

evor Degville

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 13 March 2017 18:09
To: TechTeam
Subject: Re: [REDACTED] Head Street

Oh and I meant to say I walked down Morley Road at 11am today and there were plenty of parking spaces.

From: TechTeam
To: NEIL MCCALL
Cc: Shane Taylor
Sent: Monday, 13 March 2017, 10:36
Subject: [REDACTED] Head Street

Dear [REDACTED]
Thank you for your comments will be considered on the expiration of the advertising period and further contact arranged once a decision has been made however the current proposal has been written to cater for a number of previous objections received and it has proven to be extremely difficult to cater for all properties locally as it is becoming increasingly apparent that parking provision may not be able to cater for all households.

Kind regards
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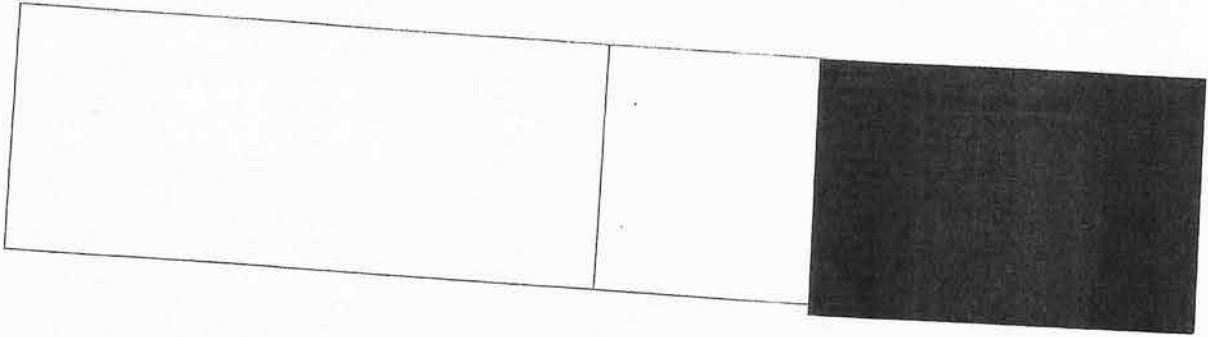
From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: 13 March 2017 10:14
To: TechTeam
Subject: Fw: Morley Road Pretoria Road Parking Halstead

I write to add our objections to the proposal to bring permit parking to Morley Road and Pretoria Road, Halstead. My objections are the same as those raised when this previously came before you. As many others in Head Street we also park in Morley Road and have done so since we moved into Head Street over [REDACTED] years ago, its one of the few places available as the number of parking spaces out numbers the houses in that street. Especially as a number have parking already. When we moved here as like many other places parking was a lot easier but planning decisions have made it much more difficult. For example the school in Mill Chase changed into houses and flats with inadequate parking. I understand we live in a victorian town with 21st century issues but if we are going to introduce permit parking as the solution then it needs to incorporate all those involved.
regards
[REDACTED]

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**Objection to the proposals for permit parking Zone 26 in Halstead
AND
Complaint about the process of consultation**

Dear Sirs,

Following lengthy discussions with members of the North Essex Parking Partnership we are writing to object to the proposals for permit parking in Pretoria Road, Halstead. We also write to complain about the process of consultation.

Objection to the proposals for new permit parking Zone 26 in Halstead

It is our understanding a smaller proposal was put forward ~2 years ago for a residents parking zone across Morley Road. There were a number of objections and the proposals were taken no further.

It is also our understanding that it was recommended the proposal be brought forward again on a larger scale in an attempt to make it more suitable.

The current proposal lists a number of properties who do not live on the streets where permits will be introduced but nonetheless are listed as received 2 permits and visitors permits.

We have written confirmation from Trevor Degville of North Essex Parking Partnership, that the criteria for providing permits is based on the resident of the streets where the scheme is being introduced plus any individuals who previously objected.

This permit criteria seems inherently flawed as it excludes properties like our property which are closer and accessed directly from the planned permit zone. This criteria seems there to satisfy those individuals who were previously most vocal about the smaller scheme that was not implemented to smooth the process for this enlarged scheme.

When deciding who should receive permits, their should be a fair evaluation as to the affect to the individual properties that are within a certain distance of the scheme. We fail to see how providing properties in East Mill plus those at 14-48 Head Street with permits and excluding our property which is less than half the distance from the scheme can be fair.

Also properties 49-59 Colchester Road that share the same access track as our property from Pretoria Road, will be provided two permits and unlimited visitor permits should the scheme proceed.

With double yellow-lines extended along the front of our property in Colchester Road in recent years and the permit zone being introduced in Pretoria Rd, Morley Road and Saxon Close, where are we and our visitors supposed to park?

We fail to see any genuine reason why we have been excluded and other properties further away have been included in the planned distribution of permits. Therefore, we wholeheartedly object to this scheme proceeding as planned.

Should the scheme be altered to include all those properties affected by the introduction of residents permits then we would be able to fully support the scheme.

Complaint about the process of consultation

We have raised a number of questions and complained by telephone regarding the consultation process. It has been clear about our objection to the scheme but it took 21 days from the beginning of our complaints for anyone at NEPP to actually tell us how to object (all road signage had been removed as notified to Shane Taylor, more on this below.)

