

Hunters Way
Welwyn Garden City
Herts, AL7 4NT

24/07/2024

Mr Geoff Sampson
Council Offices
The Campus
Welwyn Garden City
AL8 6AE

Dear Mr Geoff Sampson

Ref: Proposed parking restrictions in Hunters Way AL7 4NT

With reference to the proposed parking restrictions which I wish to express my dismay for the simple reason being,

There is no issue whatsoever with parking in my street and I question the reasoning for doing so other than for monetary gain on the council behalf.

If it isn't broke don't fix it.

I have lived in this street for over 20 years and there has never been as issue with parking. Furthermore, I have never heard a neighbour have an issue with parking here either.

My street is far enough away from the town centre or anywhere there could be a gathering and overspill of cars into side streets

I already pay extortionate amounts of money in Council Tax to the local authority and I do not need anymore charges to fix a problem that doesn't exist.

Therefore, I have the following questions regarding these parking proposals

1. Why are you deciding to carry out these restrictions without consultation with residents.
2. I have not been consulted on this matter
3. What support in Hunters Way do you have for enforcing these restrictions

I look forward to your response within 14 days

Yours Sincerely 

Appendix A

From:
To: [ParkingServices](#)
Subject: Parking restrictions proposal
Date: 24 July 2024 21:38:12

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OBJECTION

FROM HUNTERS WAY, AL7 4NR

Good evening

Please accept this (as I'm sure you will receive many from local residents) as our objection to the proposal.

I have looked online on the following site at your process for stages of this consultation/implementation..

<https://www.welhat.gov.uk/parking-consultations/consult-parking-changes>

Stage 1 - I can confirm that at no time did we receive any letter or survey regarding this. We have a neighbour group chat for Hunters Way and everyone has confirmed the same that this did not take place. From our point of view you have failed on this level.

Stage 2 - as above, we were not made aware of any feedback letter/post of results. I am aware of the outrage tonight from becoming aware of the proposal and I am sure you would of got more than a 28% reply if stage 1 would have been completed..

It appears we have jumped to stage 3 as we have seen a public notice attached to a lamppost.

With your website that has an apparent link for the online proposals... the link doesn't work. Is this an honest technical error or a means to hinder any objections?

We object to this apparent stealth tax on grounds for the following:

Parking issues are not prevalent at all locally nor are we aware of issues to warrant action being taken.

Many of the roads proposed are NOT main access roads to have large vehicle/ bus considerations. So again why is there any need to implement restrictions.

At a time of a clear money/living crisis with rising bills, what outcome other than more hardship do you expect this to cause.

Most people are considerate with their parking and there are no apparent issues with finding a parking space. Why are you trying to fix a problem that doesn't appear to exist. What thought has been given to people who rely on family/friends to visit for child care or other elderly/vulnerable care issues.

I look forward to further information and any reply. I must stress to you that this has caused outrage and upset to many who are just finding out.

Regards

I am writing to you to strongly object to the proposal to put yellow lines on Hunters Way and Two Acres in Hollybush North.

Imposing these unnecessary restriction will have a hugely negative affect on the above roads and surrounding roads.

-It will prevent people from parking in front of their own homes.

-it will add unwanted parking congestion that will clogg up the streets and spill out into the surrounding streets.

-it is a waste of public spending to put the lines in place and to pay for warden monitoring.

The proposal is an idiotic solution to a problem that doesn't exist. The existing parking on Hunters Way and Two Acres are fine and there's always sufficient parking.

The money that would be wasted on this inappropriate proposal could be used to support the community; by instead being put into youth activity schemes, libraries or other much more important public services and/or underfunded emergency services.

I am sure that the majority of my neighbors are in agreement on this issue and we are all willing to speak out further in opposition to this proposal if needed.

Resident of Hunters Way

Dear Geoff,

Following a review of council plans to introduce parking restrictions to Raymond's Close (AL7 4TH), I would like to object to the plans as a resident of Raymonds Close and I am aware that other neighbours have similar views.

