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c.c. Ward Councillors for South Ruislip

Date: 21 July 2023

# Non-Key Decision request

Form D

BEDFORD ROAD, RUISLIP – RESULTS OF STATUTORY CONSULTATION ON A PROPSOED EXTENSION TO THE RUISLIP GARDENS PARKING MANAGEMENT SCHEME ZONE RG

Dear Cabinet Members,

Attached is a report requesting that a decision be made by you as an individual Cabinet Member. Democratic confirm that this is not a key decision, as such, the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 notice period does not apply. Services

You should take a decision **on or after Monday 31 July 2023** in order to meet Constitutional requirements about publication of decisions that are to be made. You may wish to discuss the report with the Corporate Director before it is made. Please indicate your decision on the duplicate memo supplied, and return it to me when you have made your decision. I will then arrange for the formal notice of decision to be published.

Ryan Dell
Democratic Services Officer

**Title of Report:** BEDFORD ROAD, RUISLIP – RESULTS OF STATUTORY CONSULTATION ON A PROPSOED EXTENSION TO THE RUISLIP GARDENS PARKING MANAGEMENT SCHEME ZONE RG

Decision made:	
Reasons for your decision: (e.g. as stated in report)	
Alternatives considered and rejected: (e.g. as stated	in report)
Signed	Date
Cabinet Member for Property, Highways and Transport	

# BEDFORD ROAD, RUISLIP - RESULTS OF STATUTORY CONSULTATION ON A PROPSOED EXTENSION TO THE RUISLIP GARDENS PARKING MANAGEMENT SCHEME ZONE RG

Councillor Jonathan Bianco

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Cabinet Portfolio	Cabinet Member for Property, Highways and Transport	
Officer Contact	Aileen Campbell – Place Directorate	
Papers with report	Appendix A – Plan of the formal consultation area.	
	Appendix B – Comments received during the statutory consultation.	
HEADLINES		
Summary	To inform the Cabinet Member of the outcome of the statutory	
_	consultation on a proposed extension to the Ruislip Gardens	
	Parking Management Scheme Zone RG.	
Putting our	This report supports our ambition for residents/ the Council of:	
Residents First	Be / feel safe from harm	
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A Green and Sustainable Borough

Financial Cost

Cabinet Member

There are no direct financial implications associated with the recommendations to this report.

Relevant Select Committee

Property, Highways and Transport Select Committee.

This report supports our commitments to residents of:

**Relevant Ward** 

South Ruislip.

# RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Cabinet Member for Property, Highways and Transport:

- 1) Notes the responses received to the statutory consultation on a proposed extension to the Ruislip Gardens Parking Management Scheme Zone RG;
- 2) Instructs officers to take no further action in implementing an extension to the Ruislip Gardens Parking Management Scheme Zone RG in Bedford Road between Stafford Road and the western end of Trevor Crescent, based on the responses received to the formal consultation, and following discussions with local Ward Councillors; and
- 3) Asks the Council's Highways Team to refresh the double yellow lines as shown in the tabulated comments in Appendix B.

#### Reasons for recommendations

The recommendations reflect the responses received to the formal consultation with residents of Bedford Road, Ruislip.

#### Alternative options considered/ risk management

The consultation with residents offered the options of no further action in implementing a parking scheme and making no changes the current parking arrangements.

#### **Select Committee comments**

None at this stage.

# SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 1. A petition was submitted to the Council signed by 25 residents of Bedford Road, Ruislip requesting a parking permit scheme in a section of Bedford Road between Stratford Road and Trevor Crescent. Bedford Road is a mainly residential road with a mixture of terraced houses and maisonettes, with many properties having access to off-street parking. Following a Petition Hearing with petitioners and the former Cabinet Member for Public Safety and Transport, officers were instructed to carry out informal consultation with residents in a section of Bedford Road agreed in liaison with local Ward Councillors.
- 2. As the petition was only concerned with the section of Bedford Road between Stafford Road and the western end of Trevor Crescent, Ward Councillors confirmed that only residents in this section of Bedford Road should be included in a possible extension to the nearby Ruislip Gardens Parking Management Scheme.
- 3. As a result of the above, residents were sent an informal consultation pack which included a letter, questionnaire, and reply-paid envelope, asking whether they would support an extension to the nearby parking scheme to include their road. The results of this consultation were shared with local Ward Councillors who, based on the results, were supportive of a scheme progressing to statutory consultation.
- 4. Officers developed a detailed scheme design which included residents' parking bays where the gap between dropped kerbs could be utilised, single yellow lines in front of dropped kerbs and existing double yellow lines where it is deemed unsafe to park.
- 5. Statutory consultation started on 24 May and ended on 14 June 2023. Residents in the plan attached as Appendix A were sent a copy of the proposed plans, as well as a letter explaining how they can comment on the proposals. The proposed scheme was also advertised in the local newspaper as well as public notices which were displayed on site.
- 6. During the 21-day statutory consultation period, 22 responses were received. These comments were from residents who all live within the proposed scheme area, the majority of which objected to the proposed extension to the Ruislip Gardens Parking Management Scheme Zone RG. All of the comments received to the formal consultation can be seen in Appendix B with officers' comments were relevant.

- 7. 13 residents advised they object to the proposed scheme. One of the main reasons for objecting was due to the cost it would incur to residents. Although there are numerous dropped kerbs in Bedford Road, there are properties without any access to off-street parking. A few residents were therefore concerned at the amount they would have to pay for a permit, especially if they have multiple cars within the household. One resident advised that the introduction of a scheme would prevent friends or family being able to visit, and therefore negatively impact them. Some residents also questioned why the proposals were necessary, particularly in the current climate, with one resident advising "this will be an unnecessary change and expensive to residents at a time when the cost-of-living crisis is already affecting our quality of life". A few comments recognised commuter parking takes place in the road but did not believe that it warranted a residents' permit parking scheme.
- 8. Nine of the comments received during the consultation indicated support for a scheme. One of the main reasons for support was to deter residents of Trevor Crescent parking in Bedford Road. Residents alleged that some households in Trevor Crescent park their first or additional cars in Bedford Road to prevent needing to pay for permits. One resident even asked, "please do NOT allow those who live on Trevor Crescent the opportunity to purchase Residents Permits specifically for Bedford Road", stating that residents of Bedford Road would be "hugely disappointed if Trevor Crescent are offered permits". As this is a proposed extension to the existing Ruislip Gardens Parking Management Scheme, any resident with a valid 'Zone RG' permit or visitors voucher is entitled to park in the zone even if they live in a different road. Another reason some residents supported the proposals was to prevent all-day parking by commuters. One resident advised that commuters park "inconsiderately and for excessive hours so that they can use the tube line at Ruislip Gardens". This has allegedly increased since the implementation of the existing Ruislip Gardens parking scheme. Residents also advised that at the present time, there is such a lack of parking availability due to commuters that vehicles park in front of driveways causing issues for residents.
- 9. All of the comments received to the formal consultation have been shared with local Ward Councillors and the Cabinet Member for Property, Highways and Transport. Ward Councillors advised that based on the responses received to the statutory consultation, there is not sufficient mandate to proceed with the proposed scheme. It is therefore recommended that no changes are made to the parking arrangements at the present time.

#### **Financial Implications**

There are no direct financial implications associated with the recommendations to this report.

# RESIDENT BENEFIT & CONSULTATION

#### The benefit or impact upon Hillingdon residents, service users and communities

To change the parking arrangements in Bedford Road, Ruislip based on the parking issues reported, and discussions with local Ward Councillors.

#### Consultation carried out or required

Residents in the area as seen on the plan attached as Appendix A were sent a statutory consultation letter and detailed plan of the proposed scheme to see if they would support an extension to the Ruislip Gardens Parking Management Scheme Zone RG. Local Ward

Councillors were also consulted. If the recommendations to this report are approved, then officers will take no further action in implementing a parking scheme.

# **CORPORATE CONSIDERATIONS**

## **Corporate Finance**

Corporate Finance have reviewed the recommendations to this report and concurs with the financial implications as set out above.

# Legal

Legal Services confirms that there are no legal impediments to the Council commencing the statutory consultation process.

## Infrastructure/ Asset Management

None at this stage.

#### Comments from other relevant service areas

None at this stage.

