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Dear Sir,

**Re: Proposed traffic order for Waiting Restrictions at the junction of Musley Lane and Trinity Road**

Please accept this letter as a formal objection to the proposal in the document "EH 003 13 Various Roads, Prohibition of stopping and Restriction of Waiting" at <http://www.hertsdirect.org/docs/pdf/e/eh00313.pdf> This objection refers specifically to the proposed waiting restrictions in Schedule 1 of that document at a corner of the Musley Lane - Trinity Road junction comprising the North East side of Musley Lane and North West side of Trinity Road.

My objection is that the proposal is unnecessary and serves no useful purpose. It is therefore a waste of the council's highways budgets.

This junction is from a cul de sac into a comparatively main road. Traffic between the two is very light compared with the traffic that follows the main road. The corner is wide and the introduction of double yellow lines on the inside of the corner in 2012 mean that the natural flow of traffic in each direction is well away from the junction into the cul de sac. This means that a vehicle can emerge some considerable distance (perhaps 5m) into the main flow before it has any effect on traffic following the main path. Consequently there is no issue with sight lines either to or from the emerging vehicle regardless of any vehicles parked in the last available places before the junction on either of the roads.

Even before the yellow lines introduced in 2012, I am not aware of any incidents or accidents at this junction in the 20 years I have lived here.

It appears that in 2008, Mike Salter (then a councillor) raised a concern about this junction primarily about parked cars on the North East corner forcing traffic coming down Trinity Road into the path of traffic heading west on Musley Lane. This was addressed by the waiting restrictions applied in 2012 to this North East Corner. This is the opposite side of the road to the current proposal.

Research into the traffic order proposals and their consultations and a freedom of information request (Please see [https://www.whatdotheyknow.com/request/concerns\\_raised\\_regarding\\_incons#incoming-313932](https://www.whatdotheyknow.com/request/concerns_raised_regarding_incons#incoming-313932)) have failed to uncover any new comments, complaints or concerns raised about this junction.

For all these reasons, I would argue that:-

- a) There is no remaining safety issue at this junction
- b) There have been no additional concerns or complaints raised about safety at this junction
- c) There is no history of accidents or incidents resulting from any lack of safety at this junction.

For these reasons I consider that this proposal is unnecessary, a waste of the council's highways budget and should be canceled and removed from this schedule of proposed waiting restrictions.

Yours faithfully,

Julian Bond

cc: Jeanette Taylor, David Andrews