It is my understanding that the concrete perimeter around the central island was put in place to facilitate parking two wheels off the road and so that any emergency vehicles could still pass and gain access where required. If the council were to introduce parking restrictions and double yellow lines to this area, it would significantly impact both residents and any guests to resident properties and potentially affect our house prices which have already suffered due to recent nationwide economic issues.

Currently, I am not aware of any residents having issues with the current situation and believe it would be a waste of council time and resources to change this.

Regards,

[Redacted Signature]

Appendix P

Dear Sir/Madam

Please accept my objection to the proposed parking restrictions on Raymonds Close. The proposal of double yellow lines around the concrete ribbon that surrounds the green is not viable due to lack of parking for residents and visitors already and that concrete ribbon was installed decades ago to enable parking 2 wheels off the road so that emergency vehicles, refuse trucks etc could still access all areas of the Close.

The concrete ribbon around the green is used by various residents of the Close and their visitors. Making such parking restrictions will just make parking in the close worse than it already is and parking along Raymonds Plain and Great ley worse.

Regards



To whom it may concern

I would like to make an objection to the proposed parking restriction in Raymonds Close:

Currently cars park on the inside of the close with two wheels on the inner pavement. This allows other road users to pass safely. The inner pavement is not a walkway and I believe was installed many years ago by the council specifically to alleviate parking and access issues.

As far as I understand the proposed restrictions, there will be double yellow lines around the inside of the Close which will force vehicles to park in the road on the outside of the Close which will not allow other vehicles to pass safely without driving over the inside pavement. The pavement on the outside is used by pedestrians and will have restricted access if vehicles are parked in the road as it is quite narrow and vehicles will most likely be damaged as people walk past.

Putting double yellow lines on the inside of the close will effectively cause parking issues which don't exist today. Having spoken to a number of neighbours it doesn't seem like anyone thinks there is a problem with the parking at the moment.

I have attached a photo of how cars typically park which leaves the full width of the road for other vehicles. If those cars were parking in the road on the opposite side more than half the road would be obstructed.

Please could you reconsider these restrictions as they do not seem applicable or necessary in this particular area. If anything I would argue the inner pavement could be wider to allow more space to pass.

Many Thanks



From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 05 August 2024 18:48

To: ParkingServices <parkingservices@welhat.gov.uk>

Subject: Parking proposals in Raymonds Close document HBN01-2024-01

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The parking proposals include double yellow lines round the inside of the Green on the Close. The concrete was put there not as a path, but because we don't have enough parking available. People were parking on the Green itself, leading to problems with mowing it, and churning it up. The Council put in the concrete so that there was off road parking.

This proposal reverses that decision. Most of us use the drive and front garden for parking, but there is still not enough room as there are typically two cars or more per property without any guests. The proposal will mean that vehicles will have to park in Raymonds Plain, and that is currently congested enough with parked cars so that it's a chicane driving along it.

I do agree with the double yellow lines at junctions. I am not sure whether this means double yellow lines in Raymonds Plain opposite the opening of Raymonds Close but it should do as vans parked there make it difficult to turn out of and into Raymonds Close. The entrance/ exit to Raymonds Close is not full width for 2 cars to pass.

Regards

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 06 August 2024 07:42

To: ParkingServices <parkingservices@welhat.gov.uk>

Subject: Objection to new parking restrictions

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Hi

I am a resident at Raymonds Close, AL74TH, and would like to object to the new proposed restrictions (double yellow line around the close).

Whilst there are clear parking issues on the close (which can be pinpointed to a single household parking several commercial and untaxed vehicles- reported to the council over and over), it is unfair that the entire close be penalised.

A concrete ribbon was built decades ago for vehicles to park off the road, and a fairer proposal could be to put in place resident parking permit.

I trust you will consider this email

Many thanks

[REDACTED]

Appendix A

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, July 26, 2024 2:04 PM
To: ParkingServices <parkingservices@welhat.gov.uk>
Subject: [Potential SPAM. Use Caution] Objection to parking restrictions - Hollybush area - order 202X

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Dear Mr Sampson,

Following the document made public about the planned parking restrictions for the Hollybush area, I am writing to share my concerns and object to the plan.

