

Proposed Residents' Parking Scheme or Single Yellow Lines - Wellwinch Road, Sittingbourne

ANNEX C

Response	Support Scheme	Support SYL Both Sides	Support SYL One Side	Object	Comments
1				1	Afternoon. Received correspondence today regarding a petition about parking. I genuinely don't see any of that going on here. I believe this has come a resident [REMOVED FOR DATA SENSITIVITY] These days people have more than 2 cars in a family. We all know who has what cars down this road. It is a selling point to have such good parking down here and I don't believe it should be changed. Please feel free to email me if you would like more information.
2				1	I have received a letter today regarding the petition for parking. We live at ** Wellwinch Road. We do not support this petition and made it clear to the family that organised the petition that we did not support the petition. They were we not happy that we refused to sign and they were persistent that we supported their view and came back numerous times to ask us to sign. Each time we refused I believe they live at number ** Wellwinch Road and he has an issue parking his huge work van. We do not have a parking issue outside we we live . They also told people it was free to get a parking permit that's how they encouraged people to sign up! We have had to endure drug dealing outside our homes for the last 2-3 years it's been intimidating we have had to deal with cars constantly coming up for their drug collections at all hours of the day a parking restriction won't stop the activities or stop them speeding putting lives at risk. There has been no support from Swale Borough Council , police only told us not to react to them as it's linked to county lines do you know what it is like to feel scared to be in your own home... our neighbours at number ** were threatened as they were seen talking to the police and have now since moved as they felt unsafe to live here. Sittingbourne is becoming a drug and crime centre we don't see Swale Borough council doing anything to resolve this issue but yet if you receive a petition for parking where you can make money from us then you react it's very disappointing as we could have a camera put back up this would stop the illegal activities that happen in our Road I have lived here for more than ** years and find the situation in our town very disappointing. Wellwinch Road is full of rubbish, bin at the top of the road has not been emptied this will encourage rats and foxes and rubbish is now on the road. So many roads around town have pot holes and traffic is a nightmare from one end of town to the other maybe these issues would be better to bring to your transportation board on how to make Sittingbourne a nicer place to live.

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3				1	Dear Sirs I am not in favour of this proposal which is unnecessary and will cause considerable inconvenience to visitors, friends and family etc. At present motorists can park freely and there are always plenty of spaces. I have lived here for 52 years and seen the parking situation in the area greatly improved with the closing of the biscuit factory on what is now Cavell Way. There are already considerable parking restrictions in this area and people have to be able to park somewhere but this is not causing problems in this area. I have enclosed some pics taken at approx 10.30 a.m last Friday so you can see the situation. Further to my previous email concerning the unnecessary scheme here are some pics of the parking situation on Sunday at about 10.30 a,m, a day when most people are home. The last pic was taken at about 11a.m on Monday. I suspect the petition was raised in the mistaken belief that people would be allocated their own parking space Thank you. (5 + 5 No. Photos Supplied in Annex D)
4				1	I am just emailing to give feedback about the issue above. I have only lived at ** Wellwinch Road for about a month now. During this time I have never had any issues with parking and have always been able to park close to my house. I understand from other residents that this is not always the case though. Although I personally do not see any need for waiting restrictions to be put in place, if I had to choose one I would support the extension of resident's parking scheme to include Wellwinch Road.
5				1	Hello, I object to the extension of the scheme to Wellwinch road. I do not believe the road is used by commuters to any extent. People from Wellwinch and their visitors may just park in Victoria road and regency court rather than pay for permits. This is probably what's happening in Wellwinch rd with people from Chalkwell rd parking there as they do not have enough permits. Today is a working weekday outside the school holidays and there was plenty of parking spaces when I checked at lunchtime. A bigger issue is the safety at the Wellwinch junction with Chalkwell rd: obscured stop sign, poor visibility, families crossing at a dangerous location, hidden underpass as cars approach junction etc.
6	1				
7	1				I'm ***** from ** Wellwinch Road. My husband and I would prefer to extend the current Residents Parking Scheme to include Wellwinch Road as we feel that having a single yellow line wouldn't change anything. We are fed up with people parking their vans and cars on our road as they don't want to pay for parking in town. Thank you. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

