

Summary of consultation responses and WBC response

Responses relating to All Saints Primary School	
Key Themes	WBC response
Poor driving – speeding in the area	Speed limit enforcement is a matter for Thames Valley Police and any concerns should be reported to them on the non-emergency number 101.

Responses relating to St Paul’s Junior School	
Key Themes	WBC response
The SCP is a reassuring and popular figure for parents and children and is part of school community (including comments by two teachers)	It is acknowledged that SCP are popular however, the service they have been employed to provide is to ensure children can cross safely and this would duplicate the function of the Pedestrian Crossing once installed.
The area is heavily used by traffic during school drop-off and pick-up times	Pedestrian Crossings provide safe crossing points and are appropriate for busy roads
Frequent incidence of poor driving– including cars mounting the kerbs	It is drivers’ responsibility to drive safely. The Council will ensure all lining, signing and other site aspects are present and in good condition before the start of the new school year (Sept 2018). Matters of poor driving should be directed to the police via the non-emergency number 101.
Pavements too narrow for the volume of pupils	It is parents’ and carers’ responsibility to ensure the safety of their children on journeys to and from school. SCP’s role is to ensure people can cross roads safely not to ensure safety in other areas.
There are significant incidents of poor parking in the area which increases the risk to children	Poor parking is a problem at many schools however it is the responsibility of car driver to ensure they do not park inconsiderately and it is not the responsibility of the SCP to prevent poor/illegal parking. WBC will pass on comments to its Civil Parking Enforcement contractor to investigate and see if additional patrol are required

Responses relating to Walter Infant School	
Key Themes	WBC Response
Frequent incidence of poor driving	It is drivers’ responsibility to use the highway in a safe manner and follow the laws of the road. The Council will ensure all lining, signage and other site aspects are present and in good condition before the start of the new school year (Sept 2018) When WBC takes over Civil Parking Enforcement (CPE) from the police later this year it will be able to target problem areas more effectively

There are significant incidents of poor parking in the area which increases the risk to children	Poor parking is a problem at many schools however it is the responsibility of car driver to ensure they do not park inconsiderately and it is not the responsibility of the SCP to prevent poor/illegal parking. WBC will pass on comments to its Civil Parking Enforcement contractor to investigate and see if additional patrol are required
Incidence of children running from parents and need for SCP to help 'crowd control'	It is parents' and carers responsibility to ensure the safety of their children on journeys to and from school. SCP's role is to ensure people can cross roads safely not to ensure safety in other areas.
The area is heavily used by traffic during school drop-off and pick-up times	Pedestrian Crossings provide safe crossing points and are appropriate for busy roads

Responses relating to Keephatch School	
Key themes	WBC response
The SCP is a reassuring and popular figure for parents and children and is part of the school community	It is acknowledged that SCP are popular however, the service they have been employed to provide is to ensure children can cross safely and this duplicates the function of the Pedestrian Crossing
Housing development in the area is leading to increase in traffic on local roads	Pedestrian Crossing provide safer crossing points and are appropriate for busy roads
Poor driving. Speeding is a problem in the area and police have taken action in the past	It is drivers' responsibility to drive safety and legally and any concerns should be reported to the police on the non-emergency number 101. There is a series of traffic calming in place around the school and an enforceable speed limit. Issues regarding noncompliance should be reported to the police on the non-emergency number 101.
SCP are important in encouraging children to walk to school and this may decrease if SCP are remove	There is no reason that the replacement of SCP with a permanent crossing should deter children from walking and WBC provides support to school to encourage their children to walk through Road Safety Education.

Responses relating to Willow Bank Infant and Junior School	
Poor driving – speeding	It is drivers' responsibility to drive safely and legally and any concerns should be reported to the police on the non-emergency number 101. The school is in a 20mph zone and can be enforced by the police
SCP is popular part of the school community	It is acknowledged that SCP are popular however, the service they have been employed to provide is to ensure children can cross safely and this duplicates the function of the Pedestrian Crossing

SCP are important in encouraging children to walk to school and this may decrease if SCP are remove	There is no reason that the replacement of SCP with a permanent crossing should deter children from crossing and WBC provides support to school to encourage their children to walk through Road Safety Education.
Poor parking is common and obscures views	Poor parking is a problem at many schools however it is the responsibility of car drivers to ensure they do not park inconsiderately and it is not the responsibility of the SCP to prevent poor/illegal parking. WBC will pass on comments to its Civil Parking Enforcement contractor to investigate and see if additional patrol are required

Responses relating to Woodley CofE Primary	
Key themes	WBC response
The SCP is a reassuring and popular figure for parents and children	It is acknowledged that SCP are popular however, the service they have been employed to provide is to ensure children can cross safely and would duplicate the function of the Pedestrian Crossing once installed
The area is heavily used by traffic during school drop-off and pick-up times	Pedestrian Crossings provide safe crossing points and are appropriate for busy roads
The junction where the SCP operates in complicated and it is hard to tell where traffic is going to come from	It is parents' and carers responsibility to ensure the safety of their children on journeys to and from school. The provision of a formal crossing facility will assist all users in crossing the road in the same way a SCP would. As with a school crossing patroller, there is a legal requirement for vehicles to stop ether at a red traffic signal or when a person is using a Zebra Crossing.
SCP are important in encouraging children to walk to school and this may decrease if SCP are remove	There is no reason that the replacement of SCP with a permanent crossing should deter children from walking and WBC provides support to school to encourage their children to walk

Responses relating to Polehampton CofE Infant and Junior Schools	
Key themes	WBC response
The area is heavily used by traffic during school drop-off and pick-up times	Pedestrian Crossings provide safe crossing points and are appropriate for busy roads
Some comments supported the prosed change as a safety improvement	Both SCP and permanent crossing provide safe crossing points, however permanent crossing have the advantage of being available 43/7
SCP are important in encouraging children to walk to school and this may decrease if SCP are remove	There is no reason that the replacement of SCP with a permanent crossing should deter children from walking and WBC provides support to school to encourage their children to walk

General responses (and those not relating to a school)

Poor driving – in particular drivers failing to stop and speeding

It is drivers' responsibility to drive safely. Additional speed reducing measures could be considered at individual sites if problems persist however enforcement is the responsibility of Thames Valley Police and any measure could only be introduced in collaboration with them. Any concerns should be reported to them on the non-emergency number 101.