

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

IMPORTANT – THIS AFFECTS YOU – PLEASE RESPOND



#### What this is about?

This is an informal public consultation document aimed at gathering information from residents and businesses about parking problems on their roads to establish which parking measures will work for you.

This consultation is the second stage of a three stage consultation process. The first stage was to hold a Stakeholder meeting which was held at Culver Evangelical Church Hall on Tuesday 23rd July 2013 to determine the consultation area that will be consulted (this was NOT a public meeting).

It is now imperative that you respond to this leaflet with your views so that officers are able to clearly identify where problems exist and what measures you would support. Your response will determine the areas that will be subject to further investigations with a view to the potential implementation of parking control measures such as a controlled parking zone (CPZ), double yellow lines, single yellow lines and pay and display bays to encourage turnover of traffic which was a major concern at the stakeholders meeting.

Any parking controls agreed with the councillors will be progressed to the third stage of the consultation process which takes the form of a Statutory Consultation. Parking controls (except double yellow lines for safety) will only be implemented where there is majority support for measures. New measures can be installed on a road by road basis where majority support is received.

This public consultation will run for a total period of 21 days which will start from 21st October 2013 to 11th November 2013.

It is important to note that once this Belmont Circle area parking review is completed it is possible that there will NOT be another review carried out again for several years. This is mainly due to the number of requests to review other areas of the borough.

It is therefore very important that you let us know of any parking issues that occur so that we can address them within this review.

#### Introduction

The Belmont Circle consultation area consists of residential roads with a number of businesses and shops located on and near the Belmont Circle roundabout and along Kenton Lane (western and south eastern arms).

There are currently no parking controls in the residential streets north and south of Belmont Circle. To the east and west there are existing restrictions along Locket Road, Kenton Lane, Dobbin Close and Weston Drive which are a combination of double yellow lines, Monday to Saturday 8am to 6.30pm restrictions and 8.30 to 9.30am and 3.00 to 4.30pm Monday to Friday restrictions near St. Josephs First and Middle School.

There are two free car parks both located off Kenton Lane. One is to the west of Belmont Circle (Belmont Circle car park) and to the other to the south east of Belmont Circle (Kingshill car park). There is also free on street parking on Belmont Circle roundabout and along the service road outside Tesco.

Two petitions had been submitted to the Council from local residents and businesses requesting the Council introduce parking controls. The residential roads such as Kenmore Avenue and Elgin Avenue were suffering from displaced parking which impeded vehicular movement and sightlines exiting Eligin Avenue onto Kenmore Avenue. There was also a request to introduce pay and display outside the retail units where there is long term parking which prevents shoppers from easily accessing the shops especially for short trips.

The Belmont Circle parking review is being progressed using the Council agreed project stages;

**Stage 1:** Stakeholders Meeting, **Stage 2:** Public Consultation, **Stage 3:** Statutory Consultation and Implementation.

# Stakeholders Meeting (Stage 1)

On the 23rd July 2013, a Stakeholder Meeting was held with key people from the local area including resident associations, businesses, Councilors, Police and residents that had previously shown an interest in parking matters in the area. The meeting discussed parking problems within the Belmont Circle area taking on board all

attendees views whilst agreeing on the consultation area (see plan overleaf). The minutes of the meeting can be seen on the council website by typing the following short cut link into your internet browser:

#### http://tinyurl.com/mr6nofr

## Public Consultation (Stage 2)

This is the stage we are at currently. We now request that you inform us of any parking problems that you encounter on your street by filling out the enclosed questionnaire. We would also like you to confirm if you would support parking control measures, and if so, which measures you would like to see implemented.

The area being consulted is not necessarily the area in which everyone will be experiencing problems. It covers a large area giving everyone a chance to comment on the parking problems in the area. Your consultation responses will provide the Council with a summary of peoples views so we urge you to respond.

Parking control measures can be tailored to suit the needs of individual roads should opinions vary and if it is deemed suitable. Measures such as Controlled Parking Zones (CPZ's) will include yellow lines and resident parking bays paid for by an annual fee, or just double yellow lines in areas that are not included in the CPZ's (Refer to page 6 of the enclosed "Parking – Can We Help You" booklet).

In accordance with the Highway Code, we will automatically aim to include waiting restrictions in the form of double yellow lines at junctions where safety and access is proving problematic and at key locations such as bends and narrow roads for safety reasons. Parking controls that show majority support will be re-consulted at the Statutory Consultation stage. This will give the public the opportunity to either object or support the advertised proposals from their comments made at this Public Consultation stage.

