Request for Parking Restrictions around Cramond Primary School

Our request

- 20mph flashing school signs on Whitehouse Road
- Acceptance that the Gamekeepers Road flashing signs for Cargilfield are also for Cramond and consequent term-time changes to their operative times
- Restrictions on parking in Cul-de-sacs and junctions around the school at Cramond Bank,
 Cramond Crescent and Fair-a-Far Shot
- Addition of zebra crossing "stripes" in the cul-de-sacs

Overview

The entrances to Cramond Primary school are technically not on main roads, but the parking options for parents are limited and always a safety issue.

At the most distant location, in the Gamekeepers Road and Whitehouse Road thoroughfares, parents regularly park causing congestion around crossing points.

Closer to the school at Cramond Bank, Cramond Crescent and Fair-a-far Shot, congestion also poses a threat to child pedestrians and cyclists.

Approaches

We understand that "20 MPH flashing" restrictions cannot be placed adjacent to the school because there is a rule that only if the entrance to the school is on the road can these restrictions be made. Cargilfield, with an entrance on Gamekeepers Road, has flashing signs but these observe the Cargilfield term-times only. We have asked in the past that these observe Cramond term-time too but this has not been instituted - this should happen.

Additionally - over on the other side, at Whitehouse Road, we are encouraging parents to park on the main road to avoid close-to-school congestion but this means the problem of congestion is displaced to Whitehouse Road too – this necessitates an exception to the rules in our opinion and we request that Whitehouse Road is also speed restricted.

Cramond Bank

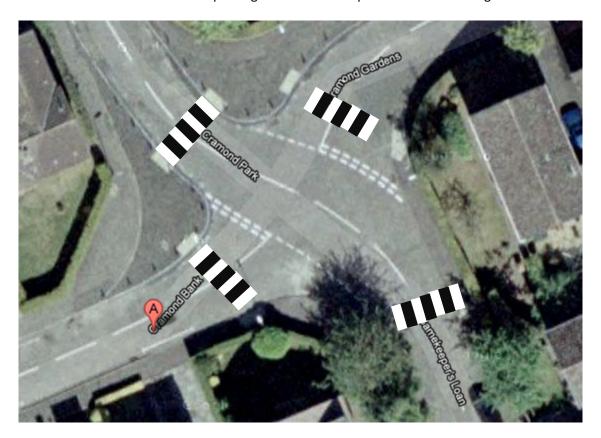
One particular hot-spot is the entrance to Cramond Bank.

Many vehicles are parking around this cul-de-sac and creating hazardous conditions for children walking to school. We believe the build-outs introduced some years ago have not had the desired impact in parking behaviour and that there needs to be more done in this location.

We would recommend parking restrictions – time sensitive double yellows being the most effective action with additional safe crossings for each of the entrances.

Cramond Bank Entrance

We would like some enforceable parking restrictions and painted zebra crossings



This area, where build-outs were introduced in the last few years, still attracts dangerous parking behaviour at drop-off and pickup times and we believe the only option is to place double yellow lines around the crossroads and to raise the awareness of crossing children by painting the zebra crossings per the photograph.

Cramond Crescent Entrance

We would like some enforceable parking restrictions here too and a painted crossing.



We believe this area in Cramond Crescent should also be subject to parking restrictions, again on a time sensitive basis. There are many regular examples of dangerous parking in this approach to the school. Parents are challenging dangerous parking and this is detrimental to the feeling of community around the school.

Fair-a-Far Shot Entrance

We would like some enforceable parking restrictions here too and a painted crossing.



Fair-a-Far is the third area for consideration with regard to enforceable parking restrictions, for whilst it is the lesser of the evils in parent behaviour it is the busiest of the entrances for Child cyclists. We believe discouraging parents from dropping off here will reduce risk of accident.

Please consider this document at your earliest convenience

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