I live on Four Acres [REDACTED], a cul-de-sac which has plans to have double yellow lines on both sides of the street. Although I agree that parking on grass verges is not appropriate and shouldn't happen, you will notice that one side of the street has concrete verges, alongside grass and then a concrete path for pedestrians (see car parked in the photo attached). This would allow cars to park half on the road, half on the concrete verges, which wouldn't damage the grass and wouldn't be in the way of the walking paths. It doesn't affect the road either, as it is wide enough to accommodate parked cars and traffic. There are also 2 spaces at the end of our street, covered in gravel which are currently used as parking spaces; would these also disappear?

There are 11 houses at the end of the cul-de-sac (some of which have been converted into flats) with only 10 parking spaces (including a disabled space).

Seeing as most households own 2 cars, parking will become a serious issue if we are not allowed to park anywhere else on our street. Some people would have no other choice than to park on Hunter's Lane when we live on the other end of the street, which would be ridiculous, and would only move the parking problem, not solve it. It is unacceptable to think that I potentially couldn't park anywhere near my house, a house my partner and I have worked hard to buy.

This plan will affect families with young children and I would think that the chances of selling properties which don't have a drive will be affected.

There is absolutely no good reason for not making adjustments that would provide some more parking spaces on the right handside of the street, as I mentioned above.

I hope this email will make you reconsider putting double lines on both sides of Four Acres.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 05 August 2024 18:24

To: ParkingServices <parkingservices@welhat.gov.uk>

Subject: [Potential SPAM. Use Cautions] Order 202x

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fao Geoff Sampson, I am contacting you to inform you of my objection to proposed parking changes in Raymonds Close. There have not been parking issues in this area and I see no requirement for change. I need to visit my elderly mother frequently (who has health issues) and order 202X would hinder my ability to do so. I do accept the need for double yellow lines at the entrance to the close on safety grounds to prevent vehicles obstructing drivers views at the junction, but other than this parking in the close should remain unchanged. Please update me regarding this matter. Yours sincerely [REDACTED]

Hello Andy,

As you requested during our conversation on the telephone I am writing to you regarding the no parking/waiting at any time in Raymond's close.

The proposed road markings for the no parking in the close appear to be completely around the green in the centre of the close.

As depicted on the council plan.

This green has a concrete ribbon that has been installed around the full circumference of the green to allow vehicles to park with their wheels on the concrete ribbon.

The reason for the installation of the concrete ribbon was to allow vehicles to park in the close without blocking access of emergency vehicles and without causing damage to the grassed area.

We have had lots of parking issues in the close over the years and we still do due to various family members of one of the council residences running a commercial waste removal businesses and car and van sales businesses from a council property in the close.

Because of this anti-social behaviour the parking was looked at in the close and the matter of the concrete ribbon was investigated by the council following an attempt by a PCSO to wrongfully have a legally parked car removed from the concrete ribbon.

They found that the concrete ribbon was not classed as a footpath because it did not lead to anywhere and it had been installed purely for parking purposes. I believe that the foot paths department did not have responsibility for it.

There are properties in the close that have limited or no parking. Some of these properties rely on daily visits from healthcare professionals.

Please could you confirm in writing to me that this oversight will be rectified and that there will be no parking restrictions implemented in inside Raymond's close around the green.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Best regards

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

Date: 5 August 2024 at 14:06:05 BST

To: parkingservices@wellhat.gov.uk

Subject: Double yellow lines

Good afternoon,

Thank you for the letter to my nans house on Raymond's Close in relation to the double yellow lines.

I would like to put forward my objection for this! My nan and grandad are very elderly and they do not have a drive way meaning the only means of parking is outside there house.

My nan has recently been severely poorly and can not walk long distances meaning we have to park outside her house to get her to appointments and clinicians. By not being able to do so means she will not be able to attend these appointments for her own medical needs.

Also she has regular carers coming to the local and has also had regular medical needs attention from an ambulance.

By putting these double yellow lines means she will not get her medical needs dealt with in an accordingly manner meaning my Nan may pass away by this.

