



East of England Permit Scheme



Hertfordshire County Council Permit Scheme Evaluation Data - Year 3



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Hertfordshire have now been operating a permit scheme for 3 years.

I am pleased that Hertfordshire has continued to work together with the unitary authorities of Southend-on-Sea, Luton and Bedford to bring consistency to the common scheme which is the East of England Permit Scheme, EEPS. It is also good to see new schemes continuing to come into effect using some of the best practice developed through EEPS. A key success factor with the scheme has been the continued engagement with stakeholders to obtain real views and opinions as to how the permit scheme operation can continue to be improved.

It is good to see that we have built on our successes from the first and second years of operation of the permit scheme in Hertfordshire. We have done all the things we said we would do in the first two annual reports, and we continue to improve.

This report provides data from year 3 of operation of Hertfordshire's Permit Scheme. As reported in the second annual report we can demonstrate numbers of permits processed at all stages, and how efficient we have been, there still seems to be a national struggle to demonstrate and place a figure on how effective a permit scheme is. Through case studies, publicity and general messages from Hertfordshire's highway users we have also demonstrated that 'management of road works' is getting better. I'm hopeful that future measures which we are in the process of developing, will help to show that effective operation and delivery of a permit scheme in Hertfordshire delivers significant benefits to the local economy, helps in the fight against pollution and minimises congestion as much as possible, allowing the highway network to do its job in the safe movement of people and goods. We will add further performance measures as these develop.

During the changes to the scheme to bring in the Order to vary the scheme we have carried out two additional tasks, one to satisfy regulation 16A to consider the fee structure and the costs and benefits of operating the scheme, and the other to amend Hertfordshire's Traffic Sensitive Streets, the first review of these since 1991. The permit scheme continues to be 'cost neutral' for Hertfordshire, and we will continue to monitor this and develop incentives and discounts.

The consultation responses to the amendments to the permit scheme order are available through the East Of England Permit Scheme website;

<http://www.eastofenglandpermitscheme.co.uk/Consultation-2015.html>

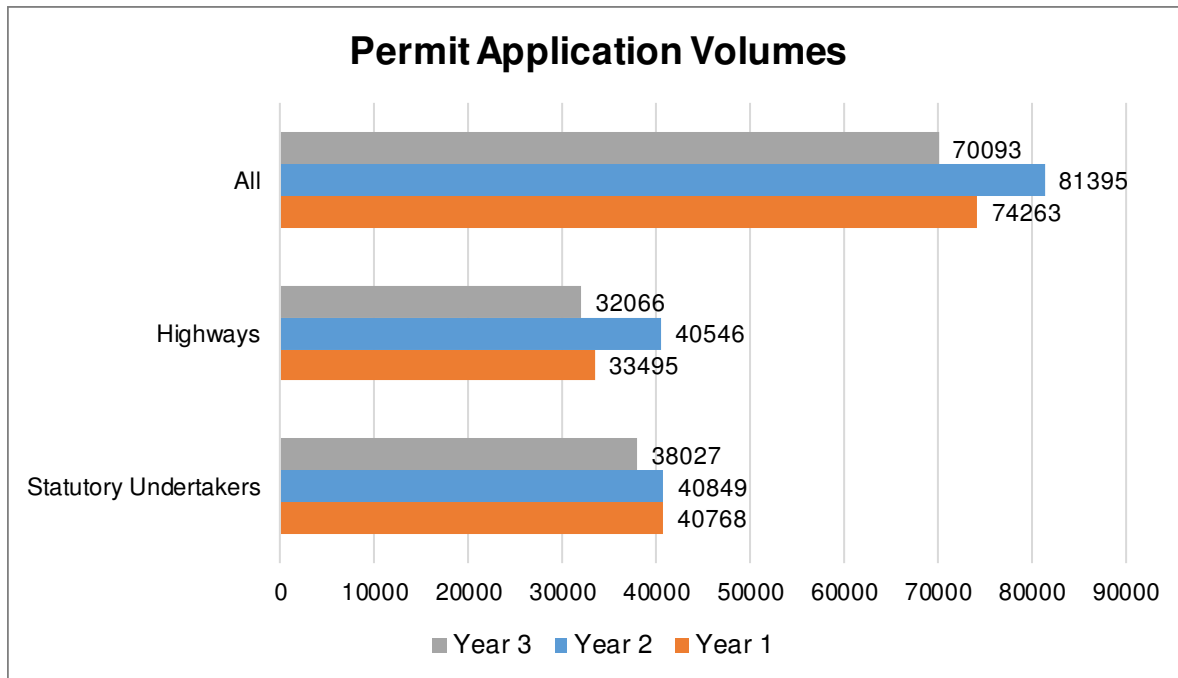
and the changes to the Traffic Sensitive Street consultation is available via Hertfordshire County Councils website;