For more information on parking controls, the benefits and limitations, along with a number of frequently asked questions you can refer to the enclosed booklet 'Parking – Can We Help You'.

## Statutory Consultation (Stage 3)

Following the results of the public consultation we will write a report to summarise your comments to the Traffic Advisory and Road Safety Panel (TARSAP) which will consist of various councilors who will make a recommendation for a formal decision from the Portfolio Holder. If majority support to introduce measures is received from consultation responses, then the Portfolio Holder is likely to recommend that a Statutory Consultation be carried out for the areas supporting new measures.

We will write to you in early 2014 to confirm exactly what decision has been made regarding this and we will inform you of how the statutory consultation process will work. All consultees from the Belmont Circle area parking review will receive a copy of this letter.

# Parking permit charges

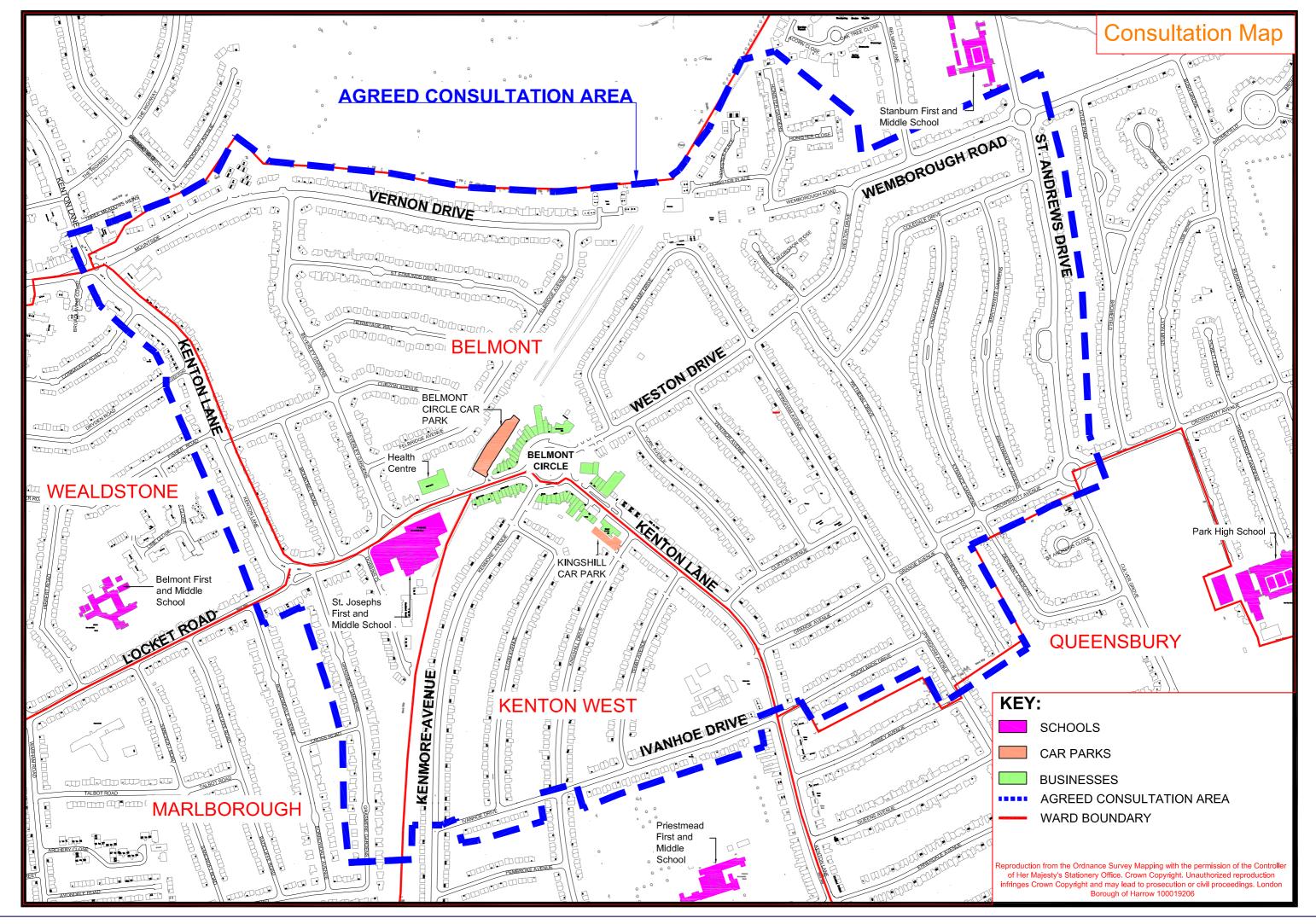
Controlled Parking Zones (CPZ's), control commuter parking by regulating the kerbside space so residents/ businesses and their visitors to have a better chance of finding parking on their road. To avoid receiving a parking fine, the vehicle owner must display a recognised permit during the CPZ hours of restriction. Permits can only be purchased by residents living in the CPZ area. The parking permit charges are the same across the borough irrespective of the hours of control on your street, refer to the enclosed booklet 'Parking – Can We Help You'.