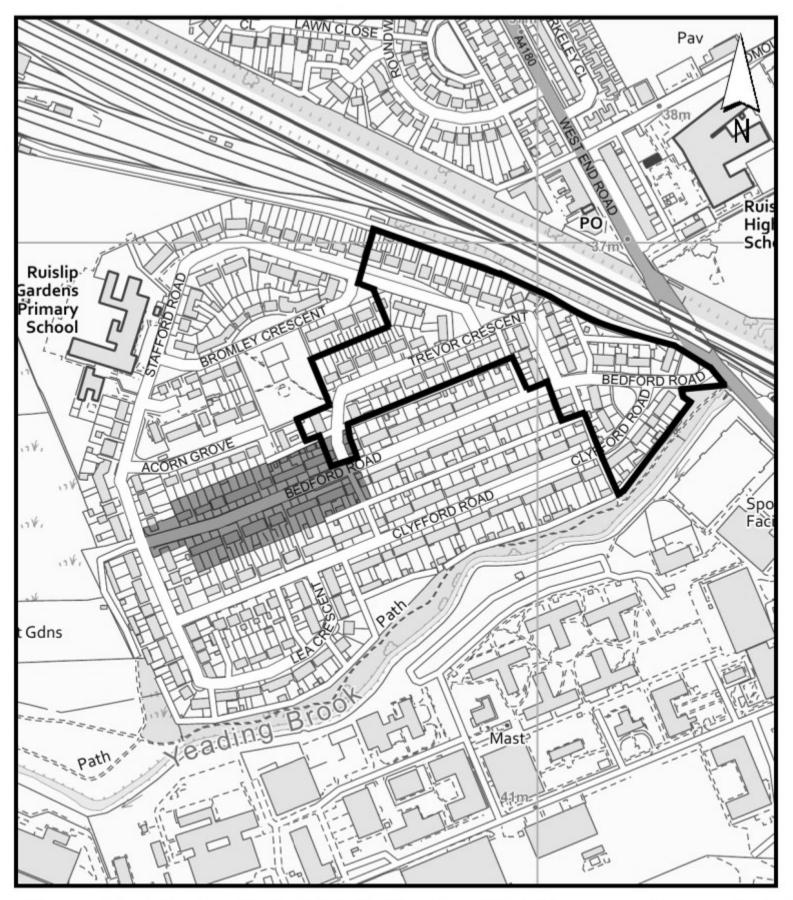
# **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

NIL.

# TITLE OF ANY APPENDICES

Appendix A – Location plan of informal consultation area.

Appendix B – Tabulated results of the informal consultation.



Proposed extension to the Ruislip Gardens Parking Management Scheme - Formal consultation Appendix A

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Extent of the Ruislip Gardens Parking Management Scheme Zone RG

Extent of formal consultation area for a proposed extension to the scheme

# Responses to the formal consultation on a proposed extension to the Ruislip Gardens Parking Management Scheme 'Zone RG'

Road Name	Response	Officers Comments
Bedford Road	Support I fully agree with the extended resident parking scheme for Bedford Road, unfortunately we have parking problems due to at least 7 residents from Trevor Crescent parking in Bedford Road and station commuters using our road as well, so when the neighbours from Bedford Road up to the top end they have nowhere to park when they come home from work, we're also having people parking on double yellow lines on the corners of Trevor Cresecent round on to Bedford Road, they need re-painting you can barely see them. Also we're having a lot of people with multiple large vans and lorries parking where ever causing problems it can be dangerous at times. I do think Ruislip Gardens would benefit from the parking scheme.	Considered as part of this report. See paragraph 8.  Request for faded markings to be repainted considered within the recommendations
Bedford Road	Support I live on Bedford Road and approve/agree to proposed parking extension. It is absolutely necessary to allow local residents to park please. Also, please do NOT allow those who live on Trevor Crescent the opportunity to purchase Resident Permits specifically for Bedford Road. Along with the multitude of people who use the tube station, the Trevor Crescent resident are chief offenders, often parking multiple cars on Bedford road from the same house! Family of 4, one car. Wife is a teacher and never has anywhere to park when she gets home. She drives up and down the road for 5 mins, gives up, calls me (I WFH), I then locate parking somewhere else in Ruislip Gardens, and then move the car again later at night to Bedford Road, once spaces free up once commuters have moved.  Most available parking has been taken up by: - underground users - Trevor Crescent residents Those on Bedford Road residents Those on Bedford Road will be hugely disappointed if Trevor Crescent are offered permits I don't recall Bedford Road residents ever being offered opportunity to purchase permits for Trevor Crescent.  I work from home and overlook Trevor Cresent from my front room I regularly see residents from Trevor Cres. park one of their multiple cars on Bedford Road sometimes even moving one of their cars (having deliberately parked across the space of two cars) and then adding their second car on to Bedford Road!  This really is untenable and hugely unfair. We are 'normal' residents (one car!) who are simply looking to be able to park with ease, within 5 mins, somewhere on our own (lengthy) road.  Bedford Road hope and expect: - permit parking to be extended - no other residents other than Bedford Road to be offered permits.	Considered as part of this report. See paragraph 8.  Residents who live within the same parking zone can park anywhere in the zone as long as they have a valid permit or visitors voucher. As this is a proposed extension to Zone RG, residents from Trevor Crescent would be entitled to park in Bedford Road vice versa.

