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# 1. Summary

#### **South - Belmont Avenue and Belmont Court**

Permit parking (Zone J) with 1 hour limited waiting and no waiting at any time restrictions were proposed in Belmont Avenue and Belmont Court, along with the formalisation of the existing school-keep-clear marking

#### **South - Court Crescent and Hinton Road**

No waiting at any time restrictions were proposed in Court Crescent and Hinton Road.

#### **South - Hinton Crescent**

Permit parking (Zone J) with 1 hour limited waiting and no waiting at any time restrictions were proposed in Hinton Crescent.

#### **North - St Martin's Street and Wye Street**

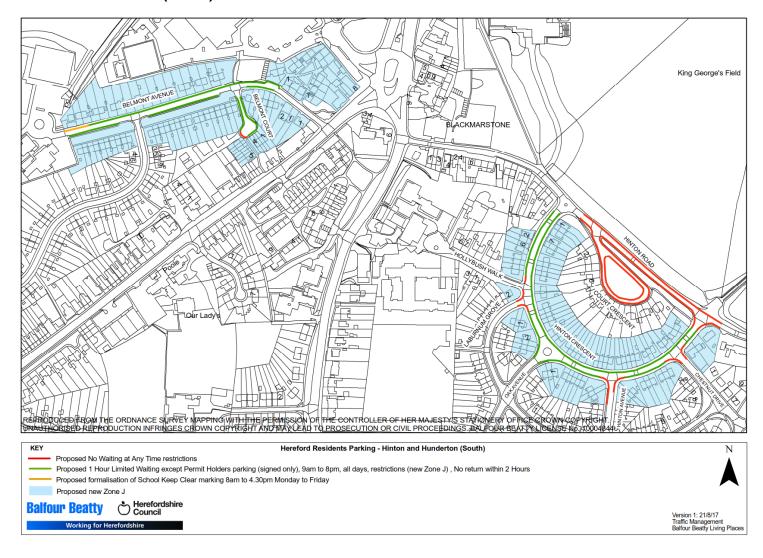
A change in the hours of operation (to 8am – 8pm on all days) for the permit parking restrictions in St Martin's Street and Wye Street was proposed along with an extension of a parking bay on the east side of St Martin's Street.

#### Recommendations (from main report page 2)

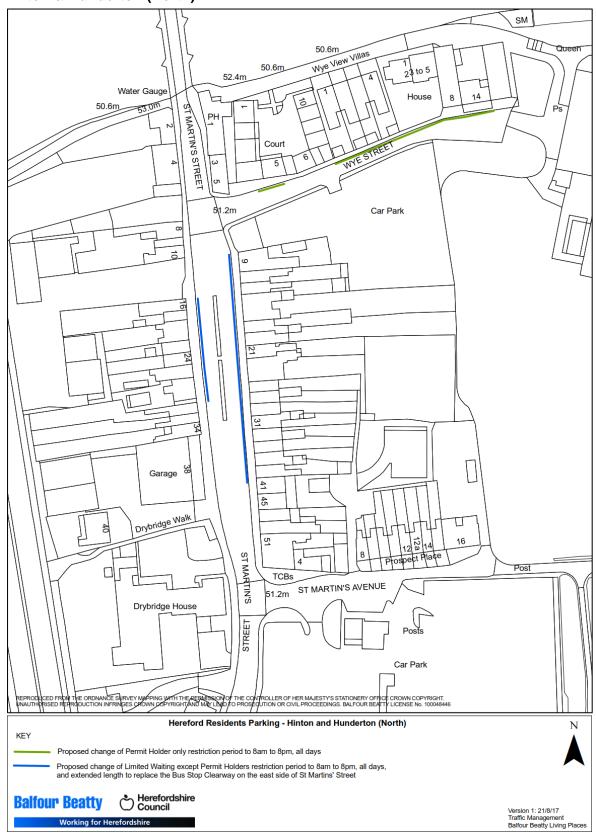
- (h) the restriction period changes and restriction changes for Zone 8 (St Martin's Street and Wye Street) as advertised (see Appendix 6) is approved, and;
- (i) the withdrawal of the permit parking and no waiting at any time restriction proposals for Belmont Avenue and Belmont Court (see Appendix 6) are approved, and;
- (j) the no waiting at any time restrictions in Hinton Crescent and adjoining roads, as advertised, are approved. Otherwise the withdrawal of proposed permit parking restrictions for Hinton Crescent (see Appendix 6) is approved, and;
- (k) the no waiting at any time restrictions on Hinton Road and its junction with Court Crescent and the northern (park) side of Court Crescent (as advertised) with a revised no waiting restriction across most of the frontages on the south side (excluding the accesses see Appendix 6) are approved.

# 2. Original Proposals - TRO Plans

# **Hinton & Hunderton (South)**



### **Hinton & Hunderton (North)**



# 3. Representations

#### 3.1 Summary of representations received and response

#### South - Belmont Avenue and Belmont Court

#### Summary of issues

6 responses were received in connection with these proposals. The main points raised by the respondents are summarised below.

The charge for permits is too high and many residents cannot afford the extra expense and parking will just be displaced into nearby roads. Most problems in Belmont Avenue are connected with school traffic. Vehicle often block the road by double parking and park on the pavement.

No waiting at any time restrictions are needed on the north side to deter obstructive parking, both in terms of access for emergency vehicles on the road and wheelchairs/buggies on the footway.