You have a duty of care for the elderly in particular the vulnerable.

This has never been a problem in the passed so I am unsure as to why it is now.

Going forward would mean the local council would need to re arrange my nan and grandads front garden as this is a council property allowing her to have a drive way for visitors and medical attention needs to be met. This would cost a vast amount as you will need to sort out a dropped kerb also and the removal of hedges and the items within the property garden.

Please accept this as a decline for the proposal of double yellow lines.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

Appendix A



24th July 2024

Dear Mr Sampson

I am compelled to formally object to the parking proposals for the Hollybush North area of Welwyn Garden City. In particular potential parking restrictions in Hunters Way and surrounding roads.

If I have understood correctly there maybe no parking permitted at all in Hunters Way which would pose a huge issue for my family and I. We live at [REDACTED] Hunters Way and unfortunately do not have a driveway so where would we park our cars? My husband and I rely on our cars for the purposes of work and getting our children to and from school along with shopping, appointments etc. If we cannot stop outside of our house how will we unload passengers and shopping? We will not even be able to park in nearby roads as they may also be restricted. It is not an option for us to use public transport and our children cannot walk to school. It does not look as though permit parking is proposed for Hunters Way but if it were the fees would not be practical due to the cost.

A driveway would solve some of the issues however we have previously applied for a driveway on two occasion on the first occasion it was granted but we were unable to afford it at the time. On the second occasion last year when we thought we would be able to proceed we were informed we must pay not just for a very expensive dropped kerb approx. £2500 (as it crosses a longer verge area) but also more than £1200 to lift a covenant on our deed which we were unaware of and which was not even mentioned the first time round or initially when we first contacted the council the second time. All of which makes a drive unaffordable at nearly £4000 before we have even broken the ground or purchased materials. I believe others including council properties did not incur this additional excessive and unfair fee.

We are being squeezed at every turn financially, services are disgracefully deteriorated including street maintenance, doctor availability, police presence, school places and now we may not even be able to park outside of our own home!

I feel totally and utterly penalised, we have tried to do the right thing and get our cars off the road but have not been able to afford the ridiculous additional cost. I find this proposal very frustrating and worrying basically the council are saying I cannot have a car, how is this acceptable?

Yours sincerely

Afternoon Mr G Sampson.

As a resident of the close - [REDACTED]
I strongly object to the parking proposal

The council have only provided one parking space for the house, the house is a 3 bed house and in the modern day has more than one car.

In 1948 when the close was formed the inside pathway was put there and designed for cars to bank up in the event the emergency services get through. What's changed?

Further more if this takes place what are the proposals for the hard stand to be made at the property for multiple cars to facilitate my grandmother - a resident here of over 60 years and the rest of family of the house not to mention visitors.

This proposal cannot take place and would cause a large and sufficient upheaval to our everyday living.

I will look forward to your response before any further action is taken.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]
Resident

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For the attention of Geoff Sampson,

Good afternoon I am writing this email as a resident of four acres [redacted] in regards to the letter I received along with other residents with the intention of putting double yellow lines all the way along both sides of four acres , I think this is very unreasonable and unrealistic as there are only a number of houses with driveways and the other houses that don't only have the option to park outside in the parking bays at the end of the road, and the bays are not enough for each household and cars per household, hence why residents were having to park on verges and pathways because there is already insufficient spaces as it stands.

[redacted] I dont think it is reasonable or acceptable to have to possibly park streets away from my property , with children and shopping in tow. I think I pay enough car tax to park on a public road as it is , and also it will affect my car insurance premium as my car is insured as parked outside my property.

I really can't see this working and I don't think it has been thought through or planned at all. Have you yourself or any other member of staff in youre department been down the street and asked residents for there input? or done the calculations to the cars in households to car spaces available ratio.

I have a suggestion, that possibly at the sides of the roads entering Four acres instead of double yellow lines to narrow the paths and put more bays like you've done in welwyn Town . I for one am not at all in support of this plan, as I'm quite sure I'm not alone in thinking this.