<http://www.hertsdirect.org/services/transtreets/highways/hhonlineservices/nrswa/tssr/>

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Permit Applications

Measure	Promoter Group	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3			
		Number	Number	Number	% Change on Year 1	% Change on Year 2	
Permit Applications	Statutory Undertakers						
	PAA	1640	1465	1463	-10.8%	-0.1%	
	Major	965	1050	870	-9.8%	-17.1%	
	Standard	3285	2616	3250	-1.1%	24.2%	
	Minor	25067	24679	23381	-6.7%	-5.3%	
	Immediate	9811	11039	9063	-7.6%	-17.9%	
	Highways						
	PAA	2617	3670	3483	33.1%	-5.1%	
	Major	1274	2370	2044	60.4%	-13.8%	
	Standard	1526	2503	2780	82.2%	11.1%	
	Minor	8101	4347	4204	-48.1%	-3.3%	
	Immediate	19977	27656	19555	-2.1%	-29.3%	
	All						
	PAA	4257	5135	4946	16.2%	-3.7%	
	Major	2239	3420	2914	30.1%	-14.8%	
	Standard	4811	5119	6030	25.3%	17.8%	
	Minor	33168	29026	27585	-16.8%	-5.0%	
	Immediate	29788	38695	28618	-3.9%	-26.0%	
	Total		74263	81395	70093	-6%	-13.9%

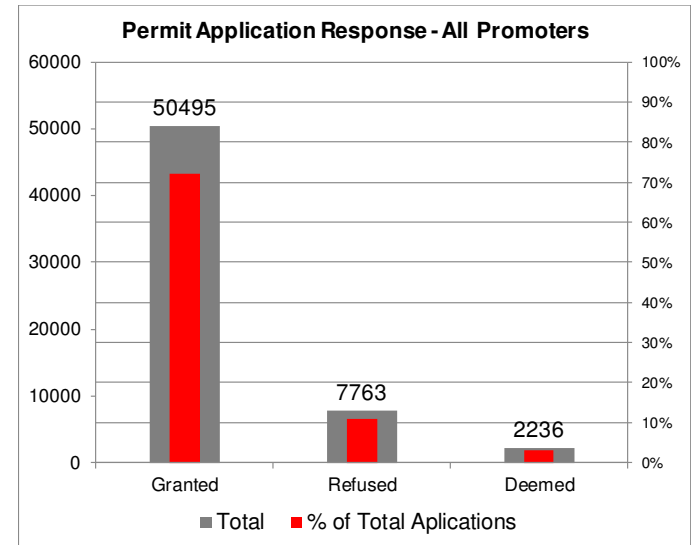
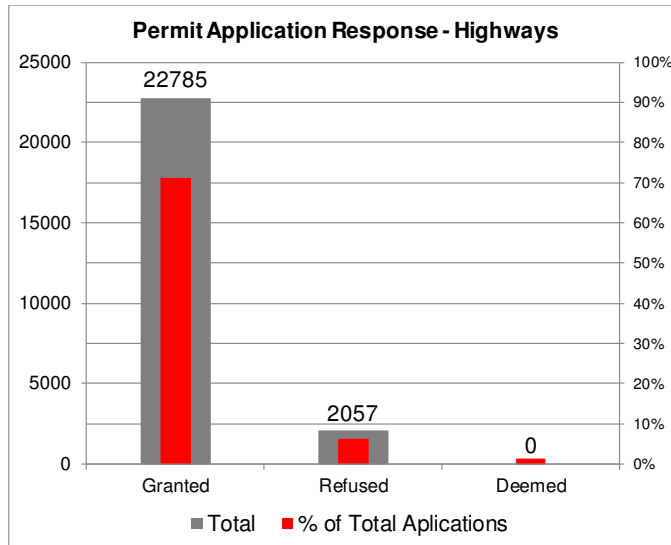
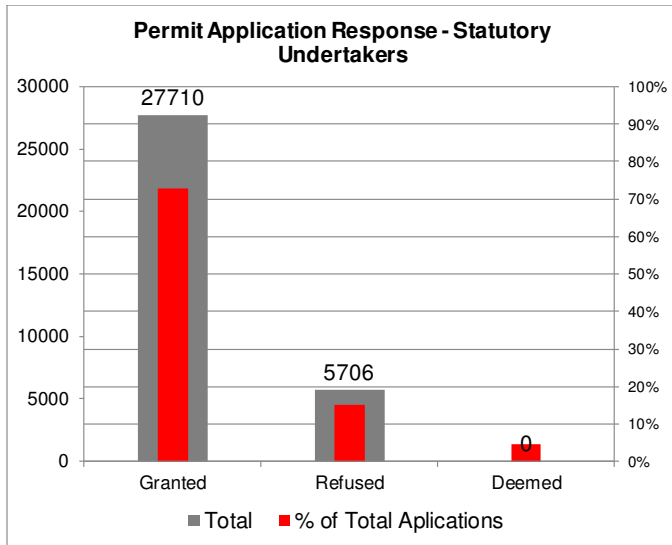