Central government requires controlled parking schemes to be self-financing, so money raised from parking pays for the installation of a CPZ, parking attendants, the costs of processing parking fines, maintenance and other associated costs. The current annual resident parking permit costs in arrow are:

# **Parking charges**

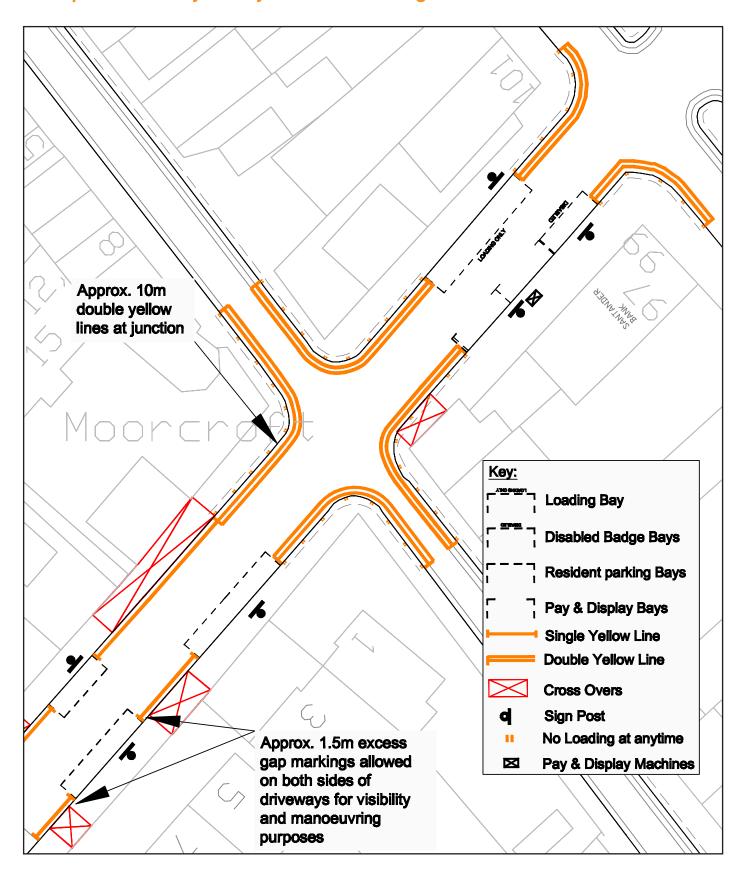
The Borough wide parking charges have been under review and if any charges are introduced the area will fall within the 'Local' tariff and the changes will be:

On-street (CPZs)	£0.10 / 20 min	20 minute free parking under
Off-street (Car Parks)	£0.20 / hour	consideration at time of printing.



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# **Example of CPZ bays and yellow line markings**



## Can I discuss my views with officers in more detail?

**Yes -** Officers will be available to discuss your concerns or suggestions in more detail during this consultation period through a series of public exhibitions.

#### **Dates of Public exhibitions:**

Saturday 26th October 2013 between 1:00pm – 5:00pm Monday 28th October 2013 between 11:30am – 4:30pm Thursday 31st October 2013 between 3:30pm – 6:30pm

Venue: Culver Evangelical Church, 145, Culver Grove, Stanmore, HA7 2NP

If you wish to discuss any issues relating to the scheme you can contact the project engineer Sajjad Farid on 020 8424 1484.

## What happens next?

We are aware that not everyone is of the same view and therefore have enclosed a questionnaire for you to complete in private. The information you provide will be analysed along with all other comments received.