I look forward to a response from you .

Kind regards

[redacted]

Dear Mr. Geoff Sampson,

I hope my email finds you well.

I hereby object to the following proposed orders:

THE BOROUGH OF WELWYN HATFIELD (VARIOUS ROADS, HOLLYBUSH, WELWYN GARDEN CITY) (RESTRICTION OF WAITING AND PERMIT PARKING ZONES) ORDER 202X

THE BOROUGH OF WELWYN HATFIELD (VARIOUS ROADS, HOLLYBUSH, WELWYN GARDEN CITY) (PROHIBITION OF STOPPING AND WAITING ON VERGE OR FOOTWAY) ORDER 202X

for the following reasons: there is a concrete ribbon in Raymonds Close which as far as I know was installed by the Council decades ago in order to facilitate parking two wheels off the road so that emergency vehicles still could access all areas of the close. We do not consider therefore that any parking restriction is needed in Raymonds Close.

Thanks for taking this into consideration.

With best regards,

[Redacted Signature]

Appendix A

Dear Councillors,

I am writing this email with regards to the parking proposal for Hollybush North, in particular: Four Acres.

From my understanding, the intention seems to be to install double yellow lines down the entirety of Four Acres except the cul de sac car park at the end of the road.

I implore you to reconsider this decision in consideration of us; the residents and homeowners of Four Acres.

The car park at the end of the road is complete inadequate for the needs of our street and thus we rely on the ability to park on the sides of the road to ensure that we have somewhere safe, secure & nearby to park our vehicles.

The installation of double yellow lines would hinder the majority of residents, in particular those households with mobility issues and young children as they would then be forced to park a significant distance from their house to avoid a parking ticket.

Not only this, a consideration must be also given to visitors, we the residents and homeowners have families and friends that we would like to host, some people may need carers etc. that would also now be inconvenienced by this proposal. Whilst I understand this isn't at the forefront of issues, it should be given some consideration as at the end of the day this is where we live, these are our homes where we work, relax, host parties, raise children etc.

To close out this letter I'd like to simply reiterate one of my opening statements which is that I implore you to reconsider this proposal out of consideration for the residents and homeowners of Four Acres.

Thank you for taking the time to read this email.

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Dear Geoff Sampson,

We object to the proposals, as detailed on the Welwyn Hatfield website for the following reasons:

- The Car Park for Burrowfields Southfields was sold off, we believe by the council, and it is now used by a car washing company, which obviously encourages numerous cars to the area, which are necessary to make their business viable. This car park was not replaced, contributing to the local parking issues.
- We are a Steel Fabricators and have company vehicles which we need to run our business, we will have tremendous issues trying to park them, as one is a DAF truck. All these vehicles are required and we need to be able to park them near to work, when not out on site, due to the nature of our business.
- We must be able to accept deliveries from our steel suppliers. This involves lift equipment and fork lift trucks, therefore we require our forecourt to be as clear as possible and not have numerous trucks/cars parked on it. Which will require clearing every time a delivery or a collection happens, this will have an impact of our productivity.
- Where will our employees park? We use the area where you propose to implement resident permit holders. How do they now get to work, if their own transport is potentially no longer an option? We work from 7am to 4pm, which means we are usually gone by the time locals arrive home from work. Not allowing us to park during working time, in the surrounding areas will cause difficulties in getting to work and potentially extra costs.
- Most of the companies in Southfields are vehicle repairs, which means numerous cars are parked on the verge and pathways. If the verge and footpath proposals are implemented we will all be fighting for the few spaces which will be left. We already are doing this under the current circumstances.

This will have a huge impact on our business for the above reasons. If for whatever reason it is implemented please can you provide enough local parking for us to still work efficiently then that would be appreciated.



To whom it may concern,

I am writing to object to the double yellow lines and parking restrictions on Hunters Way and Two acres.

I see absolutely no reason why any kind of parking restrictions on Hunters Way or the local vicinity would in any way benefit local residents. It will only serve to massively inconvenience us by preventing us from parking freely outside our properties which we have been doing so without any issues.

