



AGENDA SUPPLEMENT

Decision Session - Executive Member for Transport

To: Councillors D'Agorne

Date: Thursday, 24 October 2019

Time: 2.00 pm

Venue: The Snow Room - Ground Floor, West Offices (G035)

The Agenda for the above meeting was published on **Wednesday 16 October**. The attached additional documents are now available for the following agenda item:


**5. 2018 Annual Review of Traffic Regulation (Pages 1 - 18)
Order Requests**

The Executive Member will consider a report requesting approval to advertise the amendments to the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) required to introduce the restrictions detailed in Annexes A to U. In addition, approval is requested to implement the amendments to the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO).

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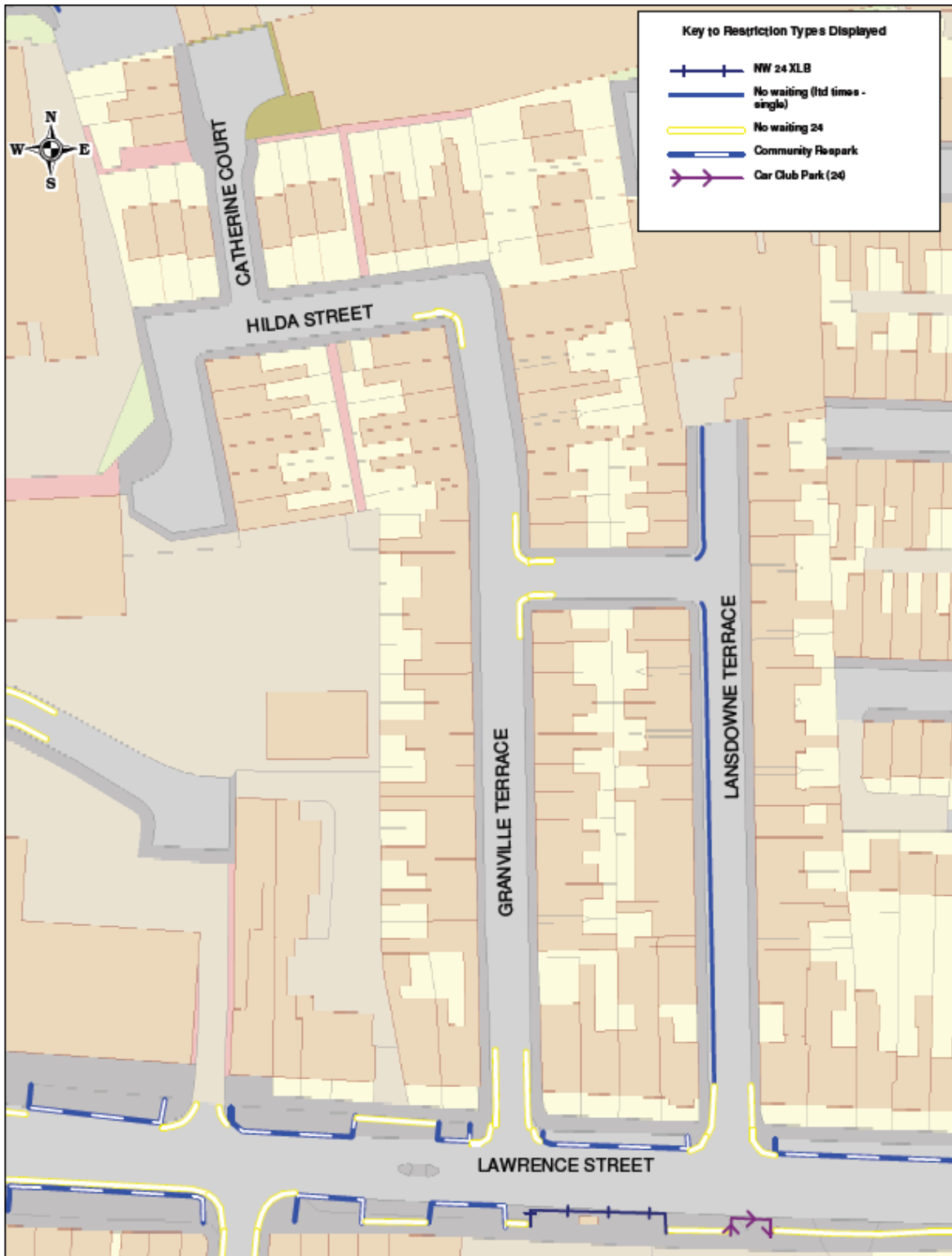
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Annex H Guildhall

