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Proposed changes to parking restrictions

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Dear Sir or Madam

Hastings borough (West Hill area) Parking Review – initial consultation

Last year we received a petition requesting the introduction of a resident only permit parking scheme in your area because of parking difficulties caused by local workers, businesses, and other visitors leaving their vehicles parked all day.

We are writing to seek your views on parking in your road and whether you would support the introduction of a permit parking scheme.

Enclosed with this letter are some details about a proposed permit parking scheme and a questionnaire. The consultation opens on 22 March and closes on 12 April 2019. Please return your completed questionnaire to us by the closing date at the address above.

You can also email your responses to parking.escc@eastsussex.gov.uk or complete the online consultation at <https://consultation.eastsussex.gov.uk/economy-transport-environment/hastingswesthill2019>

We will be happy to answer any questions, please call us on 01323 466244. Full details of all our consultations and the background behind them can be found at: consultation.eastsussex.gov.uk

The level of support will determine the outcome of the proposals. If there are a number of suggested alternatives, these will be considered for inclusion in the final proposals.

Your views will determine whether parking controls are introduced in the area, no decision will be made until the results of this questionnaire have been assessed. I therefore encourage you to participate in the consultation process.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Daniel Clarke".

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The map above shows the area where we are consulting.

The proposed resident only permit parking scheme will operate on Monday to Saturday between 9am and 8pm. Although any member of public can park outside these times, the proposal will prevent all day parking by non-permit holders. Blue badge holders will be able to park free of charge.

Each qualifying household will be able to purchase up to two annual resident permits, expected to cost £75 for the first permit and £125 for the second. Each household can buy up to 100 visitor permits each year costing 80p each for a two hour permit or £2 each for a five hour permit, even if they do not hold a resident parking permit themselves. Visitor permits are available in books of ten and are not transferable, exchangeable, or refundable. Non permit holders will not be able to park during the hours of operation.

We are still at an early stage and no decisions have been made. We would like to know if you think the introduction of such a scheme would be beneficial to your area and your comments will help us reach a decision about whether to proceed with the proposal.

We believe that parking schemes are beneficial but there are some points you should be aware of:

- There will be no free all-day parking for non permit holders.
- Money raised will pay for administration, enforcement and maintenance costs of the scheme, any surplus has to be spent on improving transport facilities in the area.
- Preventing dangerous, obstructive and inconsiderate parking often improves traffic flow around the area.
- There will be better access for emergency vehicles and public transport.
- There will be improved safety for all road users and reduced congestion from circulating traffic.
- The total amount of space available for parking may be reduced as yellow lines may be needed near junctions and across accesses and driveways.
- Permit and time restrictions will only apply during the hours of control. The number of permits issued will be limited and depending on demand a waiting list may be operated.
- Having a permit will not guarantee a parking space.
- Not all properties will be eligible for a permit, such as properties on private roads or developments with off street parking.

If a majority of responses to this questionnaire are in favour of a permit scheme we will draw up detailed plans and consult with you again in May 2019 before any formal changes are made.

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Q1 What is your name?

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Q2 What is your address?

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Q3 What is your email address?

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Q4 Do you normally park in this area? Please tick one box.

Yes, as I live in this area

Yes, as I work locally

Yes, as I live and work in this area

Yes, as it is the nearest free parking to the shops and businesses

No, I do not park here

No, I only park here occasionally

Q5 Do you think resident permit holder only parking should be introduced to this area?

Yes

No

Q6 We try to minimise the amount of signs and posts needed. If the proposals go ahead and you live in this area, do you give permission for a parking sign to be fixed to your wall?

Yes

No

N/A

Q7 Do you consider yourself to be disabled as set out in the Equality Act 2010?

Yes

No

Prefer not to say

Q8 Are there any further comments you wish to add?