

ROAD SAFETY OUTSIDE COLLEGE PARK INFANT SCHOOL

Main issues

- 2 very large schools on one road (Lyndhurst + College Park = nearly 900 children/families coming to school daily, not to mention Mayfield All Through School at the end of the road less than 500m away). This means an immense amount of foot & road traffic at peak times of the day.
- On wet days congestion is very bad & tempers flare leading to bad role models for children & unsafe situations.
- School gate/entrance is used as a pull-in because Crofton Road is quite narrow with parked cars on either side creating a very dangerous situation.

School solutions so far

- Encouraging car parking a few streets away.
- Participation in Walk to School weeks
- Staggered start/finish times of the day with other schools.
- Supportive relationship with Crossing Patrol staff
- Have started a campaign for a one-way system (on Crofton & Lyndhurst Roads – just the parts adjacent to College Park & Lyndhurst Schools)

Impact of school solutions

- Very little so far. Infant section in Mayfield has only added to the problem.

Council solutions

- Review of placement of Crossing Patrol staff.
- Walk to School initiatives.

Impact of council solutions

- Review still underway so no impact as yet although some parental concerns expressed.

Suggestions for further work

- Further investigation of whether one-way for traffic just on Crofton/Lyndhurst Roads adjacent to College Park & Lyndhurst Schools is viable. We are aware that there would also need to be traffic calming measures to ensure that speed was not increased.

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