H1	Location Greenfields (off Haxby Road (raised by one resident))
Nature of problem Parked vehicles on footway blocking access	
Background information There is little opportunity for non-residential parking on this small housing association development. It is located close to a Primary School and there is a Scout Hut/Community Hall at the entrance to the street. The surrounding area is Resident Parking. This does lead to vehicles parking fully and partially on the only footpath causing residents to walk on the road. This can lead to safety implications for pedestrians, especially at school peak hours.	
Recommendation No Waiting at any Time Restrictions as shown:	
 <p>The map displays a residential street layout with several buildings. A north-south road runs through the center, with a bus stop marked on the left side. A key to restriction types is provided in the bottom right corner of the map area:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bus Stop Clearway 24 hours (indicated by a blue line with a bus icon) NS (Sch) 8/5 XSS (indicated by a yellow wavy line) No waiting 24 (indicated by a solid yellow line) Res.P (24/10) (indicated by a pink line) <p>A text box on the map states: "Proposed No Waiting at Any Time (double yellow lines) for the protection of footpaths and access".</p>	
Cost: Lining works, £50, Advertising £500: Total Cost: £550	

H2	<p>Location Hilda Street, Thomas Street, Granville Terrace & Catherine Court (Requested by Waste services)</p>
<p>Nature of problem Badly parked cars too close to junctions and corners are preventing refuse wagon access. Existing restrictions are not long enough to manoeuvre the refuse vehicle around the streets.</p>	
<p>Background information This area of terraced streets is under immense pressure for parking space for residents. They are close enough to the city centre to attract commuter parking and there are several large student accommodation blocks nearby which can attract long-term parking. Catherine Court is a private road and we are unable to place restrictions without a request from the land owners (usually the owners of the adjacent properties). We placed a small amount of waiting restrictions to provide better access on the corner and internal junction, as shown on the plan below, in 2016. We received objections to this proposal at that time. We have not received any other requests from residents or complaints that other delivery wagons have not achieved access. Normally, we recommend restrictions when a problem exists on an on-going basis. A refuse issue for 30 minutes once a week is not considered sufficient reason to introduce restrictions in an area where it will be of disbenefit to residents.</p>	
<p>Recommendation No Further Action at this time.</p>	

Recommendation (No Action)



Cost: N/A

H3**Location** Duncombe Place
(Requested by Deancourt Hotel)**Nature of problem**

As the hotel has no onsite parking at all, we offer a valet car parking service where we park and retrieve a guests car from our own private car park some 10 minutes away, when guests are dropping of or when we collect a guests car when they are leaving we are finding it more and more difficult to find a space to load or unload their car. (hence we have more car park tickets issued recently)

Background information

Duncombe Place is used as drop off and pick up location by visitors, vehicles parked with blue badges, taxi ranks and the Railway Museum Tourist train. Loading/unloading activities can take place on all of Duncombe Place except for the Taxi Rank areas. A Civil Enforcement Officer would wait on site for approximately 10 minutes to check if loading activity was taking place

Since this request arrived in 2018, an arrangement has been made between the Hotel and Parking Services to assist with guests arrival and departure. The overall access to Duncombe Place is to be considered as part of the City Centre Access Security Projects. The needs of the business outlets, including the Hotel would be better considered as part of this project.