The only reason I can see for this proposal is as another form of tax, which on top of the current cost of living crisis will only result in further financial strain to residents.

Kind regards,



Appendix P

Hi Mr Sampson,

This is a formal objection to the proposed double yellow lines around the concrete ribbon that surround the green area in Raymonds Close.

As this will mean no stopping or waiting in the Close whatsoever I will find this detrimental to my mental well being.

I am a pensioner living on my own and rely heavily on my daughters, son and grandchildren to visit me, as my driveway only accommodates two cars, one of which is taken up by mine, more often than not either one or two visitors cars will have to be parked outside the Close and as the same restrictions are being placed all round the area my visitors, who travel a distance will not be able to park, therefore this could lead to them not visiting so frequently which will lead to the detriment of my mental well being due to loneliness.

The concrete ribbon that surrounds the green area in Raymonds Close was put there to accommodate parking round the green, allowing two wheels to be on the ribbon and two wheels on the road, this giving sufficient room for a moving car to get round the green area.

The reasoning for double yellow lines is 'to prevent obstruction and dangerous parking, assist in the general flow of traffic and to enable drivers clear vision when turning into a road', non of this applies to Raymonds Close.

Can you please let me know the reasoning behind the double yellow lines to Raymonds Close, if it was for revenue reasons, i.e. parking permits I could see the logic behind the decision, but this only serves to cause inconvenience and stress to the residence.

On another note how will these double yellow lines be policed?

To sum up I would like my objections logged and my questions answered.

Yours sincerely,



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Dear Mr Sampson,

I am writing to you to communicate my objection to the parking restrictions planned as part of order 202X.

I live in Four Acres and the reason people park on the street is there isn't enough parking capacity for everyone in the cul-de-sac section (the only section that will be permitted post proposed restrictions). The new parking restrictions will mean every day three or four drivers will have to look outside of Four Acres for parking. With the same parking restrictions planned for Two Acres these drivers will likely find Hunters Way has no more available space and have to look further afield. This will certainly be an inconvenience but there are some wider ramifications I want to draw your attention to:

- People with mobility issues will now have a long way to walk to get to their house.
- Difficulty for young families - imagine having to walk a mile with shopping and two young kids in tow.
- Safety when having to walk late at night to get to your house - particularly applicable to the most vulnerable in society.
- Disproportionate adverse affect on poorer households in the neighborhood - of course those with big houses and driveways won't mind about the new on street parking restrictions.
- Increased social tensions in the neighborhood regarding parking - of which there's been instances of already.

For these reasons I urge you to reconsider the move to add double yellow lines on Four Acres. As this will truly be a case where the remedy is worse than the disease.

Best Regards,

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

I don't live in WGC but I work for a family who live in the Raymonds Plain area and I visit them 3 /4 times a week. I also have friends who live here and often visit them over weekends. Most don't have a drive so I'm parked on their road. I have never had a problem parking and roads are safe to do so . They don't live near a train station or a shopping centre so only people parking there are residents and their visitors. So where is the need for restrictions and parking permits ? This will mean an added expense for them just to have visitors which is going to put me off and other people from coming to town. The old and the vulnerable could lose much needed contact with the "outside " and could struggle with the procedures to order and obtain visitors permits which could be too much for some people to deal with.

So I am writing to oppose this scheme to introduce parking permits to large parts of WGC ! This scheme will offer no benefits to residents and visitors to the town. it doesn't ease parking or congestion. Many people do not own a house with a drive or allocated parking and as most houses have grown up children who cannot afford to move out as cost of housing in the area is out of most young adult's reach will also have cars at the same address so increasing the amount paid per house hold ! they will still be parking in these residential roads as they have no choice which means that families are being put under more financial pressure with added expenses just to park down their own road. it seems this will only serve as a fundraiser for the council without addressing any real issues.

You're discriminating against people with disabilities, low-income families , young adults , pensioners while putting off visitors to the town that are bringing in valuable revenue to local businesses .



