

## Proposed Residents Parking Scheme

### Frequently Asked Questions

**How would the resident parking scheme operate?**  
The waiting restrictions cover places where it would be dangerous to park or where it is necessary to allow free passage of vehicles. The parking bays in a residential street would be for residents and their visitors. Limited shared bays (residents permits and Pay by mobile/Pay & display) are also available. Other specialist bays (for example, loading or blue badge holders) would be provided as required.

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Exclusive blue badge parking spaces that are currently provided will be maintained for the use of blue badge holders. Should a scheme be introduced, further bays can be provided if requested. Residents who are blue badge holders will be required to purchase a residents permit, at a reduced charge of £10 per year, to be able to park in a residents only parking bay. Visitors displaying a blue badge will be required to display a visitors' permit to park in a residents only parking bay. Blue badge holders can also park for free in shared bays for an unlimited time.

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Residents will be able to buy up to 50 one-day visitor permits each year, which would allow their visitors to park anywhere that a resident permit holder is able to park. You don't have to own a vehicle to be able to buy visitor permits.

**Who would qualify for permits?**  
Initially we always offer at least one permit per household to households who do not have their own off street parking. The availability of additional permits would depend upon overall demand and be assessed once the scheme is in operation. Households within the scheme who have their own off-street parking may apply for a parking permit but the council cannot guarantee that they will qualify if demand in the area is high.

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Resident permits £120 per year (£2.31 per wk)	Resident permits (Low emission vehicle) £60 per year (£1.15 per wk)
Visitor permits £2.60 per day	Visitor permits (Low emission vehicle) £150 per year (£2.88 per wk)
Business permits £300 per year (£5.77 per wk)	Business permits (Low emission vehicle) £150 per year (£2.88 per wk)
Parking permit for Blue Badge holders £10	Carer badge Free **

**Current charges are: (for both scheme options)**

Pay by mobile* & Pay & display	
Up to one hour £1.00	Up to two hours £2.00
Up to four hours £3.00	All day £5.00

\* There is an additional charge of 15p to use the Pay by mobile service  
\*\* Professional carers qualify for the professional carer badge which is normally issued via health organisations. A permit can be issued to non-professional carers provided that the application for this badge is endorsed by their GP to say that the individual is in need of care.

## Parking Consultation

# Preston Park Triangle

### Make sure your voice is heard!

These proposals may affect you so please take the time to read this information and visit the exhibition if you are able to (the dates and venue are listed overleaf).

The enclosed questionnaire should be completed and returned before Friday 20 December so that your views can be considered.

Whatever option we choose will it be reviewed at a later date?  
It may not be possible to review the scheme for several years as council resources are committed to an existing and approved timetable of parking reviews up to the end of 2015.

### Where can motorcycles park?

Motorcycles can only park in dedicated motorcycle parking bays which will be provided in most streets. Suggested locations are shown on the enclosed plan but these can be amended upon request and consideration by the council.

**Why is the council introducing mostly Pay by mobile instead of Pay & display machines?**  
This is because Pay & display machines are costly to install and maintain and can be intrusive on the street scene. Pay by mobile also provides a facility for visitors to park where there is no adjoining footway eg around parts of Blaker's Park.

**Is the council seeking to make a profit from operating the residents parking scheme the residents parking scheme?**  
No. The level of charges is set at a level to meet the Council's traffic management objectives, such as to relieve congestion and deal fairly with demand. The scheme must also be self-financing, with charges and fines covering the enforcement, management, administration and maintenance of the parking scheme. By law, if any money is left over it must be spent on transport improvements in the city.

**Will the scheme reduce unsafe and inconsiderate parking?**  
Yes. There will be clear signs and road markings to improve enforcement.

**How will you protect existing accesses?**  
The protection of existing off-street accesses (pavement crossovers) and dropped kerbs will be achieved by the introduction of double yellow lines. New dropped kerbs can still be considered upon request.

### What about parking on pavements?

The council recognises that parking on pavements creates a significant obstruction to pedestrians, is dangerous for all road users and can cause damage to basement areas. Therefore, the council cannot condone parking on pavements.

**General advantages and disadvantages of the residents parking scheme**  
The council believes that the proposed scheme will benefit the local community. There will be advantages and disadvantages:

**Advantages of the proposed parking scheme:**

- People should find it easier to park close to their property, or the place they are visiting, than at present
- There will be no free parking for commuters who occupy valuable parking spaces
- Yellow line restrictions will only be applied where absolutely necessary so all existing yellow lines will be reviewed
- It will encourage a turnover of vehicles and hence, better use of available spaces
- Double parking and pavement parking would be effectively tackled

**Disadvantages of the proposed parking scheme:**

- The total amount of space used for parking will be reduced
- Those wishing to park on the street during the day will have to pay a fee.
- Parking for non-permit holders will be time limited Pay & display
- The new scheme might mean more cars parking in the areas just outside the zone

**What happens next?**  
All comments received during the consultation will be carefully considered. The results will be reported to the council's Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee on 4 March 2014, who will decide if there is sufficient support for the proposals to move to the next stage of scheme development.  
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