

**COMMENTS RECEIVED IN OPPOSITION TO / COMMENTING ON THE COUNCIL'S
PROPOSED FISHERTON GATEWAY TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER AMENDMENTS, SALISBURY**

Comment Ref. No.	Comment	Officer Response
1	<p>With respects to the proposed changes to permitted vehicle parking opposite the commercial premises on South Western Road, Salisbury. Please consider the following suggestions & points.</p> <p>Pedestrians often step off the pavement diagonally to the designated Pedestrian Crossing. Therefore it would seem to be safer if the last parking bay were decommissioned.</p> <p>However it would be very useful to maintain the rest of the Bays as 30 minute free parking for the following reasons; There is very limited 20 minute parking / Drop Off bays at the Railway Station (i.e. 4). These are often unavailable when Service / Replacement Coaches have to be used when Trains cannot run. With all of the Local & National 'calls' for increasing our use of Public Transport it is essential that travellers can be dropped off as safely as possible as close to the Railway Station as possible, especially when they might have heavy Luggage. Also South Western Road has a number of Take Away Food Outlets which encourages regular 'Collection' & 'Delivery' traffic. The 30 minute parking bays currently offer transient & legal parking. Without them there would be even greater illegal parking than that which already exists. This road ought to be 'Double Yellow Lined' on the upward side (towards the Railway Station) with a single loading Bay, half way between the Crossing & the Roundabout. This would help keep the road clearer for Station & Churchfields Industrial Estate traffic. The existing Parking Bays are further very useful when collecting parcels from the 'Sorting Office', which only has very limited onstreet parking, & hence are often 'full'.</p> <p>I propose the above modifications to enable safety for all the road users, especially pedestrians as well as enabling traffic flow which could increase out of city along Crane Bridge Road because of the 'inward only' Fisherton Street development.</p> <p>Thank You for your consideration of my proposals.</p>	<p>It is proposed that the existing time limited parking bay on the north-western side of Southern Western Road will be removed and replaced with No Waiting and No Loading restrictions operating between 8.00am and 7.00pm every day of the week. It is proposed to widen the footway where the time limited parking bay is currently sited to provide an improved walking route between the Railway Station and Fisherton Street (leading into the city centre). Removing the ability to park at this location will make the widened footway available during the part of the day when South Western Road is subject to its greatest level of pedestrian use. Outside of the hours of operation parking may take place on the widened footway in support of the night-time economy in South Western Road and by local residents.</p> <p>As the correspondent notes there are a number of restaurants and takeaways operating from South Western Road. The prime trading hours of such business is during the evening, when as outlined above, parking will be available. It should also be noted that none of the businesses operating from South Western Road submitted any comments objecting to the Council's proposals.</p> <p>An additional 30-minute parking bay will be introduced into Dews Road to support the businesses operating in South Western Road, and could be used by people wishing to pick up or drop off passengers at the railway station or visiting the Royal Mail sorting office. In addition to this there are existing time limited parking bays in Dews Road, Fisherton Street, Fisherton Street (Service Road), Devizes Road (Service Road) and West Street which can be used for the purposes outlined above. This is on top of the ten short term pick up / drop of parking bays retained at the station forecourt.</p> <p>The proposed No Waiting At Any Time and time limited No Loading restrictions will serve to keep South Western Road clear of parked vehicles during the peak travel periods which will enable easier and safer vehicular access to the Churchfields Industrial Estate and Railway Station.</p> <p>It should be noted that Fisherton Street has been made one way only for the duration of the Fisherton Gateway construction works and will return to two-way operation following completion of the works.</p>

2	It would be better if the 20 mph limit was extended to the whole of Exeter Street.	In line with National Guidance the approved Wiltshire Council 20mph speed restriction policy allows a 20mph speed restriction to be introduced where the average speed of vehicles is below 24mph. The most recent traffic survey in the section of Exeter Street not covered by the Salisbury City Centre 20mph Zone recorded the average speed of vehicles using the road to be 34.9mph. As such the extension of the 20mph speed limit in Exeter Street would be inappropriate and is not something supported by Wiltshire Council.
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