Bedford Road	Support We are fully behind a PMS for our part of Bedford Road! For a very long time now we have had to put up with commuters for Ruislip Gardens station, which is now back to pre-pandemic scale. Then when Trevor Crescent introduced a parking scheme we had the overspill of cars that have either not paid for a permit or don't want to, parking in the road and will only get worse now, as all cars will have to have a permit. We now have Bedford Road residents, who have multiple cars, also parking transit vans and lorries in the road, some days it's impossible to get a space!!	Considered as part of this report. See paragraph 8.
Bedford Road	Object I am very concerned and sorely distressed at your intended parking proposals for Bedford. I do not possess a car, so that in itself is not a problem for me, but I do have my family visiting me around twice a month. They visit in order to keep an eye on me, I am a pensioner, years of age and I look forward to these visits with heart and soul. The family travel from Hayling Island so that will indicate to you the length of their journey, and the duration of time involved.  I shall be most obliged and grateful if you will kindly see what you can do in these circumstances.  PS May I respectfully suggest that the fees proposed for this scheme are beyond my already stetched budget.	Considered as part of this report. See paragraph 7.
Bedford Road	Support  I would support the need for permit parking and have the same times as Trevor Crescent.  It has been a problem for the longest time and often we have large vans, units parking outside our properties that can cause issues with taking up spaces as they leave larger gaps in between when if parked correctly small cars would also park there.  In addition, residents from Trevor Crescent also park outside our houses as they have more than one car and come park here.  A few residents have asked if having the same permit arrangements with Trevor Crescent, would this allow residents from both roads to park in each others roads? Meaning, could we park in Trevor Crescent if there are no spaces and vice versa?  Overall I am supportive of the permit arrangements.	Considered as part of this report. See paragraph 8.  Residents who live within the same parking zone can park anywhere in the zone as long as they have a valid permit or visitors voucher. As this is a proposed extension to Zone RG, residents from Trevor Crescent would be entitled to park in Bedford Road vice versa.

Bedford Road	Support I support the proposal to extend the parking scheme to include Bedford Road for the following reasons:  1. To stop commuters parking inconsiderately and for excessive hours so that they can use the tube line at Ruislip Gardens, there is very little available parking since double yellow lines and the previous parking scheme came into force nearby so there is a number of cars left daily, the issue is back to pre covid levels as businesses expect workforce to return to the office.  2. Parents and workers for Ruislip Gardens school also park and leave their cars for a considerable time, often overhanging residents driveways without any care or concern. The extension will stop this happening.  3. Residents of Trevor Crescent which is already a part of the current PMS, leave their second+ car(s) in Bedford Road to stop them having to pay for subsequent permits, this is unfair. I do appreciate that if this scheme is extended and the residents pay for another permit their cars may still be parked in Bedford Road however at least it won't be for selfish reasons and Bedford residents would have the say option to park in Trevor Crescent which we don't have today.  4. I do expect there to be a lack of support for the extension from some residents, particularly house and as both households currently have at least 5 vans/cars each and the cost of the extension will be significant for them. I would like to think that as some are business vehicles any cost can be recoupled from the businesses or that they reconsider if they really need to run so many vehicles. Some of the vans are large in size so they actually take more space up leaving other residents at times not being able to park near their homes or even in the road itself. Again, I note if permits were purchased for all vehicles owned it would not improve parking referenced under this point.	Considered as part of this report. See paragraph 8.
Bedford Road	Support This will stop the commuters parking and enable residents to park near their homes.	Considered as part of this report. See paragraph 8.
Bedford Road	Support  I fully support the PMS being extended to the top end of Bedford Road. I have a drive and I am sick of people parking part way over it as there are no spaces, thus making it difficult for visitors to park in my drive or over the drive (it's on a slope and not easy to get in/out of).  Quite a few of the cars parked up this end of the road during the day are commuters from Ruislip Gardens station (possibly not even residents of the borough) or cars from Trevor Crescent who have a parking zone scheme in place but don't want to pay for the permits. They often take up the space outside 81-93 Bedford Road, and 86-90 Bedford Road as it is just around the corner for them, making it hard for residents of Bedford Road to park.  I also have no objection to a yellow line outside my property as I hope this will stop people parking over my drive and I am happy to pay for extra visitor vouchers in the future.  On another note, if this does go ahead, can the lines on the junction of Trevor Crescent be repainted at the same time please as one person has also started parking over them because he can't get parked anywhere else (apart from half over my drive on occasions).  Please put your residents first and allow this to happen as we really need it.	Considered as part of this report. See paragraph 8.  Request for faded markings to be repainted considered within the recommendations

