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Rye Town Council

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Sent: 23 May 2008 08:50
Subject: Junction of Market Street and Church Square

To: Rye Town Council
Copy: Linda Bacon, Councillor Glazier
From: Helen Pain
Our Ref: T/Rye/1/hsp/sjb/30204

Dear Richard

Junction of Market Street and Church Square

I refer to our correspondence regarding the above and the request for this authority to look at lowering the pavement on the Town Hall side of this junction to minimising the risk of "rocking" if a large vehicle uses this area to negotiate the turning at this junction.

The highway maintenance engineer has now had the opportunity to look at this and whilst this would be possible, the logistics of actually carrying out the work which would require a road closure, as the road is narrow, may be disproportionate to the problem. The cost of this work would be high and it is questionable as to whether this will solve the problem at this location.

I look forward to the comments of the Town Council in this instance.

Yours sincerely

Brian Banks
Traffic and Safety Manager

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From: "Highways Contact Centre" <Highways@eastsussex.gov.uk>
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Sent: 07 March 2007 08:48
Subject: Junction of Market Street and Church Square

To: Richard Farhall
From: Helen Pain
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Dear Richard

Junction of Market Street and Church Square

I refer to your email dated 5th February 2007 regarding the above. I am pleased to inform you that a member of the Traffic Team has now had the opportunity to re visit the site and have a look at the situation.

Unfortunately, as explained in my reply to Mr and Mrs Jones dated 12th May 2006, the existing bollard has been installed in the only part of the footway that is wide enough to allow an adequate remaining footway width. The rest of the footway on this corner is not wide enough to accommodate an additional bollard as it would effectively obstruct the footway, forcing pedestrians into the road. It would appear that there is adequate room for a large vehicle to negotiate this turning without striking the building and it is therefore my opinion that the incidences where the building has been struck are as a direct result of poor driving.

The turning area available to HGV's could be improved if the existing parking immediately before the junction and on the opposite side of the road were reduced. It may also be possible to introduce a sign warning of an overhanging building at this location however, this sign would need to be lit which would require the installation of a new sign post in the footway prior to the junction. In view of the nature of the area and the infrequent occurrence of HGV manoeuvres at this location I would suspect that this would create a high level of objection from the local community.

I am sorry that in this instance I am unable to provide a more positive response and whilst I am sympathetic to the concerns of the homeowner, due to the historic nature of Rye and the limited road and footway space available, it is not always possible to address all points of concern.

Yours sincerely

Brian Banks
Traffic and Safety Manager

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