

# **CHIPPING BARNET RESIDENTS FORUM**

**Chipping Barnet Library  
3 Stapylton Road, Barnet EN5 4QT**

**22 March 2017**

**7PM**

Chairman: Councillor Lisa Rutter

Vice Chairman: Caroline Stock

## **ISSUES TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE FORUM MEETING**

**Items must be submitted to Governance Service ([ChippingBarnet.ResidentsForum@Barnet.gov.uk](mailto:ChippingBarnet.ResidentsForum@Barnet.gov.uk)) by 10.00am on the fifth working day before the meeting (for example, if a meeting is due to take place on a Wednesday evening, questions must be received by 10am on the preceding Wednesday)**

	Issue Raised	Response
1.	<p><b>Subject: Residential parking issues in area surrounding North London Business Park. (49 signatures at time of publication).</b></p> <p><b>Lead Petitioner:</b> Mr Kamal Pandya  <b>Ward:</b> Oakleigh</p> <p>We the undersigned petition the council to Reinstate parking facilities for staff at the North London Business Park (NLB) and reach an agreement with the landlord to allow staff to park for free of charge again.  Full details of the petition:</p> <p><b>Justification:</b></p> <p>i. Since the introduction of ‘paid parking’ for staff at the NLBP in November 2015, staff are parking on the surrounding uncontrolled residential streets in order to avoid daily parking charges. The volume of non-resident parking, as a result, has increased manifold.</p> <p>ii. Parking is already limited for residents and businesses on Brunswick Crescent, Brunswick Avenue, Brunswick Grove and Beaconsfield Road. Residents find it almost impossible to park outside or near their properties during working hours as all spaces are taken up by NLBP staff.</p> <p>iii. Passing trade at the local convenience store on Brunswick Avenue has also decreased as customers cannot park nearby.</p> <p>iv. While parking space is hard to find in the surrounding areas, parking spaces in the NLBP multi-storey car park remain unused – causing unnecessary chaos and inconvenience for local residents and businesses.</p> <p>v. The council claim losing car parking spaces from the landlord is one of their cost saving measures and are actively encouraging staff to use public transport. This has not been evident in the last 15 months. The</p>	<p>To be dealt with in line with the Council’s constitution:</p> <p>The Lead Petitioner will be given three minutes to present the petition to the Forum. Following the presentation the Residents Forum Chairman will decide to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Take no action;</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Refer the matter to a chief officer to respond to within 20 working days; or</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Refer the matter to the relevant Area Committee (if funding is required)</li> </ul> <p><b>ACTION: Highways</b></p>

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	<p>council's action has increased hardship of local residents.</p> <p>vi. The council have also suggested that residents sign a petition so that the feasibility of a controlled parking zone can be assessed and enforced in the area. This is not a suitable alternative as all it does is enforce additional parking costs on to local residents in order to save cost for the council.</p> <p><a href="https://barnetintranet.moderngov.co.uk/mgEPetitionReview.aspx?id=50000028&amp;TJ=0&amp;SN=1&amp;RPID=69370">https://barnetintranet.moderngov.co.uk/mgEPetitionReview.aspx?id=50000028&amp;TJ=0&amp;SN=1&amp;RPID=69370</a></p>	
2.	<p><b>Subject: EN5 Parking Consultation</b></p> <p><b>Submitted by: Mr Mark Greatorex</b> <b>Ward: Brunswick Park</b></p> <p>EN5 Parking Consultation. It is wrong that streets with off-street parking get a CPZ which adds extra pressure on locals without off-street parking. They can already park safely at night. I and many others cannot.</p> <p>The report needs to be reconsidered in light of the fact it's recommendations discriminate against those who do not have their own driveway in favour of those that do.</p> <p>I am informing local people of the negative implications for themselves this report promotes.</p>	<p><b>ACTION: Highways</b></p>
3.	<p><b>Subject: Parking for residents Rasper Road N20 Whetstone</b></p> <p><b>Submitted by: Mr Liam Payne</b> <b>Ward: Totteridge</b></p> <p>Parking for residents Rasper Road N20 Whetstone Its just impossible for the residents on the named street and surrounding streets to be able to find a parking. Workers and commuters arrive from 7.00am to park up and then some of them dont return until 7.30pm. We also have all the garges round that dump their cars once serviced and waiting for pick up.</p>	<p><b>ACTION: Higways</b></p>

