

**BRISTOL TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT  
TRAFFIC SAFETY UNIT**



**PARKING AND TRAFFIC SAFETY PLAN  
PAPAL VISIT  
SEPTEMBER 26 & 27, 2015**

## **INTRODUCTION**

The City Of Philadelphia is hosting the World Meeting of Families during the week of September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015. The highlight of this event will be the visit of Pope Francis to the region on September 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Though the Pope is not coming to Bucks County, his visit will impact our region. More importantly, this visit will directly impact Bristol Township. SEPTA has designated the Croydon Rail Station as one of its 18 Rail Stations that will be operating to transport visitors to and from Philadelphia on both dates. Additionally, The Levittown Rail Station in Tullytown Borough, and the Cornwells Rail Station in Bensalem Township were also designated as stations to be used for the transport of visitors to Philadelphia. As a result, the township is expecting a large number of commuters to transit through the Croydon area on both dates. The area surrounding the Croydon Rail Station is overwhelmingly residential. As a result, several measures will be put into place to limit the impact to both residents, commuters, and those simply traveling through the area. These measures will include, but will not be limited to, increased police presence, parking restrictions, road closures, and traffic control. This report focuses on the police department and our plans for this event. This plan is broken down into sections that show the specific restrictions, traffic posts etc. for both days.

## **PARKING RESTRICTIONS**

Township Ordinance 191-3 allows for the Police Department to enact temporary parking and traffic regulations during times of emergency or public events that are limited in scope. These temporary regulations are not to exceed 72 hours in length. A copy of the ordinance is attached to the end of this report.

The Police Department is therefore enacting the following parking restrictions that will be in effect from midnight September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015 until midnight September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015. For clarification purposes, this is from midnight Friday into Saturday until midnight Sunday into Monday.

## **NO PARKING**

The following streets will be designated as NO PARKING, with exception of residents that live there. This restriction will be in force for the duration of the event.

Cedar Avenue	Between State Road and Sycamore Avenue
Newportville Road	Between Bristol Pike and Dixon Avenue
Coventry Lane	Entire Length

## **LIMITED PARKING**

The following streets will allow for parking ONLY on the even side of the street during the duration of the event.

2 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue	Between Main Avenue and Coventry Avenue
4 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	Between Main Avenue and Coventry Avenue
Avalon Avenue	Entire Length
Belmont Avenue	Entire Length
Buchanan Avenue	Entire Length
Charles Avenue	Entire Length
Clover Avenue	Entire Length
Dixon Avenue	Between Newportville Road and Franklin Avenue
Dolores Avenue	Entire Length
Dorset Avenue	Entire Length
Franklin Avenue	Between Bristol Pike and Dixon Avenue
Garfield Avenue	Entire Length
High Street	Entire Length
Hilary Avenue	Entire Length
Hillcrest Avenue	Entire Length
Janet Avenue	Entire Length
Karen Avenue	Entire Length

Lincoln Avenue	Entire Length
Louise Avenue	Entire Length
Magnolia Avenue	Entire Length
Mauri Avenue	Entire Length
Nancy Drive	Entire Length
Neshaminy Road	Entire Length
Norwood Avenue	Entire Length
Overlook Avenue	Entire Length
Penn Street	Entire Length
Princess Avenue	Entire Length
Sheldon Avenue	Entire Length
Spencer Circle	Entire Length
Spencer Drive	Entire Length
Spring Avenue	Between Bristol Pike and Dixon Avenue
Stephen Avenue	Entire Length
Susan Avenue	Entire Length
Sycamore Avenue	Entire Length
Walnut Avenue	Entire Length
Woodland Avenue	Entire Length
Wynnewood Avenue	Entire Length

## **ROAD CLOSURE**

Cedar Avenue will be closed between Bristol Pike and Sycamore Avenue during the loading and unloading of passengers. The road closure permit is being handled by SEPTA. At this time the plan is to close Cedar Avenue between 6A.M. and Noon, and 6 P.M. to Midnight both days. If the loading and unloading is completed quicker the road will be opened sooner.

## **PARKING**

Parking is limited in the Croydon area of Bristol Township. Visitors will have to park where parking is legally allowed. In addition, weather permitting, parking will be authorized in the Croydon Park on Dolores Avenue. Officers will not direct or authorize parking on any private property, to include shopping centers, businesses, or apartment complexes. If there is any unauthorized parking in these areas officers will instruct the property owners of proper legal recourse.

## **NOTIFICATIONS**

Notification of the listed closures and restrictions will be posted on the townships webpage, television channel, Facebook page and Twitter. These notifications will include street locations as well as times and dates for the closures.

Also, the streets impacted by the closures and restrictions will have temporary signs placed in highly visible areas for residents and visitors to see. Signs can be placed in the area beginning on the morning of Friday Sept 25<sup>th</sup> by the Traffic Safety Unit.



## **BRISTOL TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE 191-3**

§ 191-3. Temporary and emergency regulations.

A. The Bristol Township Police Department shall have the following powers to regulate traffic and parking temporarily and in time of emergency:

(1) In the case of fire, flood, storm or other emergency, to establish temporary traffic and/or parking regulations.

(2) In the case of emergency public works or public events of limited scope or duration, to restrict or prohibit traffic and/or parking in limited areas for periods of not more than 72 hours.

B. These temporary and emergency regulations shall be enforced by the Bristol Township Police Department in the same manner as permanent regulations. Any person who drives or parks a vehicle in violation of any such regulation or who shall move, remove, destroy, injure or deface any sign or marking erected, posted or made to give notice of any such regulation shall, upon conviction thereof, be liable to the penalty set forth in the law or elsewhere in this chapter for a violation of such nature.