

HEADSTONE LANE AREA Possible changes to Parking in your area

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Introduction

The Headstone Lane area is a mixture of residential roads with a number of businesses and shops located in Long Elmes and Headstone Lane. The overground station is located in the centre of the area and is affected by all day parking by commuters in the roads around the station and near the shops. As a result the council has received a petition and complaints from local residents and some businesses asking for the council to take action to help local people with parking problems in the area.

The council wants your views about parking problems in your area.

Despite the petition and other people complaining about the parking problems in your area we need to know your views about the parking situation and how you would like the council to deal with it. This consultation is intended to gather information from local people to help the Council to decide what will happen next. Other than the area where we are consulting people, no decisions have been made yet. The various types of parking control, their costs, benefits and limitations is shown in the table on page 6. Which control is most appropriate if you have a parking problem will depend your street and your personal circumstances.

Your response is vital so that councillors and officers are able to clearly identify the extent of parking problems and what parking control measures you would support to ease these problems. The council's Traffic and Road Safety Advisory Panel in November will consider the consultation results which will determine the extent and type of parking controls recommended to go to the next legal traffic order stage (see below). Any recommendations made will be debated by the members of the Traffic panel and a way forward agreed at the meeting. We will advise everyone within the consultation area of the consultation results and any parking restrictions proposals which are going to be advertised before that legal orders stage.

Parking schemes will only be recommended where councillors are satisfied that there is majority support. In general a minimum of 60% of people who respond to the consultation would need to indicate support before measures like permit parking are taken forward. Particular attention is given to the streets to be included in any parking zone, the type of parking controls to be used and the operational times for the parking controls.

It is good practice for any scheme to include some yellow line restrictions both inside and outside of any proposed scheme zone in order to prevent obstructive parking compromising road safety and vehicular access especially as a consequence of changes in parking patterns resulting from any scheme. This will reinforce the requirements of the Highway Code and allow the Council to take any necessary enforcement action. We will therefore be proposing double yellow lines in junctions, bends, crossing points etc. We will also propose a daytime parking restriction on one side of Headstone Lane. Two plans showing the consultation area for the area-wide review, potential additional parking restrictions and possible parking outside shops are enclosed as is a more detailed plan showing how permit bays, pay & display and other restrictions might look. These proposals are described in other localised issues below.

Please note that once this parking review is completed it is unlikely another review will occur in this area for several years due to outstanding requests from other areas of the borough. It is important that you tell us any parking issues so that we can address them within this review.

How to respond so we get the right scheme for your area?

We are aware that local opinions vary 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. We ask you questions about any parking problems, whether you support a CPZ and if so what operational hours you would prefer.

If you have access to the internet we would prefer you to respond on-line as it is more environmentally friendly and helps the council to save costs. You can submit your questionnaire on-line by visiting: www.harrow.gov.uk/trafficconsultations

You then click on the link for the 'Headstone Lane area 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 enclosed paper questionnaire by post to:

Traffic, Highway & Asset Management, Harrow Council PO Box 39, Station Road, Harrow HA1 2XA.

The public consultation will run for a period of 3 weeks between 14 September and 4 October 2015.

All responses need be received no later than 4 October 2015.

Legal requirements

If the Traffic panel approve a parking scheme then a draft traffic order of the agreed scheme will be advertised. This is a legal requirement and allows anyone to make comments or object to changes in parking restrictions. We will advise you of the agreed proposals and explain how you could make an objection/ representation, should you wish to. You only need to respond at this last legal stage if you are concerned you would be badly affected.

Any objections and representations would be reported and discussed with your councillors before a final decision on proposals to be implemented is made by the portfolio holder – a senior councillor responsible for traffic and parking issues. We will advise affected residents and businesses at this stage.

Can I discuss this with an officer from the council?

