Public Consultation

Controlled Parking Zones
Gypsy Corner Controlled Parking Zone

Park Royal Road Extension

Following requests from residents and the recommendation of Ward Councillors, the Council is consulting you about some minor changes in CPZ arrangements on Park Royal Road.

Enclosed, you will find a plan showing the proposed Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) extension on Park Royal Road and the consultation area. Should controlled parking be extended to the new area, it will form part of the existing CPZ-CC. The extension will be considered for implementation if the majority of the respondents support the proposals.

The results of this consultation will be presented to your Ward Councillors for their views and recommendations, before being reported to Cabinet for final consideration.

Once you have filled in your questionnaire, please return it to us using the freepost envelope provided.

If you require further information regarding this consultation, please contact us using the details listed within this document. Please complete this questionnaire. Your views are important.

The closing date for this consultation is

6 October 2014

Complete your questionnaire online at www.ealing.gov.uk/consultations
Alternatively, return the completed form using the prepaid envelope provided.

Highways
Parking problems in Ealing
We are looking at ways of managing parking on the public highway as part of an overall transport plan. Introducing controlled parking zones is a way of dealing with parking problems and making our environment safer and cleaner.

However, they are not always popular. Some people think they should not have to pay for parking permits and visitor vouchers, or are worried about how restrictions on parking may affect businesses and residents.

How do controlled parking zones work?
In controlled parking zones, areas where it is safe to park are marked on the road. Residents, local businesses, and their visitors, are given priority to use a parking space by displaying a parking permit or voucher.

To make sure that shopkeepers don’t lose out, short term parking, called ‘stop-and-shop’, is often introduced for shoppers within the zones. There are pay-by-phone bays for casual visitors. Special permits are available for essential visitors such as builders and doctors.

During the hours in which the zone applies, parking attendants make sure that only those with a permit to park, or who have paid for short-term parking, park in the area. This makes sure that our roads are kept free from dangerous parking and that priority for parking is given to residents, businesses and their visitors.

In Ealing, we introduce CPZs in areas which suffer from parking congestion, and in response to demands from local communities. These include areas near train stations and town centres, or areas which suffer from ‘spill-over’ parking because drivers, especially commuters, look for free parking in other areas once a CPZ is introduced in an area they normally use.

Consultation in Ealing – Controlled parking zone (CPZ)
Residential roads cannot provide parking spaces for an unlimited amount of cars. In some roads, there are already more parked vehicles than can be parked safely. If you do not park on the street during the hours when controls apply you will not need to buy a permit.

Have your say
We are consulting you to see if you want a controlled parking zone (CPZ) in your road. Whether you live or work in the area, whether you own a car, walk, cycle or use public transport, we want to hear your views.

In this leaflet we have tried to inform you how controlled parking zones work and to answer commonly asked questions.

Please take part in the consultation by filling in the enclosed questionnaire and returning it in the prepaid envelope provided. Alternatively, complete a questionnaire online at www.ealing.gov.uk/consultations

If you want more information before making a decision, contact the Highways Parking team:

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Please take part in this consultation. It’s your chance to have your say on whether a CPZ is introduced in your area in the near future.
Residents of 332-400 Western Avenue are not allowed to buy parking permit to park in the Gypsy Corner CPZ-CC. Their only choice, even for a short while, after dropping kids at schools or returning from doctors, etc. is to drive at the back of their properties, after travelling along the busy one-way system. To get a safe gap to drive in and out in the stream of one-way traffic flow is a daunting manoeuvre for any experienced driver, let alone the elderly, the not-so-well and mothers with kids in their cars, etc. Hence, residents from these properties are asking to allow them to buy permits to be able to park for some time when they need to do so.

They maintain that the main area of Gypsy Corner CPZ, south of A40 would be enough for them. At present, they cannot park anywhere between 10am-11am 3pm-4pm Monday-Friday, but can do so beyond these hours.

It has been observed that during both controlled and uncontrolled hours a large number of spaces remain empty on both sides of Park Royal Road, on the cemetery side in particular.