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8	1				I support the proposal to Extend the current Residents Parking Scheme to include Wellwinch Road.
9	1				Permit park both sides of street each both Chalkwell & Wellwinch residents.
10				1	I object to this as it is always busy at the bottom of Wellwinch Road even at the weekend when there's no commuters at work. I think the money should go towards security cameras as we've had lots of trouble at the top of Wellwinch Road with drugs which has caused a resident to move. Chalkwell residents will park at the bottom of Wellwinch Road as they will have the same zone so they'll still be the same problem for the residents with no parking at the bottom of Wellwinch Road.
11	1				Strongly opposed to single yellow line due to shift work
12	1				
13				1	I object to any restrictions, as we do not have any problems with anyone other than residents parking at my end of the road. I am at ** Wellwinch Road, my name is *****. I know I signed the petition, but at the time I was in shock and trauma [redacted as data sensitive], and didn't have a clue what I was doing. Added to this I have disabilities, which mean I have to park by my house at all times. At times my car doesn't get used for days on end, as i cannot get out, because I have [redacted as data sensitive] amongst other things. I would not be able to move my car when restrictions were in force. Also I'm on *****, and paying out extra money is not possible. If you did go ahead I would need a disabled bay.
14			1		Sorry that this email is late, but at the present time the parking situation has improved with Chalkwell Motors and Sittingbourne Tyres not trading any longer. I support the proposal to install a single yellow line on one side of Wellwinch Road outside of the houses
15	1				Commercial vans parked, commuters parked. People parking here that live nearby but don't live in Wellwinch or Victoria Road.
16		1			I support the proposal to extend the parking scheme. I support single yellow lines on both sides.
Total	7	1	1	7	

			26	Properties Consulted
	62	% Returned	16	No. Returned
	44	% Support Scheme	7	No. Support Scheme
	6	% Support SYL Both Sides	1	No. Support SYL Both Sides
	6	% Support SYL One Side	1	No. Support SYL One Side
	44	% Object	7	No. Object

Proposed Extension to Residents' Parking Scheme - Victoria Road, Sittingbourne

Response	Support	Object	Comments
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1		1	I am writing to you regarding your petition for Extension to resident parking scheme Wellwinch Road/ Victoria road. I am a resident in Victoria road (no.**), I am finding it hard to think why you would want to extend your parking scheme as I walk this route everyday at least 4 times a day, there is no shortage of parking spaces in this road, so my only explanation must be money. We are a 15 minute walk from the station, where would this scheme end? As you will continue to expand then the whole of Sittingbourne would be a no free parking town. In this current economic world do you not think we are all struggling with the rising economy. People are already struggling to pay there bills. We previously lived in a borough which introduced a parking scheme just like this, the scheme expanded and the cost trebled, so again it's making me think money money money. May be if the carparks where not being sold off to build flats and people could have a free parking space then you wouldn't have to expand your scheme. Just to confirm we don't drive, but we have visitors who do
2		1	My response to this I personally Object to the extension scheme to include Victoria Road SHOULD THE SCHEME BE INTRODUCED IN WELLWINCH ROAD. For one I don't own a car but I do know that there are some home owners that have two Cars per family that might not be able to afford to pay for both cars to be parked in our road. Plus we don't have any problems with other people parking in Victoria Road , during the day time hours. We used to when the coaches used to pick up commuters to London at the garage at the bottom of Victoria Road / London Road. But that service has stopped running.
3		1	I object to the extension of the current residents parking scheme to include Victoria road should the scheme be introduced in wellwinch road. We have three vehicles (2 cars and a works van) the scheme only allows for 2 permits to be bought and although each permit covers 2 vehicles it states this is one at any one time, as such we would be unable to park all 3 vehicles at any one time. We also object to the additional cost of £45 per permit.

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4		1	<p>*Would support implementation in Victoria Road if Wellwinch Road included, <u>BUT object to scheme being introduced in Wellwinch Road</u> - We are residents of Victoria Road and recently received your letter regarding a petition from residents in Wellwinch Road concerning alleged commuter parking. We strongly object to the implementation of a residents parking permit scheme in Wellwinch Road and therefore Victoria Road for the following reasons. I run at least three mornings per week and start my route in Wellwinch Road between 6.45 and 7am. At that time of the morning there are plenty of spaces as some residents in the road have already left for work. This suggests that no commuters have parked there and taken available spaces which at that time of the morning, I would expect to be the case if commuters (presumably using the station) were using the road for parking. I should also point out that I work from home so I'm around at all times of the day. I'm assuming you know Wellwinch Road well? If you do then you'll know that it's a reasonably wide road and there is only one row of houses in the road but cars can be parked both sides. This means that it would take a fair amount of commuter parking to cause any issues. From what I've seen on my morning runs, there are always plenty of spaces on both sides of the road and there's no evidence that commuters are using the road at all let alone to an extent that would warrant a residents parking scheme. Historically, there were occasional issues with commuter parking but this stopped during Covid and was caused by commuters parking to use the Kingsferry coach to London. Since Covid, and Kingsferry subsequently ceasing to run the service, this hasn't been an issue and in any case, the commuter parking at that time tended to be at the London Road end of Victoria Road (the end we live at) as the coach stop was outside the petrol station in London Road.</p>