Bedford Road	Support I would like to confirm that I wholeheartedly welcome the proposal and look forward to the Council proceeding with making these changes. Thank you for all your assistance in this project and for ensuring our views are heard.	Considered as part of this report. See paragraph 8.
Bedford Road	Object We were not a part of the informal consultation which is stated in paragraph one one of the letter. It has not been made clear why the extension is being considered necessary. We have assumed that the parking proposals are not there to prevent commuters as the carriageway on Bedford Road east of Trevor Crescent is not restricted.  Therefore, we strongly oppose the proposals as this results in restrictions for residents parking in particular, like myself, who have previously paid to have a cut drive. The local community has respected the cut drive, and drivers refrain from parking outside my property. As someone who has recently moved into the area, such parking restrictions would inevitably devalue the property prices.  The proposals suggest providing a yellow line outside my drive, which discourages social community living and visitors from attending. We believe that proposed operational restrictions (everyday 9am-5pm) is not necessary and is purely of financial gain to the Council and offers no other benefit. We see no reason why yellow lines are required, and why parking bays are necessary in the area.  Lastly, asking residents to pay for permits, particularly their first permit is astounding, For those, like my neighbour whom do not have a driveway, are negatively impacted. For the Council, the cost of consultation, construction, implementation and regulation of this scheme outweights the financial income from recieving permits from residents.	Considered as part of this report. See paragraph 7.  The informal consultation was conducted in 2022 following a petition to the Council - the decision notice and informal consultation report can be viewed on the Council's website.
Bedford Road	Object I would like the make the following key points:  1) Fundamentally there does not appear to be any rationale to extend the scheme as during the day there is a fair balance between those who live here and drive to work, creating spaces, and those who park here to commute by other means, who then generally drive away when residents return home in due course.  2) A parking scheme extension would unfairly impact on the local residents and those who park here on a temporary basis for trade work, visiting friends/ family or who provide care and other services. This impact is made more acute with the current cost of living crisis and imminent expansion of the ULEZ.  3) The proposed scheme looks to introduce operating hours for the whole day which would negatively and unfairly impact anyone who may wish to park on the street for a proportion of the day. This is not in keeping with other parts of Ruislip where a limited restriction of one hour in the morning and afternoon is enough to discourage non-residents from parking all day.  4) Why are residents asked to pay for permit for their initial vehicle when they already get to park here for free? This is a stealth tax on residents who already pay enough Council Tax per year. Residents should be provided with the means to park at least one vehicle off-street in the first instance and then provided with a free permit for a vehicle.	Considered as part of this report. See paragraph 7.

#### Object

I find the consultation to not be relevant given many of the houses on Bedford Road have driveways and the people who do park are residents.

I find the extension of a resident scheme to be wholly irresponsible amid a cost of living crisis and an increase in council tax. Particularly for families with multiple cars and who may already have a driveway. I have not seen any justification for the extension of the parking scheme and note that the number to contact on the consultation was coming up as an incorrect number. Which made it difficult to ascertain the rationale behind this extension. Additionally I note that the informal consultation was not very clear with the reasoning behind why there is a need to extend the resident parking scheme to Bedford road.