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	<p>Audi seem never to have enough car parking space, half of Green Road is taken up with workers cars. Its time that the council acting on this matter , we the residents have written to them a number of times....but no action! Will all the building work going round we also get the builders and schools looking for space Them we get Alma school who promised that none of their parents would block our streets- Well that's rubbish . This school was to provide a drop and pick up point!!!</p> <p><b>Parking permits are requested.</b></p>	
4.	<p><b>Subject: Resident parking round Frien Barnet lane/Rasper road/sherwood street and Green road N20</b></p> <p><b>Submitted by: Mrs S Channing</b> <b>Ward:Totteridge</b></p> <p>We would like the council to consider resident parking round Frien Barnet lane/Rasper road/sherwood street and Green road N20. Our streets have become a nightmare to park on. Never can a resident find a parking space once the car has been moved. We have Audi garage who treat our streets like a parking zone, as if they did not have enough space. We find it very unfair that the car park at the front of the show room is left empty for visitors??? what about our visitors ??? we cannot have builders over or visitors . Then we have the garage at 16 Sherwood street N20 , selling cars . This should never have been permitted, Cars are for ever being delivered and taken away. Cars reverse down the wrong way on a way street. This is dangerous as we have 3 junior schools never our streets. The children use these streets as a cut through road. Then we have Alma school parents who think they own the streets. When we attended the meeting we were told that this would not happend??? again barnet council backed them and not the residents. Council need to come and have a look at our streets, maybe even knock on our doors and hear what we have to say???</p>	<p><b>ACTION: Highways</b></p>

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5.	<p><b>Subject: Residential parking scheme for Rasper Road/Sherwood Street and Green Road</b></p> <p><b>Submitted by: Mr Tom Lewin</b> <b>Ward: Totteridge</b></p> <p>Its time that residential parking was considered for Rasper Road/Sherwood Street and Green Road. We have 4 -5 Garages near to these streets. Cars are being serviced and then dumped on our streets for days on end. To add the new school ALMA , when we attended the meeting the residents were told it would work on drop off and pick up-drive through but we have seen that parents also use are cars to drop the children to school and then go to work and leave about 3-4pm. We then have all the AUDI staff as well as Lawson staff and all the commuters that leave the cars from 7AM to 8PM even longer on some days. All this makes it impossible for the residents to find any parking space. Our streets are to small to cope with the volume of cars going through. Then we have the garage at 16 Sherwood street N20 obstructing the pavements. Cars are always reversing down the wrong way. This is dangerous a garage should not be allowed to operate in this manor.</p> <p>We would like the council to take some sort of action restricted parking or parking permits</p>	<p><b>ACTION: Highways</b></p>
6.	<p><b>Subject: CPZ or parking permits</b></p> <p><b>Submitted by: Mr John Levy</b> Whetstone N20 Rasper Road /Sherwood Street/Green Road/Capel close N20 Council need to consider for CPZ or parking permits. Audi and Garage at 16 Sherwood Street are taking up a lot of the spaces. Cars are being dumped on our streets for days on end. Parking on the pavement so that you cannot walk on them. The 3 local schools don't help. We get the office staff also needing a place to park. These cars start arriving from 7pm and don't leave until gone 7pm. Its impossible for</p>	<p><b>ACTION: Highways</b></p>

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	<p>the residents to get a parking space during the day. On some days we have to park at least 20 mins away and this is just not fair Our streets are small to cope with the amount of traffic going down them Council need to help its residents to solve these problems</p>	
7.	<p><b>Subject: A CPZ for Rasper Rd/Sherwood St/Green Rd/Capel Close</b></p> <p><b>Submitted by: Mr Simon Lecky</b> <b>Ward: Totteridge</b></p> <p>Rasper Road/Sherwood Street/Green Road and Capel Close N20 . We would like the Council to consider CPZ . The above named streets from 7.30am-7.00pm when workers arrive and depart ,Its impossible for the residents to find a parking anywhere near their homes. We have audi / and 3 other car repair garages dropping cars off on our street, We barnet council workers and other office workers really need to act and help the residents to find a solution to this problem. A number of residents have complained to the council but so far nothing!</p> <p><b>CPZ ZONE OR PARKING PERMITS</b></p>	<p><b>ACTION: Highways</b></p>
8.	<p><b>Subject: Request for a report on the progress of the proposed pavement build outs in Chipping Barnet High Street</b></p> <p><b>Submitted by:</b> Mrs Judith Clouston on behalf of The Barnet Society and Chipping Barnet Town Team <b>Ward: High Barnet</b></p> <p>We would like a report on the progress of the proposed pavement build outs in Chipping Barnet High Street. Our understanding was that there should have been a public consultation starting at the end of January but this has not been the case as far as we know. And we had understood the works were to start prior to year end if we are to use the allocated LIP funding - what is the status and timing of the LIP funding for this project?</p>	<p><b>ACTION: Highways</b></p>

