

ITEM 08 – APPENDIX E

Dell Road and Elm Road (Leggatts) - Proposed accessibility improvement

- Cllr Brandon has requested consideration of one ways in Dell Road and Elm Road to improve accessibility for refuse vehicles during collections around the on street parking.
- These roads are narrow and on street parking would be restrictive for larger vehicles needing access. By making the roads one way larger vehicles would not be blocked by opposing traffic.
- It is unclear what level of support there is from local residents for one way working. The changes would affect the way local people access the streets which could be inconvenient and also focus turning movements exiting these roads at particular junctions with Gammons Lane or The Harebreaks which could increase the level of vehicular interaction and conflict.
- Gammons Lane in particular is quite busy during peak periods and the potential impact of this on accident frequency is difficult to determine. It is likely that there would be a negligible impact if sightlines standards from the side road are maintained and speeds on the main road are moderate.
- The safest arrangement to consider would be to make Elm Grove southbound as there is a mini roundabout at the Gammon Lane / Howard Close junction in close proximity to slow traffic on the main road. This would allow safer egress from Elm Grove. Dell Road would operate in the opposite direction to create an anti clockwise circulation.
- This proposal requires informal consultation and majority support from residents. A TRO needs to be made and statutory consultation undertaken. Any material objections would need to be overruled at the JMP.
- Speed and volume counts have revealed there are no speeding issues and volumes are low.
- An early morning site meeting revealed junction parking was not an issue, so waiting restrictions would not be needed.
- Agreed with Cllr Brandon to suggest progressing a feasibility study to investigate a traffic management or junction widening solution. Any feasible solution could then be taken forward to public consultation in 2011/12. A verbal update on progress with the study will be given at the panel meeting.

