

## Annex B:

I am currently one of the residents in York. We have got home today and found we have several letters stating it has been proposed to revoke our House in Multiple Occupancy permit from the available permits. Could I get some more information on this as we are a bit confused as to whether or not our permanent permits are going to be revoked or only our visitor passes. If our permanent permits are being revoked, could you explain as to why please, as we are residents on this street and we do pay for this privilege.

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We are contacting you in regard to the letter received this week advising us of the intention to revoke parking permits for HMO residents. This was the first that either us or our tenants had heard about this proposal although the letter quotes the fact this decision had been made on 12th November and we would like to know the reasoning behind this.

However, as this has given little time to question your decision we would therefore like to raise our strong objections to this plan for the following reasons:

- 1) This discriminates against those who, for whatever reason, are unable to afford to buy or rent their own property so have chosen to rent a room in a shared property. These occupants may need their own transport for work or study.
- 2) As the name suggests the house is occupied by multiple people who are not considered to be a single household so how can they be charged for parking at the 'household' rates?
- 3) If, as in our case, we have up to six people in the property why should it be the case that some people are charged up to 4 times more for their permit than the first person to pay for one?
- 4) Who decides who is eligible for each level of payment? If, as is often the case in an HMO, the occupants are not all in regular discussion with each other and if one person 'gets in first' leaving others to pay more - how can this be considered fair?
- 5) Unlike a single household there is not the option to cut down on cars and 'share' in order to reduce the cost as people have different schedules.
- 6) If the property was rented out as separate individual flats the Council would only get the main household rate for each property so again I cannot understand the logic of deciding to charge at these differing/higher rates per car especially as we, unlike student accommodation, pay full council tax.
- 7) It has been pointed out to us that this could deter future tenants applying to live in the property if we cannot guarantee the level of cost for parking.
- 8) The whole ethos of our HMO is that it is not for students but to provide low cost accommodation for professional people moving to York. This enables them to afford to live in the City, this extra cost could make living in York unattractive and unaffordable. This would be a shame as there is already limited availability of this type of dwelling on offer for working people as more seems to be provided for students.

We hope that you will carefully consider our points and objections and decide that this is not the best way forward in this instance or work out a fairer way to charge tenants in HMOs.

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I am writing to formally express my concern regarding the recent decision to remove the option of HMO parking permits in the R70 area . As a resident, this change will significantly impact my ability to park near my home and will create unnecessary inconvenience. The removal of these permits will lead to unfair treatment for all HMO residents, higher costs and for some HMO resident's parking permits being too expensive. Many residents, including myself, rely on these permits to ensure fair access to parking spaces, and this decision disproportionately affects those living in HMOs. I kindly request that the council reconsider this decision and explore alternative solutions that accommodate HMO residents while addressing any concerns that led to the removal of the permits. I would appreciate a response outlining the reasoning behind this change and any potential steps to mitigate its impact. Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to your response.

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I am a current resident in York. I am to understand letters have been sent regarding the revocation of the Multiple Occupancy Permits.

May I ask if this decision has been finalised yet? And if this includes out permanent permits or the temporary permits?

If the decision is made to revoke the permanent Multiple Occasionally Permit, would our household be eligible for multiple Household Permits?  
As our household is multiple occupancy, rather than a household with family connections, will this affect if we are able to apply for the Household Permits?

Could you inform me of the reasoning behind this decision so I am able to have a better understanding for the situation, and how we can best move forward with this information?

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I've been calling the council twice a week regarding a letter which was sent out to myself on the 23rd May 2025.

I've got to respond by 13 June 2025 as a final date.. so tomorrow!.

To note I'm extremely dyslexic and so prefer to deal with the council over the phone which I'm aware all calls are recorded!. I've left's messages with customer services...as they both know me now and recognise my voice now!. It's simply just, not good enough!.

Not once has my repeated messages and calls been responded to, this has left me questioning whether the council don't want to deal the residents of york and railroad over people regardless. I'm furious.. as the council system yet again is failing to deal with anyone in this team of highways.

It is proposed by the council to revoke all HMO equal rights of payments from its lowest paid employees and put them on a sliding scale of first come, first served low to high of permit parking .. which I think is appalling and inappropriate!. I have 10 tenants in my home, ALL non students and all working within york or surrounding areas of a 15mile area!, some have been residents for over 15years here!!!.

They will NOT BE ABLE TO AFFORD THE PARKING COSTS OF ANYMORE THAN £200 or more.. thus forcing them to move out of their home/my business so they can park their cars to get to work and back!!.. This is not good for my business or their lives!.

Further more, I have 10 tenants so how can they get permits... ?? When only three can???

Also I have a home in the same house/building/door entrance/ bills etc all in the same home as my HMO tenants too..as a york resident for over 20years plus here.. I have a family of 5, with 4 cars.. how the heck am I supposed to afford parking and my family keeping our Cars at home here too, so we can get to work and back etc..??

The whole of my building parking is yet again another shambles...!.  
I'm so sick of YORK CITY COUNCILS DISARRAY OF TRYING TO PUSH OUT ITS LOCAL RESIDENTS AND DISTROY ITS SMALL BUSINESS.

At the moment we have:

1 £98 RESIDENTS PERMIT,

14 HMO PERMITS of approx paying £200 for each permit..(my family work car and tenants go through this equally).

Previously Head of Parking has had to deal with me and my property on a totally special case as I don't fit into any of YORK CITY COUNCILS "new computer systems, what so ever.. and i can't ever do because of the diversity of my property either, i just don't fit the mould of the council's system, FULL STOP!."

The last time the council tried to change its systems with parking I got over 40 PCN's of which Head of Parking completely apologised and had them removed with full apologies to me.. and that this would never happen again... 1yr later and here we are again being totally harassed and threatened again by the CITY OF YORK COUNCIL HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT YET AGAIN!.

This is beyond disgusting and unacceptable behaviour of the council to put this on us.. we have car bills and costs through work we're tied into which we can't get out of with our cars apart for resign with employment..

We're furious, beyond words and belief!!.

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