

Possible extension to the existing Stanmore Town Centre Controlled Parking Zone (B Zone)

APPENDIX C



We want to know your views

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this consultation is to ask your views on whether you would like the existing Stanmore Town Centre Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) (B Zone) extended to include your road. A number of options are proposed for your consideration. These have been formulated to reflect the feedback already received from the local community.

The Stanmore CPZs (Zones B & H) were introduced in 1994, extended in 1996 and have remained unchanged since. Therefore it has been decided to undertake a review to rationalise the parking in the existing zones, maximize the existing parking spaces and consider extending both of the zones.

The B Zone has a one hour control (3pm-4pm) Monday to Friday and pay and display bays (8am-6.30pm) Monday to Saturday in the shopping area.

The H Zone, around the Stanmore Underground Station, operates Monday to Saturday with a one hour control in the morning (10am-11am) and in the afternoon (3pm-4pm).

We are also currently consulting with the residents within the two existing zones, to identify whether there is a requirement to amend the existing zones, and consulting with residents in areas surrounding the H Zone as to whether they would like to be included in this existing zone.

HOW DO CPZs WORK?

CPZs work by ensuring that vehicles park in designated bays during the hours the CPZ operates. At other times parking is unrestricted except where yellow lines operate for longer periods. Any vehicles that are parked illegally during the controlled times are liable to receive a Penalty Charge Notice (parking ticket).

Service/delivery vehicles can load or unload for up to 20 minutes on the yellow lines where there are no loading restrictions and in residents' bays. However, someone must be in attendance at all times to avoid a parking ticket.

PARKING ROADSHOWS

Parking roadshows will be held at:

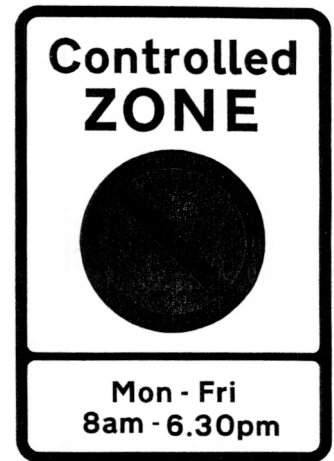
**Stanmore Library -
8 Stanmore Hill
Stanmore**

Saturday 11th September 2004 (11am to 4pm)

**Bernays Memorial Hall -
Neville New Room
25 The Broadway
Stanmore**

**Tuesday 14th September 2004 (10am to 4pm)
Thursday 16th September 2004 (3pm to 8pm)**

Project Centre staff will be on hand to answer questions on controlled parking zones and detailed plans of the possible controls will be on display. Please come along.



TYPES OF PARKING BAYS AND WHO CAN USE THEM

Residents permit parking

Bays would be marked for the use of vehicles displaying a valid parking permit during the hours of operation. Residents of the zone would be eligible for parking permits. One permit is needed for each vehicle parked on street during the hours the zone operates.

No. of permits	Cost
1st permit	£40 per year
2nd permit	£50 per year
3rd permit	£70 per year
4th and subsequent permits	£115 per year

Visitor parking

Residents' visitors could park in private driveways where this is possible or arrange their visits outside the restricted time. Alternatively, they may use "Visitor Permits" to park on street during the operational hours of the scheme. It should be noted that accommodation of visitors vehicles within the zone could reduce on street parking provision for residents themselves since they would occupy the same parking bays. Visitors can park in a resident's permit bay during the hours of control provided a valid visitor permit is displayed in their vehicle. Outside the hours of control visitors do not need to display a permit.

Visitor permits come in the form of "scratch cards" and are sold in books of 10. The current cost is detailed below (the operational hours that the proposed zone would operate will depend on the outcome of this consultation):

'all day' zone = £15 (£7.50 for senior citizens)

'one hour' zone = £10 (£5 for senior citizens)

Each visitors permit would be valid for either the morning or afternoon. Two visitor permits would be needed to park all day.

It should be noted that only residents are eligible for visitors' permits and a maximum of 10 books per household is issued per year (only two can be purchased at any one time).

