

***Integrated Transport Feasibility  
Study Report***

***ITCP-2019-36***

***Huntsman Drive, Prince George  
Avenue, Edwards Way,  
Ellingworth Close***

***August 2019***



## **The reported issue**

For some time residents have reported an issue with school and commuter parking and traffic on Huntsman Drive and the cul-de-sac roads leading off it, including Rutland Care Village. This area is attractive to those who wish to take opportunity of unrestricted parking; access to town, Catmose Campus and the railway station is easy on foot.

Residents are concerned about the road safety impact of this, and the impact it has on residential amenity.

The residents' group would like non-residential parking to be banned on corners because of perceived safety issue. The group also wishes for residents to be give priority over parking in this area.

## **RCC review of situation**

The Parking Manager has met with the residents' group twice and been in contact regularly. Site visits show that parking north and south of the pedestrian crossing on Huntsman Drive could be regarded as affecting pedestrian and motorist visibility.

## Options

In light of the above the following options are proposed:

1. No action, monitor the situation for one year.
2. Paint Double Yellow Lines (No Waiting At Any Time) as indicated in red in the annexed maps. Create a Monday to Friday 10am to 4pm residents parking zone like those already operating on Vicarage Road and Edmonton Way BUT with addition of areas where unrestricted parking is allowed. Signage will be minimal using variations of the signs shown with the maps. Approximate cost will be £2,000. This would lead to some displacement but it is likely to be minimal (perhaps 5 vehicles) as this option allows

for unrestricted parking in safer places. Should there be more motorists seeking unrestricted parking than there are spaces, the next nearest unrestricted area are northwards onto Stud Road. Some roads within the zone are un-adopted so works in these locations would need to be delayed until the adoption process was completed.

## **Consultation**

A residents' group has been active and been in regular contact with other residents and the Parking Manager. The group has secured the support of ward members and Oakham Town Council for the measures in option 2. The group has undertaken some informal consultation with residents which found that they are broadly in support of option 2.

Formal consultation would be required if option 2 was taken forwards. Preliminary discussions have identified that the highway department does not object to option 2 in principle and the police are currently being consulted.

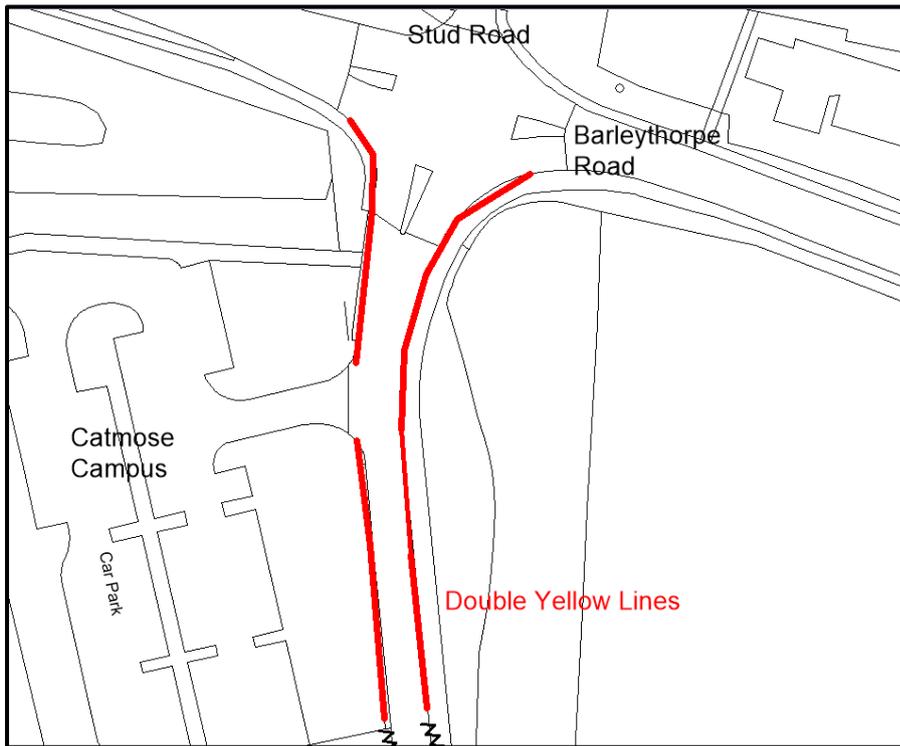
## **Recommendation**

Option 2 is not in accordance with policy within the current Strategic Parking review which sets out RCC's current parking policy (due to be reviewed by mid-2021) because the area falls outside of the denoted "town centre" where residents parking zones can be implemented. However it would address the safety issue and have the side benefit of improving residential amenity. Therefore the

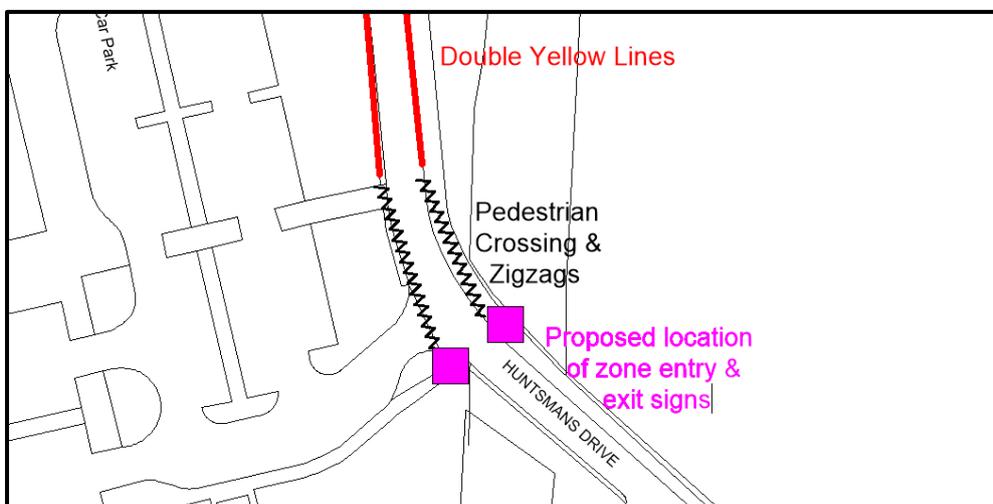
HTWG may wish to consider recommending it.

## ITCP-2019-36: Option 2 Maps

Proposed Double Yellow lines:



Proposed location of zone entry & exit signs:





Proposed unrestricted parking and number of cars spaces indicated in pink below:

