RICHMOND AND WANDSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCILS (SSA)

North Kew Parking Study – Public Meeting following an Exhibition, St Anne's Church, Kew, 7pm – 8.30pm Wednesday 15th January 2020

Meeting Minutes

<u>Present</u>: Cllr Lotte Campanale (LC), Cllr J-F Burford (JF) Mick Potter (MP), Chris Roberts-Wray (CW), Tim Shishodia, Michael Lawson

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1	Introduction LC introduced herself as ward councillor and chair. LC was joined by fellow ward councillor, Cllr Burford.	ACTION
	 A history of parking controls in the area, dating back to 2004. Issues vary in each area but most are in place to deter commuters. The consultation process is usually a 4 week period during which feedback is invited. Start date estimated to be March. The Council would be carrying out beat surveys which aim to estimate numbers of resident and nonresident and short / long stay parkers. Proposals are normally progressed if there is support for doing so. Over 50% of respondents in support and over 30% response rate. Need to carefully consider results, including those who may oppose the scheme, and effects of displacement should any roads be left out. An example of a possible CPZ arrangement for this area was given as follows: Daytime controls, e.g. 10am to 4.30pm, plus a separate event zone to provide protection during events at Brentford FC and Kew Gardens. The design may be modified following consideration of residents' feedback. Will include some Double Yellow Lines (DYL) will be necessary in roads to protect access for all vehicles especially for the Fire Brigade. If officers recommend a scheme, approval will be sought to advertise Traffic Management Orders (TMOs) to progress the scheme to implementation. Could implement later in year but this dependent on various factors. Aware that Brentford FC aim to 	

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2.0	Questions and Answers	
	Q. Bushwood Rd. Can we start the consultation this week? MP: No. We are currently committed in other areas at present but will aim for March.	TS
	Q: How many guest passes do we get? MP: Limit of 120 half day resident visitor permits per year. For Events Zone Days, there are separate permits, currently issued for free in other zones.	
	Q. Will you be obliged to enact the answer from the consultation? MP: The response must meet a range of criteria.	
	Q: Can you ask Brentford FC to pay costs? MP: Yes. They've already provided funding for this consultation.	
	Q: Forest Rd. What is minimum width on road for Fire Brigade? CW: 3.1m. Can be reduced to 2.75m for 50m, in line with length of hose.	
	Q: Bushwood and Gloucester Rds. Will one side of roads be DYL and will dropped kerbs be DYL? Most roads 'Permit parking areas' so no DYL in front of dropped kerbs but passing places necessary in Bushwood Rd and Gloucester Rd too narrow so DYL are necessary to protect access.	
	Q: If 7/8 streets want it, does one not get it? MP: Unlikely, due to displacement etc. We will look at the scheme over the whole area. However, if the majority of respondents in one road are against the scheme, this road may be excluded from the scheme.	
	Q. Map is incorrect. It shows Maze Rd running in Haverfield. MP. It's a cartoon map but this is nevertheless noted.	CW
	Q: Bushwood Rd. Brentford FC paid £200k. Richmond only received £50k. Why not more? MP. We applied for half but Hounslow advised that they required the majority of funding for areas within their borough affected by the development. We'll continue to review the position and see if this matter warrants further discussion with LB Hounslow, in consultation with our Legal Team.	MP
	Q: What is longest controlled period possible? MP: In Richmond Green, 15 hours but this is exceptional.	

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	Parking controls should be applied for no longer than necessary.	
	Q: Gloucester Rd petitioner. All supported this in the road. Thank you for meeting and consultation. MP: Acknowledged.	
	Q: Priory Rd. What provision will there be for the staff at the nursing home who work shifts?	
	MP: Visitors and workers need to be considered along with all members of the community. Businesses permits are available. A separate review of parking permits is planned for the future. Carers permits normally for those visiting people in their homes.	MP
	Q: Priory Rd. Why not conduct consultation after Brentford FC has opened when we know the effects? MP: Petitions have been received by the Council and a number of concerns have been expressed by local residents on the parking issues.	
	Q: What is the proposal? We already have a CPZ in Kew Green (KC). MP: We have provided a preliminary design which retains and increases KC spaces and controls spaces on inner part of the green.	
	Q: Priory Rd. Grove Park have increased their controls which has had an effect on us. Are there any other similar areas which might do the same? MP: No. No plans other than this consultation in this area. We will be speaking to LB Hounslow about their plans.	CRW
	Q: Parking is most difficult 10pm on Sunday night. CPZ will reduce space with DYLs at junctions. MP: Acknowledged parking conditions can be an issue during the evenings with all/most residents home. We keep DYLs as short as possible 7.5m to 5m from junctions.	
	Q: We did a survey and were told we need 51% of households. Glad about the consultation. MP: 51% of households still required for petitions. Policy was changed in 2018 requiring 51% of respondents, not households for consultation results.	
	Q: How many disabled bays will there be in new design? MP: No additional ones at this stage but this can be considered where appropriate.	
	Q: Bushwood Rd: The Council will remove 1/6 of space by staggering parking and marking DYL. CW: the only road affected is Gloucester Rd. Commuters will disappear. DYL only on one side. Fire Brigade expect us to implement. We'll include numbers of spaces in consultation documents.	MP

