



16 February 2024

## Parking Consultation Update

Dear Resident,

We carried out a parking consultation survey in July 2023, by the end of the survey stage, 616 out of 1882 (32.73%) properties responded, which met our criteria to move to next stage of consultation.

At this stage, no decision has been agreed on parking restrictions, the below suggestions are based upon the data provided in the survey which highlighted where residents expressed a prominent level of concern over parking issues. We do require your feedback at this stage either positive or negative.

After reviewing all the responses, the below ideas are set out for residents to now consider,

### **Area A- 36% response overall**

#### Resident Permit Zones

To maintain uniformity with other existing permit zones and enable more parking options within the area, we suggest the following:

Extension of existing permit zone B21 Mon-Fri 9am-5pm. The percentages is the number of responses who were in favour of resident parking permits.

Oxlease Drive: (57%)

The Pastures: (77%)

Extension of existing permit zone B30 Mon-Fri 9am-5pm  
Travellers Lane (Between Woods Ave/Oxlease Roundabout & Drakes Way)

51% of those responded in favour for a resident parking permit zone.

Verge and Footway Prohibition Order (VFPO) & Double Yellow Lines  
The below roads were not in favour of permit restrictions; however, we will consider the roads for double yellow lines on junctions and VFPO along with Oxlease Drive and The Pastures by default.

Bullrush Close

Foxglove Close

Honeysuckle Gardens

Primrose Close

Badger Way

Coney Close

Deerswood Avenue

Hare Lane

Lamb Close

Otter Gardens

Woods Avenue – Between Oxlease Roundabout & Oaklands Wood  
(Double Yellow Lines also near traffic islands to improve access)

### **Area B- 28% response overall**

Most residents were not in favour of parking permits, so none will be proposed. We will however consider the roads for double yellow lines on junctions and VFPO along with Cooks Way and Drakes Way by default as the roads meet criteria in terms of width and ownership.

Millwards

Richmond Court

St Audreys Close

Stanley Drive

Single Yellow Lines

Based upon survey data where majority of responses asked for it, we suggest single yellow lines in Cooks Way and Drakes Way Mon-Fri 9am-5pm. Single yellow lines will mean that no driver including residents could park on a yellow line during those hours, and permits cannot be purchased to park upon them.

### **Area C- 31% response overall**

Resident Permit Zone

To maintain uniformity with other existing permit zones and enable more parking options within the area, we suggest the following:

Extension of existing permit zone B29 Mon-Fri 9am-5pm. The percentages is the number of responses who were in favour of resident parking permits.

Cherry Way: (64%)

Hollyfield: (80%)

Old Leys: (100%)

Summerfield: (63%)

Ash Drive and Garden Avenue had a low response however, 86% of those responded in favour for a resident parking permit zone. This would also take into account likely displacement from adjacent roads. Residents in properties with a Travellers Lane address abutting Northdown and Southdown Roads would in this idea also be added to an eligible address list to park within the Zone.

Verge and Footway Prohibition Order (VFPO) & Double Yellow Lines  
The below roads were not in favour of permit restrictions; however, we will consider the roads for double yellow lines on junctions and VFPO along with all the above-mentioned roads by default.

Brickfield

Downsfield

Far End

Sandifield

Strawberry Field

## **Area D- 34% response overall**

Resident Permit Zone

To maintain uniformity with other existing permit zones and enable more parking options within the area, we suggest the following:

Extension of existing permit zone B28 Mon-Fri 9am-5pm. We will also consider the roads for double yellow lines on junctions and VFPO by default. The percentages is the number of responses who were in favour of resident parking permits.

Bishops Rise between The Wades & South Way: (75%)

Bradshaws: (50%)

Cloverland: (50%)

Coppice Close: (100%)

Furzen Crescent: (63%)

Redhall Close: not in favour however, our suggestion is to include based upon likely displacement from adjacent roads.

Redhall Drive: (72%)

Shallcross Crescent: (100%)

## **Area E- 39% response overall**

Bullens Green Lane:

Most residents were not in favour of parking permits, so none will be proposed. We will however consider the road for double yellow lines on junctions and VFPO in readiness of any potential housing development nearby.

## **Double Yellow Lines**

A standard approach is now adopted for junctions by looking to install 10 metres of double yellow lines to improve road safety by aiding visibility in exit and entry. We would look to propose replacement of any existing single yellow lines at junctions with double yellow lines. Council garage forecourts will also be considered in double yellow line measures to underpin garage tenancy requirements that rental of the garage does not permit parking in front of a garage, as well as an aim to improve access to garages.

## **How to submit feedback**

A feedback form and further details is available online at: [www.welhat.gov.uk/parking-consultations](http://www.welhat.gov.uk/parking-consultations) and click on "Hatfield South & East"

The feedback closing date is Sunday 17th March 2024

You can also submit your comments on the initial ideas in writing to Parking Services (Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council, The Campus, Welwyn Garden City, Herts, AL8 6AE).

## **Next steps**

We will consider suggestions and make any amendments to the above ideas if it is asked for in a significant quantity. This will be done after the local elections in May 2024. We would then look to formally advertise any ideas still agreeable to most residents via a Traffic Regulation Order public notice in Welwyn Hatfield Times and on lampposts. We will send a further letter if we reach that stage to notify you of this step and the opening of the 21-day formal objection stage.

Further updates will also be available on our website.

Regards,

Patrick Bepura  
Parking Services  
Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council