#### Response

The difficulty with the current parking issues being experienced by residents of Belmont Avenue is that they are primarily related the school run. This problem occurs around many schools in the city. With vehicles parked for comparatively very short durations it is very difficult for Parking Services to enforce and as a consequence there can be a low level of compliance.

Whilst the difficulties this causes residents is appreciated, it is not clear that a permit parking scheme (with or without no waiting at any time) restrictions will be effective. The cost of permits would only add to residents' frustrations if there was no significant improvement.

On this basis it is recommended that the current proposals are withdrawn.

#### South - Court Crescent and Hinton Road

#### Summary of issues

13 responses were received in connection with these proposals. The main points raised by the respondents are summarised below:

It is unfair and unjust that the residents are not able to park outside their homes. The proposals are excessive and make no accommodation for visitors or service vehicles. The proposals were not discussed with residents by the Council. The residents requested and understood that permit parking restrictions would proposed.

#### Response

Given the issues raised by residents the proposals for Court Crescent were reviewed. The reason why permit parking restrictions were not considered appropriate was the narrow width of the road and existing damage from vehicle overrun on the central grass area. As an alternative the proposals outside properties within the crescent were revised with a no waiting restriction 10am to 6pm, with unrestricted lengths across accesses with dropped kerbs. This would encourage off-road parking whilst allowing a limited facility for parking (with the permission of the frontage holder).

Residents and other respondents to the public consultations were advised of the modified proposals and invited to make representations. There were no objections received to the supplementary consultation on these modified proposals.

On this basis it is recommended that the modified proposals are introduced, as shown below.

#### **South - Hinton Crescent**

#### Summary of issues

A petition with 22 signatures from 22 households opposed to the scheme was received. 10 additional responses were received in connection with these proposals. The main points raised by the respondents are summarised below.

The no waiting at any time restrictions will prevent residents from parking outside their own homes and will displace parking into nearby roads. The vehicles parking in the area do not cause any disruption or obstruction. The charge for permits is too high and many residents cannot afford the extra expense. The initial survey showing 17 returns from 102 households in favour is not representative. A survey undertaken by a resident showed that of 28 households, 22 were opposed and only 9 received the initial informal survey.

#### Response

It is accepted that there was an issue with the distribution of the informal survey and therefore it cannot be considered to be fully representative. Whilst there appears to be support for permit parking in the north-western end of the crescent, there is no evidence of convincing community support for permit parking restrictions from residents overall. Introducing permit parking restrictions over a reduced short length would only displace parking along Hinton Crescent and therefore be ineffective. There is no support for a viable scheme.

Although there are some concerns over the no waiting at any time restrictions these would help to maintain clearer visibility and turning room at junctions, together with and access for buses from Hinton Avenue.

On this basis it is recommended that the permit parking restrictions proposals are withdrawn and the no waiting at any time restrictions around the junctions with Hinton Crescent are implemented as advertised.

#### **North - St Martins Street and Wye Street**

#### Summary of issues

2 responses were received in connection with these proposals. The main points raised by the respondents are summarised below.

No evidence of parking issues outside the current hours of operation.

The proposals do not go far enough, parking on both sides of the road should be extended. The hours of the loading bays also need adjusting

#### Response

The request for the extended restriction period was made by residents through their Ward members; they remain of the view that it is still required.

Any further extension of the permit parking restrictions and review of the loading restrictions are outside the scope of this consultation.

On this basis it is recommended that the proposed extended restriction and restriction period for St Martin's Street and Wye Street are implemented as advertised.

#### 3.2 Full representations

#### 3.2.1 South - Belmont Avenue & Belmont Court

#### Response 15

As a resident of Belmont ave, i would like to see double yellow lines on the rhs of the ave for safety purposes. If permits are in use i hope that they are properly policed and parking half-way on the pavement is stopped completely.

### Response 17

I as a resident of Belmont avenue would like to say how much I am against you new tax on car drivers If we had something in return for this £30 tax a year better than everyone else in Hereford then I would be in agreement but it is just a way to make money out of people that in the current climate can III afford Also it will mean that people coming to see myself and meany others in the street will park on Belmont road which dose not come under your tax and cause even more problems Now that the work on the woman's refuge is complete the parking in the area is 10 x better I for one shall not be buying into your tax and shall park elsewhere I am sure causing problems for other residents but If you send me your address I shall park outside yours I'm sure there is no tax to park there

#### Response 36

We welcome your new parking measures. It's a nightmare trying to get out of Belmont Court. It should have been a red line outside the new Women's hostel!

I live in the flats off the turning area in Belmont Court, number [REDACTED]. Do I need a permit as the area is not highlighted as Zone J?

#### Response 55

I would like to make it known that I strongly object to the proposed new residents parking schemes in Hinton and Hunderton Ward. This is quite clearly a money making scheme for the local council and on top of hefty council tax as well as other domestic bills this is another worry for the residents who struggle to survive on what they have already. We do not have bottomless pots of money - many people can't afford to eat because their outgoings are so high. Council rents aren't cheap, council tax is rediculously high as are fuel and water charges etc.

Its all well and good charging £30 per year but this will creep up and up and up over time. I personally have to pay £6 per day to actually park so I can go to work. The addition of having to pay to park outside my home is just another unneccessary tax and insult - and it won't solve any parking problems anyway. Are you going to take peoples vehicles away if they can't afford to pay for the permits?

This will obviously not be policed by anyone as has been shown many a time (almost daily) when I drive into Belmont Avenue coming from south of Belmont road, to turn the corner almost to drive into the back of a car or lorry that is parked dangerously on the corner beside the shop on double yellow lines. None of these offenders are apprehended or fined.