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Continued..			Also, something else which you may not be aware of is that there are residents in London Road that also use Victoria Road to park. The row of houses opposite the petrol station, going down towards the Kings Head pub, have no on road parking and use the London Road end of Victoria Road to park. If Wellwinch Road were to have a residents parking scheme implemented and therefore Victoria Road, residents in London Road will also need to be included as they will also be affected. The only road they could otherwise use would be Borden Lane which actually DOES have an issue with parking and therefore, any scheme implemented in Wellwinch/Victoria/Regency would undoubtedly make parking issues in Borden Lane even worse. There are elderly residents in the road, many of which have nurse visits or visits from family to help them but don't own cars. They also have regular visits from friends and family so presumably they would need to pay for the scheme even though they don't own cars. This seems grossly unfair. We have regular family gatherings and this scheme would impact us and our neighbours on Saturdays for something that as far as we're concerned, isn't needed in Wellwinch Road at all. <u>We strongly object to a residents parking scheme being implemented in Victoria Road</u> however, we will have no choice but to agree to this if a scheme is implemented in Wellwinch Road to protect ourselves against any potential future issues. I would be extremely surprised if the residents of Regency Court would be in favour of a residents parking scheme in Wellwinch Road for the same reasons. I have attached photos taken this week. I deliberately waited until this week and the Easter Holidays were over to give a true representation of the parking situation in Wellwinch Road in case the road was used less. As you can see, there were no issues at around 7am on Monday morning of this week or at 6.45am this morning and there were even less issues at 9.35am this morning. If there was an issue with commuter parking I would expect to see many, many more cars parked in the road but as you can see, there are very few cars parked at all. In fact, I've included a photo of Victoria Road which has many more cars parked! The crux of it though is that there are no issues and to be perfectly honest, I'm at a loss to understand why a petition was even started in the first place. It's literally a non-issue. - 10 Photos Provided (See Annex E)
5		1	I think parking tokens would cause lots of problems. Things work fine as they are.
6		1	This would overload parking in Victoria Road at night and weekends
7		1	We totally object to this permit system: 1) We have lived here for 21 years and seldom have problems parking. 2) I am a pensioner and my wife works part-time (21 hrs) for minimum wage.3) £45 per permit is completely and totally unreasonable (per annum). 4) Why should residents of Victoria Road pay for the non-residents using our road as a car park (Mon - Fri) while they catch the bus or train to their workplace? 5) During the restricted hours you propose, there is never a problem with parking in Victoria Road. 6) Finally, the proposed "yellow line" system will only make matters worse! We therefore request/suggest that the Council leave matters as they are for Victoria Road and NOT Introduce the permit scheme.

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8		1	We cannot believe any resident of Wellwinch Road petitioned for this. There is not a problem with commuter parking at all.
9		1	We recently received your notification through the post, informing us of Proposed Resident's Parking Scheme in Wellwinch Road. We have lived at ** Victoria Road for 23 years and would strongly object to this scheme. I walk my dogs regularly in Wellwinch Road at all times of the day and have never observed parking issues, there is always ample residents parking available, particularly as there are only houses down one side of the road but parking is available on the railway track side of the road also. Obviously, a scheme in this road would have significant impact on Victoria Road and Regency Court which we would not be happy about. Pre-COVID, we did have a problem with commuter parking in Victoria Road (London Road end), due to the Kingsferry Coach commuter service stop at the Holiday Inn, however this service is no longer in operation. We do also have to accommodate residents parking for the houses on London Road between Victoria Road and The King's Head pub, as they do not have off-road parking. However, there are certainly no parking issues at any time of the day that would justify introducing a Resident's Parking Scheme. Of note, we have many elderly residents in the road who do not have cars but do have carers and relatives visiting daily and I feel it would be unfair for them not to have access to adequate free parking at all times of the day. Thank you for taking these factors into consideration.
10		1	I am writing to express my strong objection to the proposed residents parking permit scheme in Wellwinch Road. As a resident of Victoria Road, I believe implementing this scheme is unnecessary and unjustified for the following reasons: 1.Parking Availability: I consistently find ample parking spaces in Wellwinch Road, indicating that commuter parking is not a significant issue at that time. 2.Road Width and Parking Space: Wellwinch Road is wide enough to accommodate parking on both sides without causing congestion, even if commuters were to utilise the spaces. 3. Historical Context: Issues with commuter parking were linked to a now-defunct coach service and have not been observed since. There is no current evidence of commuter parking problems in Wellwinch Road. 4. Impact on Other Residents: Residents of London Road rely on Victoria Road for parking due to limited spaces in their area. Implementing a parking scheme in Wellwinch Road could displace these residents to other congested areas. 5. Unfair Burden on Non-Car Owners: Elderly residents without cars would be unfairly burdened by a parking scheme they do not benefit from, particularly considering their reliance on family and visitor parking. 6. Disruption to Family Activities: Regular family gatherings on Saturdays would be negatively impacted by the proposed scheme. Based on these reasons, I urge you to reconsider the necessity and implications of implementing a residents parking permit scheme in Wellwinch Road. The current parking situation does not warrant such measures and could adversely affect residents without addressing any significant parking issues. Thank you for considering my objections. I look forward to your response and hope that you will take our concerns into account.

