

Vehicle crossing and dropped kerb

Who can apply?

You are required to apply for approval for the construction of a vehicle crossing to allow you to cross over the pavement or grass verge.

The proposed construction of the vehicle crossing must be approved by our Highways team (Streetworks).

The Highways team will need to visit the site and determine whether it is feasible to construct a crossing without adversely affecting the surrounding properties or creating a potential safety hazard for other highways users.

We may refuse permission for a number of reasons after consultation with other Council departments. Following the Council's decision, the applicant will be notified in writing. If the application is refused the application fee is not refundable.

There must be a suitable hard standing within your property of at least 5 metres x 2.5 metres, perpendicular to the road that provides at least as many parking spaces as will be taken up on the street by the vehicle crossing.

We do not normally allow secondary crossings into a property which is already served by an existing crossing.

Our Planning Department (01908 252358) must be consulted, and planning permission obtained where required, for any works to be undertaken within the boundary of the property to be served by the vehicle crossing.

If the property is owned by us, then you must contact the Housing Department (01908 691691) beforehand.

Gradients for both footways and the vehicle crossing have been set out to avoid injury to pedestrians and to avoid any damage occurring to vehicles using the crossing. These gradients should not exceed; Footpath 1 in 12 and vehicle crossing 1 in 14.

PLEASE NOTE :If you illegally cross the highway to park on your property without permission or have not satisfied these criteria the Council have powers to either construct a crossing at your expense or carry out works to restrict your access.