I would suggest that you make off road parking where possible and it is certainly possible in Belmont Avenue (but no doubt you would charge for that as well).

You cannot keep finding stupid ways in which to charge people for rediculous things when they simply CANNOT afford it! May be the likes of the people who work in the council are paid well enough and live in nice areas and can afford these charges but the majority of us can't. However, having said that, I know that this email will just be brushed under the carpet like any other objection because a decision has already been made and has not taken into consideration the residents opinions.

The problem in Belmont Avenue is school traffic in the mornings and afternoons. These are the only times parking becomes an issue. Perhaps you should start charging the school for permits - their childrens parents have damaged my car often enough in the past with their bad driving skills - or perhaps stop them driving down Belmont Avenue altogether. This has been done in other areas of the midlands with success (in fact an article relating to this was on Central News last week). Perhaps they could be encouraged to park safely in the asda car park, and pay a fee for the priviledge (to Asda, not the council).

As for people leaving their cars to go into town - I do not see this happening here. Apart from the school traffic there is no congestion and no problem - which is why this scheme is just another money making cash cow for the council.

If the council had enough car parks with reasonable charges then there would be no problem. A park and ride scheme would be ideal (but we don't want to spoil the lovely countryside do we?)

I am not happy to pay for a parking permit to park my car outside my home - any permits should be issued free (and please don't state administration costs etc, we know administration is cheap and quick).

#### Response 80

As a City Councillor for this ward, a number of residents have raised a small issue with this proposal.

Belmont Court is a very narrow, short road which affords access not only to a number of properties but also to parking spaces for houses which front Belmont Road. The proposal suggests permitting parking on both sides of Belmont Court which would completely block the road for residents and emergency vehicles alike. I am sure that in most cases, drivers would exercise common sense and not block the road. However, once residents are paying for the right to park and given that parking space will be reduced, it may be that common sense may not always prevail!!

Given the narrowness of Belmont Court, I suggest a much better and safer option would be to allow parking on one side of the road only.

#### Response 83

Thank you for your reply. I have informed residents in Belmont Court and Road. However, as you say, given the proposal can be interpreted that way, you may get similar contacts.

Talking to residents in Belmont Avenue this morning, the wish is very much to proceed as quickly as possible. They would also like to see traffic calming and measures to prevent parking on the pavements, although I appreciate that this is beyond the remit of these proposals.

As a City Councillor for this ward, I was invited to meet with residents of Belmont Avenue today. Whilst supporting some of the proposals, they feel that their opinions have neither been reflected nor respected.

They want these proposals to improve road safety. Belmont Avenue is a narrow cul-de-sac with a primary school at its closed end and no traffic calming measures. During school periods, the road is almost blocked by double-parking and the North side pavement is severely compromised. There are real hazards to motorists and pedestrians.

Residents on the North side have ample driveway parking; residents on the South side need permit parking but both suffer from blocked access and poor driving visibility. They all feel that, in the original survey, their wishes were clear- permit parking on the South side but no waiting on the North side. By making both sides permit parking, these proposals actively encourage parking on the pavement as the only alternative to blocking the road.

I would be grateful if could you explain the reasons for the decisions in the proposal.

#### Response 219

Mr. Tomas Szuketi,

As residents of Belmont Avenue, we are pleased with parts of the proposals for Permit Parking in the Avenue. We absolutely agree with the need for there to be permits on the left hand side of the avenue leading up to the school, and agree in part to the introduction of permits in Belmont Court, although the consensus amongst us that permits on both sides might not be such a good idea, as it may not allow easy access for emergency should the need arise. Our main objection to the proposals concerns the side of the Avenue nearest to the ASDA site, where it appears on the map sent with the proposals it indicates that side will also have permit parking, which is not one of the requests we made when this process was begun. The request we made specifically for that side of the avenue was for solid double yellow lines the entire length of the avenue, to hopefully deter the the much abused practise of Vehicles parking, sometimes for days on end, on the kerbside, causing unnecessary and unwelcome problems for everyone but in particular families with children in prams and pushchairs, and people in wheelchairs mobility scooters who rely on the ability to be able to use the pavement safely.

The last item on our Wish List concerns the introduction of Traffic calming measures the entire length of Belmont Avenue up to the school which we hoped to include sleeping policemen ,and speed restriction signs .I am sorry to say that it appears Riverside Primary seems to be the only school without any traffic calming measures in placein Hereford ,and given the volume of traffic that tears up and down the avenue on a daily basis it is very much one of our top priorities .

Hoping for a positive response to our requests ,and for the safety of our children and grandchildren in the near future .

On behalf of the residents of Belmont Avenue ,yours faithfully

#### 3.2.2 South - Court Crescent and Hinton Road

#### Response 38

Thank you for your communication with regard to Residents Parking Schemes in Hinton and Hunderton Ward.

With regard to the proposed restrictions in Court Crescent resulting in parking in neighbouring roads. None of the vehicles that park at present belong to residents of Court Crescent.

They belong mainly to Shop/Office workers who avoid paying car park charges. At least two vehicles park up whilst their owners get bicycles and complete their journey on two wheels.

This household welcomes the proposed restrictions as at times access to our drive is made difficult as there is restricted turning space. The Refuse lorry only just manages to squeeze through.

My only question is that once the consultation period is up what is the timescale for implementation.

#### Response 92

I Write with reference to the proposed parking restrictions in the Hinton Court Area.