It is our opinion that the process has been flawed and the legal obligation to ensure adequate publicity has not been met.

Should the proposal proceed and the parking zone is introduced we will be left with no choice but to legally challenge this zone for being implemented without proper consultation; and failure to properly assess the properties that do or do not require permits.

We summarise the key points of our complaint below:

- Under the current legislation for the publication of proposals, the local authority shall "publish at least one notice in a newspaper circulating in the area in which any road or other place to which the order relates is situated" **See Appendix A**. After asking about when and where the order was publicised, it was confirmed that this was publicised in the "Braintree & Witham Times" - and not the Halstead Gazette. This might sounds like a minor point, but the difference in circulation of these two papers within the area of Halstead is to magnitude of ten. **See Appendix B and also Appendix C**. The choice of the "Braintree & Witham Times" tht goes to less than 3% of Households in Halstead, would mean that of the 70 homes on Pretoria Road only ~2 homes would see this newspaper. Where as ~20 homes would see the "Halstead Gazette". The clue is in the name, walking into your local newsagent when you live in Halstead, what are you going to pick up ?! You could argue that the choice of newspaper is conveniently chosen to limit the number of objections; especially as they are both published by the exact same publishing group.

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- The process of publicising the proposal for this scheme has also included the sending of letters. Therefore one could assume that the NEPP has decided that letters are a suitable route to publicise. This is shown as item 7,1,c,iii in **Appendix A**. This clearly states that "the delivery of notices or letters to premises, or premises occupied by persons, appearing to the authority to be likely to be affected by any provision in the order." From this terminology there should be an assessment as to which households are likely to be affected by the order. Instead of an assessment based on the newer proposal for a much larger scheme, Trevor Degville has confirmed that the letters were sent to those living on the streets where the scheme is proposed to be introduced; AND all those properties who previously objected to the much smaller scheme. This in no way covers those premises "likely to be affected"
- The signage/notices placed in the street were first noticed by us before the 1st March 2017 and by the time we emailed to ask questions about the scheme all notices had been removed. Therefore the required notices have not been on show for the period of time required. Shane Taylor was notified of this, they were re-instated and we noticed this on leaving for work, on return the same evening to look again at the notice and find out how to object, all notices had once again been removed. Photographs of the bare lamp posts were sent to Trevor Degville.

Please take note of our objections and also reply separately explaining your position with regard to the failures in the consultation process at your earliest convenience.

We look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Yours sincerely,



Appendix A

Excerpt from Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996 as amended:

Publication of proposals (**emphasis added**)

7.— (1) An order making authority **shall**, before making an order,—

(a) publish at least once a notice (in these Regulations called a "notice of proposals") containing the particulars specified in Parts I and II of Schedule 1 in a newspaper circulating in the area in which any road or other place to which the order relates is situated;

(b) in the case of an order under section 6 of the 1984 Act, publish a similar notice in the London Gazette;

(c) **take such other steps as it may consider appropriate for ensuring that adequate publicity about the order is given to persons likely to be affected by its provisions and, without prejudice to the generality of this sub-paragraph, such other steps may include—**

(i) in the case of an order to which sub-paragraph (b) does not apply, publication of a notice in the London Gazette;

(ii) **the display of notices in roads or other places affected by the order; or**

(iii) **the delivery of notices or letters to premises, or premises occupied by persons, appearing to the authority to be likely to be affected by any provision in the order.**

(2) Not later than the date on which paragraph (1) has been complied with, the order making authority shall send a copy of the notice of proposals to each body or person whom it is required to consult under regulation 6(1) or under any of the provisions referred to in regulation 6(2).

(3) The order making authority shall comply with the requirements of Schedule 2 as to the making of deposited documents available for public inspection.

(4) Deposited documents shall be made so available at the times and at the places specified in the notice of proposals throughout the period beginning with the date on which the notice of proposals is first published and ending with the last day of the period of 6 weeks which begins with the date on which the order is made or, as the case may be, the authority decides not to make the order.

Appendix B

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Newspaper Report for the publication:- **Braintree & Witham Times**

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Newspaper	Group	Sales House
Braintree & Witham Times Tel: Fax: Newspaper Editor: Senior Ad Mgr:	Newsquest Media Group 30 Cannon Street London EC4M 6XH Tel: 020 7618 3456 Fax: Email: enquiries@newsquestmedia.co.uk Chief Exec: Mr Henry Faure Walker http://www.newsquestmedia.co.uk	Mediaforce London 1 Gunpowder Square Fleet Street London EC4A 3EP Tel: 020 7583 2100 Fax: 020 7353 2111 Email: mediaforce@mediaforce.co.uk www.mediaforcegroup.co.uk

Publication Data

Total circulation	8351	Effective date	01/01/2009
Type of newspaper	Paid	Full Page Rate £	775
Frequency of publication	W	Column centimetre	5.50
Number of issues per year	52	Agency commission %	10
Number of pages	0	Column length	340
Advertising:editorial ratio	0	Format	T
Publication days	W	No. display columns	9
Audit period	Jan2015-Dec2015	No. classified columns	9
Audit code:	ABC		