Responses to Permit Applications - 1

Promoter Group	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	
	Number	Number	Number	
Statutory Undertakers				
Granted				
PAA	928	922	962	Total Granted %
Major	647	672	469	
Standard	2187	1546	1804	
Minor	18158	18453	16815	
Immediate	8894	9617	7660	
				72.9%
Refused				
PAA	337	238	358	Total Refused %
Major	248	251	294	
Standard	1026	790	1156	
Minor	3316	3586	3872	
Immediate	122	29	26	
				15.0%
Deemed				
PAA	20	35	42	Total Deemed %
Major	25	56	41	
Standard	63	69	89	
Minor	1573	966	1331	
Immediate	116	308	267	
				4.7%

Promoter Group	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	
	Number	Number	Number	
Highways				
Granted				
PAA	1561	2492	2436	Total Granted %
Major	914	1644	1539	
Standard	1219	2242	2196	
Minor	6846	3468	3367	
Immediate	18726	25085	13247	
				71.1%
Refused				
PAA	596	428	414	Total Refused %
Major	234	491	508	
Standard	213	313	410	
Minor	974	662	721	
Immediate	13	2	4	
				6.4%
Deemed				
PAA	19	73	54	Total Deemed %
Major	51	113	55	
Standard	21	64	85	
Minor	177	227	241	
Immediate	23	82	31	
				1.5%

Promoter Group	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	
	Number	Number	Number	
All				
Granted				
PAA	2489	3414	3398	Total Granted %
Major	1561	2316	2008	
Standard	3406	3788	4000	
Minor	25004	21921	20182	
Immediate	27620	34702	20907	
				72.0%
Refused				
PAA	933	666	772	Total Refused %
Major	482	742	802	
Standard	1239	1103	1566	
Minor	4290	4248	4593	
Immediate	135	31	30	
				11.1%
Deemed				
PAA	39	108	96	Total Deemed %
Major	76	169	96	
Standard	84	133	174	
Minor	1750	1193	1572	
Immediate	139	390	298	
				3.2%



Permit Modification Requests and Permit Variation Applications & Works Data Alterations

Measure	Promoter Group	Year 2	Year 3	
		Number	Number	
Permit Modification Requests	Statutory Undertakers			
	Major	127	238	Total PMR %
	Standard	481	1322	
	Minor	1394	3507	
	Immediate	14	41	14.0%
	Highways			
	Major	181	517	Total PMR %
	Standard	119	336	
	Minor	197	543	
	Immediate	1	3	4.9%
	All			
	Major	308	755	Total PMR %
	Standard	600	1658	
	Minor	1591	4050	
Immediate	15	44	9.3%	

Measure	Promoter Group	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3			
		Number	Number	Number	% Change on Year 1	% Change on Year 2	
Permit Variations & Works Data Alterations	Statutory Undertakers						
	Major	551	841	911	65.3%	8.3%	
	Standard	1212	1487	2678	121.0%	80.1%	
	Minor	2420	3820	6820	181.8%	78.5%	
	Immediate	495	742	2154	335.2%	190.3%	
	Highways						
	Major	632	1560	1843	191.6%	18.1%	
	Standard	392	852	1433	265.6%	68.2%	
	Minor	1186	1270	1658	39.8%	30.6%	
	Immediate	19	45	855	4400.0%	1800.0%	
	All						
	Major	1183	2401	2754	132.8%	14.7%	
	Standard	1604	2339	4111	156.3%	75.8%	
	Minor	3606	5090	8478	135.1%	66.6%	
	Immediate	514	787	3009	485.4%	282.3%	
	Total		6907	10617	18352	166%	72.9%

