

BHTC REQUEST FOR INTERVENTION

TITLE: Bollards along Maple Drive **DATE:** 22nd March 2024

Reason (please place an x in the corresponding box/es):

Financial:

Economic:

Social:

Health & Safety:

Legal:

Other
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state):

Street scene, protection of verges, H&S on football home-match days

Please complete the following information regarding the project:

Background: Mass parking on verges and footways along Maple Drive on home match days.

WSSC are willing for action to be taken but not willing to pay.

Burgess Hill Football Club has agreed to support with the installation of the bollards if the Town Council is able to supply the materials. This will be subject to the necessary permissions from WSSC.

Purpose/ Justification:

To protect the verges & appease local residents

Financial implications

4 way weather 125mm x 125mm x 1.2m wooden bollards with pointed tops at a cost of £12.50 each.

To complete the whole area, 270 would be needed and a discounted price of £11 per bollard would be available (if all were ordered at the same time). Total cost £2970.

The bollards will need to be installed using postcrete at a cost of approx. £2500.

An alternative option is:

To phase in the bollards over a few years to spread the cost, working from the football club access road and spreading outwards. This would cost more as the reduced rate for bollards is only for buying in bulk.

Benefits: No destruction of verges in winter and no obstructions to pedestrians using the footways in the area.

Payback/ Value for Money: peace & beauty

Reduced risk to pedestrians using the footway. No damage to verges.

Current Situation:

Rutted verges, bad parking, irate neighbours, danger to pedestrians not able to use the footway due to parked vehicles.

Other Options:

None.

Desired Outcome: To stop cars parking on verges on match days

Risk: Cars ignore white stakes & drive over them or remove them. Motorists might park further away, pushing the problem further down Maple Drive and Eastbridge Avenue.

Conclusion and Recommendation:

Council consider whether to purchase bollards and postcrete provided the football club install the bollards and be funded from the Community Infrastructure Fund.