Whilst I strongly agree with most of the proposed restrictions etc. I feel that a restricted Parking area to a portion of the North East side of Court Crescent as opposed to a total No Parking at anytime would be more Beneficial to local Court Crescent, also as additional parking areato those situated in the flats no`s 58-62 on the corner of Hinton Crescent who will have very little choice as to where to park.

Also for the Visitors, Carers and Nurses who often have to call to these property's who would then have an option of an adjacent parking area.

Also I feel that it is wrong to ask Residents who's property's etc. are not in a position to have or make the facility of off road parking to ask for payments to park adjacent to their own property when they already pay into the system within the local community charge.

Having read the Survey Results of Proposed New
Residents Parking Schemes in Hinton and Hunderton
Ward we as residents of Court Crescent strongly

Zone for the entire length of Court Crescent. This was not our intention when our complaints were made about the continual misuse of our Crescent as a car park and in all contacts with officials this was never put as an option to ourselves.

We were under the impression that around the Junction of Court Crescent & Hinton Road & for along Court Crescent parallel to Hinton Road until the end of property No 18 would be double yellow lines, also for the total length around the inner side of Court Crescent surrounding the inner grassed area would be double yellow lines. Then in front of all properties would be permit parking as per Zone J i.e. Hinton Crescent.

If Court Crescent was made a **Total No Parking Zone** where would visiting Carers, Contract workers, Delivery Vehicles, Postmen, Meter Readers, Window Cleaners or any other such services park. We do have driveways but we cannot always use these, our visiting families will not have adequate space to park. One of the reasons we purchased these properties was because of the ease of access so why should we have to suffer restrictions due to other peoples in considerations.

Court Crescent is a service road and **Not** a through road.

We speak on behalf of the majority of the residents of Court Crescent and beg you please reconsider this option and give us back our option to park in front of our properties once more.

I am writing to you with reference to the new parking arrangements that have been proposed for Court Crescent. I live at number [REDACTED] and have done for over 9 years. I have to say that I am very upset at the new proposal. I am a [REDACTED], [REDACTED]. [REDACTED]. I have a [REDACTED] vehicle that I park on my drive and anyone who comes to my house has to park outside of my house. This includes my children's father who [REDACTED] .Not only this but my [REDACTED] goes to [REDACTED] School and goes on school transport, again they need to park outside of my house morning and afternoon to pick her up and drop her off. I am extremely concerned that I wont be able to have anyone who supports me park outside of my house. How will this work????

#### Response 123

I have been contacted by a resident of Court Crescent who feels that the wishes of local people have not been respected in the current proposals. I have not been privy to the survey results but am assured that the overwhelming wish was in support of residents parking permits for one side of Court Crescent. Without this, there will be nowhere for visiting vehicles (social, business or trade) to park. Given that there is extensive provision for permit parking in other parts of the wider scheme, could I ask why this was rejected for Court Crescent in the current proposals?

#### Response 151

I am contacting you to express my disappointment that you, the powers that be have totally disregarded the wishes of the residents of Court Crescent. We do not and never have wanted yellow lines all round our Crescent and it was our belief from previous correspondence from yourself that we would likely have no waiting at any time near the junction and a 1 hour limited waiting with the option for us to purchase two parking permits. Could you explain the sudden extreme U-turn? We do not think it is fair or just for such radical measures which would restrict visitors to our home.

We feel by letting the residents have the option to purchase parking permits you would also generate revenue for the council and appease residents who at this time are feeling quite disgruntled & ignored. I look forward to your reply.

To whom it may concern as A Resident
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## Response 166

In reply to your recent proposals regarding the residents parking schemes in the Hinton ward.

I would like to say while we appreciate that at last something is being done to stop the inconsiderate parking in our area.

Your proposals in Court Cresent are not what we were lead to believe in our meetings with various councillors.

To make Court Cresent a complete non parking zone even to residents seems to be very unreasonable .

We were promised residents permit parking on our side of the crescent.

We seem to be the unlucky ones in our area and would greatly appreciate a further look at the problems this would cause.

#### Response 170

As a resident of Court Crescent I am writing to protest about the proposed plans to have no parking at any time in Court Crescent. I agree there should be no parking/waiting at the junctions for safety reasons. However I strongly feel that residents in Court Crescent should be able to park outside their own homes or for their visitors and trades people to park there.

Our original request was for Residents Parking with the option to buy a Permit and a Visitors Permit – surely a source of income for the Council. I am at a loss to understand why this request has been denied to Court Crescent but granted to our neighbours in Hinton Crescent. I have been informed that we are not eligible as we have drives, however a good percentage of Hinton Crescent have drives.

I sincerely hope that the proposed no parking scheme will be reconsidered.

#### Response 172

I am writing in response to your letter regarding the above. I live in Court Crescent and I note from your letter that 17 responses were received to the survey issued; therefore I assume all the returns came from our Crescent. Prior to completing our returns we had a residents meeting and were **unanimous** in our request for no waiting on the junctions and along Hinton Road along with either Residents Parking for the entirety of the Crescent or no waiting on the non residential side (up to entrance of No 18, where the commuter parking has caused immense damage to the kerb and grassed area), and Resident Parking outside our properties. The majority of us were happy to purchase permits and visitor permits for use when friends, family and tradesmen attend our properties.

If the no waiting proposal is introduced we are very concerned that when additional parking is required it will be impossible. Surely a Resident Parking Scheme will benefit both residents and the council as the income from permits will assist the funding of the scheme.