Coverage by Location

Location Name	Households	Circulation	Household Penetration %
Braintree	27728	4238	15.28
Chelmsford Rural	27341	157	0.57
Great Dunmow	10663	694	6.51
Halstead	10761	312	2.90
Tiptree	10877	177	1.63
Witham	16474	2773	16.83

Appendix C

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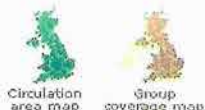
Halstead Gazette

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Newspaper	Group	Sales House
Halstead Gazette	Newsquest Media Group 30 Cannon Street London EC4M 6XH Tel: 020 7618 3456 Fax: Email: enquiries@newsquestmedia.co.uk Chief Exec: Mr Henry Faure Walker http://www.newsquestmedia.co.uk	Mediaforce London 1 Gunpowder Square Fleet Street London EC4A 3EP Tel: 020 7583 2100 Fax: 020 7353 2111 Email: mediaforce@mediaforce.co.uk www.mediaforcegroup.co.uk

Publication Data

Total circulation	3692	Effective date	01/01/2009
Type of newspaper	Paid	Full Page Rate £	413
Frequency of publication	W	Column centimetre	3.30
Number of issues per year	52	Agency commission %	10
Number of pages	0	Column length	340
Advertising:editorial ratio	0	Format	T
Publication days	F	No. display columns	9
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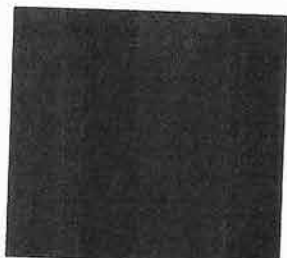


Coverage by Location

Location Name	Households	Circulation	Household Penetration %
Braintree	27728	374	1.35
Colchester Rural	32157	634	1.97
Halstead	10761	2684	24.94

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From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: 19 March 2017 23:31
To: Parking <Parking@colchester.gov.uk>
Subject: PERMIT PARKING MORLEY RD PRETORIA RD HALSTEAD
Importance: High



19/03/2017

Mobile [redacted]
Home [redacted]

Ref: Parking Permits

[redacted] employing 4 staff
[redacted] 1 bed end terrace house.
[redacted] employing 5 staff
[redacted] 3 bed flat.

Dear Sir/Madam

I have worked and owned [redacted] for [redacted] years and as the owner of the above properties and businesses in Halstead and having my mother-in-law actually living in Pretoria Rd, I feel well positioned to write to you regarding parking permits for Morley and Pretoria Road.

Parking in all of Halstead is at very best dire and to stop people parking during the day when it is not an issue will be simply disastrous. Parking during the day is never an issue as there are always plenty of parking spaces and a permit at this time the day is simply not required, you're trying to fix a problem that does not exist! My mother-in-law [redacted] who is [redacted] years of age, lives at [redacted] Pretoria Road. It is acknowledged that it is difficult to pick her up at weekends directly outside her house but this is NOT an issue during the week. If the permits are issued with a blanket ban on parking at anytime, this will be a further hurdle for the towns traders and their customers and a further reason for customers and clients alike to shop elsewhere, therefore I object to the planned Permit parking totally.

Talking to friends, clients and associates, poor parking facilities is one of the many reasons people choose to shop in other towns such as Sudbury and Braintree. I'm aware that we have local councillors living in the Pretoria Rd area which has obviously prompted this permit idea, but if you're not careful I'm afraid it will be a case of " will the last High St business leaving Halstead, please turn out the light".

Yours Sincerely



I wrote to yourselves about 10 days ago re the issuing of parking permits for Morley Road. When this application first came in front of Halstead Town Council we were informed that residents in Head Street would also be able to apply for a permit, not just a selected few, as is now the case. This surely is discrimination.

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I appreciate that this is a difficult situation, and that there are not enough parking spaces for everyone - but I do ask that you relook at the problem. Some of the residents who live on the left hand side of Head Street (as if you were going through to Sudbury) and are very close to the entrance to Morley Road have been parking in Morley Road for years as most of them have lived in their properties for over 30 years. They do not have anywhere else to park, and it is making the residents who are not getting any younger very very anxious indeed.

Is it not possible that residents who have parking spaces on their properties are not allowed to apply for permits, which would free up more spaces.

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I appreciate that you may not be allowed to comment until after the consultation period closes on Friday but I would appreciate it if you would just acknowledge receipt of this and my first email.

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Many thanks

A large black rectangular redaction box covering the signature and name of the sender.

