

COMMENTS

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	<u>Baydon Close</u>	
1	<p>We do not feel that the current parking situation causes any significant problems and were surprised to hear of such a proposal.</p> <p>To impose this order may well cause a problematic impact on the parking availability further into the Close and other adjacent streets.</p> <p>There are no issues with the rubbish collection vehicles accessing the close when residents are parked on this section of road outside of their homes, or for delivery and emergency vehicles as this section of road is wide enough to accommodate all of these vehicles.</p> <p>The proposed changes would cause safety issues regarding the speed that people drive into the close as it would enable them to drive in even faster – we feel that the Close would benefit more from a proposal of a 20 mph speed limit as this is a purely residential road with no through road access.</p> <p>As a family with a young child safety is our main concern. If we were no longer able to park outside our home it would force us into unsafe situations including having to park on Wiltshire Drive which is already hazardous. It would also cause many inconveniences from carrying heavy loads of shopping (with a young child to watch as well) to restricting people being able to come to visit who have mobility issues.</p> <p>The proposal would also create difficulties for residents who have health issues (and carers that are required to visit).</p> <p>Please note that the residents who live on the left side of the road do not have driveways directly outside of their homes, however residents living on the right side have driveways and garages in front of their houses.</p> <p>We also feel that if this proposal goes ahead it will affect the value and saleability of our house in the future as we ourselves would not have purchased our property if this had already been in place as we have two cars as a necessity for work.</p> <p>The only people that will be penalised by this proposal are the residents of the Close who park outside of their homes. No-one will actually benefit from this Order going ahead.</p> <p>Surely the councils money would be better spent</p>	<p>It is agreed that parking is likely to be displaced onto Wiltshire Drive during the hours of the restriction should this proposal be implemented.</p> <p>The concerns relating to access to properties for those with young children or mobility issues is noted.</p> <p>With regard to property value and saleability, the road is adopted highway and as such its purpose is for passage and repassage of vehicles and pedestrians and as such unrestricted parking is not a right of the householder and it cannot be assumed that unrestricted parking on the highway be possible ad infinitum.</p>

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	<p>on a more worthwhile and viable project than a proposal that will only cause congestion issues further into the close and along Wiltshire Drive and even affecting Manton Close too.</p>	
2	<p>Having looked at your proposals for a change in parking in Baydon Close, I would like to say this is a good start, but is in no way the answer to our ever growing problem.</p> <p>Living by the West Wilts. site for many years, we had to put up with their indiscriminate parking and stupidly believed the situation would improve after the demolition.</p> <p>The situation has, in fact, got much worse. A while ago, planning permission was given for a house in Wiltshire Drive, with no associated parking. We objected, knowing that this would lead to a parking problem. We were told that this would not be the case as there is a garage/hard standing. What the planning department fails to understand is that many houses locally are rented out without the use of the garages/hardstandings. (The garages are used for storage, etc, by the landlords.) Most households now own two cars and there is nowhere for all these cars to park considerately. So they park two abreast down the Wiltshire Drive, on all the pavements and on both sides of the Baydon Close.</p> <p>This includes all the corners leading a complete blockage of drivers' view. At the entrance to the Close is an extremely high hedge which also obstructs vision. Drivers come down the Wiltshire Drive too fast and thunder into the Close. We have witnessed so many near-miss accidents and actual accidents.</p> <p>To be fair, it is true to say we also have a problem with local people who are just too lazy to put their vehicles away on even their own hard standing, let alone in their garage, which does not help.</p> <p>But this leads to why the No Waiting between 8 and 6 is insufficient. The No Waiting needs to be all day. The Close is just too small for all these cars.</p> <p>In our house deeds, it states that work vans are not allowed to park in the Close. This covenant is ignored. We have one vehicle parked on the inner bend every evening, blocking the view from both directions. This needs to be stopped. That particular person could put his vehicle on his hard standing. He chooses to leave it in a dangerous position every day.</p> <p>At weekends, where huge SUVs park all around the Close entrance, no emergency vehicle could ever get into the Close.</p> <p>So, thank you for your thought, but this is not the answer to our dangerous problem.</p> <p>I ask that you think again and bring in One Hour Waiting, purely for deliveries.</p>	<p>Introducing a 'No Waiting at Any Time' restriction would mean that those residents who do not have off street parking would be unable to park during evenings and weekends when the spaces within the Close are likely to be in the highest demand. While moderating parking behaviour is beneficial, a balance must be sought to address the needs of all residents.</p> <p>With regard to vehicles parking on the footway and on corners in contravention of the Highway Code, this is a matter which can be dealt with by the local policing team and should be reported via the non-emergency 101 number.</p> <p>Implementing a one hour waiting restrictions for deliveries only is not possible. Delivery vehicles are permitted to park on any restriction that does not include a restriction on loading for a period of up to 20 minutes without penalty in order to load and unload goods. Any restriction to limit parking for one hour would require intensive enforcement activity in order to achieve compliance and this simply would not be possible due to the resources available.</p>

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3	<p>The parking in Baydon Close is already fairly limited and introducing No Waiting restrictions would only make this worse. I am concerned that myself and my neighbours will be forced to compete for parking spaces, and those most affected will look to the rest of the street - causing even greater crowding. I personally do not feel as if the current parking situation is causing a problem for many residents. Some houses do not have individual driveways or garages, so are only able to park on the road outside of their houses. To introduce No Waiting areas in a residential street is unfair and will prioritise the needs of a minority rather than the majority.</p>	<p>It is noted that the objector feels that the current parking situation does not create any issues.</p>
4	<p>I wish to object to the proposed introduction of 'No Waiting' restrictions on both the East and West sides of Baydon Close. As a long term resident of Baydon Close for over 40 years, I can see no benefit to the residents in adopting these measures. If anything, quite the opposite, as it will facilitate a faster entrance into and exit from the Close by removing all those vehicles currently parking there during the daytime and putting pressure on remaining parking spaces which are further into the Close.</p> <p>Wiltshire Drive is already difficult at times and getting worse. The impact of this measure will exacerbate this situation. For many years, I was content to park on Wiltshire Drive on the assumption that the road is wide enough to accommodate three vehicles simultaneously, however after two instance of serious damage caused by passing cars impacting mine even though parked correctly, I decided enough was enough and moved around the corner into Baydon Close where I now park.</p> <p>In recent years prior to the demise of the WWDC offices, it was often the case that staff employed there would park in the Close wherever there was a space, sometimes all day. This did not seem to matter then so why should it now? What has changed?</p> <p>If funding for road schemes is still limited, then surely it would be better to target the long standing speeding issues in Wiltshire and the knock-on effects into Baydon Close rather than impose these restrictions on residents. In short, this is a sledgehammer to crack a nut.</p>	<p>It is noted that the objector feels that the current parking situation does not create any issues and it is agreed that the proposal could result in the displacement of parking to other neighbouring roads including Wiltshire Drive.</p>
5	<p>I'm writing with concern about yellow lines that you are going to put in Baydon Close. My concern is what happens when we want tradespeople to call? Also I suffer from severe arthritis and a heart condition.it will make it hard for use when we come back from shopping and we have to park around the corner and carry the shopping back to our house. I can't understand why we have to have lines down both sides of the road.</p>	<p>Delivery vehicles may park on the proposed restrictions for up to 20 minutes without penalty to facilitate loading and unloading. Residents unloading shopping etc. or loading vehicles would also be able to do this. It is noted however that the restrictions would cause difficulty for those with impaired mobility.</p>

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	<u>Conigre</u>	
6	<p>The proposed parking restrictions on Conigre are poorly thought out and somewhat pointless. It is proposed for 'No waiting at any time' on one side of the road, which is the side that nobody parks on, except outside Oakwood House (and I do agree that this will help those residents).</p> <p>It helps nobody else, as the cars that park on the opposite side of the road to the proposed restriction regularly block the access to the Beechwood House residents' parking and leads to us having to drive over the pavement to get in and out.</p> <p>The road is only just wide enough for two cars, meaning that anyone attempting to get a larger vehicle up the road is unable to when there are cars parked by the wall outside Upper Broad Street Court - the opposite pavement has bollards blocking any attempt to use it to manoeuvre around them. I have witnessed bin lorries (even small ones) fail to get up the road, work vans, and even a removal van when someone was moving house. Heaven help anyone who needs the emergency services.</p> <p>The proposed scheme makes no sense. I would suggest the solution is to place the restrictions on both sides of the road, particularly considering that almost none of the cars that park on the road actually live here.</p>	<p>The proposed restrictions are as a result of a request by a resident of the Conigre and were put forward/supported by Trowbridge Town Council as a solution to the issue of residents parking areas being blocked by parked vehicles.</p> <p>The comments that this does not address the issue for residents is noted. Additional restrictions would require the support of Trowbridge Town Council prior to any further consultation being undertaken.</p>
7	<p>I wish to object to this proposal as I consider it deficient in that it will not address the main problems on this road. Most of the restrictions are proposed for locations where vehicles do not generally park. The biggest problems are caused by vehicles parking on the west side of the road outside of no. 25 and on the north side of the side arm to the south of Beechwood House right on the junction. Vehicles parked in those locations make it difficult to access the parking for Beechwood House and often impossible for larger vehicles to turn the corner to access Oakwood House. I consider that these areas should be included within the order to ensure the safe and efficient operation of the road. The problems are caused primarily by people who work in the town centre and not by the residents.</p>	<p>Please see comment above.</p>
8	<p>I would like to comment on the proposals to introduce no waiting at any time restrictions in Conigre as a resident of Beechwood House. While I have no objections to the proposals in principle, I am concerned about the effect this might have on the access to my parking space opposite Beechwood House. I have on a couple of occasions had to leave notes on people's cars to inform them that they were parking on private</p>	<p>The request for additional signing is noted.</p>

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	<p>property after I've come home from work to find them parked in my parking space. I am concerned that unless it is clear from the entrance of the road that there is no parking except for residents my parking space might become more frequently used for parking, since there would be no longer any on street parking available. Also the problem would be compounded by having nowhere to park myself in the vicinity, except to physically block the trespassing driver so they have to speak to me in order to drive away, which would in itself be a parking offence, and one that is more likely to be enforced, especially if there are more traffic wardens in the area enforcing the double yellow lines.</p> <p>In conclusion, in conjunction with this proposal I think there should be clear signage that this is residents only parking as well as no waiting.</p>	
	<u>The Moldens</u>	
9	<p>Further to your notice of waiting restrictions at The Moldens, I feel it would help to ease the parking problems. If you could extend the no waiting restrictions for a further twelve metres to the sharp left bend this would help other residents, although this will push the Frome Road residence deeper into The Moldens, I feel the only way to solve this would be to issue resident parking permits.</p>	<p>Extension of the proposed restrictions would require support from Trowbridge Town Council and further formal consultation.</p> <p>Resident parking schemes, with the exception of a trial in Yerbury Street, Trowbridge, are only being implemented in Salisbury and not the rest of the County at present. Residents parking schemes must be self-financing with residents being required to pay for parking permits with the cost of the permit covering the cost of administering the scheme. In order to be feasible and successful all residents must enter into the scheme. The introduction and ongoing administration of residents parking schemes are resource intensive and with current staffing levels, Wiltshire Council are unable to commit resource to this at present.</p>
10	<p>I read your proposal as above with dismay. It is already very difficult and sometimes chaotic to access and leave my driveway due to dangerous parking on the acute bend of The Moldens. This proposal will accentuate and worsen the situation by pushing traffic further into the road. Would it not be possible to issue residents parking permits which would solve the situation?</p>	<p>Please refer to the response to comment 9</p>
11	<p>Reference to your parking restrictions in The Moldons. As you gave permission for the previous development with insufficient parking for visitors feel that you have created the problem. If you are going to proceed with your plans wouldn't it make more sense to only allow no parking on the first 15m of the Moldens so cars can pull off the Frome Road safely, if not then increase the length of no parking zone to level with the rear boundary of 109 Frome Road as it will be dangerous to pull out from the rear access road with the possibility of vehicles parking on the end of the proposed no parking zone and overlapping the rear access.</p>	<p>Extension to the parking restrictions proposed would require the support of Trowbridge Town Council and further formal consultation.</p>

