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Dear Sir/Madam,

OXHEY PARKING REVIEW UPDATE

The feedback received for the consultation on draft parking proposals carried out in your area has now been analysed. The summary of the responses to the exercise is attached. Thank you to everyone who took time to respond to the survey. Your councillors have been clear that there is no set agenda, but a wish to find a way of managing the parking that will be most acceptable to a majority of residents. We have read all comments submitted and spoke to many residents at the drop-in sessions. We summarise the results below:

Kingsfield Road/Cedar Road area

There was majority support for proposals for parking controls which operate Mondays to Fridays 10am to 12 noon in Kingsfield Road, Kingsfield Court, Cedar Road, Parkside and Rainbow Court. The next stage is for the council to prepare the Traffic Regulation Orders for advertisement in the New Year.

• Main Oxhey Village area (between Haydon Road and Pinner Road)

A clear majority of respondents supported controlled parking in some form. But there was an almost equal split between those supporting and opposing the all-day scheme proposed, while a further 23% expressed support for the scheme 'with reservations'. The most frequent comment was a request for shorter hours. There is therefore neither a mandate to go ahead with the all-day proposals nor to abandon the scheme. The results suggest there might be majority support for a shorter hour's scheme. As this was not proposed in the consultation, the council will carry out a final consultation in the New Year with options for a two hour scheme and the status quo. The proposed hours would be 9am–11am, Monday–Friday, which appear to be those that would address the alleged parking issues but cause the least problems for local businesses. If there is majority support for this it will go ahead, if not there will be no change.

The consultation area will include, Villiers Road, Capel Road, Caroline Place, Rowley Close, Warneford Place, King Edward Road, Field Road, Lower Paddock Road, Upper Paddock Road, Haydon Road, Avenue Terrace, Hensby Mews, Field End Close and Capel Road.

• Oxhey Avenue/Grover Road/Watford Heath

There was a clear majority in Grover Road for the two-hour restriction, but overall opposition in Oxhey Avenue, with a strong difference of opinion between the properties closest to Pinner Road and those closer to Watford Heath. There have also been comments that this area should have the same restrictions as those in the rest of the village. Therefore the council is proposing a final consultation on a two-hour scheme between 9am and 11am to cover Grover Road, the part of Oxhey Avenue between Pinner Road and Lime Close (which would also be included in the scheme), at present we are not proposing to include the part of Oxhey Avenue that voted against





controlled parking or Watford Heath in this area, but will ask them if they wish to join the zone in the event of neighbouring areas voting to do so.

• **Zones:** Following your comments, it is proposed to have just two zones, one on either side of the railway line, rather than the three proposed previously.

Other points

- Residents of Pinner Road and Chalk Hill would be entitled to permits on the same terms as residents within the controlled parking zones.
- It is proposed to introduce additional short stay parking spaces in Villiers Road, Capel Road, Lower Paddock Road and Upper Paddock Road. The hours of control on the short stay parking bays will be amended to allow a maximum stay of 1 hour.
- The council will also consult on minor parking changes in parts of Eastbury Road, parts of Pinner Road, parts of Oxhey Avenue and parts of King Edward Road. Only residents in the immediate vicinity of the proposals will be included in this exercise.
- In some areas outside the proposed CPZ, residents have made specific requests for waiting restrictions to improve road safety which The Council is intending to undertake further consultations on. Affected residents will be notified of these requests for their comments.
- If controlled parking goes ahead, the council will then carry out vehicle occupancy surveys in other roads outside the proposed CPZ areas to monitor and manage the impact of the parking changes and if necessary consult again on new parking proposals in these roads.
- Staff for the businesses in the village will be eligible for permits at the Bushey Arches Car Park during the hours of the parking controls. These will be at the same charge as the council's standard resident parking permit (currently £25 per annum).
- We will be liaising with Hertsmere Borough Council to address any potential impact of parking controls on residents of Haydon Road and Cross Road.

The council's website www.watford.gov.uk/askparking has got some vital information on controlled parking zones and permits which includes answers to a set of frequently asked questions which residents may look at, we are also happy to provide residents who don't have access to the internet with copies of these documents or answer their queries if they contact us on the above telephone number or email, TID@watford.gov.uk.

Yours faithfully,

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