Subject: Re: permit parking Morley road

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The new proposals for permit parking down Morley road states that we cannot have a permit as we live on the wrong side of Head street. After living here for nearly [REDACTED] years and been able to park their we

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[REDACTED] cannot understand why. We are elderly and can do without this added stress. We are prepared to pay for a permit if all Head street who require one can have one, if not we will object. Can you please tell us where we can park if not allowed one, this is very worrying

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Sent from my iPhone

On 30 May 2015, at 13:55, [REDACTED] wrote:

I am objecting to the introduction of permit parking down Morley Road. I live at [REDACTED] Head Street, and we have no parking outside our property because of double yellow lines. We have parked down Morley road for over 12 years with no issues until now. As you look down Morley road from Head street, all the properties on the right hand side have their own off road parking. One house in particular has three garages and a drive, and do not use any of the garages and park on the road. I could understand if both sides of Morley road had no off street parking as to why you would give a permit system. What is the reason for giving a permit system down Morley road, is it to raise money, or just to cater for the residents of Morley road only? We all pay our council tax and so should be treated fairly. We are very concerned, being elderly people, as to where we will be able park if this takes place. We have to put up with a much larger volume of traffic, large lorries mounting the pavement to pass each other just missing our properties, and speeding cars, all you want to do is stop us parking reasonably near our properties. We are very CONCERNED as to where we can park.

Yours sincerely,

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 14 March 2017 22:05 [mailto:[REDACTED]]
To: Parking <Parking@colchester.gov.uk>
Subject: Residents parking....

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Is this really going to work????? All it will do is move the problem somewhere else.....Colne road/Bois Hall Gardens cars are parked on pavements, and on junctions already.....you certainly wouldn't get an emergency vehicle through therePlus all the other roads in the town.... Double yellow lines on each corner of Pretoria and Morley Road would make it certainly safer... How people park on these corners and get away with it is unacceptable! And they should be fined for parking illegally. This is more of an issue than residents parking....so...double yellow lines and no residents parking! Safety first.....residents will ALWAYS find somewhere to park....if Morley Road get this parking, Pretoria Road and every other road in the town will have the right to ask for this too.
I am not a resident of either of these roads, but have a relative that is.
And I trust these emails will NOT be published anywhere.

Sent from my iPhone

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[REDACTED]

7th March 2017

Re: Permit Parking in Morley Road Halstead
Map Drawing. TRO523-001A dt. 11/2/2017.

I have lived at No. [REDACTED] East Mill since [REDACTED]

cul-de-sac of Morley Road. Parking has not been an issue as there are six driveways into the cul-de-sac plus BT Driveway. A little further down the road are three more garage/driveways. Enclosed is a map of the above so why do we need Permit Parking.

It seems to me people at the other end of Morley Road now realise they have bought a house with no garaging and everyone else has to suffer.

I am a pensioner on Pension Credit Guarantee and so money is very limited after household bills.

As I do not have access to Internet - I have questions - which I hope you will reply to.

1. If this goes through will I be expected to pay to park across my garage area where I have parked for the last [REDACTED] years.
2. Can anyone with a permit park across my garage area.
3. How much space is allocated per car.
4. Presume you are not guaranteed parking outside

your own home.

5. Always the question of "How much" is the Permit

6. What is a visitors Permit and it's cost -

I never know when or how long my visitors are going to be. This could easily result in no one calling in to see me if they can not park.

7. On the last plans posted - if I remember - our side of Morley Road was NOT included. So why have you changed your mind.

8. The householder of [redacted] Pretoria Road will not allow anyone to park on his side of the road from house to garage are. Indicated # * on map.

9. Why do you need to change a system when it is working.

Hope for an early reply from concerned -

[redacted]

RE: Colne Road Head Street & Pretoria Road Halstead

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We are residents of Colne Road and have been for over [redacted] years and completely disagree with this proposal. We do not have a drive way so we have to park on the street. But imposing permit only parking

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[redacted] will not entitle us to park any nearer to our house as anyone who lives in these streets can park anywhere within the zone.

It is a public highway and therefore the space outside our property is not ours and is available to any other vehicle owner.

We cannot see how imposing parking permits will improve the parking situation as people who park in our street will still need somewhere to park they are not going to disappear.

We own 2 vehicles so to have to pay additional cost for the privilege of parking on the public highway, which we already pay for in our road fund tax, is totally wrong

and then when friends and family visit paying extra so that they park in the street is ridiculous.

This scheme will not solve the parking issues in this area it is purely a money making scheme for the council and yourselves which we do not want.

Regards

[redacted]

Trevor Degville

From: Parking
Sent: 24 March 2017 09:39
To: TechTeam
Subject: FW: Permits, Morley Road Halstead

Jason Butcher

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From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: 23 March 2017 21:00
To: Parking
Subject: Re: Permits, Morley Road Halstead

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Hello Jake

Given that most evenings it is nigh on impossible to get a parking space (when we would assume it is only residents parking in these areas, not visitors), I find it difficult to see how we will be able to park when the new restrictions are in place. I am in support of the double yellow lines at the junctions as it is a safety hazard, however I feel it is absolutely unfair to ask residents to pay for a permit without any guarantee of parking, this appears to be a money making scheme without full thought for residents.

The information (which we did not receive despite being in the affected area) mentions that residents of Highbury Terrace and Morley road can apply (as all other areas) for two permits. I would question the fairness of this as Highbury Terrace ALL have at least one parking space and some houses on Morley Road also have their own parking therefore should only be allowed to buy one permit or none in cases where they have two parking spaces (aside from buying visitor parking).

To that end, I would like to object to the proposal, I do not think it is fair to ask for payment for resident permits in a situation where it is HIGHLY unlikely that we will be able to get a parking space should we be returning home late in the evening.

