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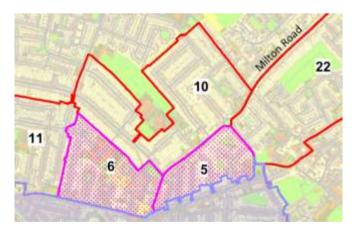
Update on Residents' Parking

On 8th March the City Deal Board agreed a budget of £1.0m over 3 years to fund implementation of residents' parking schemes in the city (as we described in our last newsletter).

Just one week later the County Council Highways & Infrastructure Committee voted to delay approval for the schemes until it receives a report from officers analysing the likely displacement effect along with proposals for mitigation. July is the next probable date for a decision when it is likely that the committee will eventually approve the City Deal proposals.

The full text of the proposals can be found via a link on our website home page www.hpera.co.uk

Our estate would be in **Zone 10**, along with Gurney and Courtney Ways, Ascham, Gilbert & Metcalfe Roads, Atherton Close, east side of Carlton Way, north side of Milton Road and west side of Arbury Road.



When this proposal is eventually approved by the County Council, residents will be asked if they want a scheme for their zone. If 50% or more of households responding are in favour, the scheme will go ahead.

As mentioned in the last newsletter Zones 5 & 6 would be the first to be balloted with the possibility of Zone 10 combining with Zone 5 to achieve an early decision.

A summary of the results from our own opinion survey is shown overleaf.

There were many interesting comments received and these can be read in full via a link from the NEWS section of our website www.hpera.co.uk/news

FAQs

Here are some questions that cropped up during the survey:

- 1. If I live in a parking zone do I have to pay for a resident's permit? No, only if you own a car and want to park on the road. There is no permit needed for parking in your own drive.
- 2. How many residents' permits can I have? Three per household identified to individual cars (non-transferable).
- 3. Do I have to have a resident's permit before I can apply for visitors' permits? *No.*
- 4. Is there a limit on visitors' permits? Yes, twenty per year, each valid for five visits.
- 5. What about delivery vehicles? *Vehicles loading* and unloading do not need permits but they must not remain parked indefinitely.
- 6. What about builders? There will be special arrangements for permits for tradespersons.
- 7. What about doctors, nurses and carers? Special dispensation will be made for visits by medical personnel and carers.
- 8. What are the costs? Currently the annual cost for a resident's permit in De Freville Avenue is £52 per year. City Deal is proposing to meet the initial set-up costs.
- How long will it take to install all 26 zones? Nobody really knows. As zones 1-6 had already started their informal consultation process under the old rules, those zones could perhaps be implemented in 6-12 months.
- 10. Will HPERA campaign in favour of or against the proposals? At this stage the HPERA committee sees its role as keeping residents up-to-date with information rather than seeking to sway opinion one way or the other.

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Opinion Survey Summary

When we started the survey last month there was every indication that the new parking plans would be approved by the County Council. Nonetheless we hope that this exercise will have prepared everyone

Estate totals	Yes	No	Wait	Undec	Total	ASAP	With z5
	53	21	6	5	85	35	27
	62.4%	24.7%	7.1%	5.9%	100.0%	41.2%	31.8%
НРА	18	8	2	2	30	14	12
	60.0%	26.7%	6.7%	6.7%		46.7%	40.0%
Leys Road	8	3			11	4	1
	72.7%	27.3%				36.4%	9.1%
Leys Ave	2	1	1		4	1	
	50.0%	25.0%	25.0%			25.0%	
Orchard Ave	8	4		1	13	5	6
	61.5%	30.8%		7.7%		38.5%	46.2%
Highfield Ave	9	2		1	12	6	4
	75.0%	16.7%		8.3%		50.0%	33.3%
Highworth Ave	5	1	2		8	3	3
	62.5%	12.5%	25.0%			37.5%	37.5%
Mulberry Close	3	2	1	1	7	2	1
	42.9%	28.6%	14.3%	14.3%		28.6%	14.3%

for when we are confronted by a formal ballot in the future. In the meantime the delay might give an opportunity to assess the impact of the new yellow lines at the end of Hurst Park Avenue - when they get painted - still no date yet!!

All the individual responses and comments can be viewed on the website at this address www.hpera.co.uk/documents/anonymised-parking-responses-in-hpestate.pdf

Cambridge Pedestrian Campaign

A new campaign group has been set up to promote the interests of pedestrians. Bruce Stuart believes that the needs of pedestrians come a poor third to those of motorists and cyclists in Cambridge. If you share his view and would like more information he can be contacted on 01223-576916.

'The Happy City'

A talk by **Kim Wilkie**, leading landscape and urban designer, followed by a panel discussion and questions, will be the highlight of FeCRA's AGM at the Perse School Wed 22nd March at 6.30pm. Contact FeCRA at secretary@fecra.org to register.

Pudding & Wine Evening

7.00pm Sunday 30th April at the Good Shepherd Church Hall, Mansel Way

Please put our next HPERA social event in your diary. Meet neighbours, old and new, and share ideas, concerns, opportunities and chat in a convivial atmosphere.

All we will need is for you to come along with a pudding to share. Complimentary soft drinks and wine will be available (although a small donation to cover costs would be appreciated).

There is also the small matter of an AGM which we should get through fairly quickly — more details to follow.