**Recommendation**

No Action

Cost: N/A

H4

Location Hambleton Terrace
(Requested by one Resident)

Nature of problem

Request for provision of additional R50 parking on side elevation of 179-181 Haxby Road

Background information

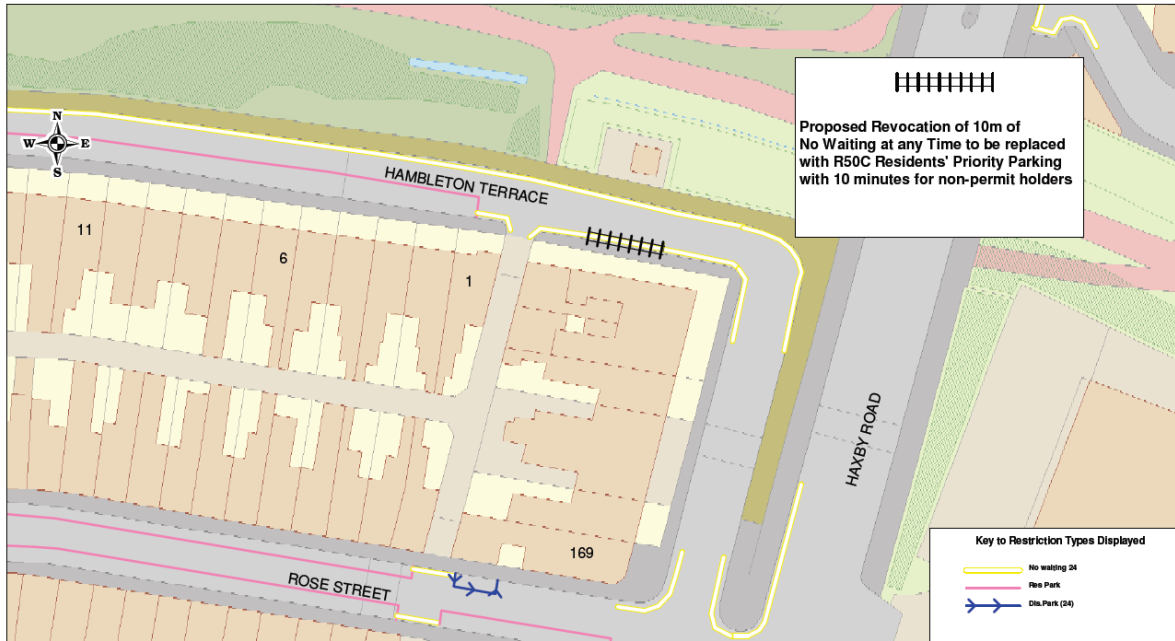
The Resident Parking Zone and restrictions were introduced in 2006. The stretch of double yellow lines on the side elevation of 179-181 Haxby Road was placed as a safety precaution for vehicles meeting around the bend/corner.

We are able to provide a 2 vehicle parking space whilst still allowing a 10m no waiting restriction to allow vehicles turning into Hambleton Terrace.

Although this is a 2-way street, in reality the majority of vehicles travel in a one way direction from east to west.

Recommendation

Revocation of 10m of No waiting at any time to be replaced with Resident parking (R50) for 2 vehicles