I noted there are several properties on Bedford Road who may have a driveway but have their blocked by a tree or a lamp post -which results in an overlap perhaps removing those could go a long way in reducing issues. I think the responsibility lies here with councils rather than placing extra financial strain on residents to park on their own roads/driveways every year. Many of us do not have to pay ULEZ however this scheme could mean any savings we would have got are being eaten away by this extension which I think would be quite frankly disappointing.

Additionally with a school nearby some consideration should be provided for families who may be attending events such as parents evening assemblies where the local school road may be full.

As such I do not see any inherent value or rational behind extending the Trevor Crescent parking scheme into Bedford Road. It will likely have a negative impact increasing financial burden on families and residents with multiple cars.

If I have missed this - could you confirm why this is even under review? The parking scheme on Bedford Road has worked very well in the past 15 years and with my own driveway I have not come across any incidents with drivers parking in front.

Could you also confirm the following information:

Rationale behind extending parking scheme in to Bedford Road beyond someone suggesting it and getting signatures

Bedford Road

What support there will be for families / multiple car owners who will have to cough up the extra charges? I believe that this scheme would have a number of negative impacts on our community, and I urge the council to reconsider the proposal which I note was not well promoted in 2022.

Considered as part of this report. See paragraph 7.

The informal consultation was conducted in 2022 following a petition to the Council - the decision

	Here are some of the reasons why I believe a resident parking scheme would be negative:  - Much of the road in Bedford Road is already kerbside with many houses already having driveways. This is noted in the 'Non Key Decision Report' you shared - as there is limited kerbside space for parking due to increase of dropped kerbs from driveways. There hasn't been issues of people parking e.g. commuters with the implementation of the Trevor Crescent parking restriction which has reduced incentives for doing so. Therefore, there is limited justification to extend this parking scheme to Bedford Road.  - It would increase traffic congestion. When people are unable to find parking, they often resort to circling the block or parking in other areas that are not intended for parking. With kids, I do not feel safe with this. This can lead to increased traffic congestion and make it more difficult for everyone to get around. This is likely to increase at peak times resulting in increased air pollution and accidents.  - It would be unfair to residents who do not own a car and those who own multiple cars (a family car, work car etc). Not everyone in our community owns a car, their house or can afford to create their driveway. The resident parking scheme would make it more difficult for these residents to afford basic necessities in the midst of the cost of living crisis, which would be unfair as this scheme only received 17 signatures in 2022 compared to a 11 opposing.  - It would make it more expensive to own a car. The cost of a resident parking permit would add to the cost of owning a car, which is already a significant expense for many people. This could make it more difficult for people to afford to own a car, which would limit their transportation options and make it more difficult for them to get to work, school, and other essential activities.  - The local school (Ruislip Gardens) already has a drop off zone which has greatly reduced the likelihood of parents parking on Bedford Road and therefore there isn't a need for	notice and informal consultation report can be viewed on the Council's website.
Bedford Road	Support  Almost a year and a half after submitting the request for a parking permit, we got a reply. I hope that the final decision will be made soon, of course, for the parking permit to be. And I hope that the state will not take complaints from people who have 5 cars per 1 house, who run businesses (construction, gardening, car etc) and they will certainly not be happy with this proposal. But it is for the benefit of the residents of Bedford Road. My request would be that if the lines on the permit holders are painted, I am asking that the parking lines do not start immediatley with a lowered curb because the exit from my driveway is completely invisible and therefore not safe.	Considered as part of this report. See paragraph 8.
Bedford Road	Object We are writing to say that we do not want the proposed scheme to go ahead. We feel having to pay for annual permits for our children to park in our own road, is unacceptable.	Considered as part of this report. See paragraph 7.