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I am writing to object to the plans to add permit parking in Chequers and the surrounding areas. I feel these plans are completely unfair to those that live in the areas mentioned. I have never had any issues with parking where I live on Chequers so this proposal is completely unwarranted. I find it preposterous that these plans would mean I would have to pay for parking and for visitors to park outside my house. I am already unhappy with the way the road is laid out as it doesn't reach to my property so will never allow for me to add a driveway. I feel it is completely unacceptable and unfair to install permit parking when it is already a struggle with finances. I would also like to ask for an extension of this decision as I have only seen the small sign today. I would like more time as I have only seen 1 small sign along the road which means other residents would not have seen this either.

Regards,



Appendix

I am writing to strongly object to the Parking Restrictions Proposed for Hunters Way and Two Acres.

I have lived [REDACTED] and have never experienced any problems with parking.

The restrictions will have a negative effect for our street and cause a lot of problems for finding somewhere to park for my family and all the residents in the area. Surely extra parking spaces should be found to accommodate the needs of the area rather than introduce unnecessary problems for the local residents.

The whole area Surrounding my house will be covered in Double yellow lines and this concerns me greatly and I strongly disagree with the proposal.

Yours Sincerely

[REDACTED]

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I am writing to you to strongly object to the proposal to put yellow lines on Hunters Way and Two Acres in Hollybush North.

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-It will prevent people from parking in front of their own homes.

-it will add unwanted parking congestion that will clog up the streets and spill out into the surrounding streets.

-it is a waste of public spending to put the lines in place and to pay for warden monitoring.

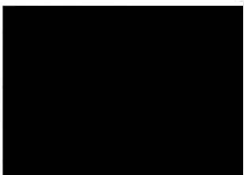
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The money that would be wasted on this inappropriate proposal could be used to support the community; by instead being put into youth activity schemes, libraries or other much more important public services and/or underfunded emergency services.

I am sure that the majority of my neighbors are in agreement on this issue and we are all willing to speak out further in opposition to this proposal if needed.

Please keep me posted.

Sincerely,



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16th August, 2024

Geoff Sampson
Council Offices, The Campus
Welwyn Garden City, AL8 6AE

Dear Sir

Re: Objection to Proposed Changes to Parking in Four Acres, Welwyn Garden City, AL7 4NW

We are writing to formally object to the proposed changes to the parking arrangements in Four Acres, Welwyn Garden City, as outlined in the recent notice from the council. As frequent visitors to this street, we are deeply concerned about the negative impact these changes will have on the residents and those with social and caring responsibilities for residents.

Four Acres is a residential area where parking is only used by residents and their visitors. The proposed changes will significantly reduce the availability of parking spaces, making it extremely difficult for people to go about their daily lives. Many residents and their visitors, including ourselves, rely on these parking spaces for our vehicles. The reduction in parking availability will lead to increased inconvenience along with the associated stress and flared tempers. There will also be safety concerns as people struggle to find suitable parking in the cul-de-sac requiring them to reverse back up the street when they fail to find a parking spot.

Furthermore, the proposed changes will result in increased congestion in the local area as residents and visitors search for alternative parking spaces. This will not only disrupt traffic flow but also pose safety risks, particularly for children and elderly residents who may be crossing the street.

The current parking arrangements have been in place for many years and have worked well for the Four Acres community. The proposed changes do not take into account the specific needs and circumstances of residents and visitors. We urge the council to reconsider these changes and engage with the community to find a more suitable solution that addresses the concerns of all concerned.

In conclusion, we strongly oppose the proposed changes to the parking arrangements in Four Acres. We urge the council to reconsider this proposal and work with the stakeholders to develop a fairer plan that better meets their needs.

Thank you for allowing us to air our objections.

Yours faithfully,



Dear Geoff and Andy,

Hope you are well!

Apologies on the delay on this but we had been away.

We are writing formally in regards to Four Acres Parking situation and are objecting to losing up to 8 parking spaces along the road.

As proposed, it would be great to have yellow lines along the corners and on one side of the road but also keep up to 8 spaces due to a lack of space at the top of the road for all resident vehicles.