As residents we have been asking for a Resident Parking Scheme for at least 10 years. Our latest campaign began in 2013. We were invited to a meeting in June 2016 by the Council & Belfour Beatty and were advised by CIr Paul Rhone, that our scheme was to be in place in that financial year, we were overjoyed.

Since then however we have been included in the wider scheme and feel all our efforts have been in vain as we have come out of this the worst of all the neighbourhoods yet we are the main campaigners for bringing this about.

We have since been told that we are ineligible for Resident Parking as we have drives, these houses are exactly the same as those in Hinton Crescent and were built without drives, we have put our drives in ourselves, as have many of the residents in Hinton Crescent who have been granted Residents Parking surely we are being discriminated against and this proposal as it stands is totally unfair.

If the proposal goes ahead as it stands, I feel it is extremely unfair as how can there be justification for us to be treated differently to residents in the surrounding area.

Ref Car Parking Court Crexent. With reference to your letter about parking I for the proposed idea for double yellow lines on both side of the road are not suitable to the needs of the residents that live here as this will couse problems for violeng french and family as well as frudesmen We were previously asked about parking on as a majorority we voted for double yellow on the park side and resident permints on the truse side, failing being allowed denble yellow lines, a one he return notice which no doubt would both brun in money for the council, first ofrem us the people who live there and secondly from the parking fines occered from people not returning I see no advantage at all for the use of double apellero lines on both sucles as we as majority strongly opposes this. As for putting wa one who comes to vist, repair or do work at our how in our own drive way, where do we put our own car's then if they are on these, It does seem rather unfair and unjust that we can not even park outside our own homes. you admitt in your letter what we asked for and then do what ever it is you want with a do as we please attetude

#### Response 175

With reference to the proposal by you to change the parking regulations in Court Crescent, we wish to register our strong objection.

Some time ago our local Councillor (Mr Chris Chappell) called meeting at the Hinton Youth Club to discuss parking concerns in the area. We were informed that a number of proposals would ultimately be presented to us and the that Council would proceed with what the majority of residents voted for. In the letter sent out to residents, Section A)3) says that no waiting at any time is to be introduced to our street on "all sides for its entire length" which totally unacceptable as it goes against what was agreed at the meeting.

What the residents wanted was something along the lines of double yellow lines along the non-residential side of the Crescent, "Residents Only" signs placed at the entrance and have a residents parking scheme along the side of the Crescent by the houses.

#### Response 193

I write regarding the proposed parking restrictions of double yellow lines around the whole of Court Crescent, Hereford HR2 6AB.

I would like to place a formal objection against the proposals for number [REDACTED], Court Crescent, Hereford HR2 6AB from [REDACTED] also on behalf of [REDACTED]. We do not see it is necessary, nor do we want to have to have double yellow lines on the residents side of the crescent.

We have several visitors to my house including my 74 year old mother, a brother who travels from Worcester family who travel from opposite ends of the country.

I was informed by your offices that if this goes ahead no one would be able to park outside my house instead my family and visitors would have to drive around the neighbourhood looking for a parking space which I assume would be Hinton Crescent and beyond.

I was also told I would have to pay £30 a year for the privilege of a parking permit to be able to park in a zone, except there won't be one near my home.

I have since then been informed by a member of the crescent this is not the case we would not be eligible to buy permits there would be no parking whatsoever.

I was asked if my mother was a blue badge holder. Does this mean that any blue badge holders will be able to park in the crescent,

Is it likely it will simply become a blue badge holders car park?

What happens if we have deliveries to our homes?

I am not aware of any other areas in Hereford where residents can't park or load outside their houses how is this considered to be reasonable?

Who would want to buy a property you can't park in front of?

What if I have workmen at my house, deliveries, e.t.c, even moving my car out to the road to make room for them I would be at risk of getting a ticket.

This was never proposed in the numerous meetings and forms we have had to complete. All that was ever suggested was double yellows on the junction that connects to Hinton Road and across the parallel stretch opposite the houses of Court Crescent.

There was never ANY mention of the whole area becoming double yellows.

Court Crescent isn't a road you can drive along to find a space. How are the residents visitors of the crescent supposed to find spaces elsewhere when the majority of the back of the crescent is also going to become permit parking?

Would it not be a more sensible idea to place double yellows in the entrance of the crescent and up to the mini roundabout (this is where the main safety hazard is). People parking in

the day along the straight stretch doesn't personally affect me but I do worry about having to drive round parked cars into on-coming traffic to get onto Hinton Road especially on a push bike!

How are the emergency services supposed to get through the small gap left by parked cars either side of the entrance to the crescent ?

I assume they would have to bulldoze the cars out of the way simply can't see any other way they would reach the houses, I am amazed nothing has been done about it form a safety point of view.

I have had to do emergency stops twice when leaving for work in the morning, once with a parked car pulling out and again when someone opened their car door getting out right by the mini roundabout it was that sudden my dog tied on a lead, shot off the back seat of the car into the foot well but thankfully wasn't hurt.

Cars parked on the roadside near the mini roundabout clearly do not see traffic pulling out of the crescent.

I am not happy about having to pay for a parking permit but at least if there were residents bays outside our houses I would feel less worried knowing my Mum, other family members and visitors could park outside our home rather than having to walk from where ever they might find a space in surrounding roads.

This is an anxious time not knowing the whole situation, having to keep writing letters, filling in forms and going to meetings. I would appreciate a prompt response.

Dear Mr Szuketi.