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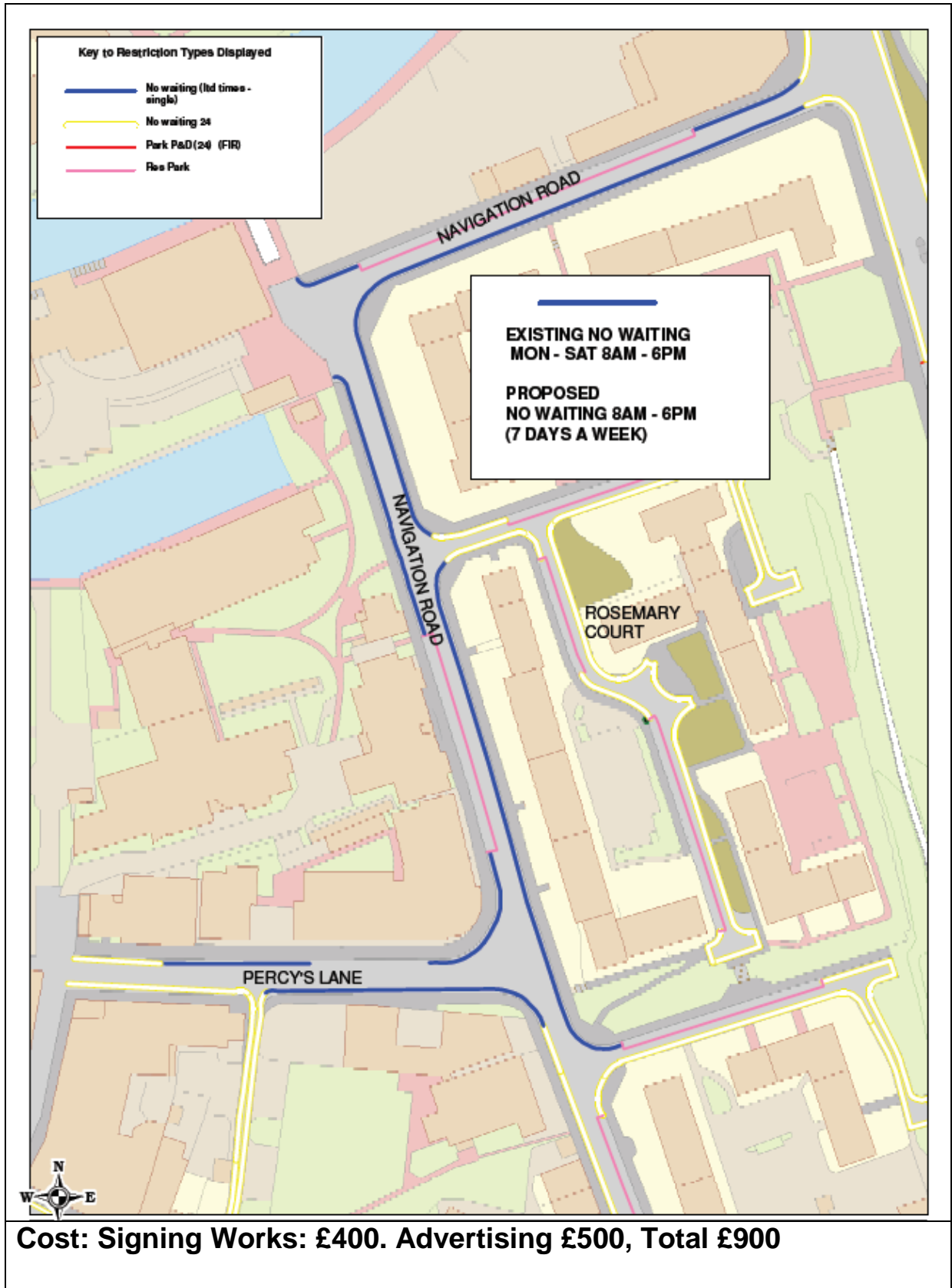
Hambleton Terrace

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Cost: Lining & signing works £400, Advertising £500; Total £900

H5	Location St Andrewgate (Requested by Parking Services)
<p>Nature of problem Request for loading ban to prevent parking obstruction caused by blue badge disabled permit holders. Parking services have received numerous hot line calls about this issue</p>	
<p>Background information This location is close to King's Square and could be popular with blue badge holders for parking. Obstructing the access/egress of a private parking amenity where parking is opposite the dropped kerb can only be enforced by North Yorkshire Police and it is likely this type of issue would be low on their priorities.</p>	
<p>Recommendation No Action Although the only way we could prevent blue badge parking would be to introduce a loading ban, this is likely to be an intermittent problem. It is not considered appropriate to use our limited resources for the protection of one private parking amenity</p>	
<p>Cost: N/A</p>	

H6	Location Navigation Road (Request from Parking Services)
<p>Nature of problem Request for single yellow line to be changed to include restriction on a Sunday or replace with double yellow lines</p>	
<p>Background information</p> <div data-bbox="204 577 820 920" data-label="Image"> </div> <p data-bbox="842 622 1398 920">Historically, we have many areas close to the centre of the city where we have a Mon-Sat, 8am to 6pm restriction. Some areas, such as George Street have already been amended to double yellows, other areas such as</p> <p data-bbox="188 925 1331 1133">Long Close Lane and Hope Street have been amended to include a Sunday restriction. It has been reported that Navigation Road is now subject to extensive Sunday daytime parking which is causing obstruction. The photograph shows one red vehicle parked in the junction area.</p> <p data-bbox="188 1182 1334 1350">This is a Resident Parking Area with one small area of unrestricted parking on Percy's Lane. There are large student accommodation buildings in this area which could account for the increase of Sunday parking on street.</p>	
<p>Recommendation To amend the restriction to include Sundays 8am – 6pm.</p>	



Ward councillor comments:

Councillor D Craghill –

Councillor J Looker –

I think I broadly agree with your recommendations. I agree Dean Court Hotel will probably be part, not only our city centre access review, but the development of the Minster Piazza development, and it is best to make this a comprehensive review.