Officers will be available to discuss your concerns and suggestions in more detail during this consultation period through a series of public exhibitions at the Julie Cook Hall in Augustine Road on the following dates:

- Thursday 24 September 2015 between 4.00pm 8.00pm
- Saturday 26 September 2015 between 11.00am 4.00pm

Further information

If you would like to discuss any aspect of this consultation in more detail please contact the project engineer Stephen Freeman on 020 8424 1437 or by email: transportation@harrow.gov.uk

Parking permit charges

Central government requires parking schemes to be self-financing, so monies raised in operating and enforcing schemes pays for the installation of the scheme, parking attendants, the cost of processing parking fines, issuing permits, maintenance and other associated costs. The current annual resident parking permit costs in Harrow from 1st April 2015 are:

1st vehicle in household \pounds 67.50 2nd vehicle \pounds 101.00 3rd vehicle \pounds 135.00 4th and subsequent vehicle \pounds 169.00

Visitor permits are £16.90 per book of 10, which is reduced to £8.45 for senior citizens or those receiving mobility benefits if the discount is claimed. Blue badge displaying vehicles are free.

Pay & Display (local centre) - 10p per 20 minutes, first visit per day - 20 minutes free

My address is well away from the station, why am I being consulted

If you live towards the edge of the consultation area you may well consider there is not a parking problem to justify permit parking and the potential costs for yourself or your visitors to park. We have deliberately chosen an area wider than may be necessary. That is so you can select the area of any parking scheme. Otherwise you could have been just outside of the proposed area and want to have been consulted. Please answer No to Q2 or Q3 if you don't have a parking problem or don't want a permit parking scheme in your road.

It might be that although parking is not too bad in your road that you are aware the next road is more heavily parked. If the residents in that road decide they want a parking scheme we will look at your answer to Q4. If you have answered Yes to Q4 this would protect you from parking problems moving to your road but will only be considered if an adjacent road has a majority in favour.

Other localised issues

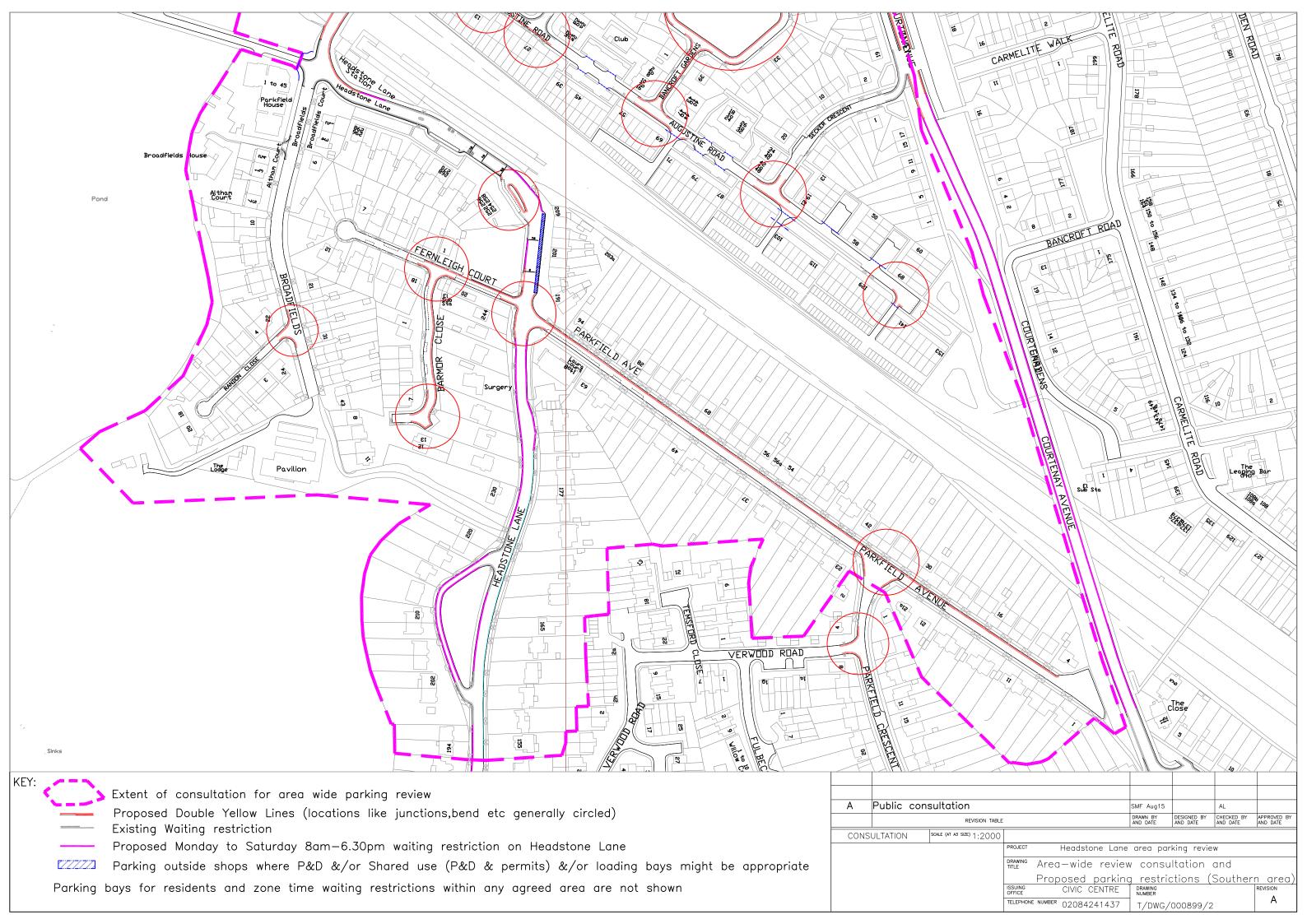
In addition to the general parking review there are some additional proposals which may apply to your address. Please complete whichever of questions Q7 to Q11 apply to you.

