Annex D Fulford and Heslington Ward

D1 Location: The Outgang, Heslington

1 | Background information (reason for proposal)

Problems associated with vehicles parking on grass verges and obstructing access.

This is a narrow access road serving the sports field/pavilion, two residential properties and agricultural access to fields.

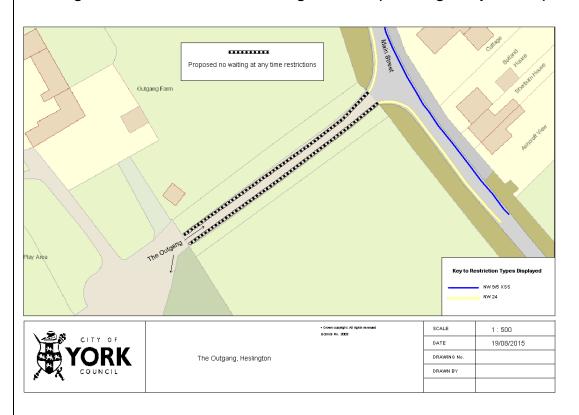
The parking problems are likely to be intermittent for events at the sports field/pavilion.

Enforcement would be "hot-line" only.

When parking partially on the verge occurs it would reduce the carriageway width to one vehicle and potentially obstruct access for wider agricultural vehicles.

2 Proposed amendment to the Traffic Regulation Order

Waiting restrictions for the full length of adopted highway as requested



3 Objections (concerns) received

Two residents would prefer a different solution to the parking problems. The Parish Council have lodged an objection to the proposal.

Objections	:/Concerns	raised	(two
residents)			

Officer Comments

We support the objective of preventing parking on The Outgang on the following proviso:

Our preferred solution to the visually intrusive double yellow lines is: Reinstate the verges to their original height of 330mm and position a number of timber posts along the verges to prevent parking.

There is insufficient car parking available at the sports ground.
Alternative sites should be provided with clear signage directing clients to this area.

Removing car parking on the access road will displace the vehicles onto Low Lane which has the potential to cause worse problems, obstruction and safety issues.

Parish Council:

"The Parish Council are disappointed that further yellow lines are proposed within the Conservation Area and would ask you to look again at this matter."

"The proliferation of yellow lines are the Parish Council's concern; The Parish Council could identify some alternatives, such as high kerbs..." It is the responsibility of the sports club to source and sign any additional parking amenity.

There are existing double yellow lines on one side of the carriageway on Low Lane which should alleviate some obstruction issues in this area should cars displace.

The problem is intermittent and only occurs when events are held in the Sports pavilion.

Highway maintenance have told us that there is no funding available for raising/edging the verges and installation of bollards. However, this could be investigated further if Ward funding or Parish Council funding was offered.

4 Options Available

- a) Implement the proposal as advertised.
 This is not the recommended option because local opinion (Parish Council) are concerned about the additional waiting restrictions in a conservation area.
- b) Take no further action at this time. This is the recommended option because it would give the Ward Council and Parish Council time to explore other options with Highway Infrastructure.

5 Recommendation

Option (b):

Take no further action at this time.