

ACOL VILLAGE VOICE

June 2022

PROPOSED NEW TRAFFIC REGULATION FOR ACOL

For those of you who may not have seen the following, I replicate the Traffic Regulation Order to extend the existing 7.5t weight limit in Plumstone Road and Crispe Road to the rest of Acol Village (Minster Road, The Street, Acol Hill, Margate Hill).

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (VARIOUS ROADS, ACOL, DISTRICT OF THANET) (7.5 TONNE WEIGHT RESTRICTION) ORDER 2022 Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

Notice is hereby given that the Kent County Council in exercise of the powers under Sections 1, 2 and 3(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (the Act of 1984), as amended, and of all other enabling powers and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act, propose to make the following Order:-

The general effect of this Order is to prevent any goods vehicles with a maximum permissible laden weight of which exceeds 7.5 tonne to proceed in those lengths of road specified in the Schedule of the Order and exemptions are provided in the Order for access etc.

**Roads in Acol subject to a 7.5 Tonne Weight Limit Restriction as stated below:-
ACOL HILL, CRISPE ROAD, DILNOT LANE, MARGATE HILL, MINSTER ROAD,
NURSERY FIELDS, PLUMSTONE ROAD and THE STREET – For their entire
length.**

A full statement of the Council's reasons for making the proposed Order, a plan indicating the location and the effect and a copy of any other Orders which will be amended by the proposed Order may be examined at Kent Highways, Transportation & Waste, Ashford Highway Depot, Henwood Industrial Estate, Unit 4 Javelin Way, Ashford, Kent TN24 8AD by appointment booked through tro@kent.gov.uk or viewed online from 27 May 2022 at www.kent.gov.uk/highwaysconsultations

Representations supporting or objecting to the proposed Order can be made via our website using the above link or alternatively you can write to The Senior Parking & Traffic Regulation Officer, Traffic Management Team, Highways, Transportation & Waste, Kent County Council, Ashford Highway Depot, Henwood Industrial Estate, Javelin Way, Ashford, TN24 8AD by 12 noon Monday 20 June 2022.

Simon Jones

Corporate Director Growth, Environment & Transport

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (VARIOUS ROADS, ACOL, DISTRICT OF THANET)

(7.5 TONNE WEIGHT RESTRICTION) ORDER 2022

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

The Kent County Council, acting as the Local Traffic Authority intends to make the Order to prohibit any goods vehicle with a maximum gross weight capable of exceeding 7.5 tonnes to proceed on Various Roads in Acol, Thanet as described in the Order.

The reasons for introducing the restriction is to reduce the amount of unnecessary through traffic by large vehicles to prevent danger to persons especially pedestrians, prevent damage to the roads and buildings and preserving the amenities of the area.

The scheme and its objectives meet with one of the central themes in Kent's Local Transport Plan 3 Enjoying Life in Kent (Improve Quality of Life) and Objective 3 of Kent's Freight Action Plan "To effectively manage the routing of HGV traffic to ensure that such movements remain on the Strategic Road Network for as much of their journey as possible" and Objective 4 "To take steps to address problems caused by freight traffic to communities".

As part of the recommendation to make the Order is to avoid the potential of large vehicles attempting to use less suitable routes.

- For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising.
- For preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs.
- For preventing damage to the road or to any building on or near the road.
- For facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).

Lorna Day

Kent Parking & Enforcement Manager
Highways, Transportation & Waste

Various other details and explanations are available online in the full proposal, including the following:

2. Save as provided for in Article 3 of this Order, no person shall, except upon the direction or with the permission of a Police Constable in uniform, cause or permit any heavy commercial vehicle in excess of 7.5 tonnes maximum gross weight to proceed along the length of roads specified in the Schedule to this Order.
- 3 Nothing in Article 2 of this Order shall make it unlawful for any person to cause or permit a heavy commercial vehicle to proceed along the length of road specified in the Schedule of this Order (hereinafter referred to as "the road") if the said vehicle is being used:-
 - (a) as a public service vehicle within the meaning of the Public Passenger Vehicles Act 1981, section 1;
 - (b) for or in connection with the conveyance of persons, goods or Merchandise to or from any premises situated on or adjacent to the road specified in the Schedule.

