



THE ESTATE OFFICE WENTWORTH CLUB WENTWORTH DRIVE VIRGINIA WATER SURREY GU25 4LS

24th June 2019.

Dear Resident

Re: Vehicle Access Control Barrier Proposal – Announcement

The Wentworth Estate Roads Committee (WERC) is pleased to announce that approval has been given for the implementation of the Vehicle Access Control Barrier Proposal ('VAC').

As most residents are aware there has been an increasing consensus for many years of which the WERC was conscious of, however any scheme could only be considered if it complied with the Wentworth Estate Act of 1964 and the rights of residents. The current approved scheme is compliant.

The Committee went to great lengths to collect the views of all the Estate residents. We informed all Road Rate paying residents within the Chairman's Report of the proposal, we emailed residents, held open consultation sessions, which were well attended and even hand delivered requests. It proved difficult to get some residents to respond in writing but we are delighted to report over 51% of rate paying residents responded with 89% being in support of the proposal.

The final issue that needed to be resolved was the funding. The 1964 Act defines Road Rates being used for the maintenance of the Estate roads, the Committee was conscious some Road Rate payers would not directly benefit from the installation of the VAC barriers. It was therefore decided that even though the use of the levied Road Rates for the installation of the barriers would be within WERC's remit there will be no increases to fund it. We are pleased to announce that the Wentworth Club has agreed to show a generous commitment to the proposal and fund 50%, the Committee will fund the balance of £175,000.

It has been agreed to phase the installation, Phase 1 will be the internal barriers including the barriers on Wentworth Drive and Woodlands Road East & West (see our website www.wentworthestate.org.uk). Works will commence very shortly and the aim is to have them operational in the Summer. Phase 2 will follow shortly after.