

## **CRANNAFORD LANE PARKING RESTRICTIONS**

### **Introduction**

Residents have been in regular contact with the Town Council and the Devon County Councillors representing Cranbrook regarding the problems associated with parental parking in and around Crannaford Lane during school drop-off and pick-up times at the Cranbrook Education Campus.

The issues raised include footway parking on the western side of Crannaford Lane north of Stone Barton and verge parking on the grass verge on the opposite (eastern) side of the road resulting in obstruction of the footway forcing pedestrians into the highway, highway obstruction due to excessive narrowing of the carriageway and visual obstruction to vehicles emerging from Stone Barton.

Yellow lines were installed alongside Crannaford Lane on the eastern side between the school car park entrance splay and Tillhouse Road during the initial tranche of yellow lines in Cranbrook approved by the Highways and Traffic Orders Committee. The opposite (western) side of this section of Crannaford Lane is generally populated by driveway access points and unauthorised parking would be enforceable by laws relating to obstruction.

The yellow lines installed in Cranbrook in the initial tranche have had a large degree of success. There are instances of parking on yellow lines at school drop off and pick up but the prospect of enforcement is present and a deterrent for some as evidenced by displacement with parking issues now more concentrated further north along Crannaford Lane. It is the impacts of this displacement that this report seeks to address.

The footway that runs north along the western side of Crannaford Lane from Stone Barton to the crossing point from the Country Park directly into the Education Campus (providing a safe off road foot and cycling route to the school) is currently self binding gravel. The Town Council has, through the regular Partners Meeting, requested that this be upgraded to tarmac at the earliest opportunity. It is land currently adopted by DCC. The timescale for this upgrade is currently not known.

In order to address the parking issues outlined in the opening paragraphs of this report, Council is asked to support making a request to the County Councillors to take a report to the next available parking restrictions review at the East Devon Highways and Traffic Orders Committee to install parking restrictions along both sides of Crannaford Lane north of Stone Barton thus extending the current parking restrictions that are in place.

### **Recommendation(s)**

To support an application for yellow lines along Crannaford Lane and to request that the County Councillors representing Cranbrook take a report to the next available

parking restrictions review at the East Devon Highways and Traffic Orders Committee to install parking restrictions along both sides of Crannaford Lane north of Stone Barton thus extending the current parking restrictions that are in place.