

49 Cronton Lane.
Widnes.
WA8 9AR

Steve Johnson

RE: Proposed no waiting along Cronton Lane.

This is the second time that I have objected to these plans, the first objection has somehow been lost.

My objection regarding the no waiting at anytime is due to the fact that currently there are double yellow lines in place outside of the shopping area and for a few metres up the Lane. Currently these lines are completely ignored and observed by very few drivers, these include mainly delivery drivers but also people visiting the shops during specific times of day ie breakfast, lunch and dinner time. This does not affect the entire road. Nor is it an issue all of the time. Recently there was even a fire engine parked on these lines whilst the firemen were buying their lunch in the chip shop. Regrettably I did not have my phone on me to photo evidence this, however it is not the first time. If the emergency services are unwillingly to respect the no waiting at any time lines currently in place what hope have we got that anybody else will?

In my opinion the issue is not having yellow lines put down, the issue is having these rules enforced. I have lived here for over 2 years now and have never observed PCSO's patrolling the Lane (which would also deter some of the anti social behaviour and drunken teenagers at the weekend, however that is another matter entirely) or police moving people on who are parked illegally. In fact I regularly observe the police driving around said cars. I find it extremely frustrating that both the council and some residents seem to think that this is the solution to the problem. I have 2 very young children, both under 3 and I often have to park on the road to get the children in and out of the cars, as do my parents who child mind for me. Double yellow, no waiting at anytime lines, would be an incredible inconvenience for us all day every day, not simply for a few hours each day. Equally, as a 2 car household, we regularly need to swap cars for work the following day. We currently do this by leaving 1 car on the road. This would become a logistical nightmare if we had to park up Hill View in order to simply swap the cars.

Having read the minutes from the previous council meeting. I read a letter that was presented to the council from The Cronton Lane Residents. I would like to make it extremely clear here that we were not shown this letter, nor asked to contribute or agree to what was in the letter and so I would like to know who sent you that letter because I am certainly not happy for them to speak inaccurately on my behalf.

My suggestion would be to install cameras or have people (police/PCSO/traffic wardens) visibly fining vehicles or moving them on. I have no doubt that whether you

put down the double yellow lines or not, in the future you will end up paying for further deterrents anyway because double yellow lines don't currently work, it is a ridiculous idea to think that painting them further up the Lane will deter people and make the problem go away.

Regards

Katie Bennett

Sent from my iPad

> On 22 Jul 2014, at 09:40, Steve Johnson <Steve.Johnson@halton.gov.uk> wrote:

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> Dear Mrs. Bennett,

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> I'm just about to prepare an objections report on the proposed waiting restrictions on Cronton Lane, to be considered by the relevant Council Board. Given your previous interest in this issue I was expecting to have received an on objection from your good self but I can't trace one. I was worried it might have got lost or been blocked for some reason on the email system.

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> If you did object, could you let me know?

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> Thank you,

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> Steve Johnson

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