

Wenlock Terrace objections

As an owner of 5 flats in Wenlock Terrace I have just seen by chance the Consultant Results Priority Parking Scheme letter. I feel that this should have been sent to me at my home address.

Myself and many other property owners find it extremely difficult and frustrating trying to park in the street and arrange parking for tradesmen etc who have come to carry out work on the properties.

This has long been an issue with landlords and property owners.

People arrive early in the morning, dump their vehicles, walk to their place of work and return in the evening.

This is not fair on residents who have a vehicle or like myself try to arrange jobs for tradesmen who need access to their vehicles.

The people who work in town or go shopping should be using the park and ride system.

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Annex L

I wish to lodge an objection to the proposed parking restrictions in our area. Alma Terrace YO10

I believe them to be biased, prejudice and unfair. I also believe the survey to be flawed and the proposed action to be way outside of what the survey outlined.

Parking here is a challenge, I myself have spent more than a couple of nights sleeping in my car because there is no available parking space.

It is however fair, we are all in the same situation, we all have the same rights and the same daily struggle.

The proposed survey was for restrictions or no restrictions there was no 3rd option to reserve half of the parking spaces for the wealthy, exaggerating the issue and making it a problem exclusively for the poor or working class.

If you look at the proposed restrictions it is basically a ring around the home owners or to put it another way the wealthy.

The streets outside the restrictions have large student population well over 70% whom are living here for less than a year.

You have essentially sent out a survey and are using the results or lack of response, the overwhelming majority of which no longer even live here.

If someone sent you a survey asking about parking restrictions that would be introduced 6 months after you have left the area would you care?

I personally think the proposed wouldn't have fixed the issue. The problem here is that there are more residents with car's than there is parking space but I was more than happy to go with restrictions or no restrictions that was originally proposed.

It has to be all or nothing, either we all have parking restrictions and permits with an equal opportunity to park or nobody does. To do otherwise is unfair and prejudice against those who cannot afford to live anywhere else.

We have lived on Wenlock Terrace for over 15 years, we work and give away most of our income for rent, bills and taxes.

We save what little is left over and live in hope that one day we will be able to buy a home and have the security to start a family.

The notion that those who have already achieved our dreams will also get half of the parking spaces is upsetting and the idea that the council promoting and encouraging the wealth divide that holds us back is offensive.

Most of the property in this area is owned by people with multiple properties and I would ask that you don't make life even more challenging for those whom are just trying to get 1 home to live and love.

In closing I would say let's keep things fair, let's keep things equal. Either put in permit parking for everyone or don't put it in for anyone.

Annex L

I would like to express my extreme concern in regards to the proposal for Alma Terrace and Alma Grove being made into resident's parking, and adjoining streets including Wenlock Terrace, Frances Street and Ambrose Street being left out of the scheme

I live on Wenlock Terrace and was in full support for a resident's parking zone to encompass all streets in this area. Only Alma Terrace/ Alma Grove having permit parking is going to make the already very difficult parking situation impossible to manage.

Already, without the permits, it is virtually impossible to find a parking space on our road and surrounding roads particularly in the middle of the day and later in the evening. The streets are used regularly by contractor vans, commuters, weekend shoppers and people using the local amenities including the shops and GP surgery, which have allocated car parks! We have regularly not been able to park on the street at all, and had to park our car in the bays on Fulford Road overnight and move these first thing in the morning. I am not happy leaving my car on the main road, particularly when the streets should have ample parking.

The use of the road with contractor vans is a huge issue and my car has been damaged, nearly written off, by a contractor van speeding along the road. This was reported to the police.

I am also extremely concerned with the development of the student halls opposite Wenlock Terrace. Hundreds of student rooms will be available with very little car parking provided. Without protection for residents, I predict it will be impossible to park the car outside our own home with students using the streets for cars, as has been an issue in other parts of York near student halls or the universities.

When reviewing the results of the petition provided, I recognise that many streets did not hit the threshold for consideration. However, this also includes Alma Terrace and Alma Grove! So hence, if this is not a requirement for these streets, why should this be a requirement for others? Additionally, all streets in this area, including Wenlock Terrace, Frances Street and Ambrose Street, had a majority vote for residents parking, with 70.8%, 62.5% and 58.6% respectively. This also feels particularly unfair as these streets are often student houses, many of which will not have been occupied when the petition was put out, so of course the return would not be complete.

I would hope that the council would consider either:

- To revoke the resident permits for Alma terrace and alma grove
- Allow the surrounding streets to benefit and be included in the residents parking zone (my preferred option)

I would also hope that having a residents permit on Wenlock Terrace in particular, would reduce the risk of illegal parking on the double yellow lines at the end of the road, which reduces visibility and causes a significant hazard for pedestrians, cyclists and other motorists.