I have attached a map with markings in blue for where to keep parking and yellow lines as per your proposal.

Many thanks from numbers [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

Look forward to hearing from you.

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Best Regards, [REDACTED]

Appendix A

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 05 August 2024 14:12

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We have been informed that there will be yellow lines on the green area of the road this was a residential parking area for the cul-de-sac so where do residents park or visitors park careers come 4 times a day every day for myself at number [REDACTED] also doctors disabled people with blue badges where do they park I'm elderly and have family also coming round most days to help me out so I strongly object to this decision and plan thank you Sent from my iPhone

From:
To: [ParkingServices; Member Case Work](#)
Subject: Fwd: New parking restrictions for Great Ley
Date: 09 August 2024 13:52:24

Good afternoon

Please can you look into the concerns raised in the email re: parking restrictions.

Please can you respond to both myself and the resident in Great Ley.

Kind regards

Margaret

Councillor Margaret Birleson Hollybush Ward

Sent from [Outlook for iOS](#)

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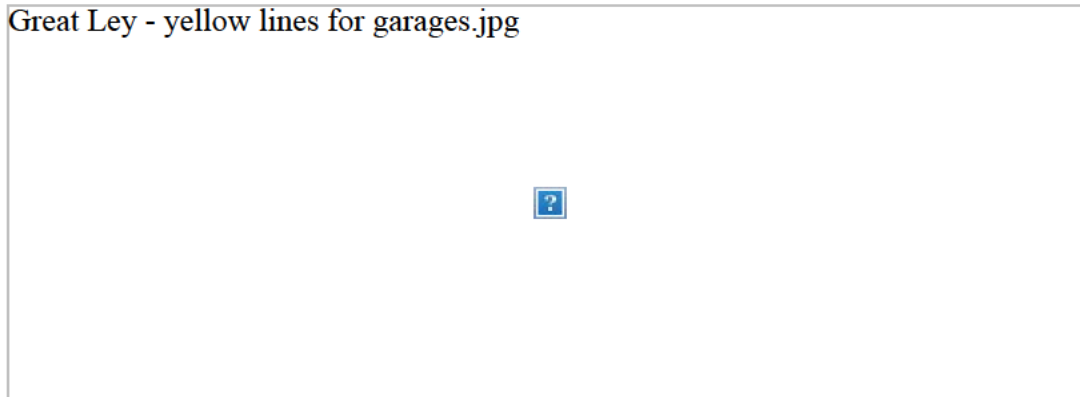
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Dear Mrs Birleson,

I am writing to you as our local councillor about my concerns regarding the new parking restrictions in Hollybush ward, in particular near the garages to the north of Great Ley.

The proposed new "no waiting at any time" (double yellow lines) around the garages will have a significant detriment to safety in the area, contrary to the aim of the scheme. Currently parking stays to one side of the road, which maintains clear lines of vision for pedestrians and traffic from Raymonds Plain, but the new restrictions are going to change this. There is no need for the restrictions near the garages as there is very little traffic using them, in addition these are not adopted roads or proper junctions and are just dropped kerbs so it is totally inappropriate (see below with proposed yellow lines marked on).

Great Ley - yellow lines for garages.jpg



The changes will prevent current parking for around 6-8 spaces in front of residential properties on Great Ley, forcing parking on to the opposite side of the road, turning the area into a chicane for cars having to weave in and out of parked cars, making our roads less safe for residents and families in particular children walking to and from schools.

We support suitable and safety-conscious parking schemes developed by Welwyn & Hatfield Council in collaboration with the public, but as has been identified in other parts of Welwyn Garden City, the council is not taking on board comments from the community. I made these comments during the initial consultation, I made them again to the council when the notices appeared on lamp posts and when letters were finally posted to residents. I have tried to raise this with Andy Clarke at the council but after a dismissive email, I have had no further correspondence and my request for someone to engage with us has had no response.

We would urge you to look into this and if you can get the proposed design re-examined as a matter of urgency as these yellow lines are not necessary and do the opposite of what is intended.

Thank you for looking into this for us.

regards,

Great Ley

Appendix A



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