## **Planning and Regulation**

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Dear Resident(s),

To improve road safety, in August 2023, double yellow lines were introduced at various junctions in Old Town area of Stevenage. On of these locations was Broxdell at the junction with Sish Lane. In December 2024, Stevenage Borough Council received a petition signed by 15 households from that area expressing concerns about road safety related to vehicles parking opposite this junction.

The petitioner asked the Council to introduce additional double yellow lines in Sish Lane opposite its junction with Broxdell, therefore, we are formally proposing the new double yellow lines as shown on the enclosed plan.

The petitioner suggested two solutions to the possible vehicle displacement. The first suggestion was to allow cars to park on the verge. Please note that this will not be possible because vehicles driving/parking on the pavement and the green area will pose a significant danger to pedestrians. Also, the footways and the green areas were not designed to withstand the weight of vehicles and parking on them is likely to cause significant damages to the surface and any existing underground utilities. The second suggestion listed in the petition was for additional parking to be introduced by creating a new layby. In the past, a parking layby was introduced adjacent to Broxdell junction with Sish Lane and there is no remaining suitable land where additional parking can be created at this location. Furthermore, Sish Lane is a road classed as adopted highway land which means that its layout can only be modified/approved by Hertfordshire County Council who is the local highway authority in Stevenage. The Borough Council's powers in relation to traffic on this road are limited to introducing and enforcing parking restrictions.

Please take a few minutes to share your thoughts and views with us. To view the proposed Traffic Regulation Order documents please visit our webpage <a href="https://www.stevenage.gov.uk/parking/traffic-regulation-orders/proposed-traffic-orders">https://www.stevenage.gov.uk/parking/traffic-regulation-orders/proposed-traffic-orders</a> or you can visit us at the council offices in the town centre and see them. Please share your views — in writing — by emailing us at <a href="mailto:tro@stevenage.gov.uk">tro@stevenage.gov.uk</a> or writing to the address above. You have until 24 October 2025 to do this. If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact us using the details above, but all formal responses to the consultation must be made in writing by letter or email to be officially considered.

Yours sincerely

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