The impact of allowing the above residents to buy parking permits is that there would be a slight increase in demand for parking spaces anywhere within this CPZ. To cater for this, CPZ on Park Royal Road is proposed to be extended up to the railway bridge, by creating about 8/9 additional parking spaces.

It is proposed to make the new and a few existing spaces on the cemetery side dual use bays: where residents would be allowed to park displaying their permits in anyone of these spaces free, but non-permit holders would be able to park by paying over the phone (£2.00 plus, 20p service charge for the whole day or part thereof).

This is better for the non-permit holders in that they are likely to get a parking space more easily than at present and at a cheaper price than a business permit (£600/year). At present, the businesses in The Courtyard, Park Royal Road park free, but have to fight for a space and there is no certainty that a parking space is available when they come to work. In the proposed situation, in addition to the existing eight spaces, businesses will have permission to park in the dual-use bays and their visitors in any available parking space within the CPZ.

Some of the residents of Western Avenue would get an opportunity to park somewhere relatively safely, if they wish to buy a resident’s permit. The residents of Park Royal Road within existing CPZ would not be worse off in that some new spaces are being created to mitigate the additional demand for parking spaces and there remains unused spaces during the CPZ hours. Costs of residents’ permits and their visitors’ vouchers and the CPZ hours would not be affected by this proposal.

**Why change and what is the effect?**

We will analyse all responses we receive street by street, and will present them, together with any background information, to the ward members for their comments. Cabinet then decide whether a CPZ should be introduced, taking account of the consultation results and any comments or recommendations from the ward members.

Results of this consultation will be available on the Council’s website soon after reporting to Cabinet at www.ealing.gov.uk/council/committees. Internet access is available free of charge to borough residents at any library. Paper copies of the ward forum and Cabinet reports can be obtained by contacting committees@ealing.gov.uk or 020 8825 8007.

If a CPZ extension should go ahead, we will publish draft Traffic Orders and you will have another chance to comment. If an extension is introduced, we will invite you to apply for residents’ or business permits and vouchers about three weeks before the start of the scheme.
Your questions answered

We have tried to answer commonly asked questions about how CPZs work, tailored to how a zone could work in your area. If you have more questions, please contact the Highways parking team on 020 8825 6710 or 8052, or visit www.ealing.gov.uk

Where will the zone work?
We are consulting this area to see if the CPZ needs to be extended. We also need to establish the strength of opinion to decide if this length of streets should be included in the CPZ.

When will the zone work?
The operational hours of the proposed CPZ, are dependent on the consultation results and whether the proposed area is an extension to an existing CPZ, or an entirely new zone. Extensions will usually adopt the same operational conditions as the CPZ that they are proposed to join. For new zones, residents are asked to identify what they feel are the main causes of parking stress in the area. From the responses received, we will be able to determine the most suitable operating hours to tackle the parking pressure in the area.

How much will a residents’ parking permit cost and who can apply for one?
The cost of permits is £50 per vehicle for one year in CPZs that operate for shorter hours (e.g. 9am to10am and 3pm to 4pm) and £80 per vehicle for one year in CPZs that operate for longer hours (e.g. 9am to 5pm).

Anyone whose permanent address is in the CPZ area can apply for a resident’s parking permit. Extensions will usually adopt the same operational conditions as the CPZ that they are proposed to join. For new zones, residents are asked to identify what they feel are the main causes of parking stress in the area. From the responses received, we will be able to determine the most suitable operating hours to tackle the parking pressure in the area.

What if I have family or friends who want to visit? You can buy visitors’ vouchers for family and friends and they can park in the residents’ bays. These cost 60p per hour, capped at £4.50 for all day. Vouchers are available in books of ten. We will monitor who applies for these books, and how many they apply for. Your visitors will need to put their vehicle details, and the details of the property they are visiting, on their vouchers. You will only need to use a voucher during the hours the zone works.

Aren’t CPZs just a way to make money? No. The costs of setting up and running a controlled parking zone are quite high. If we raise any money, by law we have to spend it on transport-related improvements.

