Sent Via Email

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Dear Mr Barradell

Re; Request for the installation of a single doctor parking bay outside The Haven GP Practice at 100, Beaconsfield Villas, Brighton, BN1.

http://www.thehavenpractice.co.uk/

We have received a request from Dr Barnaby Tredgold on behalf of his wife Dr Larissa Tate for an allocated doctors parking bay outside the above GP practice. I understand that a previous request was refused due to budget restrictions.

This single partner practice was established over 20 years ago and at that time a doctors parking bay was not required as it was relatively easy to park outside or very near. As traffic density has increased, parking has become very difficult and it is often not possible to park on the same road as the surgery. This poses particular problems for a GP called out on emergencies and when carrying equipment.

The LMC have written a letter of support for this request and I quote 'General Practioners, who are liable by the nature of their work to be called away, unpredictably, to visit patients at home for urgent medical conditions and may therefore find their response to such a request delayed, and also their return to the surgery, where other patients may be waiting, delayed by the difficulty in finding a parking space."

All GP practices in Brighton and Hove will almost always already have designated Doctor's parking.

Due to the particular circumstances of this parking bay application all 3 ward councillors request this be made an 'essential item' and therefore an exception to the recent budget restrictions on new parking bays.

Yours Sincerely

Mike Jones,

PP Leo Littman, Amy Kennedy

Ward Councillors Preston Park Ward Brighton and Hove City Council.