Further to the proposed new parking Schemes in Court Crescent. I would like to resterate the need For Court crescent to have permit parking outside residences. The majorely of houses here have Small drives and front gardens - with double yellow leaso we would have to dig up from gardens and hedges, to accompodate more down space For children with cors and visites Not a very green solution and the kerb until obviously be affected with cars going up and over it. Ther is not really an acceptable opnor and I hope il a vanidents of court cresont will

houses and double yellow lines as planned on the outerpart of the crescent as well as Hinton road

REGARDING THE PARKING IN COURT CRESCENT.I HAVE NOT VOTED FOR WHAT YOU PROPOSE TO DO IN COURT CRESCENT.WHAT THE PREVIES CABINET MEMBER FOR HIGHWAYS TOLD ME THEY WHERE GOING TO PUT SIGNS AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE ESTATE TO SAY RESIDENTS PARKING ONLY WITH PERMIT PARKING ONE TO ONE AND HALF HOURS FREE PARKING FOR VISITERS. I PROPOSE TO HAVE YELLOW LINES ROUND MAIN OF COURT CRESCENT. AND IN FRONT OF THE HOUSES RESIDENTS PERMITS PARKING ONLY WITH ONE TO ONE AND A HALF HOURS FREE PARKING FOR VISITERS TO PARK

I am writing in relation to the parking restrictions planned for Court Crescent. Although all of the residents on the crescent are in favour of some restrictions, we feel that that ones proposed are unfair and unsuitable.

Numerous meetings between residents have taken place along with meetings with local councillors and officials. We have been led to believe that the non residential side of the crescent would be restricted with double yellow lines - great, and that permits would be available to buy by residents who wanted to do so - also great. Unfortunately now this doesn't seem to be the case!

To apply a blanket ban on parking is ridiculous. What about visitors, family, work men etc?? Where are they supposed to park?

Although all of the residents have a drive, the majority of drives are full. Most houses have at least 2 cars.

The fact that we're all happy to pay for at least 1 permit should really make the council very happy. If every house bought 1 permit it would be an extra £540 per annum revenue!

I'm sure you will receive numerous emails/letters regarding this issue and we'll all be awaiting your response.

#### 3.2.3 South - Hinton Crescent

#### Response 16

I received this morning the out line planning for the proposed parking permit scheme around zone j in Hinton and i wish to make a formal objection, firstly I cannot believe that 17 survey returns can be the correct amount out of the potential 102 homes affected especially if people are aware that they will have an annual charge in-cured, I for one certainly have not been made aware of this! To make matters worse the kerbside outside my property at [REDACTED] Hinton Crescent has been marked in red travelling up Hinton avenue which i presume means i cannot park outside my own home and will have to park outside someone elses which is the whole point of the flawed project! Why has the red zone outside my property been extended further than any of the other junctions around the area? At the very least you should be providing home owners with free parking permits to highlight the people that are not displaying them, yes there is a problem with parking around the area and you want to now charge us because your extortionate parking charges in the city have forced people into the surrounding streets its a disgrace, you also say the charge is subject to annual review which is a metaphor for it will increase over time, some of the properties around her are shall we say rented with " multi occupancy " with one house i know having 5 cars where do you push them too? where do you propose i park for my property at [REDACTED]? Do i park in Hinton avenue for free or do i park in Hinton Cresent for £60 per year, you do the maths, again this is a formal objection.

#### Response 101

I am writing with regard to the proposed parking scheme for Hinton Crescent. The first I knew of these proposals was receipt of Balfour Beatty's letter (undated) on 29 September

2017. I did not receive a survey, nor was I aware of any meeting to discuss said proposals. Neither would it appear, had any of my nearest neighbours.

I am aware that a few people are parking in Hinton Crescent and walking into town to avoid the exorbitant parking fees in the city centre.

I see no reason why the residents of Hinton Crescent should be forced to make up the shortfall in council revenue. I have lived in Hinton Crescent for almost thirty years. Most of us have small drives to park our cars but frequently have family and friends to visit. I deem it grossly unfair that I should pay for permits for them to do so. I already pay council and road tax.

For this reason I decided to conduct my own survey in the street. Sadly I was unable to obtain an answer from everyone, I assume most were at work. Some residents although against the proposals declined to sign a petition. However, of the 28 residents who did sign, 22 were against the proposals. 19 of these residents had never received a survey opposed to 9 who had.

In the letter from Balfour Beatty it states "Following discussions with the ward councillor (Christopher Chappell) it was agree to include Hinton Crescent within the proposal. One can only deduce from this statement that Hinton Crescent was not part of the original plan. Interestingly, when canvassing I spoke to a [REDACTED] of [REDACTED] Hinton Crescent, who said he was a friend of [REDACTED] and had made a personal complaint regarding the parking in the Crescent.

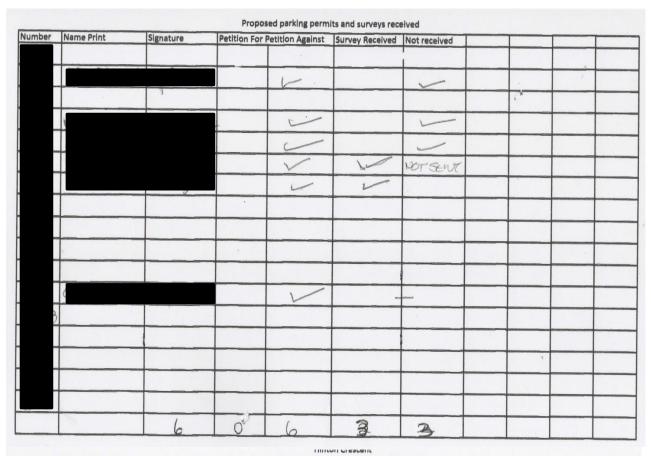
As you can see. most of the residents who are in favour of the proposals. live at the end of the crescent nearest to the path leading to the swimming pool and city centre.