- (c) in connection with any building operation or demolition in or adjacent to the road or the removal of any obstruction to traffic in the road,
- d) in connection with the maintenance, improvement, or reconstruction of the road,
- (e) in connection with the laying, erection, or alteration or repair in or adjacent to the road of any sewer or of any main pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, water or electricity or of telecommunications apparatus.
- (f) in the service of the Kent County Council in pursuance of their statutory powers or duties
- (g) for police, fire brigade or ambulance, coast guard or civil defence purpose.

If you wish to offer support for the proposal, or raise any concerns, please note that you have until Monday 20th June to communicate this to KCC via the channels outlined on page 1.

ACOL VILLAGE HALL SUPPORT FUND - 200 CLUB

Winners for the Month of June 2022 were:

Member no. 117 who won 1st prize of £20.00

Member no. 53, who won 2nd prize of £10.00 and

Member no. 133, who won 3rd prize of £5.00

£35.00 was donated to the Village Hall funds

The next draw will be on Wednesday 6th July 2022. Should you have any questions, or wish to join the scheme, please contact Iris Osborne (838829).

FORTHCOMING VILLAGE HALL EVENTS

Tues. 7 th Jun	7.30pm	AHS MEMBERS ROSE SHOW
Sat. 14 th Jun	7.30pm	AHS QUIZ NIGHT
Mon. 20 th Jun	11.00am	Acol Parish Council Meeting

ACOL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Acol Horticultural Society's next monthly meeting will be on **Tuesday 5th July** meeting at Acol Village Hall at 6pm and we will be travelling to visit a garden for the evening. That garden is The Coach House, Hernehill. The cost is £9 which will include tea/coffee and cake. **It is free to members and £3 to non-members. OR you can join the Society: £4 single and £7 for a couple.**

Bill Yeoman.

VILLAGE INFORMATION

VILLAGE HALL

Please forgive my saying this, because most people comply with normal procedure, but may I remind anyone who books the hall that they need to confirm the booking, giving times, etc, and to actually turn up on the day.

VOLUNTEERS

Thanks again to those who volunteer their time and effort to help with so much in the village.

You may have noticed that the new junior basketball hoop has now been fitted by David and Bill, as no other volunteers came forward.

HALL BOOKINGS

This is mainly for newcomers in the village, who may not be aware of the variety and massive amount of activity that takes place in our hall. Here is a list of the regular meetings and events, which are now all back to normal, with a few special events booked for this year.

Mondays, 9.30-10.30am - Pilates

Mondays, 1-3.30pm (term time) - Pam's People

Tuesdays, various times - Ballroom Dance Fitness Class

First Tuesday evening each month, 7.30pm - Acol Horticultural Society meeting (except January, July and December)

Wednesdays, 9.30am-4.30pm (term time) - Village Textiles

Wednesday evenings, 7-9pm - Life Drawing Art Group

Thursdays, 9am-1.30pm - private dance class

Thursdays, 1.30-4.30pm - Art Group, **Art Group Website:** www.acolartgroup.org/

Fridays, 9.30am-4.30pm (term time) - Village Textiles

Saturdays (monthly), 10am-4pm - Phoenix Quilters

Sundays, various times - private dance class

Monday 20th June, 11am - Acol Parish Council meeting.

Saturday 23rd July, Acol Horticultural Society Summer Show in marquee behind Village Hall. All day access for participants, Open to public from 2pm - Village Hall open for teas.

Saturday 13th August, afternoon - Acol Horticultural Society Nosh and Natter.

Tuesday 30th August to Friday 2nd September - hall booked by FabTex Quilters and will not be available until Saturday 3rd September.

(Check hall calendar or email Sheila.Bransfield@btinternet.com for information or ring 841691.)

REFUSE COLLECTIONS

Refuse (black) & waste food

20th June

4th July

Recycling (blue), red bag & waste food

13th June

27th June

If you have any problems ring TDC, 577115, or queries to 577727.

PCSO

Eileen Shrubsole, our PCSO, can be contacted at eileen.shrubsole@kent.police.uk if you have any problems or queries.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

If you are not already registered you can contact Iris Osborne on 07951 072914 to be kept up to date.

KENT POLICE

Ring East Kent Division Rural Police Team on 07980 978202 for enquiries or information.

