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To the Residents:

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Dear Resident

Request for a Residents' Priority Parking Scheme (Respark)

We are writing to you because we received a petition asking us to consider introducing a Respark scheme in St Peter's Quarter. The Executive Member for Transport and Planning (Councillor Ian Gillies) considered their petition on the 10th November 2016 and requested officers to undertake a formal consultation with residents.

A newly formed resident parking scheme can displace parking onto adjacent streets. Because of this, the Executive Member asked us to extend the consultation area to include residents of Martins Court and Carleton Street. These are the streets most likely to be disadvantaged by the introduction of a Resident Parking Scheme on St Peter's Quarter.

Consultation documents

The following information and documents are enclosed:

1. General information about a Residents' Priority Parking Scheme
2. A plan of the proposal
3. A ballot form
4. A freepost envelope

We are proposing a scheme that may not be like others you have experienced around the city. It does not involve extensive signing and lining works and will

allow you to park anywhere on street not covered by a waiting restriction (yellow lines), as long as, by so doing, no obstruction of the carriageway has occurred.

We can only accept one ballot sheet from each household. **Please complete and return to us in the Freepost envelope provided by Friday 3rd March.**

If you prefer you can email your response to sue.gill@york.gov.uk You will need to give the information we have asked for on the ballot sheet, including your name and address.

Because your preferences will determine whether we take this forward and initiate the legal process to amend the Traffic Regulation Order, it is important you return your ballot sheet.

Please contact me on 01904 551497 (direct line) or email sue.gill@york.gov.uk if you:

- Require any further information or clarification
- Want to discuss any special needs/circumstances that you believe would be disadvantaged by the introduction of a Respark scheme

We will write to you when the results of the consultation process and let you know what will happen next.
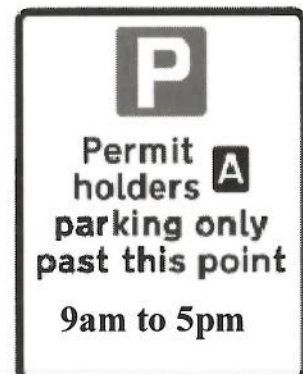
Yours faithfully

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A Residents' Priority Parking Scheme

In January 2012, the Department for Transport amended Road Traffic Regulations. The amended regulations permit us to reserve a road for permit holders during an indicated period (or 24 hours) where parking bays are not marked. These are only suitable for cul-de-sacs or small areas where the witnessed problems associated with inconsiderate parking are due to the level of non-resident parking.

Because of the changes, we can now offer residents a Residents' Priority Parking Scheme (Respark) where the resident has more control. You can park anywhere on street as long as you are not parked on any yellow lines or cause an obstruction.

Signs are mounted at the entrance to your estate notifying drivers parking is reserved for permit holders. The scheme can operate full time, or on a part-time basis depending on resident preference. The timing on the shown sign is an example: – please indicate your preferred times of operation on the ballot sheet enclosed. Outside any specified times the street would be available for any vehicle to park. Some residential streets in York operate a Mon-Fri, 9am to 5pm scheme giving residents more flexibility on an evening and weekend.

Our Respark schemes cannot guarantee a space will be available. Space is not normally an issue in areas where most properties have an off-street parking amenity. Because parked vehicles would be associated with residents and their visitors it should be easier to identify the owner and request removal/repositioning if necessary.

There would be no parking allowed for any non-permit holders whilst the scheme is in operation. Any visitors to your property would require a visitor permit, even for a short duration (except for those activities that are listed overleaf).

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Exemptions within the Traffic Regulation Order; Vehicles can still use the street to park if they are undertaking one of the following activities.

1. Loading and unloading, including passengers. For example, you would still be able to get goods delivered, move house, or a friend arrive to collect you or drop you off without the need to display a permit. Our Civil Enforcement Team wait for approximately 5 to 10 minutes to ensure no loading activity is occurring before issuing a penalty charge notice to a vehicle which does not display a valid permit.
2. Vehicles displaying a valid disabled permit (blue badge).
3. Vehicles used for medical requirements, or for weddings and funerals.
4. Vehicles which belong to emergency services, statutory bodies or vehicles being used for highway works.

If you are having work done on the house, your builder or other tradesman can use a visitor permit or purchase a "builders permit" from parking services for a small daily charge (£3).

Enforcement
If a vehicle parks without a permit, the driver becomes liable for a Penalty Charge, issued by our Civil Enforcement Team.

Annual charges for Permits from APRIL 2016 to MARCH 2017 are:

HOUSEHOLD PERMIT	Annual Charge	Quarterly Charge
CARS IN DVLA VEHICLE BAND D – I AND VEHICLES REGISTERED PRE 2001	£96	£29.50
CARS 2.7Mtrs or LESS IN LENGTH LOW EMISSION VEHICLES DVLA BAND A to C	£48	£14.75
CARS IN DVLA VEHICLE BAND J – M AND VEHICLES MORE THAN 5M IN LENGTH	£130	£39
SECOND PERMIT	£172.50	£54.50
THIRD PERMIT	£343	£95
FOURTH PERMIT	£690	£185

Household Authorisation Cards entitle the holder to obtain Visitors Permits. The cards are issued automatically with a Household Permit but a householder is entitled to a Card without exercising an entitlement to a Household Permit.

Visitor permits are purchased in books of 5 and you are allowed an annual allowance of 200, but no more than 40 can be purchased in any one month.

The annual charge for a Household Authorisation Card from April 2016 is:

Household Authorisation Card	when the Card is issued at the same time as a Household Permit	Nil
Discount Authorisation Card	See eligibility overleaf*	Nil
Household Authorisation Card	In all other circumstances	£3

*Discount Authorisation cards are free of charge and visitor permits reduced to £1.50 a book if you are:

- Over 60 years old
- A blue disabled badge holder
- Receive the higher rate of the mobility component of the disability living allowance
- Are registered as blind
- In receipt of income support
- In receipt of long-term incapacity benefit

Visitor Permit

A Visitor Permit entitles the holder to park a vehicle for the day of issue and up to 10am on the day following. Your visitor displays the date of use on each individual Permit before displaying in the vehicle.

The annual charge for a Visitor Permit from April 2016 is:

VISITOR PERMIT	(1) when the purchase is supported by a Household Authorisation Card	£5.75 (for 5)
	(2) when the purchase is supported by a Discount Authorisation Card	£1.50 (for 5)

Consultation Ballot

St Peter's Quarter
Residents' Priority Parking Scheme

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Please indicate your preferences by ticking the appropriate box:

	YES	NO
Would you support a proposal to introduce a Resident Parking Scheme as outlined on the information provided?		

Please indicate your preferred time of operation:

9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday	
24 hours, 7 days a week	
Other: please state:	

Title: (Mr. Mrs. Miss Ms) -------------------------Initial: -------------------------

Surname: --

Address: --

Postcode --

Please return in the freepost envelope provided by Friday 3ʳᵈ March. We will only accept one completed ballot from each household and your preferences are kept confidential. If you prefer you can email your preferences and comments to sue.gill@york.gov.uk

Please write any further Comments you wish to make overleaf (or use separate sheet)