

APPENDIX A

Respondent	Comment	Objection/Support	Officer Comment
Local club	<p>I am a member of Melksham Cricket Club who would be severely impacted by this plan. We play matches on a Saturday Afternoon, with occasional games on a Sunday afternoon, Tuesday afternoon, Thursday afternoon and Wednesday evening. Games will take anything between 3 hrs and 7 hrs and involve teams from Melksham playing other clubs from all over West Wilts and Swindon. We have recently started hosting County Senior Matches involving Counties from all over the South of England. On a match day we can have anything up to 20 cars using the carpark we were led to believe was for the sports clubs use. To raise money we also hire our facilities out to the Melksham Community. I fail to see how opposition players or visitors can be expected to pay to use the only viable car park, but I agree something needs to be done as the car park is often full of Town centre workers vehicles. As I see it there are 3 options</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Leave unchanged 2. Issue permits to all Sports club users, who can also issue to visiting teams 3. Allow the cricket club to use the gate on the A350 next to the cemetery to access our grounds. This could be made a No Right Turn so to minimise disruption and dangers and would allow the club to control the parking. If you allow this plan to go through you will be impacting on the future of not only the cricket club but also the bowls and tennis. 	Objection	<p>Charges will not be applicable in the car park.</p> <p>Permits would be issued to club members.</p> <p>On occasion where large events take place enforcement would be suspended. As these are predominantly on the weekend, we would not expect an increase of misuse.</p>

Local Cllr	<p>From the inception of the SCOB of which I was a member (2012 or 2013?), set up by Wiltshire Council and chaired by a Wiltshire Councillor, it was considered paramount that parking on the site would be primarily for users of the facility and at no additional cost. I recall the number of spaces at that early stage was envisaged to be about 200. Everyone accepted that introduction of free parking anywhere in the town would attract staff from local businesses, shoppers and visitors so at some point this would have to be controlled. Nearly ten years have elapsed during which I would have hoped this issue would have been thoroughly considered, not least investigating what already works well elsewhere as we can't be the only town with this sort of issue. Perhaps this consideration has in fact been going on in the background. Technology has advanced massively over this time and my experience with ANPR (Automatic Number Plate Recognition) tells me much can be achieved using this as a basis. At least three sites within walking distance of the Campus already use this as a basis for controlling parking and I'd be very surprised if it can't address most if not all of the aspects being raised. I feel the introduction of a fixed time limit would be an over-simplified, inadequate and crude way of trying to deal with this issue in a smart new and hugely successful Campus, excluding its parking control of course!</p>	Objection	<p>Local Authorities are prohibited from using ANPR for enforcement purposes.</p> <p>The implementation of a maximum stay has been successful in a similar location.</p>
Local Cllr	<p>I am a Melksham Town Councillor for the South Ward which includes the Campus and reflecting on inputs from local residents. I am also informed by being a member of the SCOB (Shadow Campus</p>	Objection	

	<p>Operations Board) during Campus planning and President of the Chamber of Commerce at the time.</p> <p>It is generally accepted that the car parking has become used for all day visits by people visiting the town as a whole, to the extent that it's getting to be difficult to find a general space during the day. As the primary intent of the car parking is to provide somewhere for people to park while they use the health and leisure services around, I and my correspondents would agree that some sort of action to limit or remove all day parking is appropriate.</p> <p>Concerns with the three hour proposal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">* Many activities such as cricket, bowling, meetings with follow ons at the offices of Melksham Without and Melksham Town Councils and evening events at the Assembly Hall have a duration that is very close to the three hour limit. (1)* By limiting parking to three hours, you will be restricting multiple activity visits to Melksham by "timing them out" to the detriment of all the activities people take part in at The Campus as well as in the vicinity. Making Melksham as a whole less attractive.* My understanding is that electric car chargers at The Campus are currently relatively slow and how much of a charge can visitors to the town get in three hours while being a captive audience to use the facilities? For residents, facilities on Spa Road offer a much faster charge though without the		<p>All organisations that require longer stays will be issued with Permits.</p> <p>The car park is not intended for use by Assembly Hall users.</p>
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	<p>facilities around. As it stands there 3 hours is enough for hybrid vehicles but inadequate for pure electric vehicles on the charge rate available.</p> <p>There is always going to be something of a compromises but I would suggest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * 4 hour rather than three hour limit as this will take in the majority of activities but allow your enforcement officers to make two visits within their shifts if you are manually checking registrations * Limited observation during the consultation period suggests that blue badge spaces (and electric charge spaces) are generously available where regular spaces are nearly full, and I question the need to restrict the use of these spaces on a time limit. We are in a changing world with the electric points and if you were to upgrade them to faster chargers it would then make sense to include them in the same time limit. * I question the need for the limit to apply all day, every day and wonder if applicable, say, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. would be appropriate. <p>(1) I understand from other inputs received that in addition to three hour limit you are proposing and consulting on, you may be issuing passes to some campus user groups who's use exceeds your three hours. As the consultation does not describe or even mention these parts of your scheme, it is difficult to make inputs relating to them. I would appreciate a further opportunity to make informed comment.</p>		<p>The three-hour maximum stay will apply to all users.</p>
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<p>Member of public</p>	<p>Having seen the proposed changes to the car parking with a maximum stay of 3hrs this will have a major impact to players of sport such as cricket or tournaments at the centre. I feel you need to take this into consideration.</p>	<p>Objection</p>	<p>Permits will be issued to the two sports clubs and provision made for large events.</p>
<p>Member of public</p>	<p>I am writing to express my concern and disappointment of Wiltshire Council's proposals of restricting parking to three hours in the Melksham Community Campus.</p> <p>We are very lucky to have such new and modern facilities within our town that we can use at our leisure. I am confident the people of Melksham do not agree with these proposals.</p> <p>Free parking at The Campus is good for the local community and local businesses within the town. Locals and businesses are currently struggling with increasing costs and these proposals would have a further unwanted negative affect on our town. Some people who use the community campus, then go into town to support local businesses and three hours would be too restrictive to do both.</p> <p>Moreover, lots of community sporting events take place within the vicinity of the campus and three hours is too restrictive to park to enjoy these activities, for example a cricket match.</p> <p>I recognise that a small number of workers may use the car park if they work in the town. However, these proposals would just create problems elsewhere with people parking outside others' residential homes, close to the town centre. I use the car park at different times of the day to swim etc and have</p>	<p>Objection</p>	<p>The car park is intended for use by Melksham Campus users only and not shoppers.</p> <p>Provision will be made for large events and permits issued to Club members.</p>