I appreciate something needs to be done about parking however this is a Halstead wide problem, I feel certain that this proposal is only being pushed through based on the few residents who feel they have some higher right to the roads which they own no more than I do.

Please accept this email as my objection to this proposal.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

On Tue, Mar 21, 2017 at 12:24 PM, Parking <Parking@colchester.gov.uk> wrote:

Good Afternoon [REDACTED]

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Copies of the order and the tile were letter dropped to all residential properties, so I am unsure why you did not receive this.

As is with any permit we offer, we cannot guarantee a parking space when residents purchase resident or visitor parking permits; it essentially limits those who can park there to those with a valid permit, and the residential properties which can purchase valid permits are strictly limited.

The proposed permit parking scheme restrictive hours are at any time.

Yours sincerely,

Jake England

Parking Business Officer

North Essex Parking Partnership

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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 15 March 2017 09:11 PM

To: Parking

Subject: Re: Permits, Morley Road Halstead

Hello Jake

Thank you for clarifying about the visitor parking and for attached information, can you explain why we did not receive a copy of this letter given that we are in the affected area of Head Street? (we are able to apply for a permit but did not receive any information about this).

Can you offer me any guarantee that we will be able to park having paid for a yearly permit? My concern is that this won't be the case and we would just be throwing money away without benefit to us. I look forward to hearing your response to this concern.

Finally, will this be permit parking proposal be at all times, or only during 8am-6pm?

I look forward to your reply.

Kind regards

[Redacted signature]

On Mon, Mar 13, 2017 at 4:11 PM, Parking <Parking@colchester.gov.uk> wrote:

Good Afternoon [Redacted]

Our visitor parking permits do not have a 'use by' date attached to them. As such, they can be kept for as long as they are not used.

Otherwise, please see attached to this email the proposed amendment order and relevant Traffic Regulation Order tile which was letter dropped to all residents of Morley Road. If you do have any comments, please follow the instructions on the bottom of the amendment order.

Yours sincerely,

Jake England

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From: [Redacted]
Sent: 08 March 2017 07:54 PM
To: Parking
Subject: Re: Permits, Morley Road Halstead

Hello Jason

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Thank you for getting back to me, can you clarify if the visitor parking has to be used within a certain time frame, for example if we bought my parents visitor parking for £10 (10 visits) in April, would these need to be used before May?

As the notice I read was on white paper, not orange, I was under the impression this is something that will go ahead- your reply seems to suggest it's still open for objection? Again, could you clarify this or send me some information- I'm aware that residents of Morley road have received a letter about this yet we have not? We live in the area eligible for permits so I would appreciate more information about this.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]
Sent from my iPhone

On 8 Mar 2017, at 12:13, Parking <Parking@colchester.gov.uk> wrote:

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email.

Visitor permits cost £10.00 for 10 individual stays. Effectively this is £1.00 per virtual permit.

There are other permits we can offer in extenuating circumstances, such as for carers, however we would need to explore this option with you should the permit scheme come into effect.

In the interim, please let us know if you wish for your comment below to be considered as an objection to the proposals so I can ensure our technical team consider these? Thank you.

Kind regards,

Jason Butcher

Parking Systems Team Leader

North Essex Parking Partnership

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From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: 04 March 2017 20:37
To: Parking <Parking@colchester.gov.uk>
Subject: Permits, Morley Road Halstead

Hello

I am a resident of Head Street, Halstead and have noticed a sign stating that parking permits will be required to park in Morley Road, Halstead (as well as other adjoining areas), and that residents of 14-48 Head Street can apply for two permits per house plus unlimited visitor parking (I have not received anything through the post in regard to this).

Having looked at the process for buying permits, have I understood it correctly that should my family wish to visit me and park in the permit areas, it will cost £10 each time (if spread over more than 10 days) and needs to be booked in advance? If this is correct, this seems somewhat unfair and restrictive in terms of family being able to visit without going through this process first. Not that it will worry you I'm sure, but my partner is currently in hospital and may be for sometime; this means that I am often needing to call for help from my family to offer support/ care for our [redacted] year old son so I can visit the hospital; this type of support is not booked in advanced as you may wish it to be. In addition to this, anticipating your reply, alternative parking could be sought, but it would be much further from our home and something my parents would struggle with in terms of walking this distance. Im hoping I have misunderstood this information on your website and hope you can clarify and help to put my mind at rest.

I look forward to your reply.

Kind regards

[redacted]

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Dear Sir / Madam,

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I have written to you before to object to the proposal regarding the introduction of parking permits in Halstead.

I have recently been made aware of a Halstead Town Council meeting that took place in February 2016 where the above matter was discussed and where agreement in principle was approved, subject to a provision that the interests of residents in Head Street, Highbury Terrace and Saxon Way were taken into account. This meeting was not widely publicised and it therefore denied other potentially interested parties from attending. In fact the publicity given to this matter has been very poor throughout? In fact your recent decision to proceed with the introduction of parking permits was advertised by way of posters being stuck on lamp-posts and not by way of formal letters to those concerned parties already known to you including me? One such poster was picked up from the ground which indirectly led to me writing to you again. The proposal to introduce parking permits, if it were to succeed, sets such an important precedent for Halstead as a whole. In order for **all** interested parties to have the opportunity to have their say I suggest and recommend that you organise a publicised formal Public Meeting to enable this matter to be discussed **openly** including its wider ramifications for the Town.

