLOSE, RUISLIP - PETITION REQUESTING THE INTRODUCTION OF PARKING RESTRICTIONS AND DOUBLE YELLOW LINES AT THE JUNCTION

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<b>Cabinet Portfolio</b>	Cabinet Member for Property, Highways and Transport
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<b>Papers with report</b>	Appendices A, B & C

## HEADLINES

<b>Summary</b>	To inform the Cabinet Member that a petition has received requesting parking restrictions and double yellow lines for Hill Lane and Orchard Close, Ruislip
<b>Putting our Residents First</b>	This report supports the Council objective of Our People. The request can be considered as part of the Council's annual programme for on-street parking controls.
<b>Financial Cost</b>	There are no direct financial implications associated with the recommendations to this report.
<b>Relevant Select Committee</b>	Property, Highways and Transport Select Committee.
<b>Relevant Ward</b>	Ruislip.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

**That the Cabinet Member for Property, Highways and Transport:**

- 1. meets with petitioners and listens to their requesting parking restrictions and double yellow lines in Hill Lane and Orchard Close, Ruislip; and**
- 2. subject to the outcome of the above, asks officers to add this request to the Council's extensive Parking Scheme Programme for further investigation and possible consultation.**

### Reasons for recommendations

The Petition Hearing will provide a valuable opportunity to hear directly from the petitioners of their concerns and suggestions.

### Alternative options considered/ risk management

None at this stage.

### Select Committee comments

None at this stage.

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 1) A petition with 14 signatures has been submitted to the Council, and although this does not meet the Council's general criteria as a valid petition, Ward Councillors have particularly asked the Cabinet Member to consider this request. The petition has been signed under the following heading:

*"Introduce parking restrictions to Hill Lane/ Orchard Close, HA4"*

In an accompanying statement submitted by the lead petitioner, they have helpfully provided the following information:

*"We the undersigned petition Hillingdon Council to introduce parking restrictions and double yellow lines to the corner of Hill Lane/ Orchard Close to help traffic flow of people using the roads and to prevent obstructive parking and the inconvenience caused to local residents of the street by people's inconsiderate parking and improve visibility at the junction.*

### **Justification**

*Non-residents from nearby, as well as commuters and HS2 workers have been taking advantage of a section of Hill Lane and Orchard Close to block access points (drives and garages) to park for free and leave their vehicles all day and night as there are no other areas to park nearby as they all have resident permit parking restrictions.*

*Currently, the section of road that does not have double yellow lines (on the side of the road near house – 19 Hill Lane (near the corner of both Hill Lane/ Orchard Close) is attracting people to park either side of the road. This is causing the road to become extremely congested and inconveniencing parking and driveway access for residents. This situation has progressively been becoming worse, and given the roads close proximity to the underground station, HS2 building activities and shops, there appear to be more people trying to take advantage of this road. This has led to a number of incidents whereby large vehicles such as vans, lorries and the fire brigade are unable to access the road as there is very little room to manoeuvre between parked vehicles on either side.*

*Further, it is a very busy corner and often drivers cannot see oncoming traffic to get out of their drives due to the way vehicles have been parked.*

*We propose that the road has further parking restrictions – either by extending the double yellow lines on road (near 19 Hill Lane around/ Orchard close number 2 Orchard Close – as this is where the road widens to safely allow parking on both sides of the road and/ or by introducing a residents permit only parking scheme for the other side of the street from 23/21 Hill Lane onto Orchard Close to level with the double yellow lines ending number 2 Orchard Close/ or where the road widens to enable safety for road users."*

- 2) Orchard Close and Hill Lane are mainly residential roads with a mixture of detached as well as semi-detached, houses, bungalows and maisonettes. The majority of the properties appear to benefit from off-street parking provision but from site observations there appears to be a demand for the available kerbside parking spaces. A plan of the area is attached as Appendix A.
- 3) Hill Lane already benefits from waiting restrictions and a residents' permit parking scheme "Zone R2" operational Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm. Orchard Close and Southcote Rise, which are adjacent roads, have limited lengths of waiting restrictions but not a Parking Management Scheme.
- 4) In September 2014, the Council received a request for the installation of double yellow lines on the junction of Orchard Close and Hill Lane. A plan of the proposals are attached as Appendix B of this report.
- 5) A 21-day statutory consultation on these proposals was undertaken and as a result seven individual responses were received. Of these, three objected to the proposed double yellow lines and four residents wrote in offering support.
- 6) The Cabinet Member and Ward Councillors at the time, carefully considered all the responses to the formal consultation. As the objections were mainly concerned with the proposed double yellow lines in Orchard Close it was decided to progress an amended proposal with double yellow lines only being implemented on the junction as shown on Appendix C to this report.
- 7) However, in view of the concerns and suggestions raised in the petition, it is recommended that the Cabinet Member discusses with petitioners their request for "*parking restrictions and double yellow lines*" and if appropriate asks officers to add the request to the future extensive parking scheme programme for further investigation and informal consultation.
- 8) It is also suggested that subject to the outcome of the petition evening, Ward Councillors are asked for their considered views on a suitable consultation area, as the Cabinet Member is aware, experience has shown, that it is likely parking could easily transfer to unrestricted roads close by.