If Hereford Council carry out these proposals, people will simply park in other streets. Does the council propose to put double yellow lines in every street in the city?

As ever with the council they never see the bigger picture. People will stop coming to shop in Hereford whilst parking charges are so high or at risk of receiving a parking ticket. They will simply shop in Cardiff or Worcester as the option will be cheaper. Most people will pay to park if the charges are minimal. No one likes to be ripped off. I sadly feel this is nothing more than a money spinner.

Coincidentally, the damage to the grass verge in Court Crescent is caused by the refuse lorry not cars.

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I would like to object to the proposed parking permit for [REDACTED] laburnum grove. I have never received a survey (of which only 17 people replied). It appears to only be myself at number [REDACTED] and number [REDACTED] that have to pay. The only benifit i can see is if people couldnt park here for school drop off as this is the only time we have people parking in front of our house. From what you have proposed they can still do this. The street outside my house is empty for the rest of the day. Please tell me how i and my neighbour would benifit from this?

#### Response 168

Im very concerned on this matter.

I have 3 children under 8. Two attend [REDACTED] school on [REDACTED]. Once you bring in the 'no parking at anytime!' Restirctions around oak cresent area, where on earth are parents with young children supposed to park? Obviously my children are to young to drop off and let walk into school alone! And my youngest due to start [REDACTED] nursery next year! Its just not safe to let them go in alone. The school carpark has no parking for parents either, Hinton community centre has limited spaces of about 14 cars which are normally full with resident/ teacher parking! And Hollybush walk is double yellows! So just where do i park with 3 small children. It is impossible for me to walk as i live slightly out of Hereford and need a car.

If you could have a think about parents dropping off it would be so much better even if you had limited time parking there say up to 1 hour or residents pernits, like down past the duck pond st james area. It would give parents the time to drop off safely then leave the residents to park freely for rest of day. I just dont think 'no parking at anytime ' restiriction is very fair to all parent drivers who need to use that area to park every day just for short time to drop off and pick up!.

Please could you get back to me on this matter as im very concerned!

Is there anyway of having a pass for school needs and musts?

#### Response 187

As residents of a property ([REDACTED], Oak Avenue) included in the proposed HEREFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL (HEREFORD RESIDENTS PARKING) ORDER 2017, we hereby express our objections against proposed residents parking scheme.

Our objection is based on following grounds:

- 1. Your letter stated that the decision to implement a new parking scheme was based on a "recent parking survey of households in Hinton Crescent". We either have not been included in this survey (if it was carried out via mail) or the survey was carried out in a way which didn't promote participation. The respond of 17 households is evidently not representative.
- 2. Whilst supporting no waiting at any time restrictions around most junctions to promote safety, there has been, up until now, no shortage of on-street parking in close and wider proximity of Oak Avenue.

3. If Herefordshire Council is expecting a higher demand of on-street parking due to the introduction of parking charges in wider proximity to Hereford city centre, then we would expect that an introduction of resident parking schemes would be introduced to protect residents from possible consequences. It has to be assumed that Herefordshire Council will financially benefit from newly installed parking meters. It is therefore not acceptable to propose a residents parking scheme which includes charges for parking permits.

#### Response 192

I am writing in response to your letter regarding residents' parking for Hinton.

I would like to point out that I never received a survey asking my opinion and I live at [REDACTED] Oak Avenue, an area affected by the proposed parking permit charges.

According to your letter the council received 17 survey returns. This is hardly a reasonable number to base a permit scheme on when there are at least 80 households affected in the Hinton Crescent area alone.

Please could you advise how many surveys were actually sent out, was a survey sent to me by post, and could I request that one is sent to me asap. I would like assurance that my opinions will be taken into account.

In the meantime I would like to point out that I am against any residents' parking permit scheme. Our family is on a low income and receives tax credits, and we cannot afford any parking permits. If permits come into force I will be forced to park in an area that requires no permit and this will be further away from my house, and very inconvenient and potentially dangerous for getting my young [REDACTED] year old daughter and baby in and out of the car.

I have never had any problems parking outside or very near to my house in over [REDACTED] two years that I have lived at this address.

Could I also request that if permit parking does end up being inflicted on us, could I request that no sign or parking meter be placed outside my property. We already have a street name sign directly outside my front wall and if I can ever afford to get off street parking in future I will have to pay to get this sign moved. Moving another sign would be incur even more cost.

I do not believe that the proposed introduction of a permit scheme is based on residents' opinions but that it's yet another stealth tax on the part of the council.

Thanks for reading and I look forward to receiving my survey and your prompt reply.

#### Response 201

I live [REDACTED] hinton crescent hr26ae hereford.i am very angry to hear about new parking scheme,i DONT AGREE to pay for parking by house i live!!!!non residents shouldn't park or pay for parking NOT people who lives there!!!!

Dear sir or Madam

It is with concern that I write to you regarding the new purposed parking for the Hinton area.

- A lot of people park their cars and leave them in Hinton Cresent to go to work In town.
- · These people will not pay for car parks in town.
- In my opinion you are just going to push the problem of people leaving their cars to go to Hinton Rd, Chestnut Drive, Laburnum Grove and oak Ave when we already have difficulty in parking on a regular basis.
- If I visit my brother in Hinton Cresent Where do I park wouldn't permits be better there?
- Make car parks cheaper then people will use them.

