

Roads Committee: Policy

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(391) Bollard policy

Policy background:

This adopted Policy will be applied to assess requests for bollards that the Parish of St Helier (the Parish or PoSH) receives on Parish by-roads.

It should be noted that the use of bollards is the last resort; other options will be investigated before the bollard option is considered, eg trees and planters instead of bollards.

The use of bollards will not be used to address illegal parking, especially if there are already existing prohibition of waiting lines marked on the carriageway, unless it is categorially proven that there are persistent and inherent parking issues. Robust enforcement will be the main method that will be used to address illegal parking in the first instance.

Scope of Policy:

Bollards to protect footways and verges will only be considered and introduced where they meet the following criteria, and if their introduction is considered appropriate within the streetscape:

- 1. A complaint must have been received regarding parking on or obstruction of the footway or verges and one or more of the following criteria be met:
 - a. There has been a relevant road traffic collision or dangerous incident involving a pedestrian or damage to the frontage of the property in the previous 12 months.
 - b. The footway is close to a school and there is evidence of parking on the footway by parents taking or collecting children and causing danger to pedestrians.
 - c. The footway has been so seriously damaged that emergency repairs have had to be made to it in the previous 12 months.
 - d. The verge has been so seriously damaged that it has proven difficult to maintain as an environmental asset to the area.
 - e. To delineate shared spaces, virtual footpaths.
 - f. Where possible, bollards are not to be used in Green Lanes to avoid cluttering the streetscape with street furniture.
 - g. There has been a security concern raised which has been supported by the States of Jersey Police and St Helier's Honorary Police.
- 2. Bollards should not be provided where they cause any problem or difficulty to pedestrians and cyclists, particularly those with mobility or visual impairment.
- 3. In line with accessibility standards, bollards should not be placed on a footway where the remaining width would be less than 1.2 metres.
- 4. The proposal to introduce bollards must be approved by Roads Committee. However, Officers will be given the discretion to determine bollard requests where they are a replacement of defective/damaged bollards, and where no more than 3 bollards are required that meet the above criteria.
- 5. In the first instance, the Parish will consider the option of using planters or trees instead of bollards. The use of bollards will be the last resort.
- 6. Existing bollards that do not meet this Policy will be reviewed and removed, if deemed necessary, to remove the dominance of bollards on the roads.
- 7. Existing bollards that are in place will be maintained and kept clean.



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Design considerations:

- It may be necessary to reconsider the design concept of the road if there is a need for a large number of bollards.
- Consider opportunities for fixing signs and waymarks instead of bollards, to avoid use of additional posts.
- The use of visibility bands may be required in areas of heavy pedestrian usage.
- If vehicles are required to mount the edge of the footway on rare occasions, design teams will consider local strengthening of the footway rather than introducing bollards.

Road Safety Audits:

• Depending on the situation, bollard installation may require Road Safety Audits levels 1, 2 and 3. The Road Safety Audit will be required where there is potential that the installation of the bollards will affect road safety.

Positioning:

- Located outside of clear pedestrian zone.
- A minimum clear pavement width of 1.2 metres must always be maintained for access by those with wheelchairs and pushchairs etc.
- Spacing of bollards must allow for the passage of wheelchairs, pushchairs and pedestrians but restrict the passage of vehicles a maximum spacing of 1.8 metres centres.
- Allow 300mm clear space from the front edge of the kerb to the bollard.

Materials:

- Bollards will be stainless steel satin finish (grade 316).
- Fitted with white reflective band for increased visibility and safety as necessary.

Design:

• Blueton: Ref 256ss recessed bollard.





Installation and maintenance:

- Installation to be in accordance with manufacturer's specification.
- Maintained in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.

Dimensions:

- 1000mm high.
- 300mm root depth.
- 114mm diameter.

Departures from Policy:

Not permitted

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3 March 2022