## **Financial Implications**

There are no direct financial implications associated with recommendations to this report. However, if the Council was to consider the introduction of managed parking in the area, funding would need to be identified from a suitable source.

## **RESIDENT BENEFIT & CONSULTATION**

### **The benefit or impact upon Hillingdon residents, service users and communities**

To allow the Cabinet Member to consider the petitioners' request.

### **Consultation carried out or required**

None at this stage.

## **CORPORATE CONSIDERATIONS**

### **Corporate Finance**

Corporate Finance has reviewed the recommendations to this report and concurs with the financial implications as set out above.

### **Legal**

Legal Services confirm that there are no specific legal implications arising from this report.

### **Infrastructure/ Asset Management**

None at this stage.

### **Comments from other relevant service areas**

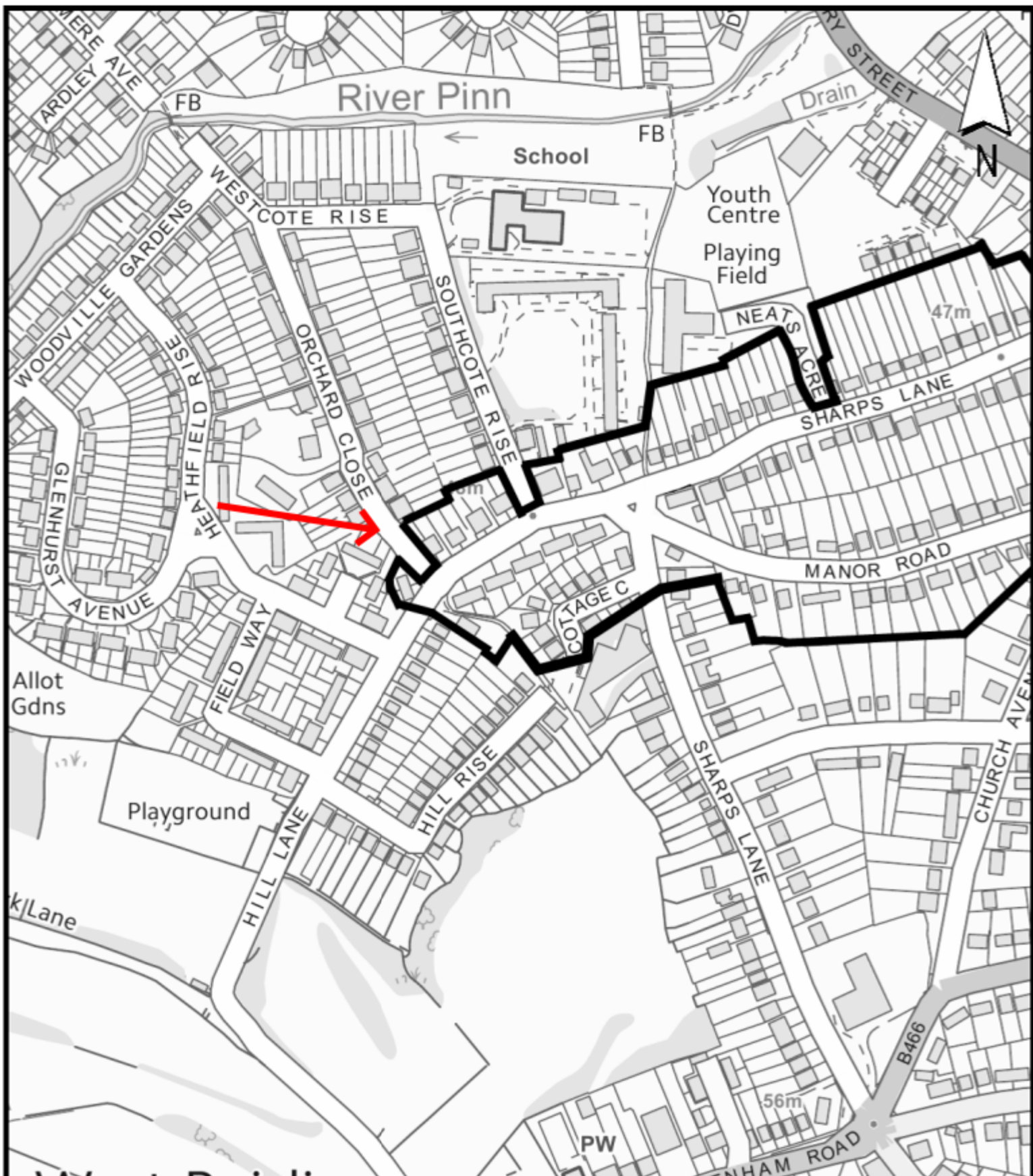
None at this stage.

