PC108 2627a) Parking on High Street

Email 7 October 2026

I have today contacted Gemma at The Hub re. Inconsiderate and Dangerous parking in the High Street, I have requested a sign to be displayed. My Driveway is often blocked despite a polite notice requesting sensible parking, several selfish drivers choose to ignore my request.

I am [redacted] years old and have lived in the Village all my life and it is only a matter of time before an accident occurs as I am unable to safely exit my Driveway.

Please can the Parish Council consider some form of Yellow line parking restriction to protect my exit onto the High Street.

Thanks in advance.

Reply 7 October 2026

Thank you for your email [redacted] - I am sorry to hear you are experiencing these parking issues.

As you may be aware the Parish Council does not have the legal authority to implement or install road markings, including yellow lines. All highways powers rest solely with the Highway Authority at Cambridgeshire County Council.

As a parish council, we can only lobby for restrictions where there is a demonstrable, severe highway safety hazard. Given that the street is a straight road within an existing 20 mph zone, the Highway Authority will not typically consider Traffic Regulation Orders (the legal mechanism required for yellow lines) for individual driveway access, as the layout does not meet their strict safety intervention criteria.

If you are experiencing persistent issues with your driveway being blocked, we recommend the following alternative options:

Apply for an H-Bar Marking: You can apply directly to Cambridgeshire County Council for an advisory Access Protection Marking (an H-bar line) to be painted across your driveway. This highlights the access area to drivers and is the standard solution for residential driveways. You can find more information about this here: https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/travel-roads-and-parking/roads-and-pathways/dropped-kerbs-and-access-protection-markings

If a vehicle parks in a manner that entirely blocks your driveway and prevents you from exiting your property onto the highway, this constitutes an obstruction. You can report this to the police via their non-emergency number (101) or their online reporting tool while the vehicle is there.

I will add your request for consideration to the next Full Council meeting held on Wednesday 28 October, but I fear that there may be little that the Parish Council can do due to the strict criteria for action of the kind you have requested.

Consideration

Council to consider if any further action could and should be taken.