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From: Traffic Regulation Orders - GT KH
Sent: 19 January 2015 10:21
To: Heath, Michael - GT HTW
Subject: FW: 14/TS/MH - Chatham Road

From: From NU-VENTURE - local buses in Kent & Medway. [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: 15 January 2015 19:50
To: Traffic Regulation Orders - GT KH
Subject: 14/TS/MH - Chatham Road

Thank you for your letter regarding the experimental changes. We welcome this, on road safety grounds.

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Director and Company Secretary

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From: Traffic Regulation Orders - GT KH
Sent: 02 June 2015 09:28
To: Heath, Michael - GT HTW; Fletcher, Robert
Subject: FW: TRO/Experimental/Chatham Road

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 31 May 2015 12:48
To: Traffic Regulation Orders - GT KH
Subject: Fwd: TRO/Experimental/Chatham Road

-----Original message-----

From : [REDACTED]
Date : 31/05/2015 - 12:45 (GMTDT)
To : TRO@kent.goc.uk
Cc : wendyhinder@maidstone.gov.uk
Dear Mr Burr,

We write, as residents of the Tollgate Way estate that backs onto Chatham Road, to make representation in regard to the above Experimental Order.

We wish to state that we are wholly and unequivocally in favour of the Order and support it becoming a permanent feature.

The positive impact these temporary measures have had on the quality of our daily lives has been dramatic. It has stopped completely the practice of lorries parking overnight, directly outside our house, with the attendant noise of running refrigeration units and engines warming up in the early hours of the morning and lorries departing

The speed restriction and barriers have dramatically improved the safety on this stretch of road.

The amount of litter has reduced dramatically.

The aim of the Order, to preserve the amenities of the area, to protect the environment and improve the quality of lives of local residents has been achieved.

We are grateful to elected members and officers of the local authorities who have listened to the concerns of residents and have taken decisive and effective action to address these concerns. We look forward to these measures being made permanent.

Yours sincerely

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21/05/2015

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From: Traffic Regulation Orders - GT KH
Sent: 02 June 2015 09:29
To: Heath, Michael - GT HTW; Fletcher, Robert
Subject: FW: [REDACTED]

From: Barry Stevens [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: 01 June 2015 09:42
To: Traffic Regulation Orders - GT KH
Cc: Hinder, Wendy - Maidstone District Councillor
Subject: [REDACTED]

RE: Old Chatham Road, Sandling

Since the road has become single track one way it has made a huge difference for me and my family. We live at number [REDACTED] and when the lorries parked along the road and along my fence we were the ones that caught the full brunt of the problem. We were unable to play in our own garden with our three year old daughter due to lorries parked along our fence on the wrong side of the road looking into our garden watching our daughter play, these lorries come from all over the world and could be anyone, causing us concern.

The drivers used to use our fence as a toilet and on many many occasions I found used toilet tissue in our back garden which is absolutely disgusting. Drivers would urinate against the fence day and night. The noise was 24 hours, night fridge lorries would hum all night right outside my daughters window causing her to wake up at all hours. Sometimes the lorries would be being repaired at all hours of the night with angle grinders and hammers being used.

I moved to this area so we can enjoy our garden in our own privacy and feel safe, when the lorries are parked there we do not get this and no one should be made to live like this.

This has been a huge improvement for us and I hope things are made permanent very soon. The works were carried out over a week and finished on 20th March so the six month trial period should end on 20th September as the works were due to start on January 2nd but with many different delays the works did not get started and finished until much later.

When the lorries parked there I had to call 101 most nights as did also my neighbours as lorries would park on the wrong side of the road, fridge lorries going all night, prostitution at all hours. 101 informed myself and my neighbour Lee not to approach the drivers but 95% of the time the police would not even respond and the odd time they did respond they would do absolutely nothing or ask us "what do you want us to do about it" the police reactions and response was shocking. The lorries were parked on a clearway and most times on the wrong side of the road.

This is the only option to keep the road single track and one way made permanent. Even when the lorries were parked in the parking bays we could still hear the fridge lorries, it still sounded as they were right outside my front door. Some of the lorries had dangerous chemicals or board or flammable materials, others had items causing crime in the area due to break ins and diesel theft.

Old Chatham Road is not the place for the lorries. Before this trial period came into effect I asked the police, council and traffic officers "WOULD YOU WANT THIS IN YOUR BACK GARDEN" and "WOULD YOU WANT TO LIVE LIKE THIS" the answer always came back "NO" so why should any of us? We pay our taxes, we pay to live in a nice area and have this on our back door step.