## **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Petition received.

## **TITLE OF ANY APPENDICES**

Appendix A – Location plan  
Appendix B – Proposed restrictions  
Appendix C – Restrictions agreed



Orchard Close & Hill Lane, Ruislip  
Location plan

Appendix A

January 2023  
Scale 1:4,000



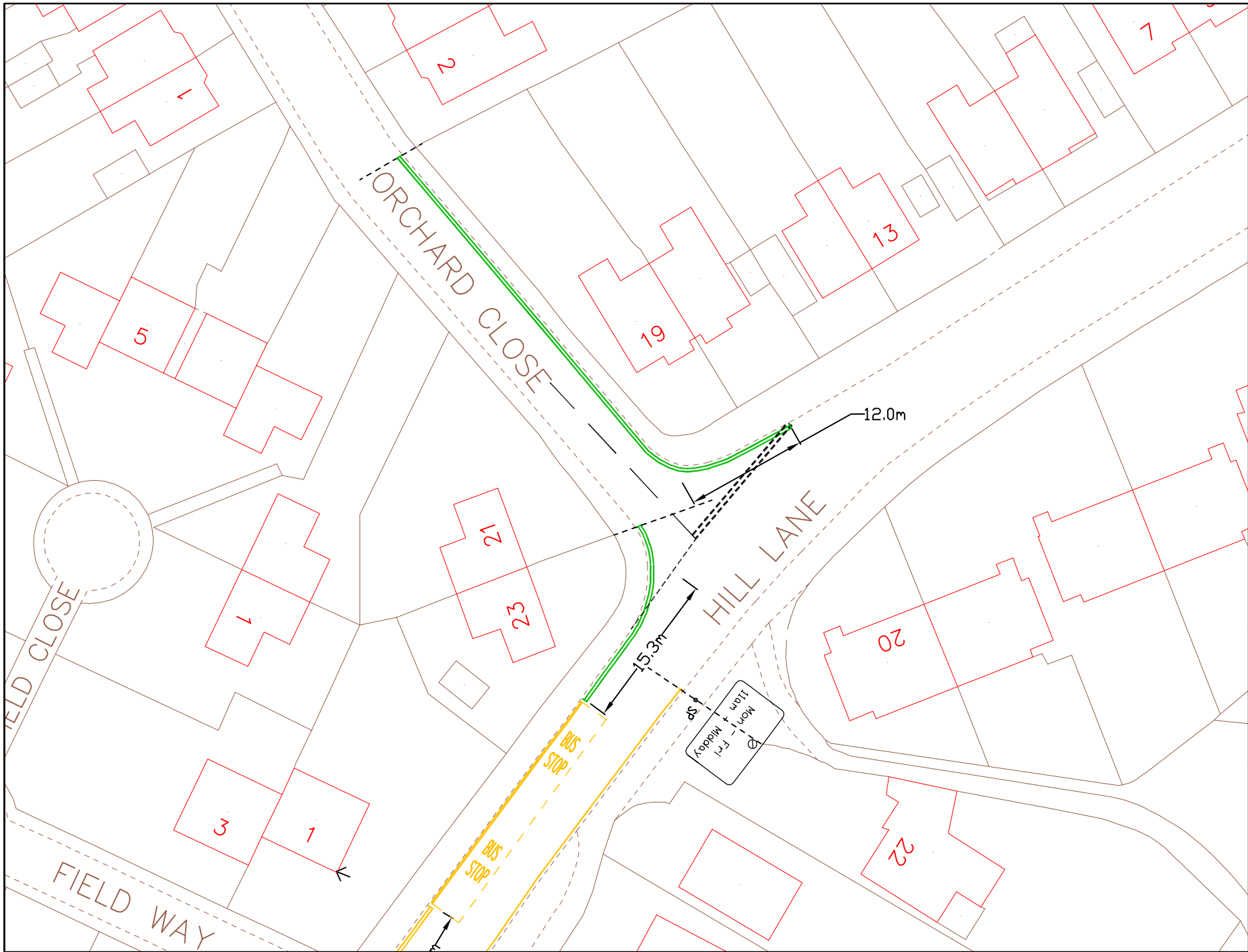
Nearlyby extent of the Ruislip Parking  
Management Scheme Zone R2



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# Appendix B



- KEY**
- EXISTING YELLOW LINE
  - **DYLT** PROPOSED DOUBLE YELLOW LINE

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Project  
**Hill Lane & Orchard Close, Ruislip**

Description  
**Proposed double yellow lines**

Scale **1:500 (a4)** | Drawn (Initials/Date) **KU 11/14**

# Appendix C

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**Hill Lane & Orchard Close, Ruislip**

Description  
**Implemented double yellow lines**

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