

Office of Claire Coutinho MP**HGV Public Meeting - Burstow, Smallfield, Horne and Outwood areas****Date of Meeting - 29.01.2021**

There were 100 participants present including residents, Surrey County Council Cabinet Member for Transport, Cllr Matt Furniss and representatives from both Tandridge District Council and the local Parish Councils. The key concerns mentioned by residents were the polo pitch site on Croydon Barn Lane, the weight and size of the HGVs and the speed at which the HGVs are travelling. Other key concerns mentioned were the number of licences granted for local HGV firms, the planning permission process and enforcement.

Action Points

Parish Councils

- To work with residents to establish a preferred list of interventions and which roads these should be applied to. Residents who might be affected by these changes, should also be consulted. The potential of a speed watch scheme was discussed by residents, which Claire Coutinho MP suggests could be considered as part of this work.
- Parish Councils and District Councillors agreed to organise a roundtable with local HGV operating firms and residents.
- Parish Councils and District Councillors discussed speaking to local site managers about a site travel plan. Claire Coutinho MP suggests this could be raised during the roundtable meeting.

Tandridge District Council

- To follow up on monitoring of the polo pitch site [*MP office has since been advised that height restrictions have now been met for the site.*]
- To consider several concerns by residents about the planning permission process, particularly when approving local planning projects that will require heavy and many HGV movements. Including, the number of projects already in the area, roads to be used and the weight of HGVs to be used.

Surrey County Council

- To look to progress the possibility of a review of signs and HGV routing in the south Tandridge area.
- To consider the preferred list of interventions once established by the Parish Councils.
- To progress work with Surrey Police on an education campaign for HGVs.

Claire Coutinho MP

- To raise the subject of local authorities being given more traffic enforcement powers with the Secretary of State for Transport.
- To raise the subject of Traffic Commissioner reform with the Secretary of State for Transport. Particularly, about the need for more local negotiation, further assessment of infrastructure and number of firms already operating in a local area before approving HGV licenses.

Next Steps

Claire Coutinho MP and representatives from Surrey County Council, Tandridge District Council and Parish Councils to meet again once a preferred list of interventions has been established.