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	Q: Priory Rd. There are lots of long stay parkers. MP. Noted.	
	Q: Gloucester Rd. It's narrow but we need parking on both sides to stop rat running. MP: We'll keep DYL as short as possible and maximise space.	CRW
	Q: Do you ask how many vehicles are kept by residents? MP: Yes, this is a question included in the questionnaire.	
	Q: Gloucester Rd. Toughest late evening. MP: We'll conduct beat surveys to cover this time.	
	Q: I have a second house in Brighton. How does the permit system work here? MP: If your main place of residence is in Kew, you would be entitled to apply for a parking permit.	
	Q: We live on a boat and park near ASK. What provision for us? MP: For residents whose main place of residence is in a boat at a registered mooring in Kew would be eligible to apply for permits.	
	Q: Please provide some calculations showing the % of space to be lost? MP. This is not available but we expect to provide this once the parking beat surveys have been carried out.	CRW
	Q: Bushwood Rd. 10am to Noon will affect non-resident local members of tennis club in Forest Rd. MP: Consideration can be given to making some provision for the club but a balance has to be struck in ensuring that the scheme works as well it can for the local community.	
	Q: Who has a right to vote? MP: A limit of one response per household is applied, regardless of whether you own a vehicle.	
	Q: Priory Rd. We have a house split into 4 flats. How are we treated? MP: Each flat is a separate dwelling / household.	
	Q: Has the borough got the resources to enforce this scheme? Yes, we have ongoing discussions with the enforcement contractor to ensure their resource meets the scale of the operation.	
	Q: What if residents of Kew Green wanted different / longer hours/days than the rest of the area. Can both operate? MP: Yes but we would try apply as consistent an approach as possible and one which is easy to sign and for everyone to understand.	

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	Q: Are business permits specific to vehicles? Business permits are issued in the name of the vehicle. (POST MEETING NOTE: In fact, both vehicle specific and non-specific vehicles are available. The latter would require an application)	
	Q: Will you consider keeping Kew Green a separate zone? MP: Yes, especially if neighbouring roads don't support it or want different times.	
	Q: If space is tight can we park in different zones? MP: No. Only outside of operational hours.	
	Q: Will we only have one choice of hours? MP: No. There'll be a range of hours.	
	Q: Will you publish the number of spaces that will be reduced?	
	Yes, we'll produce the number of spaces on the street.	
	Q: Highway Code says no parking within 6ft of corner. MP: We'll only install DYL where necessary. Removing parking close to junctions should not be considered a reduction in space. Safety must take priority.	
	Q: When will the new DYLs be implemented in Gloucester Rd? MP: No timescale. We're aiming to implement measures during the 2020/21 financial year.	
	Q: If we can't find parking, where is the next space, free parking in Richmond? MP: We don't tend to provide this information. We have a map on our website showing the parking schemes in the Borough. LC: We have the highest car ownership and need to take responsibility.	
	Q: What about pavement parking in narrow roads, e.g. in White Hart Lane? MP: We'll consider it. There are a number of Footway Parking Exemptions (FPEs) that were implemented in the 1980s which placed priority on fire engine access, not footway. In more recent years, there has been more focus on also considering pedestrian access, especially for those with disabilities.	
	Q: If CPZ goes ahead, and people want it removed, will you withdraw it? MP: Yes, if it is established that it is not addressing the localised parking problems.	
	Q: Could retail park allow overflow? MP and LC: No. It's private and provides for customers to the shops there.	

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	Q: Can we use parking in National Archives (NA)? LC: It's not Council owned but I have suggested to headteachers that they approach NA for parking during the week.	
	Q: Suggestion to display a letter in residents' vehicle to distinguish their vehicles from those of commuters. CW: Yes, we have trialled a similar idea.	
	Q: Various points including multiple vehicle ownerships, need to make roads no access, dubious about CPZ's success. MP: Noted	
	Q: Can we put a multi-storey car park on the green? MP: Acknowledged.	
	Q: The stadium opening makes this consultation urgent. MP: Noted – we will progress this accordingly as best we can.	TS
	LC spoke about the Ultra Low Emissions Zone (ULEZ) and her campaigning against it cutting Kew ward (and other wards) in two. In her view, the river and bridges would make a more natural dividing line.	
	Q: I have seen people coming into Kew to work. We have excellent public transport. Maybe we should use it.	
	LC: Yes. The Council's policy is to promote use of public transport.	