Bedford Road	Object I am extremely opposed to this being implemented for the following reasons: 1. I don't and never had a problem parking my car in front of my house so don't see why it has to change. 2. I park my car on the road because if I park it on my driveway, it blocks out a lot of light to my living room which means I will have to have my lights on costing me more money in electricity. 3. Putting a yellow line in front of my house I feel will make my house less sellable and put people off as mine is a family sized house and alot of homes these days are a 3 car home. 4. In our road we have 2 blocks of flats which means they don't have drives so what are they supposed to do. 5. I child mind once every two weeks and mother's work at my house so this will impact her financially as she will have to pay when she is already struggling.	Considered as part of this report. See paragraph 7.
Bedford Road	Object We have lived here since 2006. We strongly oppose the proposal for the following reasons: -We do not have problems with parking, we have 3 vehicles. 2 on the driveway and 1 over the drive. We understand from your letter that parking over our driveway in front of our own house will no longer be an optionWe have a disabled adult and has professionals visiting to support us. My adult sons also visit regulary and park outside so they can support . We cannot afford to pay everytime they comeMy eldery mother drives to our house everyday. She helps and we stop her being lonely on her own at home. We will not be able to finance this if the charges are implementedThe commuter situation does not affect us at this end of the street, and most properties have driveways. It seems to use this will be an unnecesary change and expensive to residents like us at a time when the cost of living is already affecting our quality of life. Thank you for taking our opinions on board and taking into account how this might affect us.	Considered as part of this report. See paragraph 7.
Bedford Road	Object I live with my family and we all would like to object to the new resident parking scheme taking place on our road. We have three cars as a family we can fit two on our driveway but have one on the road outside, your new scheme would mean we would have to spend alot of money just to be able to have our own vehicle outside our house. For this reason and many others we object.	Considered as part of this report. See paragraph 7.
Bedford Road	Object We would like to OPPOSE the proposed extension to the Ruislip Gardens PMS into Bedford Road. Thank you for considering our rejection vote.	Considered as part of this report. See paragraph 7.

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Bedford Road	I wish to voice my disapproval of the proposal to convert Bedford Road to permit only parking. Firstly, as a pensioner the added finance pressure is certainly causing me significant stress in the current cost of living crisis. As I do not drive this parking charge would cause difficulty with getting assistance for shopping and visits to the hospital. It would also discourage the limited visits I recieve from family and friends as I simply cannot afford the proposed voucher.  Your proposed plan would also place a signpost directly in the middle of the front of my house, blocking the view and making the area look terrible.  I strongly hope you reconsider the permit plans as many of the residents around here are eldery and equally concerned at the health effects of creating barriers to potential and crucial visitation.	Considered as part of this report. See paragraph 7.
Bedford Road	Object  It would have been helpful if your letter had included the link to the 'informal consultation' that you state has been shared with local Ward Councillors and the Cabinet Member for Properties, Highways and Transport. Is this the correct link? https://modgov.hillingdon.gov.uk/documents/s54270/220309%20-%20Bedford%20Road.pdf  We would like to take up some points in the report:  'There are no direct financial implications associated with the recommendations to this report'  This is clearly not the case as it will cost the Council to implement it and it will cost each resident with a vehicle a considerable amount given that permits are no longer free.  'Recommendation: Cabinet Member for Planning and Transportation: 1. Meets with petitioners and listens to their request for a residents' permit parking scheme in Bedford Road, Ruislip.  As residents we have never recieved an invitation to meet the said Cabinet Member or any other meeting relating to this issue. It is not enough to only meet with the petitioners (who made this petition before the introduction of charges for the first vehicle) but also those that object to said petition.  'A petition with 25 signatories has been submitted to the council from residents of Bedford Road, Ruislip'  I cannot see where the report states how many people submitted objections to this proposal. I know a good number who do object. Has due diligence been done to assue that each of those sigantures is a resident (either council tax payer or on electoral register)? It would also be helpful to understand what percentage of the possible response 25 signatures makes up.  When my husband and I were looking for our house to buy, one of our criteria was there there should be no local parking restrictions outside our home as we came from a location where any visitors had great difficulty parking to come and visit us. We appreciate that things change with time, but this is an unnecessary change. We fail to understand the benefits of the existing parking scheme have been eroded by th	Considered as part of this report. See paragraph 7.
	charging for the first vehicle.  Dropped kerbs are not available to maisonettes and many houses in the street do not have available space on their property to allow the residents to avoid this unnecessary cost.  Although the station being close by has meant that commuters park in our street (pressumably the reason for the restrictions at that end of the street) this does not seriousy impact the west end of the area. Yes it is busy,	

but not such that this proposal would make any reasonable difference for the financial impact to the residents. We are aware that the local council has elected to fight the ULEZ, much on the basis of a cost of living crisis. Ironic that they should instead even consider increasing and extending charges for *stationary* vehicles. We have spoken to various of our direct neighbours who say they have not receieved the notice of consultation letter at all. Once of them uses a van for work that is currently legally able to park in this street, but will not be eligable to purchase a permit due to its size, not being able to park after work and the cost of this will cripple the business.

