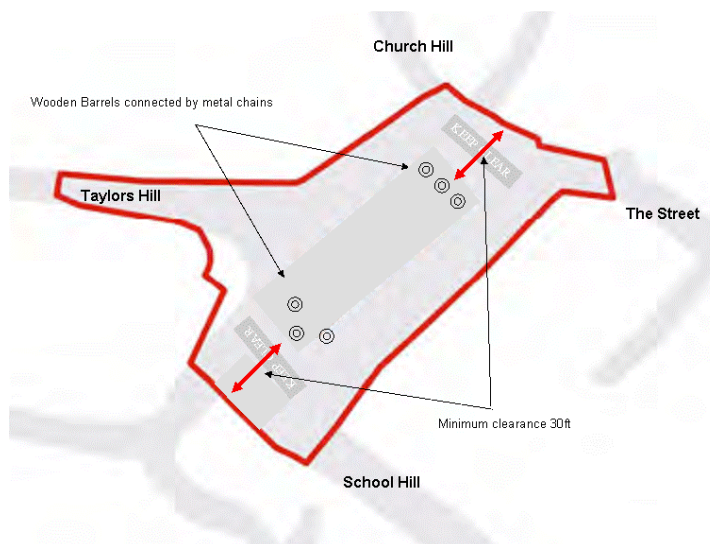


## Proposed Traffic Calming in Chilham by Chilham Parish Council

With Parishioner concerns about unregulated irresponsible parking in Chilham Square and regular incidents of HGV and coaches attempting to drive through the village causing structural damage to buildings and vehicles as well as congestion the Parish Council would like to improve the situation by:-

[A] The introduction of two free standing barriers to contain the central parking area in Chilham Square. Each barrier to be made of three rubble filled timber barrels with connecting chains and ever green plants planted in the open tops. They would be located on the original metal studs that previously marked the central parking bay. To permit traffic regulation there would be “KEEP CLEAR” road markings between the outside edge of the barriers and the surrounding buildings.



[B] The introduction of a 7 ½ ton limit in the Square and the four roads leading off it.

[C] Signage changes. The Council feels that some minor changes to signage would discourage HGV and direct tourist vehicles producing a marked improvement in overall traffic flow. Suggested changes are:-

- A252 / The Avenue junction: On the two speed limit poles add “No HGV” and “7 ½ ton limit”.
- The Avenue: Remove “Except for School Bus” and replace with “ No HGV” and the weight restriction. *(The School Bus exception suggests the streets are wide enough for coaches and has resulted in drivers attempting to drive through the village. The actual School Bus loads and unloads in Taylor’s Hill car park)*
- The grass bank at Felborough Close: On the empty post introduce “No HGV” and the weight restriction. *(The wide entrance into Felborough Close would permit drivers to turn round if they had not seen the first signs)*
- The Avenue / High Street junction – opposite “The Woolpack”: Remove “Except for School Bus” and introduce “No HGV” and weight restriction on both sides of the junction.
- Chilham Square – empty pole behind the bench seats at the Castle end: Add “FREE parking and toilets 120 yds.”
- A252 / Taylor’s Hill junction: On speed limit post introduce “No HGV” and the weight restriction
- Taylor’s Hill car park entrance: A new sign, “FREE parking for all visitors to Chilham Square and Church. Disabled toilets”
- Taylor’s Hill – above the car park: Remove “Except for School Bus” replace with “No HGV” and weight restriction.

**All signage changes are on poles currently in use.**