#### Response 216

Dear Sirs

I am writing in opposition to the proposed parking restrictions in Hinton Crescent. I already pay Council and Road tax and see no reason why these charges should be implemented. The people who park here do not cause any disruption or obstruction in the street. We all know they park here to avoid the high charges in car parks in the city centre. Who can blame them? Herefordshire salaries have always been some of the lowest in the country.

I fear the city will suffer as I am sure people will not wish to shop here if they find it impossible to park. I am extremely opposed to permit parking and feel the residents of this street are being penalised for others who will not use the car parks within the city, I strongly urge you to reconsider these unnecessary parking proposals.

#### Response 232

I have campaigned for years with Councillor Chris Chappell to have Permit parking. I am pleased that it is finally coming to fruition. However I am disappointed that it appears that Court Crescent has no waiting, because of a grass verge, whilst outside my house where people park to walk dogs, go to town, use the meadow or swimming baths, generally affecting our quality of life, people are still allowed to park...albeit for a short time...

I think the damage to the grass verge is minimal at best, are people parking on the grass..? In Hinton Crescent the parking is affecting people, taxpayers, and I think there should be no waiting at all. Surely as well there would be a lot of money raised by people having to use the city Car parks......

#### 3.2.4 North - St Martins and Wye Street (zone 8)

#### Response 41

As a resident at number [REDACTED] St Martins street with two parking permits I am concerned that the proposals do not go far enough. Would it be possible to extend the parking on the east side to the end of the road in front of number 34 right up to the garage? Parking is often impossible. I often have to transport and provide after school care for my [REDACTED] grandson who struggles with walking. I am quite desperate to see more parking provision for local families who are paying for permits but cannot utilise them because of the competition to park. I have spoken to other local residents who are experiencing the same problems.

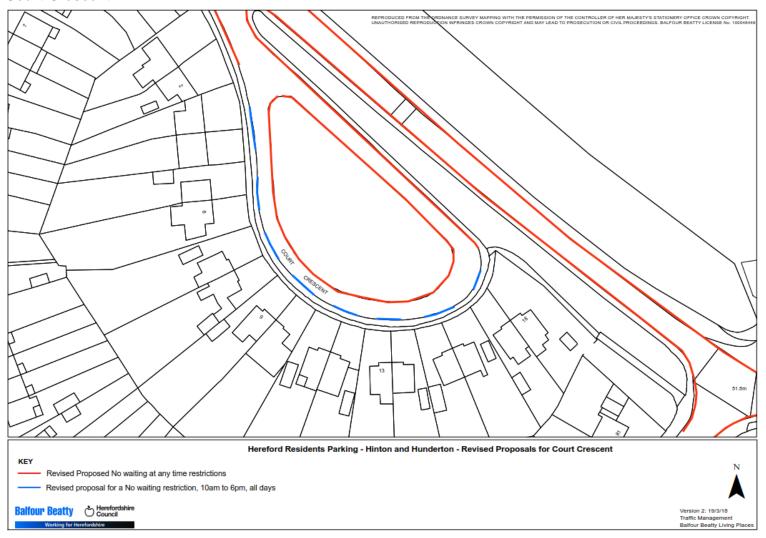
I have read with interest your proposals on behalf of Herefordshire Council to changes the current parking restrictions in the above locations.

As a resident – and holder of both Resident's and Visitor's Parking Permits – I have the following observations to make :-

- I endorse the proposed extension of the restricted area on the East side of St. Martin's Street to take in the former bus stop clearway marking which has been redundant for some considerable time.
- 2. I see no rational reason why the restricted area on the East side should not be extended further to the South towards St. Martin's Avenue. The presumed justification for ending the restricted area where it currently terminates would seem to have been to avoid the obstruction of the garage accesses to Numbers 41 and 45 St. Martin's Street. That is no longer a requirement, since the ground floor of Number 41 has been converted into a flat, although concealed behind the former garage doors, while that of Number 45 has been fully converted into living accommodation, to the extent that there are now new windows on the ground floor facing towards the street. I have shown what I mean by the red line on the copy Plan accompanying this letter. An extension of (say) 20 metres would materially add to the available parking with no detriment to road users.
- 3. Whilst I can understand the merits of changing the commencement of the restriction period to 8:00 a.m., there is no rational benefit in altering the end to as late a time as 8:00 p.m. If there has to be a change then this should be to no later than 6:30 p.m. to coincide with the existing limitation in Bridge Street. Quite apart from the fact that there is no evidence of residents finding difficulty in parking after that time, I would question whether the enforcement of a restriction to 8:00 p.m. could be achieved without the engagement of additional enforcement staff at a time when budgetary constraints continue to restrict the Council's ability to provide services generally.
- 4. I notice no reference in the Notice or your letter to the loading and unloading bay outside Number 32 St. Martin's Street. This bay undoubtedly has an ongoing function, particularly as it would appear that the butchers' shop formerly occupied by Rutherfords is about to re-open, but surely for the sake of consistency the hours for which it is restricted should themselves be adjusted?
- 5. There are occasions, admittedly rare, when residents' vehicles have nowhere to park. Can I suggest that a case could be made to permit residents to use their permits to park without charge in the St. Martins Number 2 Car Park?

# 4. Modified TRO Plan

### **Court Crescent**



# 5. Recommended TRO Plan

# **Court Crescent and Hinton Crescent locality**