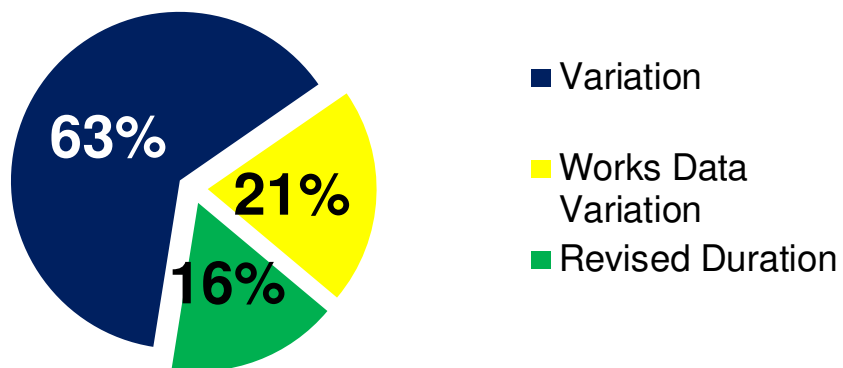
Responses to Variation Applications

Promoter Group	Year 2		Year 3	
	Number	Number		
Statutory Undertakers				
Granted				
Major	764	600	Total	Granted
Standard	1054	1651		
Minor	2864	3896		%
Immediate	1458	1818		63.4%
Refused				
Major		176	Total	
Standard		617	Refused	
Minor		1221		%
Immediate		33		16.3%
Deemed				
Major	119	44	Total	
Standard	127	101	Deemed	
Minor	256	245		%
Immediate	190	51		3.5%

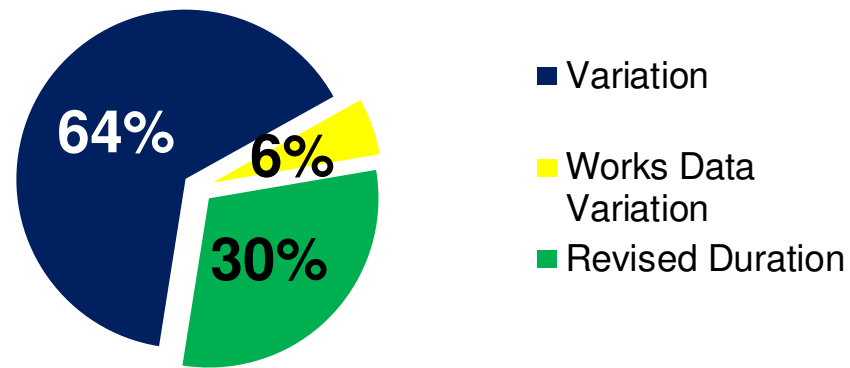
Promoter Group	Year 2		Year 3	
	Number	Number		
Highways				
Granted				
Major	1309	1366	Total	Granted
Standard	940	1131		
Minor	1132	1234		%
Immediate	1347	815		78.5%
Refused				
Major		274	Total	
Standard		133	Refused	
Minor		164		%
Immediate		0		9.9%
Deemed				
Major	100	86	Total	
Standard	53	61	Deemed	
Minor	98	59		%
Immediate	298	48		4.4%

Promoter Group	Year 2		Year 3	
	Number	Number		
All				
Granted				
Major	2073	1966	Total	Granted
Standard	1994	2782		
Minor	3996	5130		%
Immediate	2805	2633		68.2%
Refused				
Major	0	450	Total	
Standard	0	750	Refused	
Minor	0	1385		%
Immediate	0	33		14.3%
Deemed				
Major	219	130	Total	
Standard	180	162	Deemed	
Minor	354	304		%
Immediate	488	99		3.8%

