

APPENDIX A – Objections:

Objection 1

“I am writing to object to the proposed extension of Edgware J CPZ in Mowbray Road, Edgware.

All the houses on Mowbray Road have driveways and off-street parking.

As a resident of the road I do not see any benefit in extending the CPZ, I only see added cost and inconvenience.

I do not believe there is a major issue with commuters parking their cars here for the whole day. I believe that the CPZ will be an added hindrance to parking in the area for the residents and visitors of Mowbray Road. Furthermore, there is the added cost of permits should visitors come, or should other family cars need permits.

I therefore object”.

Objection 2

“I write regarding the notification I received regarding the abovementioned proposal.

“I reside at no. *** Mowbray Road and have a carriage driveway. Importantly this provides me with the ability to park my wife and my own car off of the street. The two entrances to the property are served by proper driveway entrances (i.e. there are no curbs to climb).

I do with respect insist that this facility is not interfered with by your plans. Your proposal will force one of our cars on to the street by denying us access which we presently enjoy to our own property. The diagram provided indicates that the south entrance to our property and indeed the whole of the adjoining property no 34 are to be resident parking bays.

There is presently space for a small car to park between our driveways which can be a Resident Parking Bay.

Kindly acknowledge this note with a confirmation that your plans will not interfere with the existing access to our property”.

We and many others strongly oppose this plan for the following reasons:

1. Ability to park for doctors appointments

Our doctor’s surgery is at the end of Penshurst’s gardens near the roundabout for Station Road. With two small children it is already nearly impossible to park to attend an appointment between the hours of 10-11am due to the many parking restrictions in place in the area at this time. This proposed plan would exacerbate this critical issue still further. Parking in Mowbray Road is by no way an ideal solution as it is a good 10-15 minute walk with a child to the surgery. Add to that when the children are not well, a walk of that distance is the last thing they or a parent need.

2. The properties on Mowbray Road

A study of properties on Mowbray Road shows these to be sizeable with room for at least 2 cars per driveway. Therefore there is simply no need for residents of these properties to require on street parking (indeed more than a handful of properties had 3+ cars on their drives on the day we and others observed). For the rare occasion that a resident has a visitor during the working week, there is ample room both on driveways and in the road itself for these people to already park.

3. Our local economy

It is almost impossible to park to pop into our local shops for life's essentials such as a loaf of bread, a pint of milk or some meat. Extending parking controls in an areas already inundated with them damages our local shops and with it our local Edgware economy still further.

4. Local Parking Control

Since the introduction of parking control in the area, the number of cars that park in a bay either on Edgwarebury Lane, Mowbray Road or Purcells Avenue is minimal. It is simply wasted parking space at present. Adding more control prevents more wasted space for an area that absolutely needs more parking options and less rules and bureaucracy.

5. Edgware Broadwalk Commuter Parking

For working parents like us the ability to park in the Broadwalk commuter car park is severely restricted due to its size. We have to take our young son and daughter to different schools before work every day meaning the commuter car park is full by the time either of us would get there. If the council see fit to increase parking control on tax payers who go out to work to increase the productivity and quality life in our local area, then you also have a duty to increase the number of affordable parking options for commuters who work hard to provide for their families and the local economy.

6. Value for Money

As local tax payers my wife and I make a contribution to developing the social and economic quality of our area. Is it really in the best interests of local people for the council to increase parking control in a road that simply does not need it? Wouldn't it be better if the money spent on the consultation and potential implementation of this scheme was spent on increasing the quality of our roads (the potholes in the borough are increasing daily, damaging local people's cars) or investing in local social and welfare projects? This scheme is simply not the best use of tax payers pounds and therefore not in the public interest.

We strongly ask for this scheme to be reconsidered with the logical conclusion that it simply is not necessary”.