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	<p>Can you please provide an update and ensure the Town Team are kept informed of progress from now on since this was our initiative. We would also be grateful if the Council would answer our emails.</p>	
9.	<p><b>Subject: No enforcement of the Highway Code rule of no parking within 10m of a junction</b></p> <p><b>Submitted by: Mr David Harvey</b> <b>Ward: Totteridge</b></p> <p><b>Apologies I will not be able to attend the meeting This is my</b> question: The Highway Code states that you must not park opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space. Why is this rule not enforced in Barnet? I refer to the junctions of Birley Road and Naylor Road where they intersect with Totteridge Lane N20 when on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, cars are parked much closer than 10 metres and are routinely ignored by civil enforcement officers. If you telephone to request enforcement you are told "only the police enforce that rule, we only enforce rules outlined on local signage". When presses on the telephone they will also tell you that it's illegal to park on bus stops but this is also NOT enforced in Barnet as there is no local signage. It is very dangerous to allow vehicles to park so close to the junction of Totteridge Lane. As vehicle turn into these side roads they are unaware that they will be immediately presented with an obstruction in the form of an illegally parked vehicle.</p> <p>Please instruct your contractor NSL Limited to enforce as per the Highway Code.</p>	<p><b>ACTION: Highways</b></p>

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10.	<p><b>Subject: Excessive speeds and insufficient speed warning</b></p> <p><b>Submitted by: Mrs Amanda Holly on behalf of Hadley Residents Association</b>  <b>Ward: High Barnet</b></p> <p>Many vehicles, including goods vehicles, buses and motorbikes, travel through Hadley Highstone and Hadley Green at speeds in excess of the legal limit. The existing speed warning signs are not sufficient to deter vehicles from travelling at illegal speeds.</p> <p>Hadley Residents Association are petitioning the Council to adopt a 20 mph speed limit and pedestrian refuges along Hadley Green and Hadley Highstone.</p>	<p><b>ACTION: Highways</b></p>
11.	<p><b>Subject: Closure of Chipping Barnet library during key GCSE and A level exam period of May and June</b></p> <p><b>Submitted by: Mr John Dix</b>  <b>Ward: High Barnet</b></p> <p>During the key GCSE and A level exam period of May and June, Osidge library will be closed for downsizing works. Chipping Barnet library will close again on 5 June until 23 September. East Barnet library has now been downsized and has only three study desks which is inadequate for the demand. The desks are not screened and students have told me they are unsuitable for study as the area is so congested. As from 1 April the opening hours at East Barnet will be very limited as it will become a partnership library. In fact only 3 of Barnet's are fully open throughout the vital exam period of May and June when students needs somewhere quiet where they can study and revise.</p> <p>Please can you consider postponing the works at Chipping Barnet Library until after the exam period and look again at the works programme at the other Barnet libraries.</p>	<p><b>ACTION: Childrens</b></p>

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12.	<p><b>Subject: Residents Forum - Webforms</b></p> <p><b>Submitted by: Mr John Dix</b> <b>Ward: All wards</b></p> <p>I keep being timed out when trying to submit issues on the webform which is very frustrating.</p> <p>Please can you extend the submission period to either 30+ minutes or have a warning pop up notifying you that you have only 5 minutes left before being timed out.</p>	<p><b>ACTION: Communications</b></p>
13.	<p><b>Subject: Parking, Baxendale N20</b></p> <p><b>Submitted by: Mr Peter Cramb</b> <b>Ward: Totteridge</b></p> <p><b>I attended the residents' forum last July to raise the subject of the yellow lines in Baxendale which had erroneously been omitted from the council's parking plan. We were told at that time that action was under way that should have resulted in their reinstatement in late September. We are still waiting and the parking situation seems to be getting worse, possibly due to the building work in the area. We had also suggested double yellow lines around the spur to the Baxendale Care Home so that large vehicles could turn there without knocking down the bollards.</b></p> <p><b>Are you able to give me an update please?</b></p>	<p><b>ACTION: Highways</b></p>

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14.	<p><b>Subject:</b> Whetstone Stray  <b>Submitted by:</b> Mary O'Connor</p> <p><b>Ward:</b> Totteridge</p> <p>Why was there no consultation before these works begun, and, no Barnet Council sign displayed indicating why the path is closed and how long it will be closed? Was the possibility of the road above the allotments being continued to Totteridge Lane along the TfL fence line or a cycle-only path on the other side of the tube line investigated? With works in progress it is obvious that the new path will have blind corners. How is this acceptable for a 'shared path', which is being 'upgraded' so cyclists can travel faster? The works have turned the path into a quagmire. Is this acceptable close to the brook and in a SINC.</p>	<p><b>ACTION: Highways</b></p>

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Future meeting dates:

Date of meeting	Location	Deadline Date for Issues
5 July 2017	TBC	10am 28 June 2017

*Items and questions must be received by the Governance Service by 10am on the fifth working day prior to the meeting for the item to be discussed at the Forum.*