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Despite many reasoned objections, your decision to proceed with the proposal appears inevitable. I believe the proposal if it were to succeed to be short sighted and the thin edge of a wedge that will ultimately lead to other residents to seek exclusive parking rights on a public highway. Parking in the area in question has always been on the basis of give and take. By your blind intention to pursue your current course you will simply be setting an unnecessary precedent and will be releasing 'the genie' thus creating an incentive for other selfish residents to pursue this end. It will ultimately result in creating disharmony and bad feeling and more work for yourselves, which is an interesting thought in itself?

I am further and particularly concerned by your appearing to ride rough shod over those local residents who live in the roads covered by the 'provisional agreement' that you are now excluding from your permit proposals who have enjoyed both free access and equal parking within Morley Road for many years. In some instance in excess of 40 years!

I am told that your current proposal is to extend the issue of parking permits to residents living on the east side of Head Street whilst excluding those residents living on the west side? This is unfair discriminate and unjust, as some residents of Head Street backing onto Manfield, (east side of Head Street) either already have off road parking or could provide their own. This is also the case in Morley Road where some residents already have their own off road parking which you should take into account on a basis of need, when making your decision and when deciding parking permit allocations. Similarly numbers of vehicles by household should also be taken into account to ensure complete fairness in making your final decision.

I also believe that by pursuing your present course you are denying the rights of those local residents who have enjoyed free open unfettered access to parking in Morley Road for many years and by not providing them with an accessible and reasonable alternative, may leave you open to a legal challenge.

Some residents who are likely to be excluded under your current proposals are older people, part of the ageing population, some of whom already have health and mobility problems that currently do not need or warrant a disabled parking badge as they are currently able to park close to where they live. However, if their present parking provisions are removed, you will effectively be ignoring their present and foreseeable needs of access which could also leave you open to a legal challenge. This would particularly be the case for those residents who have lived and enjoyed free open access to parking in Morley Road for many years especially if you give preference to more able bodied persons. The distress this uncertainty is causing to some residents is already affecting their health and the situation needs resolving as quickly as possible. There are lessons here for everyone to learn from and for future reference.

I would appreciate it if you can tell me where I can obtain a copy of your organisational remit and responsibilities to help me to understand your role as a public organisation.

Yours faithfully

Subject: Proposed permit parking in Pretoria Road , Halstead ,Essex CO9 2EG

Sent from iPad We would like to register our opposition to plans to introduce permit parking in Pretoria Road. We have lived in the road for nearly [REDACTED] years , only once in that time have we been unable to park in the road but were able to park in Morley Road which crosses Pretoria

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Road. We feel the plans are completely unnecessary, will make it difficult for residents visitors and also will not guarantee parking outside your home [REDACTED]

Dear sir.

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I write regarding proposed resident parking permits for Morley Road. & Pretoria Road. Halstead. Half of the properties in Morley Road have garages or off road parking facilities, as due most of the houses in Highbury Terrace and therefor would probably be unwilling to purchase parking permits at £45.00 or £65.00 per annum. unlike majority of the residents of Head Street. who have no choice except to park in Morley Rd. & Pretoria Rd. I believe these proposals are unnecessary, though probably inevitable. instigated by new resident to Morley Road who resent any one parking out side their houses. More disturbing is the fact that according to the notice attached to the lamp post in Morley Road. only Head Street residents living in numbers 14 to 48 will be permitted to purchase permits, these are the houses on the right hand side (even numbers) of Head Street. dose this mean that residents on the left hand side (odd numbers) will be barred from purchasing parking permits. if these proposals are put in force .

Could you please clarify this matter for me. thank you.

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To: Parking

Subject: Parking permits on Morley road Halstead Essex

I would like to object the parking permit for Morley road I work around that area a lot going to the elderly who are not going to be applying for permits and will be unable to park anywhere if this comes into force .

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Sent from my iPad

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Subject: Proposed Parking Scheme - Morley Road Halstead Essex

Dear Mr Walker, .

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We would like to officially record our objection to the above parking scheme, and in particular to Morley Road which has now been included into a wider scheme that includes, Pretoria Road, Saxon Close, Highbury Terrace and parts of Colchester Road and Head Street.

At the initial residents meeting on 15th January 2015, at which BDC's representative Mr Pandya attended, there was overwhelming support for the initial scheme, at that time there was absolutely no talk or agreement to include neighbouring roads etc.

We feel this new scheme will have a severe negative impact on us as residents and our business, we also consider that it is therefore no longer fit for the original purpose.

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What we are really are failing to see is the logic to grant parking permits to those that are the main cause of the problem, whilst at the same time reducing the number of parking spaces at the Morley/Pretoria cross road by between 8 to 16 spaces which, incidentally, we unreservedly support. The road simply cannot sustain the similar numbers parking without making the situation worse. There were some 20+ objections to the previous scheme, couple this to the loss of parking spaces and we have a bigger problem.