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11		1	Both myself and my wife along with I suspect everyone else in the road in which we live and also Wellwinch Road. Object strongly to the extension of the current Residents parking Scheme. We do not have more than a few commuters cars parked in either of these roads since the bus/coach route pick up and drop off was changed after the covid crisis. Although we all agree that double yellow lines onto main road junctions is without doubt the safest route presently to improve road safety.
12		1	Wellwinch Road has ample parking as it has no houses on one side of the road. Also it is too far from the railway station for commuters to work. Victoria Road has extra parking as one end has an area of the road that has no houses. At London Road end there is another area that has no houses that is generally used by people who live along London Rd who have nowhere to park because of yellow lines along London Rd in front of their houses. Also it seems to me to be yet another scheme to extract even more money out of car owners, i.e fees and fines probably from visiting families and friends who will possibly stay longer than 2 hours.
13		1	The scheme is not needed as we do not have a parking problem during the hours mentioned.
14		1	
15		1	
Total	0	15	

		48	Properties Consulted
% Return	31	15	No. Returned
% Support	0	0	No. Support
% Object	100	15	No. Object

Proposed Extension to Residents' Parking Scheme - Regency Court, Sittingbourne

Response	Support	Object	Comments
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1		1	I strongly oppose and object to the proposal to extend the Residents Parking Scheme in both Wellwinch Road and Regency Court. Sittingbourne. Any such scheme would be detrimental and most certainly without doubt result in the loss of on-street parking in Regency Court. The reason for that is residents in Wellwinch Road would avoid the tax by parking in Regency Court thereby limiting parking in Regency Court. At present we are able to park in a reasonable manner but even so it can be difficult with the number of vehicle owners already registered in Regency Court. To add a parking charge to park outside my house when it has up to date Road Tax is just another means of unnecessarily taxing a homeowner and vehicle owner twice. The issue of commuter parking has never been a problem in Regency Court but since COVID and the demise of the Kings Ferry and the Chalk well London coach service this has dropped to being practically being non existence.
2		1	Good afternoon. Please can my comments be included within the consultation (please see attached photo for verification purposes). I am firmly AGAINST any expansion of permit schemes, both in Wellwinch Road and any subsequent scene affecting Regency Court. I believe that any extension into Wellwinch Road will simply move the problem into Regency Court and Victoria Road, where parking is already limited. This has clearly already resulted in the petitioning for resident parking permits in these roads, inflicting further costs on already cash-strapped residents
3		1	We are residents of regency court, we massively object to the extension, as this doesn't solve the problem, it just pushes it even more into regency court (already a problem with commuter parking) will make it worse. I appreciate it's difficult in wellwinch, parking isn't great down regency either.
4	1		
5	1		If Regency Court is not included in this the problems in this close. It is already hard to get parked outside your home. Also our car has been hit 3 times due to people that do not live in the close parking inconsiderately. We strongly advise Regency Ct is permit IF Wellwinch get permits.
6	1		Further to the letter received regarding Residents parking in Wellwinch and Victoria Road. I am a resident of Regency Court and as you point out Regency Court is not ideal for Permit parking especially with two permits per household. Could this be made one if it covers 2 cars ? My main concern is if this does not become a Permit road then does that mean all the cars from Wellwinch and Victoria will then park in Regency ? Also, if this does become permit does this mean you can only park in Regency Court ? What happens if you come home and there are no spaces or you have a visitor and there are no spaces ? This is sometimes a problem, but I have lived there since 1985 and I can honestly say I have always been able to park, not always outside my house but definitely in the Road. So, I suppose I am saying in a roundabout way that I do think Regency Court should be included.
7		1	I object to the extension of the current scheme to include Regency Court should the scheme be introduced to Wellwinch Road.

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8		1	I must confirm my objection to Wellwinch Road extension to Residents Parking Scheme
9		1	I object to the extension of the current Residents Parking Scheme to include Regency Court should the scheme be introduced in Wellwinch Road. I live in Regency Court and if this scheme is introduced all it is going to do is possibly push the problem into Regency Court and surrounding rounds and then you will have to sort that problem out in the future. There are no commuters who park in Wellwinch Road who travel to London as Kings Ferry and Chalkwell Coaches no longer offer this service. All you get is a handful of cars and these people work in the town or surrounding area and are too tight to pay for parking. To be honest this is a waste of your time as there isn't a problem!?! Just someone in Wellwinch Road who can't park outside there house and doesn't like to walk to far!?!
Total	3	6	

		44	Properties Consulted
% Returned	20	9	No. Returned
% Support	33	3	No. Support
% Object	67	6	No. Object