ACOL PARISH COUNCIL

Access our website at acolparishcouncil.org.uk. or ring 844706 for any information you need.

THE NEXT ACOL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE AT 11AM, MONDAY 20TH JUNE.

Sheila Bransfield

MINSTER SURGERY

Covid-19 VACCINATION PROGRAMME - UPDATE:

The Local Vaccine Centre (LVS) which is now located adjacent to Wickes Building Supplies" and "Curry's Electrical Store" is open every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon from 2.00pm to 6.30pm and every Saturday From 8.00am to 2.00pm, so if you are not fully jabbed yet just Drop-in - no appointment necessary!

PLEASE DO NOT GET COMPLACENT! Cases in Thanet are still worryingly high, especially throughout schools, and there is no shortage of vaccines, so if you are not fully jabbed or even double jabbed, PLEASE DON'T DELAY GET YOURS TODAY!

"Face to Face" Appointments.

Patients will continue to receive a telephone consultation from a doctor before being offered an appointment with the relevant healthcare professional.

The number of patients who have a "face to face" is now published on our "Minster Surgery" Facebook Page

Please remember it is **STILL** mandatory to wear facemasks when attending the Surgery, Vaccination Clinic or any NHS facility. **THANK YOU.**

NATIONAL DIABETES PREVENTION PROGRAMME

Search www.preventing-diabetes.co.uk, where you can register to join and get involved in the programme and find useful information on how to prevent and control Type 2 Diabetes.

Minster Surgery Pharmacy

Please note that our Pharmacy will be closed on Friday 1st July for refurbishment and will only be open for collections from outside the building.

Contact Your Local Pharmacy

Don't forget you can get advice, help, and support for most minor ailments including travel advice.



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CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS 2022

On 6th May it was finally possible to hold the 2021 Senior Citizens Christmas party, and although only 30 people, many from outside the village, were able to attend, the meal and the entertainment from the 'Greyhound Buskers' Ukelele Band, it was enjoyed by all.

However, the Village Hall Management committee are aware that there has been significant change in the population of the village, and the age profile of villagers, and that we need to meet the needs of everybody across the whole age range. Accordingly, the following changes are proposed for the forthcoming Christmas festivities:

1. The Christmas Party will be open to any adult within the village, of whatever age. All attendees will be expected to contribute to the cost of the event, and tickets will be on sale on a first come, first served basis from the beginning of October.
2. The Village Hall will be made available at no charge to any group of parents which wishes to organise and run a Christmas event for all children in the village. Furthermore, we will make a financial contribution towards the costs of this event, so that all can benefit. It is important that the organisers submit their proposal to the Management Committee as soon as possible, to secure a suitable date and agree the level of funding.

It is also important that the Committee itself is representative of the village, so we would welcome any volunteers who could offer occasional assistance by undertaking small maintenance tasks, and in particular any resident who has both time and enthusiasm to get involved in the organisation of a programme of activities which would attract support from across the community.

ACOL ART GROUP

If you would like to try your hand at drawing or painting **Acol Art Group** meets every Thursday afternoon from 1.30pm. Whether you are an established artist or a beginner, you are all welcome to join the group.

We would be pleased to see you.

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Sat. 30th and Sun. 31st July
from 10am to 5pm
At The Old Schools, Church Street,
MINSTER, CT12 4BX

Admission £1.50

Teas, coffees and homemade cakes
available.

Further information from Barbara Inchley on
01843 847705

Editor's Note:

PLEASE PASS ON THIS EDITION OF VILLAGE VOICE to any friends
from outside the village who might be interested in knowing what is going
on in Acol.

Advertising

For a box advertisement of about 8cm x 9cm the cost is £10 for inclusion
in 3 editions, £15 for 6 editions and £25 for 12 editions.

Please send contributions to Village Voice to inchley@btinternet.com.

**This edition of Village Voice has been sponsored by Nancy Chidwick in
loving memory of her husband Norman, who sadly passed away in June 2020.
Norman was a much loved and active member of the Acol community, and sorely
missed by all his family and friends.**

Should you (or your organisation) wish to sponsor an edition, either in
memory of a loved one, to commemorate an event or even from a feeling
of civic duty(!), please contact me.

Contributions for the next edition must be received by 5th July 2022.