	<p>always found plenty of parking spaces, no matter what time of day I visit.</p> <p>I sincerely hope that Wiltshire Council will come to the sensible conclusion not to implement these changes that does not do good for the people of Melksham nor our community. At the very least they should keep the car park closest to the field and bowls club free of charge at all times with no maximum stay. I wish to be kept informed of any new updates to these proposals and would like confirmation of receipt of my email.</p>		<p>Further monitoring of the area will be undertaken to consider displacement of those using the car park who should not be.</p> <p>No plans to introduce charges at this car park.</p>
Member of public	<p>living near the campus and walking through the site most days it is obvious that the parking is used incorrectly and not by Campus visitors. I therefore think the restriction of parking for 3 hours is a great idea. Melksham is a small town and the introduction of a 3 hour limit is perfectly apt for a visit to the library, a quick coffee in town or a spot of shopping. It does need to be limited, I think as at the moment the car parks are quite full and the majority of users are not in the campus. There is plenty of parking in Melksham and now the campus has been open a year I think it's a great idea to look again at the parking provision.</p>	Supportive	
Local club	<p>We as a club wish to object to the proposal of introducing a 3 hour time limit on our sports car park. The Cricket club & Bowls club are both tenants of the property. Both sports teams play for longer than 3 hours. We are somewhat disappointed at not being advised beforehand as a courtesy that this was being raised. We have had numerous discussions about this with the campus development</p>	Objection	<p>Parking permits will be issued to members of the sports clubs.</p> <p>Charges are not being introduced.</p>

	<p>team, local councillors & Wiltshire Council legal team (at the time of our lease). At every point in the way it was agreed that a paid carpark simply would not work for the sports sections who use the car park by st Micheals church. We've spoke in the past about vehicle badges or even a barrier for our car park. Our volunteers are in the car park numerous times of the day letting hires in and out & tending to the grounds. Therefore it wouldn't be clear or practical to take down a registration when they maybe in for 10 mins unlocking and back several hours later to lock up for the warden to think they've been there all day. The current car park is busy at the moment but this is not a clear picture as Beard construction vehicles take up nearly most of the car park whilst the house is being developed. This will also cease when the new melksham house car park is installed as these vehicles will use this car park. Bringing another question, why isn't the new car park included in this order? Surely everyone will just park behind the house causing a headache for the new sen team? Please could we arrange a meeting with the council to discuss a way forward as this order is both impractical and unfair to us as a tenant, not for profit sports club and our members who wish to enjoy a sport.</p>		<p>Not appropriate to comment on this location at this time.</p>
Member of	Please can consideration be given	Objection	Provision will be made for

<p>public</p>	<p>to parking restrictions only applying to office hours (0800 - 1800 hrs on Monday to Friday, excluding Bank Holiday Mondays and Bank Holiday Fridays? This would support those attending lengthy sporting events and activities at the site for which the car parking is provided, whilst deterring the increased all day use by persons working in town, for whom there are other car parks provided. (These car parks have fees attached to their use, which is why the free car park has become too popular.)</p> <p>I know of a recent situation whereby a mother with newborn child was unable to park in the car park in order to access the campus due to commuters habitually parking all day at this location. Consideration should be given towards the length of Cricket and Bowling matches, which can last considerably more than four hours, but that generally take place at the weekends and on Bank Holidays.</p> <p>There is a possibility that visitors may start to park in the residential area of Hazelwood Road, if the correct restrictions are not applied. I hope that you find a suitably balanced solution.</p>		<p>events taking place at the sports clubs and Campus.</p> <p>Displacement into residential areas will be monitored following implementation.</p>
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