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12	<p>We are writing in objection to Wiltshire Council proposed Order to introduce No Waiting at any time on The Moldens, firstly we would like confirmation that the said public consultations has been carried out correctly in line with the legislative requirements and fairness to all effected.</p> <p>The "white traffic order consultation notices" in The Moldens which we only saw on Friday, can only have only been in situ a matter of a few days, not giving sufficient time for effected residents to object or support the proposal. We both use The Moldens twice daily to access the rear of our property where we park (97 Frome Road) the notices are in eye line with our turn onto The Moldens and one of us would have been noticed them as soon as they were place there.</p> <p>In relation to the proposal we are objecting to the No Waiting restrictions for the following reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Currently five vehicles park in the spaces in the evening, during the day it is often empty/ or one car is there. (Therefore not necessary) The vehicles belong to a number of local residents who have only one space to park or their visitors not wishing to park on Frome Road. 2. Since The Moldens development has been in situ we have never had a problem accessing the lane we use to the left off The Moldens, or had a problem turning into The Moldens because of parked vehicles. We have always had a clear view when exiting the road. 3. The no waiting restriction will shunt the vehicles on to the Frome Road to park causing more danger to pedestrians and drivers, Frome Road is a major trunk route that is getting busier as 1. Bradley Road is often congested, 2. Has a major secondary school located on it. 4. The recent development permitted at the side of 18 The Moldens did not mention further road changes and will have its own off street parking. In fact this development is causing problems with scaffolding narrowing the access to the rear of some properties in Frome Road, and workmen parking adjacent to the scaffolding causing problems negotiating a turn from the lane we need to use. 5. There has been no incidents / accidents at the entrance to The Moldens that we are aware of, and the Council would be better advised to spend the money on a road that is suffering from congestion not adding to it by moving cars on to 	<p>Wiltshire Council does not have a legal obligation to erect notices on site to advertise proposed waiting restrictions however it is the Council's policy to do so.</p> <p>Records are kept documenting the date on which any notices are erected and removed and regular checks made to ensure the notices remain in place during the advert period. With regard to The Moldens, the notices were erected on 23 November 2016 and were checked on a weekly basis until their removal on 22 December 2016.</p> <p>It is noted that the resident feels that the existing parking does not create any issue. It is agreed that parking would be displaced should the proposal be implemented and that this may impact upon Frome Road.</p> <p>There have been no recorded personal injury collisions in or close to The Moldens in the 3 years preceding this report.</p>

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	<p>Frome Road.</p> <p>6. If the Council is minded to continue with the No waiting restriction perhaps a better solution would be do half of the proposed area, 1. the area nearest the development (after the traffic calming measure) if that is what the issue is or 2. before the calming measure if clearance to the main road is required.</p> <p>At present there is no need for the restrictions as the current arrangements has not been or is not being abused at all and to carry on with the proposal for The Moldens will achieve little but more congestion on a major route into and out of the town.</p>	
	<u>Keates Close</u>	
13	<p>Parking by non-residents is an issue within the street. But selecting a small area to designate no waiting will merely move the same number of car in to a smaller space causing even more problems for the rest of the residents in the street.</p>	<p>Implementing the proposed restriction would displace parking elsewhere and it is agreed that this may impact upon other residents of Keates Close.</p>
	<u>The Down</u>	
14	<p>I object to the proposed no waiting zone – I live in a house close to the location, which has no drive. As many others.</p> <p>Adding any non-parking zones here would cause further parking issues in a highly residential area.</p> <p>No driveways are blocked in the proposed area, so what is the reason behind this?</p>	<p>The proposed restriction is ‘No Waiting Mon-Fri between 8am and 6pm’ and as such parking will be allowed outside of these times with residents able to take advantage of this. In addition, parking will still be available on the west side of The Down.</p> <p>The proposed restriction aims to deal with school related parking and is supported by Trowbridge Town Council.</p>