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Dear resident,

Re: Potential extension of Callowland Zone NA Permit Parking Area – have your say

Following concerns raised by residents during a previous consultation in your area in February 2020, Watford Borough Council committed to carrying out surveys in roads adjacent to the Callowland Zone NA. These will help us to understand whether there is any impact on parking caused by the introduction of the Parking Permit Area (PPA) within Callowland (Zone NA).

As part of this analysis, the council commissioned two parking surveys - one prior to the introduction of Zone NA and one four months after Zone NA became operational. The surveys were carried out on Diamond, Jubilee, Ashby, Brighton and Sussex Roads and part of Gammons Lane, giving us an understanding of the parking demand and occupancy levels in this area both before and after Zone NA was implemented.

The survey data suggests that although there is some evidence of parking migration, it is only at a low level and is not having a material impact on parking availability in the area during daytime hours.

The other major finding from the survey data is that all the roads surveyed have occupancy levels which exceed 100% capacity during evening and night time hours. It also found that in Diamond Road, Jubilee Road and Gammons Lane occupancy levels exceed 100% during daytime hours.

Capacity is calculated based on the area of kerb side space where parking is available for any vehicle and where it is safe to do so. Therefore to exceed this, vehicles must be parked in front of dropped kerbs, on access protection markings or at junctions.

In light of the above, officers have agreed with the Mayor, Portfolio Holder and your local ward councillors to offer you as a resident of one of these streets a further opportunity to join the Zone NA PPA. A plan showing the proposed extension of Zone NA is attached for your information.

A questionnaire has been attached to this letter and we would be grateful if you would fill it out and return the completed questionnaire in the stamped addressed envelope provided. **The deadline for responses is noon on Sunday 7th November 2021.** Your engagement in this process is greatly appreciated.

Results of the questionnaire will be shared with The Mayor, Portfolio Holder and ward councillors. Results will be based on the Yes/No responses to question 5 on the attached questionnaire, any individual comments made on returns will not be considered. If there is majority support in your road in favour of joining the PPA, the council will carry out a Traffic Regulation Order process, involving statutory consultation.



As you may also be aware, residents within the existing Zone NA PPA are currently being consulted on whether they wish to extend the current operational hours of Zone NA as part of a separate review. Please understand that should a majority of residents within your area vote to join the PPA, then this would be according to the hours agreed during the separate review of the operational hours of Zone NA. This could be either the existing operational hours of **Mon-Sat 8am-10am and 7pm-10pm** or extended operational hours of **Mon-Sat 8am-10am and 5pm-10pm**.

Further information and Frequently Asked Questions are on the council's website:

https://www.watford.gov.uk/info/20014/parking/400/new_parking_schemes_and_consultations/2

Thank you for your participation in the consultation process.

Yours faithfully,

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