Business permits

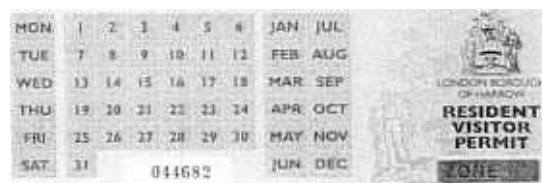
Businesses would be entitled to purchase on-street business parking permits. However, applicants must demonstrate that vehicles are necessary for the conduct of their business.

The number of permits per business will be limited to two. Provision of parking for staff is a matter for the businesses to provide as they see fit. Business permit holders will be allowed to park in specifically signed bays. The maximum stay would be limited to three hours with no return within 30 minutes.

The cost of the permit will be **£300 per permit**.

Shared use bays

There are a number of different types of shared use bays, which incorporate the three permit groups while providing short stay parking for visitors. The type of bay will depend on the nature of the area. Residents, businesses and visitors must display a valid permit whilst parked in these bays. The maximum stay for a pay and display ticket holder is 3 hours with no return within 30 minutes.



Short stay pay and display bays

Visitors to the area will be able to park in shared use bays. They will need to purchase a pay and display ticket and the length of time they park will be restricted.

The tariff structure for the pay and display spaces will be **40p per half hour** with a maximum stay of 3 hours and no return within 30 minutes.



Parking for disabled badge holders

Residents who have a Blue Badge may not need to apply for a residents permit. Blue Badge holders are exempt for up to 3 hours on yellow lines where there are no loading restrictions in operation provided their vehicle does not cause safety or congestion problems. Alternatively they can park in any residents', pay and display or shared use bays free. They must ensure that their Blue Badge is properly displayed.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Why is there a charge?

Legislation requires CPZ schemes to be self-financing. This means that it is not possible to enforce the CPZ without making a charge for the resident permit. The charge will need to cover the scheme, administration and enforcement costs. Should the scheme produce a surplus, it goes into a 'parking fund' which is primarily used to fund the concessionary fares which provides free travel for the elderly and disabled people.

Do we have to have ticket machines, signposts and lines?

To enable a CPZ to be enforced, it is necessary to install ticket machines, road markings and signs. However, we are very conscious of the street scene and we will always try to minimise the visual intrusion of the equipment. A positive aspect is that controlled parking zones can improve the visual environment by reducing the number of parked vehicles.

We don't have parking problems, so why include my road?

It is probable that streets just outside the zone will have an increase in the number of parked vehicles, as commuters/visitors will still be able to park without time restriction or payment in uncontrolled streets. It may be in your interest to be part of the parking zone rather than just outside it.

What about loading / unloading?

CPZs do not prevent loading / unloading. You normally may only stop to load / unload for up to 20 minutes in any parking bay or yellow line, except where loading is specifically prohibited (for example on a zigzag line or where there are yellow marks on the kerb or at the edge of the carriageway which indicate loading restrictions).

Yellow lines give us less room to park. Why have them?

In CPZs all kerbside space must be controlled by either a parking bay or a yellow line. Junctions and blind spots must be kept clear to provide sight lines for drivers and pedestrians and to deter obstructive parking. We keep yellow lines to a minimum but will not compromise safety.

Will the scheme guarantee me a space outside my house?

No. A CPZ cannot reserve specific parking spaces for individuals. However, the removal of all day parking by people outside of the area should make it easier to park near your home.

SCHEME PROPOSAL

Possible Extension of the B Zone CPZ

We have developed parking proposals for your street and wish to identify whether you are in favour of the extension, whether you agree with our design proposals and whether you have any specific preference regarding operational times.



Our initial design has been formulated following a review of previous correspondences, a site survey and two meetings with local Residents Associations and Councillors. These designs are not finalised and we will consider all comments received during this consultation.