I do still have some concerns around St. Andrewgate. I have had a number of problems raised with residents around the problems created by parking, and difficulties for large delivery Van's manoeuvring in such a tight area.

I would welcome the opportunity to perhaps discuss more widely some of the issues raised by residents.

Councillor F Fitzpatrick –

I agree with Cllr Looker. Also, I gather St Andrewgate forms part of the city centre anti terrorist bollard scheme, I would imagine they are proposed in the area approaching Kings Sq?

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Summary

Affecting: York Spiritualist Centre, 7-9 Wilton Rise, York, YO24 4BT.

The newly implemented Residents' Priority Parking Scheme (ResPark) scheme is negatively affecting the York Spiritualist Centre visitor attendance; there are not enough viable alternative parking solutions to service our centre needs.

York Spiritualist Centre relies on donations and income from running events at the centre to cover its running costs. If we cannot find flexible viable parking solutions for visitor parking, the church may become financially unviable.

Dear Sirs,

I am the Vice President of York Spiritualist Centre and I spoke at the decision session on the 22nd June 2017. The York Spiritualist Centre is located at 7-9 Wilton Rise, York, YO24 4BT; we are a registered church and charity #1175635; as such, we exist to serve the York and surrounding communities. Our offerings are especially important to the disabled, vulnerable, sick, senior & lonely as well as those seeking fellowship, the church is especially important to York; no matter what creed or faith an individual may have, everyone is welcome to join our services and activities.

Parking around the church has been competitive for a long while. York City commuters often used the streets around York Spiritualist Centre as a daily stay, car-parking opportunity, avoiding car-parking fees. This situation had a negative impact on resident parking, often leaving residents and their visitors, with parking challenges during workday working hours. However, we always managed to find innovative parking solutions for our visitors until recently.

Our Events

The majority of The York Spiritualist Centre's events are short, and mostly require short duration parking opportunities. Furthermore, most main events operate outside of working hours, which means we have never caused long term congestion. Our visitors arrive from both inside and outside of York, they also use most modes of transport to arrive at the centre e.g.: bus, cycle, walking and vehicle sharing are commonplace, which has always eased any parking issues. Furthermore, our rear car parking facility, which accommodates approximately 6 – 7 vehicles, has always been fully utilised (even though it is difficult to navigate to, and locate; it is quite a hidden car park).

Our Event running times and their durations		
Day	Event Duration	Event regularity
Monday	14:00 – 15:30 - (1½ hours)	Regular event
Tuesday	19:30 – 21:00 - (1½ hours)	Regular event
Wednesday	19:30 – 21:00 - (1½ hours)	Regular event
Thursday	No events	No events
Friday	19:00 – 20:30 - (1½ hours)	Occasional events
Saturday	10:00 – 16:00 - (6 hours)	Occasional events
Saturday	14:00 – 15:30 - (1½ hours)	Occasional events
Saturday	19:00 – 21:00 - (2 hours)	Regular event
Sunday	18:30 - 20:00 - (1½ hours)	Regular event
A half hour buffer time would be adequate to assist arrival and departure		
		<i>table1</i>

Park & Ride scheme

We have considered advising our visitors to use the Park and Ride service at Poppleton Bar during weekdays and Saturday's. Unfortunately, this service ceases to operate at 20:05 before our evening events conclude, meaning it is unsuitable for many York Spiritualist Centre visitors.

City Centre* to Poppleton Bar

Day	Time	Frequency
Monday - Friday	07:20 to 07:30	Every 10 minutes
	07:41 to 10:11	Every 7-15 minutes
	10:11 to 19:09	About every 10 minutes
	19:18 to 19:48	Every 15 minutes
	Last bus 20:05	!
Saturday	07:19 to 08:49	Every 15 minutes
	08:49 to 19:18	About every 10 minutes
	19:18 to 19:48	Every 15 minutes
	Last bus 20:05	!
Sunday	09:50 to 18:05	About every 10 minutes

Conclusion

Unsuitable for the majority of events.

