

Wiltshire Council

Cabinet

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**Item 5 – Public Participation
Wiltshire Local Transport Plan 2011-2026 – Car Parking Strategy (item 6)**

Statement from Mr Colin Garrett – Devizes Resident and Tax Payer

As a Devizes Resident of over forty six years, i am contacting you to place my objection to your proposal to limit parking in the market place Devizes.

Half an hour will not be enough to encourage to park and use local shops, i believe such a restriction would be of detriment to our town.

I am convinced your figures will no doubt prove conclusively that people do not park in the market place for an hour now, but these facts are flawed on the basis that 99% of people park legally, and within the current restriction of one hour (also proven by the small number of parking tickets issued due to vehicles overstaying).

As a small market town it is important to encourage people to come into and use the town centre, otherwise it will die, and then no doubt result in an expensive town centre regeneration program!

Please give the people of Devizes what they want, a healthy town centre, or is it too democratic to listen to the people?