As you are aware, the main congestion along the two roads in question occurs mainly during the evenings and at weekends, this is due chiefly to vehicles from the nearby areas (mentioned in the new scheme), converging on the Morley and Pretoria roads.

Those that converge on Morley Road, and it is strikingly evident, from your own planning map of the area, as well a 'Google' search, show that many of the adjacent neighbouring properties in question do actually have garaging and off road parking.

Admittedly there are those that do not, and we believe there is a sensible solution to accommodate those in the Morley/Pretoria Roads.

It is noticeable that on both Morley & Pretoria Roads there are sections where a property does not front the road. Why is it not possible for these sections to remain 'as is' while granting residential parking to the (residents only) other sections of these roads. This way any 'free area' would be on a first come first served basis. This would probably appeal to the residents, whilst at the same time not pre excluding anyone from the remaining parking spaces.

From what we can see there simply is not a blanket solution to suit all, the only reason for not addressing the problem, which this scheme simply does not do, can only be for a revenue collecting exercise, as the scheme does not limit permits to the space available, therefore, in effect, we will be paying for less than we have free at the moment.

We take the opportunity to thank your Mr. Degville of the 'TechTeam' for answering our questions, as we tried to find a practical solution that would work for us and our business. In conclusion we feel the scheme would have a devastating effect on our business. The logistics of our three vehicles would mean that whatever vehicle we chose to off road, would essentially block our main (detached) garage to the other vehicles, as we would have nowhere near on road to park it, temporarily or otherwise, without yet another fee.

We sincerely hope that you reconsider the scheme, and not force something upon us which we consider to be unrealistic, untenable and unreasonable whilst failing to address the real issues, whereby you allow others parking rights on roads whilst you are effectively restricting parking rights of the residents of those roads.

We would welcome a site meeting, as it is often clearer to appreciate a problem first hand rather than trying to understand a lengthy paper description.

Kind regards,

[Redacted signature area]

To: Parking <Parking@colchester.gov.uk>
Subject: Change from residential parking to permit parking

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Morleys Road, Pretoria Road and Saxon Close, Halstead.

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I am dismayed that permit parking is still being considered on the above roads in Halstead, and wish to make an objection for the following reasons.

My address is Chipping Hill, Head Street, and these roads are the only places to park in the vicinity. Although it's some walk away, I always park with consideration for residents, on the opposite side of the road to the property's.

There literally are no other places to park!

It would make it very hard for visitors who call once in a while, social workers, family etc

It would have a negative affect on local business

If it went ahead the parking would be pushed further out of town into other residential areas, which wouldn't be able to cope with the sudden influx.

It looks like I wouldn't be eligible for a permit parking even if it went ahead, as we are on Chipping Hill, Head Street, which seems very unfair.

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It would be interesting to know where you would propose we park, because I am running out of options?

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Regards,



Dear Sir,

6th March.

I AM WRITING TO COMPLAIN ABOUT THE PROPOSED RESIDENCE ONLY PARKING IN POTTERA ROAD, HAYSTEAD. I WISH TO EXPRESS MY OBJECTIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS.

FIRSTLY I, AND MANY RESIDENCES OF COLCHESTER ROAD HAVE NO OFF-ROAD PARKING AND MY CAR HAS BEEN DAMAGED ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS. I THEREFORE PARK MY CAR IN POTTERA ROAD TO MINIMISE DAMAGE AND NOT BLOCK THE PAVEMENT & ROAD ON THE VERY BUSY COLCHESTER ROAD. YOU WILL BE FORCING ME TO PARK MY CAR IN COLCHESTER ROAD WHICH WILL CAUSE MORE TRAFFIC FLOW PROBLEMS.

SECONDLY MY MAKING POTTERA ROAD RESIDENCE ONLY YOU WILL MAKE THE ROAD MORE DANGEROUS AND TRAFFIC WILL BE

Moving Mocha quicker and this road is used by students on the way to & from local schools.

It will also force people to park in near by roads which will again make the area more dangerous.

I see no reason for changing the rules - Unless of course the council is desperate for more revenue - £65 a year seems hardly worth the hassle of making in ~~an~~ residence only.

Please can you explain the reasons for the change, and explaining what disruption it will cause

Yours Sincerely



I am a resident within the area affected by the Essex County Council (Braintree District) (Permitted Parking Area and Special Parking Area) (Amendment No.72) Order 201*. I would like to raise some issues with the Halstead proposal and how it will negatively affect this area and the town centre.

Printed plan

Firstly, though, I suspect that certain person(s) have attempted to stifle discussion of this plan. The plans had been attached to a lamppost at the town end of Pretoria Road (by the Kingdom Hall), but the cable tie has been 'snipped' and the plans have gone missing. Consequently, not all residents may be aware of this plan.

Safety

I have not witnessed any accidents or 'near-misses', while I have been resident here. Contrarily, I have been impressed by the courteousness of drivers and the reasonable speeds travelled (I expect the speed bumps assist). So Morley Road and Saxon Close residents are not endangered when pulling into Pretoria Road.

Painting double-yellow (No Waiting) lines anywhere, except for either end of Pretoria Road, is unnecessary and will significantly reduce the parking available.