What about parking for health visitors, people with disabilities, or people with motorbikes?
People with disabilities who are Blue Badge holders will continue to be able to park for free. Doctors, nurses, midwives and health visitors who need to visit patients in the area can apply for special vouchers. Residents with motorbikes will be able to park free of charge within residents’ bays. However, if motorbike parking becomes a problem, we will look at this again.

I have a business in the area – what about me?
Business permits are available if you need vehicles for your business. If you have off-street parking for your vehicles, you won’t qualify for any business permits. The yearly cost of business permits is £600 no matter when the zone applies. This cost compares well with local car park charges and other local authority CPZ charges for businesses.

What about my customers and visitors? You can buy business visitor vouchers for £1.20 an hour, for use in residents’ bays. The vouchers are available in books of 5. You can only buy up to ten books at a time. We will monitor who applies for these books, and how many they apply for. Your visitors will need to put their vehicle details, and the details of the property they are visiting, on their vouchers.

In some cases, when CPZs are introduced, pay-and-display parking bays are provided, which visitors can use for up to five hours. These are for people visiting restaurants, bars, and leisure facilities, taking part in a religious occasion, going shopping, or who have an appointment. ‘Stop-and-shop’ bays (where parking would be free for up to 30 minutes) are also introduced to encourage people to use local shops.

What about long-stay parking?
If long-stay parking by non-residents is necessary, we could introduce pay-and-display or pay-by-phone parking, for up to 5 hours or longer, depending on need.

Can the parking controls be changed once they have been introduced?
Once a CPZ is implemented, we monitor its operation within the first few months. During this period, residents are welcome to raise any concerns they may have about the zone or request restrictions to be changed. Certain restrictions may then be altered if necessary and/or feasible. A full review of the zone is then undertaken after 12 months of operation. We will consult households and businesses as part of this review.

I live in a private road. Do I have to purchase a permit?
Parking controls will not be placed in private roads or non-highway roads within housing estates. A permit to park is not required when parking in private or non-highway roads.
This consultation explains our proposed controlled parking zone extension in your area.

It may be necessary for you to contact someone who speaks your language to help you understand this leaflet. We would encourage you to do this as we would like to have your views on the proposals.

Niniejsza broszura wyjaśnia propozycję Rady Dzielnicowej zalożenia w Pana/Pani okolicy Strefy Kontrolowanego Parkowania. Może być koniecznym, dla zrozumienia tej broszury, skontaktowanie się z osobą która władza zarówno językiem polskim jak i angielskim. Ponieważ chcemy poznać Państwa opinię na temat naszej propozycji zachęcamy do dolenienia staran aby zrozumieć jej treść.

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Punjabi
1. Are you responding as a… (please select one answer only)
   - Resident [ ]
   - Business [ ]
   - Both [ ]

2. Please write your full address

   Name: ___________________________________________________________________________________
   Address: ________________________________________________________________________________
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   Postcode: ____________________________

   IMPORTANT – Please ensure that you provide these details so that your response can be analysed against your street.

3. Do you support the proposed extension of Controlled Parking Zone CC along the uncontrolled section of Park Royal Road?
   - Yes [ ]
   - No [ ]

4. How has existing CPZ affected parking on your road?
   - Easier [ ]
   - Harder [ ]
   - No change [ ]

5. How has the existing CPZ affected traffic congestion on your road?
   - Better [ ]
   - Worse [ ]
   - No change [ ]

6. Currently, the CPZ operates from 10am to 11am and 3pm to 4pm, Monday to Friday. If the CPZ were to be extended, the extension will have the same control times. Do you feel these are appropriate?
   - Yes [ ] (go to question 7)
   - No [ ]

7. Do you have any other comments relating to this CPZ extension proposal?
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Can you suggest any area that could be considered for stop-and-shop and pay-by-phone parking bays?

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Thank you for filling in this questionnaire.

**Please return your questionnaire in the prepaid envelope provided to:**
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**We need your comments by 6 October 2014.**