In an effort for the Council to be more environmentally friendly and cost effective, you can submit your questionnaire on-line by visiting:

#### www.harrow.gov.uk/trafficconsultations

You then click on the link for the 'Belmont Circle Parking Review' and click on 'start survey' to make your comments. You will be asked to register your details before completing the survey. Alternatively, you can send the questionnaire using the enclosed prepaid envelope.

#### All responses should be received no later than Monday 11th November 2013.

As mentioned above we will analyse all the responses we receive, based on your completed questionnaires, and we will develop proposals in line with local views wherever possible.

The results will be discussed with ward councilors and members of Traffic and Road Safety Panel and submitted to the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Community Safety for their decision.

We will contact all residents and businesses consulted to notify them of the results once a decision has been made.

#### More information

We have provided links to web pages to view certain information, as this is an economical and effective way of providing information at a time that suits you. If you do not have internet access and are unable to get to a public library to use the computers there, then please contact the project engineer, whose contact details are as below:

Mr. Sajjad Farid Parking and Sustainable Transport Harrow Council, P.O. Box 39, Civic Centre, Harrow HA1 2XA

Email: transportation@harrow.gov.uk

Tel: 020 8424 1484

Please call the number below for a large print version of this document, or a summary of this document in your language.

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اذا كانت الانجليزية ليست لغتك الاولى وتحتاج لترجمة معلومات هذه الوثيقة، الرجاء الاتصال على رقم

Bengali যদি ইংরেজি আপনার মাতৃভাষা না হয় এবং আপনি যদি এই প্রচারপত্রের তথ্যগুলোর অনুবাদ পেতে চান তাহলে যে টেলিফোন নম্বর দেওয়া আছে সেখানে দয়া করে যোগাযোগ করুন।

Chinese 如果你主要說用的語言不是英語而需要將這份文件的內容翻譯成中文, 請打註明的電話號碼提出這個要求。

اگر انگلیسی زبان اول شما نیست و شما نیاز به ترجمه اطلاعات موجود در این مدرک را دارید، لطفا با شمار ه داده شده تماس بگیر بد

**Gujarati** જો ઈંગ્લિશ તમારી પ્રથમ ભાષા ન હોય અને આ દસ્તાવેજમાં રહેલ માહિતીનો તરજૂમો (ટ્રેન્સલેશન) તમને જોઇતો હોય તો કૃપા કરી જણાવેલ નંબર ઉપર ફોન કરો

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Panjabi ਜੇ ਤੁਹਾਨੂੰ ਅੰਗਰੇਜ਼ੀ ਸਮਝ ਨਹੀਂ ਆਉਂਦੀ ਤੇ ਤੁਹਾਨੂੰ ਇਸ ਦਸਤਾਵੇਜ਼ ਵਿਚ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਗਈ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਦਾ ਤਰਜਮਾ ਪੰਜਾਬੀ ਵਿਚ ਚਾਹੀਦਾ ਹੈ ਤਾਂ ਕਿਰਪਾ ਕਰਕੇ ਦਿੱਤੇ ਗਏ ਨੰਬਰ ਤੇ ਫੋਨ ਕਰੋ।

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#### BELMONT CIRCLE AREA PARKING REVIEW QUESTIONNAIRE

In an effort for the Council to be more environmentally friendly and reduce costs, you can submit your questionnaire on-line by visiting **www.harrow.gov.uk/trafficconsultations**. This will direct you to a page, select the 'Belmont Circle Area Parking Review' survey and then click on 'start survey'. Alternatively, you can send the questionnaire using the enclosed prepaid envelope but this costs the Council 50p per response.

### Responses should be received no later than Monday 11th November 2013.

Due to the large number of responses anticipated, we cannot reply to you individually.

It is recommended that you read the leaflet and enclosed documents (or the website) before completing the questionnaire. Questionnaires returned without a name and address will not be officially recorded in the results of this consultation. We count your household/business as one response, rather than number of responses from individual residents/employees from the same address.

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Q6	If you support Pay and Display where	would you like i	it to be intr	oduced?	
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	Belmont Circle Car Park				
	Kingshill Car Park				
	Belmont Circle Roundabout				
	Kenton Lane (service road outside Tesco	)			
	Other locations please specify				
Q7	Do you consider existing parking, load area meet your needs?	ling restrictions	and disab	oled facilities in th	e
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