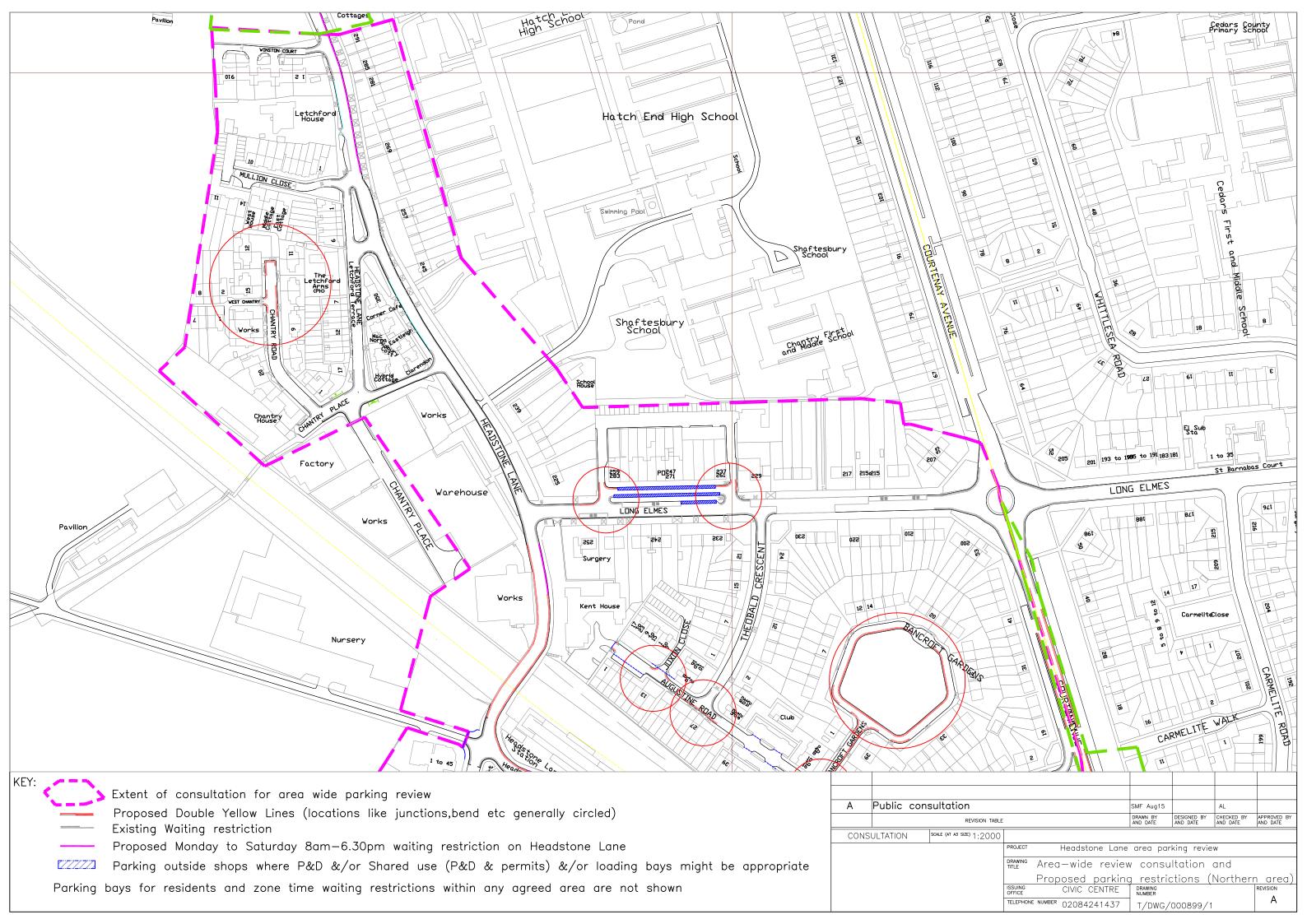
Headstone Lane

Headstone Lane is designed to take all types of through traffic except heavy goods vehicles. It is also on the H18/H19 bus route and has a cycle lane in one direction. For this reason we have some additional proposals for Headstone Lane in addition to the general parking review.

There are three locations in Headstone Lane near to the station which are usually full of parked vehicle: outside the shops and in two laybys on the opposite side. Parking outside the shops is looked at below. Residents in this part of Headstone Lane who don't have off-street parking need to advise if this parking in the laybys should be controlled.

Little other parking has been observed on Headstone Lane itself however this might well change if parking controls were introduced into side roads following this review. We are proposing a Monday to Saturday 8am to 6.30pm (or other time to be agreed) waiting restriction on the side of Headstone Lane with the cycle lane. On the other side we propose a single zone time yellow line as any agreed for the other side roads. This would stop commuters and others transferring





their parking from the side roads to avoid the restrictions which would be detrimental to safety and cause delays. We propose the Mon-Sat 8am-6.30pm yellow line for both sides of the narrow service road in front of Nos. 200-218 to preserve access.

Courtney Avenue

Little parking occurs on the main carriageway of Courtney Avenue south of the roundabout junction with Long Elmes which is a similar type of road as Headstone Drive. There is however a concern that, if parking controls are introduced in side roads nearby that parking could displace. A Mon-Sat 8am-6.30pm yellow line is proposed for both sides going over the railway bridge and double yellow lines from Secker Close to Long Elmes for safety and access reasons.

Parking outside Shops in Headstone Lane and Long Elmes

There are two shopping parades. Concerns have been raised that long term parking by non-residents is stopping business customers. We are consulting on what controls should apply outside the shops. Limited period free parking, as has been suggested, is regrettably not practical as it requires an unrealistic level of enforcement resource. The borough does however now allows a 20 minute free period on its on-street pay and display (by displaying a ticket). This ensures customers can park for short periods free and achieve a good turnover of parking. Longer term parking might well be possible in nearby side roads when any parking controls are not in operation. It appears to work well in other similar small shopping parades. A comparison of the various types of control is included on the reverse.

