

Representations against the proposed scheme
<p>Concern regarding the lack of guarantee for parking spaces even with permits</p> <p>Barbican Road</p>
<p>This is just a way for the council to make money. The majority of vehicles parked in the area belong to residents. Restrictions would make it more difficult for trades and visitors to park and would not help residents</p> <p>Heslington Road</p>
<p>Considering us and many residents in this zone have been living here for a substantial amount of time while never having to pay for parking, introducing parking permits feels like a bit of a slap in the face. My household and I believe it is outrageous when we already pay rent and council tax, to now ask us to pay to park in front of our houses. The wording of the R66 'residents priority parking scheme' makes it sound like this will be beneficial to residents however the very last page highlights the extortionate proposed prices. This will isolate those already struggling in a cost of living crisis and considering we already pay council tax it seems unfair to almost hide the extra charges in this seemingly residents first proposed scheme when currently our council tax doesn't even pay for general waste bins.</p> <p>When we pay road tax and council tax why would we now have to pay to park outside of our house</p> <p>Wolsley Street</p>
<p>I would prefer to keep the status quo, since parking isn't a major problem. If other streets vote in favour demand on our road will become disproportionately highway, so I am effectively forced to vote for this unwelcomed scheme .</p> <p>Belle Vue Terrace</p>
<p>We emphatically DO NOT support any proposal to introduce a Residents Parking Scheme of any kind on Belle Vue Terrace.</p> <p>Please be clear, there is NO parking problem to solve in Belle Vue Terrace. There never has been. As residents of the street for over 20 years, we have NEVER been unable to park in our own street.</p> <p>We do not want to have to find £319.95 every year to park in our own street when we can already park for free.</p> <p>We do not want to have to pay over and above every time we have a visitor who arrives in a vehicle when they can already visit us for free.</p> <p>We do not want to have to mess about accessing yet another on-line portal.</p> <p>We would view the introduction of a Residents Parking Scheme as an imposition designed purely to raise additional revenue. So thank you, but no thank you.</p> <p>Belle Vue Terrace</p>
<p>We are NOT in favour of Residents Parking in our street, under any time restrictions.</p> <p>The reason is the cost. I think it is a public road and no one has a right to park outside their house on a public road. We all knew this when we bought/ rented houses in the area. We are on a low income and do not want to be forced to pay this cost. I don't want to have to pay for the right to have my friends or family visit me!! I also have some piano pupils to the house and would have to pay for permits for them, significantly cutting into the income. There is nowhere near where people can park and walk. In essence you are privatising the road.</p> <p>I am more than happy for the council to make the move on environmental grounds, but don't see why I personally should have to foot the bill! Why can't it be free and you make up the income in fines? At the very least, we should get some free permit books so that our right to having friends and family visit us without paying isn't eroded.</p> <p>I am also very concerned about the way that this is being done. The following sentences make me nervous:</p> <p>'GENERALLY, we require a 50 percent response rate from the consultation'- what does the 'generally' mean?</p>

'Each street can be taken forward individually should some areas not reach the above requirement' - what EXACTLY does this mean?

It feels like you are giving yourself leeway to push this through regardless if necessary.

I also think you should make the process of responding easier. If you delivered voting cards and had a vote in a church hall on a particular day you would have a much higher response. Or even just an online form!

I think this creates a bias towards the small but vocal minority who care passionately about this scheme, away from the majority (students etc) who I highly suspect wouldn't want it. Please don't give in to the few loud voices!

Willis Street

Representations in favour of the proposed scheme

If other surrounding streets are to get Res parking then would like it too so parking demands on their street do not increase

Belle Vue Street

Would prefer physical permits rather than digital to enable a visual of if vehicles have permits

Gordon Street

Parking in this area is a total nightmare as we are probably one of the only areas in the vicinity without Respark.

Often struggle to park on return from a night shift due to many people parking and going to work in town. In addition people park in this area from areas with Respark to avoid paying anything making the problems worse.

I've lived here for over 30 years and the area has changed to predominantly student houses / HMOs – the Landlords do not care about the issues with parking which make living in this area no longer enjoyable as everytime we go out in the car it is a worry if we will ever find a parking space. As I've said to the previous councillor on numerous occasions the landlords will not bother completing your form, and most likely neither will the students (bearing in mind they will have a stack of junk mail following their Christmas break) so getting a 50% response is doubtful. They don't care whether people can get parked or not! Also, whilst most students may return for the 5th Feb for "refreshers week" teaching doesn't start again until the 12th Feb.

If you talk to any permanent, council tax paying resident in the area you will find the majority in favour.

Heslington Road

We are in full support of the proposed Resident Parking Scheme.