Driveways

Apart from Saxon Close, most houses in the area do not have driveways or off-road parking available. Unfortunately, some moan about on street parking while refusing to use their own driveway.

Private Parking

Having spoken to neighbours, I discovered that there is a perception that a parking permit scheme will enable residents to park immediately outside their own houses. Obviously, this is unrealistic, as the plans significantly reduce the parking available.

Effect on the town

Halstead will suffer from restricted parking, as town workers and weekday shoppers have reduced parking options. I have attached some photographs (taken c.12 noon) of Pretoria and Morley Roads, to show that there is significant available parking, as many cars have been taken to work. This allows other users to utilise these spaces. If parking is significantly restricted, the commercial side of this small town will decline.

New residents

Some residents are new to the area, like myself, and enjoy the historic aspects of Halstead. Unfortunately, houses from 100-200 years ago were not built for the advent of cars, especially 2-3 per household. Because of the limited parking, we have to make the best of what is available, though some fail to consider parking availability when they moved into this area.

file:///C:/Users/[redacted]Downloads/Development Management Plan and Site Allocations SA and SEA Scoping Report annex b Baseline Information February 2012.pdf

Subject: objection to proposed parking scheme Halstead

I am a resident of Colchester Road and included in the houses which would be permitted to apply for parking permits proposed for Pretoria Road, Halstead.

I would like to object to the proposed scheme, as I don't believe that it would help the situation at all.

[redacted] There is simply not enough parking spaces available at night for the number of cars needing them and no alternative parking provision opportunities, so people would be paying for permits they cannot use.

Visitors who need permits will be running up and down the road to get temporary permits and put them in their cars, as they already have to park a long way away.

Leaving the situation as it is is the only discouragement to people buying multiple cars for the same household. When we moved here, knowing we needed two cars, we purchased our new property accordingly and would not have purchased one that did not provide sufficient parking on our own land.

Permit parking will leave valuable parking empty during the day, and not solve the problem at night.

regards,

21st March 2017

Dear Sirs

Parking Permit Morley Road Halstead

I live in very close proximity to Head Street Halstead.
 My friends who live at number [redacted] Head Street are not going to be allocated a parking permit, which would have allowed them to park in Morley Road. Actually all the folks who live on the odd side of this street will fall into this category. A few do have their own parking facilities, but mainly like my friends at number [redacted] will be searching for a parking space even further away from their property. I think that the action your company is taking to the residents in Head Street is very unfair and will cause them tremendous stress, like my friends at number [redacted]. I should imagine their quest to find a parking space will be very hard and not a position one would like to be in.

Please consider their case

Subject: Parking Morley road

Following on from my email sent this Morning I now see that residents from 14 to 48 Head Street will be able to purchase parking permits yet most of these properties have off road parking. Where as I at number [redacted] Head Street have no parking. When this issue was raised last time we were assured that we would be able to purchase parking permits by our local counsellor Jenny Sutton. It seems parking permits are mainly available to residents how already have parking.

[redacted] Head Street

3rd March 2017

Dear sir/madam

I hereby register my strongest objection and outrage at your latest discriminatory proposal for restricted resident parking permits in Morley Road Halstead.

Following your last proposal in 2015 I was told by one of our councillors that the local council approved the proposal for the scheme as long as residents in Head Street were given the option to apply for permits. However, I see from your latest scheme that you are only offering that benefit to nos. 14 to 48 in Head street, most of whom actually have parking spaces on their own properties. How do you justify ignoring those residents in Head Street most in need of parking spaces who do not have the benefit of spaces on their property and are not able to park in their own road due to double yellow lines. This will leave several of us who are pensioners with nowhere to park our cars. This is very unjust and unfair and request that you review the situation and reach an equitable solution for us all instead of giving a few residents an unfair advantage. You are discriminating against residents who have lived in this area a lot longer than the instigator of this proposals do.

We ourselves have lived in our house for [redacted] years and it is extremely worrying for people of our age to cope with the situation you are proposing and as we approach the prospect of future failing health issues and reduced mobility we will need to have reasonable close access to our vehicles. I would hope that you would approach the situation with a bit more understanding and compassion. We would have little chance of selling our houses and moving elsewhere as who would want to buy a property in this road in the circumstances you are creating for us. You appear to be dealing with just one particular person and not taking anyone else's situation into account. I think that [redacted] who is the main protagonist has far exaggerated the problems for her own ends. Why have you only consulted with [redacted] and not any other residents affected by your proposals? In effect, the areas where you are offering permits to are mostly to residents who already have parking space on their own properties and not taking into account those that do not have that same benefit.

This situation is causing us so much stress and worry that I fear for the effect on our health and well-being.
Yours faithfully

I wish to register my objection to the proposed parking permits for Pretoria Rd Halstead for the following reasons, working out of the local area I need a car to get to work and feel having to pay to park my car where I live is unreasonable, as I already pay a considerable amount in road tax, insurance and running costs. I also feel the introduction of the parking Restrictions would make it difficult to park in Pretoria Rd because as many as 15 car parking spaces would be lost
sincerely [redacted] resident Sent from my iPad