I am more than happy to attend any meetings or to have anyone call me to discuss the above email or for me to go in more detail. I have thousands of examples, reasons and matters to stress on this topic and am happy to explain them, My mobile number is [REDACTED]

Kind Regards

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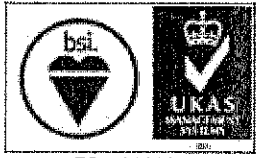
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From: Traffic Regulation Orders - GT KH
Sent: 03 August 2015 09:33
To: Heath, Michael - GT HTW
Subject: FW: TRO/experimental/Old Chatham Road

Richard Heaps MIHE

Traffic Engineer
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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 18 July 2015 19:52
To: Traffic Regulation Orders - GT KH
Subject: TRO/experimental/Old Chatham Road

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
18/07/2015

Dear Sirs,

We are very happy with the new traffic arrangement in Old Chatham Road.
It has improved the area considerably.

We are grateful to Kent County Council

Yours faithfully

[REDACTED]


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From: Traffic Regulation Orders - GT KH
Sent: 03 August 2015 09:32
To: Heath, Michael - GT HTW
Subject: FW: TRO/Experimental/Chatham Road

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 15 July 2015 13:50
To: Traffic Regulation Orders - GT KH
Subject: TRO/Experimental/Chatham Road

Dear Sir

TRO/Experimental/Chatham Road

With reference to the above experimental order I would like to add our comments as Residents.

The prevention of the lorries parking in the lay bay and outside the Housing Estate with their Engines/Chillers running is extremely beneficial to the local community.
There is less rubbish, smell of urine and noise pollution.

For this to remain permanent can only be a positive way forward for our community.

There are however some adjustments that we feel should be made.

- 1) The many waste bins along the road should be removed. Perhaps replace with 1 dog litter bin
- 2) The 2 road arrows referring to traffic flow should be removed as they are confusing to the motorist.
(They have been blacked over but you can still see them)
- 3) The present arrangement is ugly this needs to be addressed.
- 4) The lorries still come down the road looking for somewhere to park. We understand this will reduce as time goes by but a sign at the top of the road perhaps forbidding all HGV except for access?
- 5) The safety of cyclists also needs to be addressed.

Kind Regards

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Heath, Michael - GT HTW

From: Traffic Regulation Orders - GT KH
Sent: 15 July 2015 09:27
To: Heath, Michael - GT HTW
Subject: FW: The Kent County Council (Chatham Road, Boxley) (County of Kent) (One Way) Experimental Order 2015

Hi Michael,

Do you want me to log this on WAMS?

Thanks

Fiona Wiles
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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 13 July 2015 12:26
To: Traffic Regulation Orders - GT KH; Hinder, Wendy - Maidstone District Councillor
Subject: The Kent County Council (Chatham Road, Boxley) (County of Kent) (One Way) Experimental Order 2015

The effect of the barriers in Old Chatham Road, thereby creating a one way system, has achieved the purpose for which it was intended.

It was always accepted that the parking issue would be moved elsewhere, which did occur when heavy good vehicles started parking in Tyland Lane shortly after the introduction of the changes, but this was short lived.

Parking of heavy goods vehicles has also occurred within the bays designated for cars south of Tollgate Cottage.

I see no reason why the system is unworkable and that it is breaking the law by using the vacant lane created by the bollards. An opening in the "jersey bollards" to allow pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders to cross at the chicane, with appropriate safety signs, would be beneficial.

I would however agree that the directions for pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders, to use the footpath is not an action one would undertake due to the severe crumbling condition of the foot path which is difficult to walk on let alone ride a cycle or a horse.

There have been several very dangerous instances where motor cyclists have gone against the one way, north of Tollgate Way despite the NO ENTRY sign and on one occasion a motorist driving against the one way system.

The changes have brought a level of tranquillity to Old Chatham Road not experienced for many years and should remain in place.

Please acknowledge receipt of this communication.



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14th January 2015

Dear Sirs

Ref TRO/Experimental/Chatham Road

I am in receipt of the Public Notice regarding

The Kent County Council (Chatham Road, Boxley) County of Kent (One Way) Experimental Order 2015.

I am in agreement with this proposal as the residents of Sandling have endured the problems associated with inconsiderate and inappropriate actions caused mainly by heavy goods lorries and vans, whether parking within the designated parking bay or not.

Having examined the details I note, from **Statement of Reason**, page 2, clause 1, that the reverse use of the one way section North of Tolgate Way is, quite rightly, restricted to police, emergency and local authority vehicles or unless authorised by a police officer in uniform.

However, I would bring to your attention that Chatham Road is used, and designated, as a cycle route to Rochester as indicated on the web site
http://www.cycle-route.com/routes/Maidstone_to_Rochester

It may therefore be necessary to add an additional sign beneath the NO ENTRY signs, being located North of Tolgate Way, "except cyclist" and include appropriate road markings.

This may be considered as a minor point but it could be raised as a point of objection against the proposals.

It is also noted that there is no mention of Chatham Road being a "Clearway" and this provision, introduced during August 2014 and has had an effect in the reduction of parking of vehicles at the lower end of Chatham Road. It is assumed that the "Clearway" will remain in place and confirmation of this would be appreciated.

Yours sincerely

[REDACTED]