A petition of 25 signatures represents a very minor proportion of the street willing to inflict this on the rest of us. It is not reasonable, proportionate or acceptable that it should be allowed to go forward.

We therefore both STRENUOUSLY OBJECT to this proposal and look forward to hearing about any meetings /consultations that take place so that we can be sure to be heard.

#### Object

It would have been helpful if your letter had included the link to the *'informal consultation'* that you state has been shared with local Ward Councillors and the Cabinet Member for Properties, Highways and Transport. Is this the correct link? https://modgov.hillingdon.gov.uk/documents/s54270/220309%20-%20Bedford%20Road.pdf

We would like to take up some points in the report:

'There are no direct financial implications associated with the recommendations to this report'

This is clearly not the case as it will cost the Council to implement it and it will cost each resident with a vehicle a considerable amount given that permits are no longer free.

'Recommendation: Cabinet Member for Planning and Transportation: 1. Meets with petitioners and listens to their request for a residents' permit parking scheme in Bedford Road, Ruislip.

As residents we have never recieved an invitation to meet the said Cabinet Member or any other meeting relating to this issue. It is not enough to only meet with the petitioners (who made this petition before the introduction of charges for the first vehicle) but also those that *object* to said petition.

'A petition with 25 signatories has been submitted to the council from residents of Bedford Road, Ruislip' I cannot see where the report states how many people submitted objections to this proposal. I know a good number who do object. Has due diligence been done to assue that each of those sigantures is a resident (either council tax payer or on electoral register)? It would also be helpful to understand what percentage of the possible response 25 signatures makes up.

**Bedford Road** 

When my husband and I were looking for our house to buy, one of our criteria was there there should be no local parking restrictions outside our home as we came from a location where any visitors had great difficulty parking to come and visit us. We appreciate that things change with time, but this is an unnecessary change. We fail to understand the benefit for anyone at all.

Any potential so-called 'benefits of the existing parking scheme have been eroded by the introduction of charging for the first vehicle.

Considered as part of this report. See paragraph 7.

	Dropped kerbs are not available to maisonettes and many houses in the street do not have available space on their property to allow the residents to avoid this unnecessary cost.  Although the station being close by has meant that commuters park in our street (pressumably the reason for the restrictions at that end of the street) this does not seriousy impact the west end of the area. Yes it is busy, but not such that this proposal would make any reasonable difference for the financial impact to the residents. We are aware that the local council has elected to fight the ULEZ, much on the basis of a cost of living crisis. Ironic that they should instead even consider increasing and extending charges for <i>stationary</i> vehicles. We have spoken to various of our direct neighbours who say they have not received the notice of consultation letter at all. Once of them uses a van for work that is currently legally able to park in this street, but will not be eligable to purchase a permit due to its size, not being able to park after work and the cost of this will cripple the business.  A petition of 25 signatures represents a very minor proportion of the street willing to inflict this on the rest of us. It is not reasonable, proportionate or acceptable that it should be allowed to go forward.  We therefore both STRENUOUSLY OBJECT to this proposal and look forward to hearing about any meetings /consultations that take place so that we can be sure to be heard.	
Stafford Road	Object I would like to reject your scheme for charging annual resident car permits. I live in a house of multiple occupation. I don't have much to do with the other occupants as we work and live differently. I work as a nurse so have nights to contend with as days.  We all then would have to pay for our cars that would be difficult to know who has to pay the most. I find this completely unfair for we all have cars, who would be paying the 2nd, 3rd and 4th permit. We are all individuals, which so happen live in the same property.  You also can't guarantee anyone of us a space to park on the road near the house or near by.  This is only a money gathering exercise which is unfair on each individual. Who are having to rent rooms because renting houses is just unaffordable.  Please think carefully on how to proceed with this unfair tax on poor individuals.	Considered as part of this report. See paragraph 7.