York Commuter Car Park APCOA

We attempted to direct visitors to this car park (it is near The National Railway Museum), not one person managed to find York Spiritualist Centre if they ever managed to find the car park.

Other challenges to using this route:

1. Visitors do not like the secluded nature of the iron walkway and footpath to the car park, especially after hours when we conclude our events.
2. The steep steps are unsuitable for senior visitors and the disabled.
3. It is difficult to find and navigate to the required destination.

Conclusion

Unsuitable.

Parking Permits

At the ResPark consultations, we were unaware that York Spiritualist Centre would not be entitled to books of visitor permits [visitor scratch cards], (visitors would have been prepared to purchase these short-term visitor permits, and the scheme appeared suitable to York Spiritualist Centre's requirements of short term parking). When requesting these from the York City Council after the ResPark scheme was active, we were advised the York Spiritualist Centre was deemed ineligible for visitor scratch cards, because our building is not a residential property (why were we included in the Residents Parking Scheme, and not informed of this policy that adversely affects our operations?). Apparently, we have to be treated exactly like a business, even though we are not a business, furthermore we have no paid staff; the centre is run by a committee of volunteers.

York Spiritualist Centre have been offered some form of parking permits/s based on parking per vehicle, or allocated parking spaces, the cost of which is unjustifiable to the church, considering our parking usage requirements are only during event running times. This permit allocation or may have been appropriate if we had been a business.

Unfortunately, York Spiritualist Centre is not a business and we do not usually operate during standard business hours (see: *table1*). York Spiritualist Centre can expect (depending on event type, between 10 visitors to 100 visitors during one event), this means that the current parking model offered by York City Council disallows parking in the ResPark area other than for disabled persons and on Sundays. The ResPark consultation was fully aware that the York Spiritualist Centre required parking in the ResPark restricted area to allow us to operate our events; funds to cover our operational costs are raised from 75% of infrequent special events! Without easy short-term parking opportunities, maintaining adequate visitor numbers to sustain the church will become more & more of an uphill battle.

We are very disappointed at York City Council for not allowing flexibility in the scheme parking permits, to allow short-term flexible parking for our visitors. We are aware that York City Council has the ability to relax restrictions.

The impact on York Spiritualist Centre's events and operations are being adversely affected, we previously managed to host events, and accommodate visitor parking with minimal fuss. The recent implemented restrictions have already stopped many visitors attending because of the fear of receiving a parking fine, or fear of not locating a parking space. We have already noticed a decline in visitor numbers, which affects our income negatively, if this trend continues, we will be forced to close the church doors.

We request a viable parking solution, parking time adjustment, or regulation amendment that will benefit visitor-parking opportunities to York Spiritualist Centre; we fall into a black hole of being non-business and non-residential property, and no one seems to have an answer for us. We do hope that locally elected councillors, and people with decision powers, can address the recently introduced problem positively, thus serving the people of York and surrounding area to access a place of worship and learning.

York City Council does not appear to have provided viable alternatives for parking which coincides with our event times.

How was York City Council planning to allow York Spiritualist Centre to operate its events successfully, given York City Councils restrictive ResPark scheme, and given our requirement for short-term visitor parking?

Would allowing York Spiritualist Centre to obtain visitor scratch cards, be a viable solution until you can revise the restrictions?

Suggested alteration to allow parking in the restricted zones	
Weekdays	18:30 – 22:00
Saturdays	18:30 – 22:00 or all day similar to Sunday
Sundays	No change

I feel the above revision to the current parking restrictions would not jeopardize most of the local residents and other community needs. This however would eliminate commuter, city working and shopping parking.