Variation Application Type - Statutory Undertakers

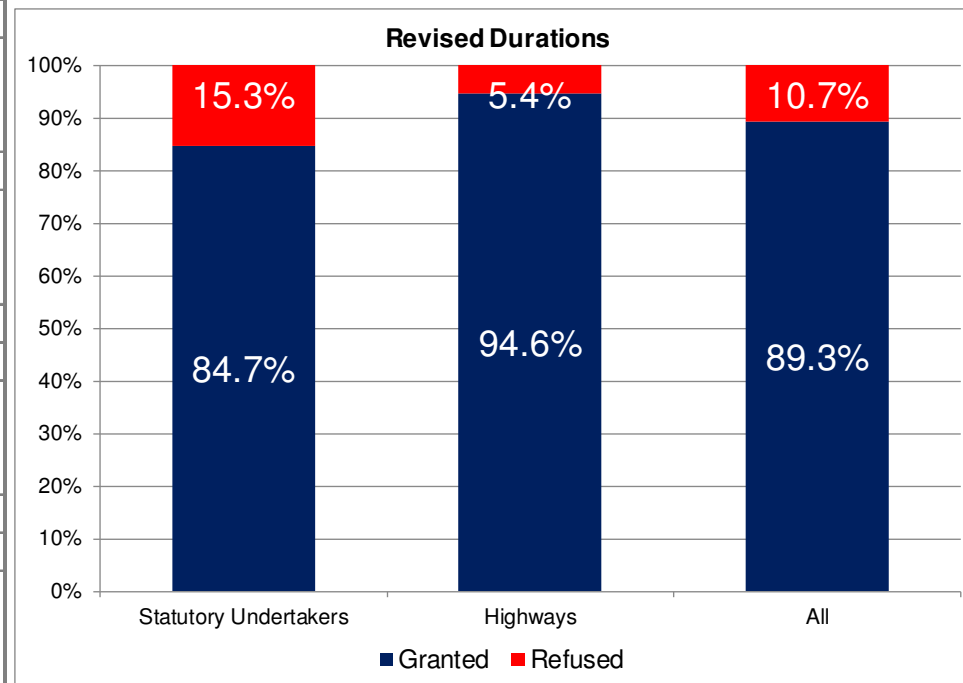


Variation Application Type - Highways



Revised Durations

Measure	Promoter Group	Year 3		
Revised Durations				
	Statutory Undertakers	Applications		
	Major	285	Total Granted %	Total Refused %
	Standard	369		
	Minor	405		
	Immediate	1000		
			84.7%	15.3%
	Highways			
	Major	364	Total Granted %	Total Refused %
	Standard	278		
	Minor	268		
	Immediate	837		
			94.6%	5.4%
	All			
	Major	649	Total Granted %	Total Refused %
	Standard	647		
Minor	673			
Immediate	1837			
		89.3%	10.7%	



Cancelled Permits

Measure	Promoter Group	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3			
		Number	Number	Number	% Change Y1	% Change Y2	
Cancelled Permits	Statutory Undertakers						
	Major	183	840	587	220.8%	-30.1%	↓
	Standard	380	741	882	132.1%	19.0%	↑
	Minor	3564	6177	5894	65.4%	-4.6%	↓
	Highways						
	Major	485	1229	270	-44.3%	-78.0%	↓
	Standard	79	231	374	373.4%	61.9%	↑
	Minor	984	782	573	-41.8%	-26.7%	↓
	All						
	Major	668	2069	857	28.3%	-58.6%	↓
	Standard	459	972	1256	173.6%	29.2%	↑
	Minor	4548	6959	6467	42.2%	-7.1%	↓

Authority Imposed Variations and Revocations

Measure	Promoter Group	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3			
		Number	Number	Number	% Change Y1	% Change Y2	
Authority Imposed Variations	Statutory Undertakers	750	317	610	-18.7%	92.4%	↑
	Highways	95	60	83	-12.6%	38.3%	↑
	All	845	377	693	-18.0%	83.8%	↑
Measure	Promoter Group	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3			
Revoked Permits		Number	Number	Number	% Change Y1	% Change Y2	
	Statutory Undertakers	65	56	64	-1.5%	14.3%	↑
	Highways	62	24	20	-67.7%	-16.7%	↓
	All	127	80	84	-33.9%	5.0%	↑

Measure	Promoter Group	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3		
		Number	Number	Number	% Change Y1	% Change Y2
Permit Compliance Inspections	Statutory Undertakers	3713	3562	3311	-10.8%	-7.0%
	Highways	1014	1340	1077	6.2%	-19.6%
	All	4727	4902	4388	-7.2%	-10.5%
Measure	Promoter Group	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3		
		Pass	Pass	Pass	% Change Y1	% Change Y2
Permit Compliance Inspections - Results %	Statutory Undertakers	73.0%	70.4%	84.0%	15.1%	19.3%
	Highways	72.1%	82.6%	82.8%	14.8%	0.2%
	All	72.8%	73.8%	83.7%	15.0%	13.4%
		Fail	Fail	Fail		% Change
	Statutory Undertakers	27%	29.6%	16.0%	-40.7%	-45.9%
	Highways	27.9%	17.4%	17.2%	-38.4%	-1.1%
	All	27.2%	26.2%	16.3%	-40.1%	-37.8%