We have lived on Wellington Street for almost 20 years and the use of the street parking by non-residents is a significant problem and has been for a long time. As a result of the area's close proximity to the city centre, non-residents park in the area to walk into the city centre for work, primarily during the working week, but also for leisure/shopping etc during the evenings and at the weekends. In addition, the area experiences significant problems with non-residents parking to attend events at York Barbican on Paragon Street. We also know that the area is/has previously been used by guests at the Staycity Aparthotel on Paragon Street and is currently and frequently used as an 'overflow' car park by guests at Barbican House guesthouse on the corner of Wellington Street/Barbican Road, despite the guesthouse having private off-road parking. The scheme should therefore be in operation 7-days a week, full-time 24 hours so that non-residents are encouraged to use official parking facilities or the Park & Ride services.

As residents of Wellington Street, we are sick of watching drivers not accustomed to parking on the area's narrow streets performing 3-point turns in the street risking/causing damage to property, parking inconsiderately and illegally on double-yellow lines and obstructing the highway and private access.

We have noted your letter states that you “Generally...require a 50% response rate from the consultation” but note that “Each street can be taken forward individually should some areas not reach the above requirement”. In the event that some areas do not reach the above requirement, it should be taken into account that the area is heavily populated with students who, we believe, are unlikely to respond (given their temporary residence in the area) or provide you with the contact details of the owner/managing agent of their rental property. We therefore feel that a response rate of less than 50% should still be fairly considered.

Further to this, we feel that the owners/managing agents of rental properties in the area are unlikely to support the proposed scheme due to them not being directly affected by the problem parking and in view of the extra costs of a HMO residents' permit, which the owners/managing agents will have to personally incur on behalf of their tenants or pass on to their tenants as an increase in rent/utilities.

Wellington Street

This is a welcome opportunity for the reasons below that I hope can be taken into consideration when assessing the decision;

The petition/request for residents parking in this area is not one of convenience instead it is driven primarily by genuine daily concerns in regards to **safety**. The current situation means that there are incredibly high volumes of traffic in a highly populated area with drivers regularly driving dangerously (speed and aggressive nature) throughout the day and unsafe parking (non adherence to lines) which means I fear for my daughters safety cycling to and from school, elderly residents and those using local amenities i.e. OneStop, Bison Café and Hairdressers (who have limited or no allocated parking for customers). This dangerous practice has also resulted in £000's of damage to many residents cars from people parking to close, out of spaces, lack of room for delivery vans to manoeuvre.

It is well known that this is the closest area to the city centre without resident parking scheme in place and as a result the high volume of cars you would see both day and night are as a result of;

1. People parking to go to work in the city
2. People parking to go shopping in the city
3. People parking to go to Calvery Chapel
4. Long and Short Term residents of ApartHotel
5. People attending events at the Barbican
6. People working at First York
7. People working on nearby building/construction sites
8. People who live in nearby area who do not have resident parking pass for their own area e.g. Walmgate, Fishergate, Hull Road
9. People who have multiple vehicles for the above
10. Abandoned vehicles
11. Private let multi vehicles households
12. Student let multi vehicle households

All of the above must contradict with the **City of Yorks Climate and Environment strategy** as well as where re Students the University of Yorks strategy too.

Another impact of the consistent high volumes of vehicles in this area is on **hygiene**. The roads are filthy and require repair as well as many gutters being clogged and significant volumes of rubbish. Non of this has been thoroughly attended to for years I presume due to being unable to as non residents ignoring requests to clear streets in order for the work to be done thus leaving residents with significant hygiene issues on their doorsteps.

If resident priority parking was granted it would resolve the above Safety, Climate and Hygiene issues as well as significantly improve the wellbeing of residents who often feel trapped in their homes. It would also mitigate the massive safety risk that St Lawrences Primary School parking causes on Heslington Road with parents every day parking dangerously on a very busy through fair

as these parents would be able to utilize the short loading/waiting time allowances in this area and extra capacity to park a 2 min walk from the school entrance.

Lastly **I would encourage you to look at the resident makeup when determining if 50% is the correct amount to support the proposal as this is a high rental area** where your instructions to pass on to Landlords is unlikely to be fully adhered to and likely unsupported if you do. I think you would have data on % homeowner residents but would be surprised if this is over a third and therefore needs to be taken into account when making decisions that impact the long term.

Wellington Street

The council must make provisions for charging electric vehicles from residents homes. - whilst the current 'free for all' exists on these streets, we cannot support a more sustainable city, which is surely what the council wants to move to. This scheme is the 1st step on the journey.

- additionally, there are plenty of council run car parks nearby, but non-residents choose to park on our streets for free, which means the council is losing valuable income.

- most of the streets surrounding our area are already ResPark, so this seems like a logical solution for us too.

Wellington Street