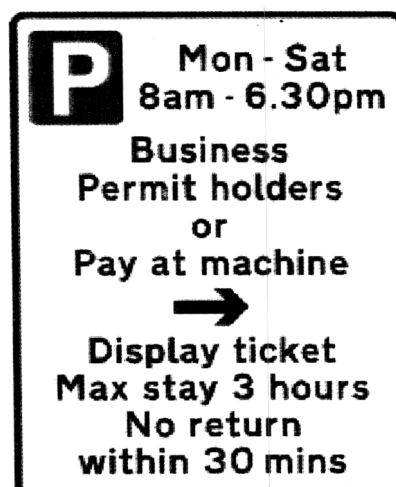
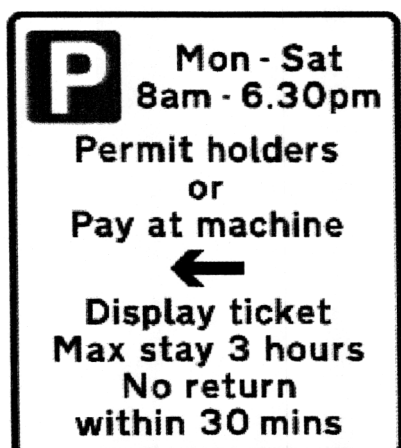
We hope that through this consultation we will be able to deal with specific issues raised by residents and businesses in the area.

We cannot include full details here of what we propose for your street / area, but detailed plans will be available for viewing at the public exhibitions and at the Urban Living reception at the Civic Centre. The plans would also be deposited at Stanmore Library and will be available for viewing on request.

In deciding on your preferred time option, please consider the following:

- **3pm - 4pm (as existing in Zone B) or similar short term operational hours** - would deter all day commuter parking but has the advantage of accommodating visitors to residents, shops and businesses outside the hour(s) of operation.
- **Possible one hour during am and one hour during pm (as existing in Zone H)** - this would deter parking by commuters or workers who have part time employment. It is however more restrictive for visitors to residential properties and businesses alike.
- **Possible one hour during am or pm, and one hour during evening** - this has the added advantage of deterring parking by visitors to the area in the evening. However visitors to residential properties and businesses would also be affected, not only during the day but also in the evenings.
- **8.30am - 6.30pm** - this would deter all day commuter parking by visitors to businesses and shops in the area. However, it also affects visitors to residential properties who will have to avoid the operational period unless they buy a visitor permit to park in the area.

Please indicate on the attached questionnaire which of these time periods you would wish to operate in your street.



PLEASE LET US KNOW YOUR VIEWS

The Council is keen to know your views on these proposals by completing the questionnaire. More detailed plans that will indicate our proposals for your particular street will be on show at the proposed roadshows and will also be available at the Urban Living Reception at the Civic Centre and at Stanmore Library for the duration of the consultation period.

Please complete the attached questionnaire and return it to our consultant, Project Centre Ltd, in the pre-paid self addressed envelope (no stamp required) provided to reach us by **Friday 24th September 2004**.

If you have any queries regarding the information in this leaflet, please contact Project Centre on **020 7430 6961**. Unfortunately, because of the large number of replies that are expected to this consultation, it will not be possible to respond in writing to comments that are sent in.

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Extension to Stanmore Town Centre CPZ Questionnaire

It is recommended that you read the leaflet before completing the questions below. Please complete the questionnaire, return by post in the prepaid envelope (**no stamp required**) **to reach us by Friday 24th September 2004. If you require additional copies of the Questionnaire, please contact Project Centre on 020 7430 6961.**

Name: _____

Address: _____

Please include your address so that we can relate the answers to your part of the road. Replies will be used for the analysis of parking requirements in the area and for no other purpose.

Please tick the appropriate box.

Q1. Are you a:

Resident

Business

Both

Q2. Do you have parking problems in your street:

Yes

No

Don't know

Q3. Are you in favour of parking controls being introduced in your road:

Yes

No

Don't know

Q4. If you answered no or don't know to question 3, if parking controls were introduced in the road next to yours, would you then want your road to be included:

Yes

No

Don't know

Q5. If the majority of your street voted in favour of being included in a CPZ, which of the following time periods would you prefer:

One hour a day (e.g. 3pm to 4pm as per zone B)

One hour during am and one hour during pm (e.g. 10am to 11am and 3pm to 4pm as per existing zone H)

One hour during am or pm and one hour during the evening

If evening please specify preferred hour _____

8.30am - 6.30pm

Alternative suggestion, please specify _____

Q6. Which days would you like it to apply:

Monday to Friday (as existing in zone B)

Monday to Saturday (as existing in zone H)

Monday to Sunday

We would like to know what you think of this consultation document.

Was the information provided:

About right

Not enough

Too much

Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire. If you have any comments, please use the space provided below. If you do not want your response to be available for public inspection please tick here.

Comments

Thank you for your participation