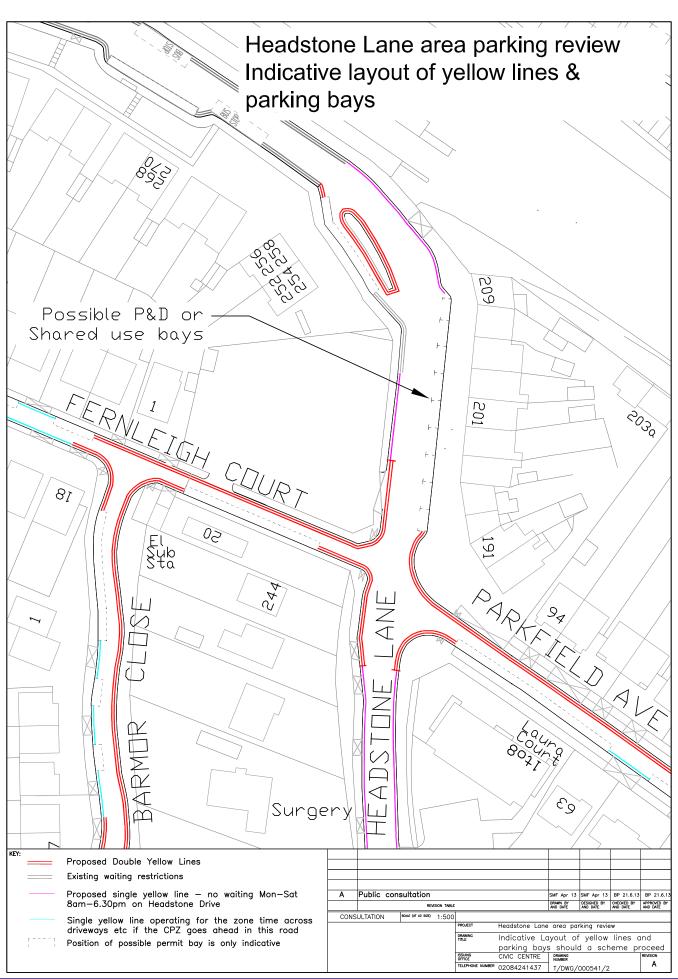
Augustine Road area

The current parking review is concerning parking on the public highway which includes most of the roads in the area. The car parking areas either side of Augustine Road although owned by Harrow Council are not part of the public highway. The Kent House car park is privately owned. Residents who attended an initial meeting were concerned that rail commuters who might be prevented from parking on the road by any parking restrictions would possibly fill these car parking areas. Harrow Housing already operate permit schemes in similar parking areas elsewhere in the borough. Different legal regulations apply to areas on and off the public highway which mean that permits for these two areas are not interchangeable although they do cost the same. Harrow Housing are aware of the situation and will consult you about measures to protect this space for residents should you decide on parking controls for the road.

Theobold Crescent is not sufficiently wide to allow parking on both sides without parking on at least one side being on the concreted part of the pavement (footway). Should a parking scheme go ahead in Secker Crescent we would propose to formalise the parking partially on the footway by marking the bays in that position.

Summary of main types of controls their costs, benefits and limitations

Type of Control	Costs etc.	Benefits	Limitations
Permit parking bay in force for zone time. Recommended for residential roads and perhaps smaller parades with limited customer parking.	Residents permits annual cost – first vehicle per household = £67.50. 2 nd , 3rd & 4th vehicles £101, £135 & £169 respectively Visitor permits £16.90 per book of 10 but 50% discount for senior citizens	Prevents long term parking by non-residents. When zone not in operation available for visitors and customers etc can park for free. Can be used for loading free of charge.	Slightly less effective at preventing people from outside area parking as applies for shorter time. Permit parking will reduce amount available for short term customer parking. Customers will not be able to park when zone in operation. Requires a controlled parking zone.
Pay & Display Monday to Saturday 8am- 6.30pm. Recommended for outside shops/ businesses	Parking is 10p per 20minutes. There is one initial 20 minute free period per 24 hours	Effectively prevents long term parking, enabling space for short term customer parking. Charges on lowest tariff for local shops. Can be used for loading free of charge.	Not available to residents to park in other than evenings or Sundays. There is cost involved for parking more than 20 minute free period
Shared use (P&D and permit parking) Mon-Sat 8am- 6.30pm. Recommended where there is demand for resident and business customer parking	P&D cost as above Permit costs as above	Prevents long term parking by non-residents. Flexible for use by residents and customers. Can be used for loading free of charge	Visitors and customers have less flexibility to avoid restricted period to park for free.
Freebay Not recommended	No costs for parking	No cost involved	Because there is no restriction any one can park for as long as they want so may well be full if there is demand for parking and therefore not available to residents or visitors or customers or loading vehicles.
Loading bay	No charges for goods vehicle or customer loading	Allows dedicated space for servicing, deliveries and collection	Takes up space which cannot be used other parking.



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