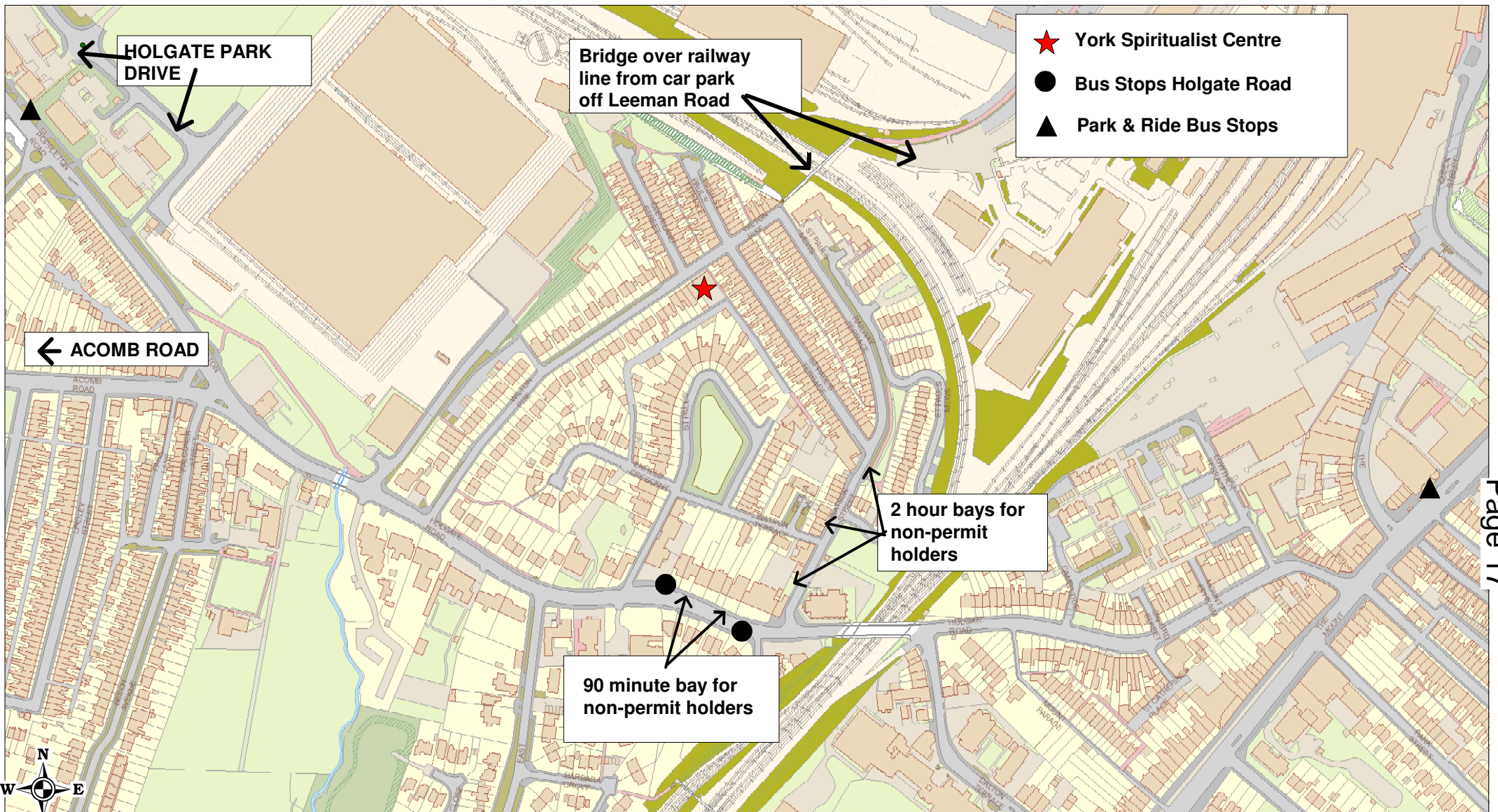
We have a further request, that signage be made clearer for vehicle owners with a Disabled Blue Badges, that they can park without penalty in the restricted zone. We have had vehicle/wheelchair visitors go home without entering the building because they were unable to determine if or where they could park.

York Spiritualist Centre's position on the parking restrictions has always been to allow the church and community centre to operate as it has prior to the ResPark scheme. I wholly object to the current parking restrictions, without having adequate alternative provisions for parking.

I hope you can be of assistance in helping us find a solution to this restrictive scheme affecting our church and community.

Yours faithfully,

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