

Following the article in the March Newsletter, questions were raised on our Facebook Page about the proposed scheme, many of which we were unqualified to answer. All the questions were raised at a meeting with Flintshire Road Safety Officers and their answers will be published on the HKCC website & Facebook page. We hope they will be helpful to you. The legal notices regarding the proposal published by FCC we have been informed, will now not be going out until approximately mid-April missing our April Newsletter inclusion deadline but they will be well published in the area.

1. Can vehicles continue to park on the wide footpath on the corner of Meadowcroft ?

If you are observed driving over a raised kerb then you are liable to prosecution.

2. Why can't it be a time limited scheme?

(a) Due to the location and proximity to the school, the school crossing and numerous junctions off Main Road, and the number of properties, this is not possible. (b) Parking in an area which does not comply with the Highway Code is not allowed at any time.

3. Why the double yellow lines on the first junction in Llys Derwen?

Displaced cars from Main Road are likely to use Llys Derwen and the junction needs to be kept clear in accordance with the Highway Code. Parking within the crown of a junction at any time does not comply with the Highway Code and is liable to result in prosecution.

4. Why can't I park my car in front of my house?

There is no statutory right for any vehicle to park in front of your own property.

5. Why can't I have a designated parking bay in-front of my property?

A parking bay would only be considered if it didn't contravene the Highway Code in any respect.

6. Why is the scheme being considered anyway?

Parking in and around the school has been identified by FCC as being in the top 6 of worst parking places close to a school in Flintshire and this poses a danger to children and, despite pleas to parents and guardians parking has not improved. The Community Council decided to act as it treats child safety as a serious concern.

7. Why can't the Main Road Recreation Ground or the Scout hut be used for parking at school time?

The MRRG is leased by HKCC from FCC and the lease states it is for recreational use only. There is also no direct access to the land from Main Road. Even if a decision was taken to allow parking, the cost would be disproportionate to the benefit gained. The scouts have been approached regarding parking and we await a response.

8. What about staff cars being parked in the parking bay outside the school and taking up parking space from parents?

The school have been written to about this issue.

9. What if I want to raise an objection to the scheme?

Flintshire County Council, the scheme proposers, will post Legal notices shortly in local newspapers and our local shop as well as appearing on lampposts in the planned restricted area. It will give details of where and to whom objections can be made.