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Dear Sir/Madam,

## CALLOWLAND PARKING ZONE NA, RESULTS OF THE CONSULTATION ON OPERATIONAL HOURS

I am writing to let you know the results of the recent parking consultation involving all properties within the existing Callowland Zone NA Permit Parking Area (PPA), which was conducted between 11th October and 7<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

The consultation sought views on whether residents and businesses within the PPA were in favour of the council extending the evening operational hours of the PPA.

Consultees were asked specifically whether they were happy with the existing operational hours of the Zone; **Monday to Saturday 8am-10am & 7pm-10pm** and if not, whether they would support an extension of the operational hours of the zone to **Monday to Saturday 8am-10am & 5pm-10pm**.

## Consultation Results from Section 2 – your views

Q5. Are you happy with the existing operational hours (Mon-Sat 8am–10am & 7pm-10pm) of the Callowland Zone NA Permit Parking Area?

- 25% of respondents answered 'Yes'
- 74% answered 'No'
- **1%** left blank

## Q6. Would you like to see the operational hours of the Callowland Zone NA Permit Parking Area extended to: Mon-Sat 8am-10am & 5pm-10pm?

- **74%** of respondents answered **'Yes'**.
- **12%** answered **'No'** they did not.
- **14%** left the answer to this question blank as they answered 'Yes' to Q5 above.

**562 responses** were received giving a response rate of **26%**. Thank you to everyone who took part.

## What happens next?

Based on these results and after further discussions with local ward councillors, the Portfolio Holder & Mayor, it has been agreed that the council will move forward to deliver the proposed extension to the evening operational hours of the PPA.





The following amendments will therefore be proposed to the Zone NA Traffic Regulation Order;

- Increase the operational hours of Zone NA Permit Parking Area to Monday to Saturday 8am-10am & 5pm-10pm.
- 2. Residents in the surrounding streets to the North West of Zone NA Diamond, Jubilee, Brighton, Sussex and Ashby Roads - have also separately voted to join the Zone NA PPA and these streets will be included in the amended Zone NA Traffic Regulation Order.
- **3.** Introduce **2x electric vehicle charging only bays** on the south side of Salisbury Road at its junction with St Albans Road and revoke the existing No Waiting at Any Time (double yellow line) restrictions currently at this location. This proposal will not cause any loss of permit parking spaces.
- **4.** Amend the times of the existing limited waiting bay at the bottom of Leavesden Road (south of its junction with Copsewood Road) from Mon to Sat 8am 6:30pm, 2 hours no return within 1 hour **to Mon to Sat 8am-10pm 2 hours, no return within 1 hour.**

During the consultation process many businesses raised concerns that their customers would no longer be able to park nearby during their core evening hours of trade if the PPA hours were extended. With this in mind all on street parking facilities currently available on St Albans Road as well as the un-restricted parking bays on the adjoining roads to St Albans Road will remain as they are and will not be affected by the change in the operational hours of the PPA.

The council also proposes to increase the restriction times of the limited waiting bay at the bottom of Leavesden Road in order to prevent these spaces from being parked in by permit holders during the proposed extended operational permit hours of Zone NA (as described in point 4. above).

The council will look to begin the Statutory Traffic Regulation Order consultation process in the New Year in order to amend the existing Traffic Regulation Order for Zone NA to implement the changes proposed above.

You can view the results from section 2 of the questionnaire at; <a href="https://www.watford.gov.uk/Callowlandparkinghours">https://www.watford.gov.uk/Callowlandparkinghours</a>

Yours faithfully,

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