

APPENDIX 1 - Responses to TRO Consultation

Who	Road / Ward	Object / Support	Contents	Comments/Recommendations
Mr Philip Evans	Chatsworth Sq,Hove	Object	Because Zambuca Tigers Cricket Club, of which I am a member, play there on Sundays. The team already pays the council to rent the pitch and it would be unfair to implement further charges to park in what would be otherwise an almost empty car park.	The maximum cost for the weekend afternoon period 2pm to 6pm is £2.00. The reason for maintaining a charge over a limited period at the weekend is to prevent cars from being left in the park over the weekend.
Paul Westbrook, Bursar Steve Marshall-Taylor, Deputy Head (Pupils and Pupil Welfare) Roger Nicholson, Director of Sport Fred Hammond, Jubilee Ground Head Groundsman	Brighton College, Eastern Road, Brighton	Object	<p>We are writing on behalf of Brighton College, a school whose main campus, Prep School and Pre-Prep School and Nursery are on Eastern Road, Brighton (main campus BN2 0AL) and which teaches over 1,000 children from Brighton and Hove and over 1,300 children of ages 3-18 from BN postcodes. Of these children, the College provides financial support to about 400 local boys and girls to enable them to attend the school, some of whom attend for free. The school educates a broad spectrum of children from our city.</p> <p>We are also writing further to discussions we have had about the proposal contained in the above TRO with various Council representatives organised through Rob Dumbrill, Parks Projects Manager (phone number 01273 293007) and a colleague of his who opines on road related concerns, both of whom considered our requests pragmatically and thoroughly in correspondence and in meetings including one on site at East Brighton Park. The consensus view is that our proposal to amend the TRO as detailed below should be workable.</p> <p>The TRO aims to restrict the volume of parking at East Brighton Park. This is something the College welcomes. Parking has become difficult and can hinder access for the coaches used by the College to transport children to and from the Park. However, as drafted and without modification, the TRO will hinder the efficient operations of the College using the park and impact adversely on over 1,300 children from the area. We therefore suggest a modification to the TRO which should be able to be implemented safely and without major impact on the overall intention of the TRO and which merely enshrines</p>	<p>BHCC have been working closely with the College to limit the impact of the TRO on the use of the facilities which they lease from BHCC.</p> <p>Freedom Leisure now facilitates entry for minibuses to enter the car park adjacent to the multi court facilities on Wilson Avenue to prevent the need for the college to park on the verge.</p> <p>Informal arrangements are also in place for the college to park or turn their coaches in the Whitehawk football Club ground.</p> <p>Officers met up with the college and outlined coaches will be able to park on the double yellow lines near their sports playing field as long as they parked safely on a section that didn't cause an obstruction. However, this would have to be an informal arrangement rather than a permit system and /or contained as an exception legally within the TRO. Any parking by coaches on double yellow lines would need to be</p>

some of what currently happens at the Park (the element which is not causing the problems with congestion, access and parking for valid Park users).

Intentions of the TRO

We note two of the intentions of the TRO are (paraphrasing): to improve the safety of children; and ensure the proper use of the park by genuine park users. Children and staff of the College are valid users of East Brighton Park and their safety is of paramount importance to the College.

Valid users

The College has a long lease from the Council over an area we call "The Jubilee Ground" (an area of the site containing the words "Sports Ground" three times and "Blackrock Valley" on East Brighton Park Parking Plan Schedule 1 accompanying the TRO. This area is to the east side of and adjacent to the primary road running north-east/south-west through the Park and adjacent to and north of the site containing the words Pavilion and Cricket Ground and Blackrock Valley and south of the area containing the words Football Ground all as named on the Schedule). The Jubilee Ground is home to the College's main sports facilities (five rugby or football pitches or two cricket fields dependent on the season plus hard standing netball courts) and is regularly used throughout the term time by over 1,300 children primarily from age 7 upwards.

Safety of children and staff

Brighton College children from age 7-18 (and sometimes from 3-18) travel to the Jubilee Ground from the school campuses in coaches, which wait adjacent to the ground on areas designated as "no waiting at any time" on Schedule 1 to the TRO between the times when the children reach the park and the time they leave the park.

Use of coaches

The decision was taken by the College's governing body that children should be conveyed on coaches between the schools' campuses and the Jubilee Ground following the death of a child at Worth School recently. The child

considered under the civil enforcement officers' discretion particularly as they would need to enforce any vehicle that was causing an obstruction.

We can continue to monitor this and if the arrangement is causing difficulties this can be reviewed and more formal arrangements considered

had been killed while crossing a road to access Worth's sports grounds and the College felt it did not want to take the risk of the same event occurring with a pupil in Brighton. The route between the College's campuses and the Jubilee Ground contains many crossing of roads and drives including those to the hospital. The road is an ambulance route and has a fire station on it which means vehicles can sometimes travel very quickly. The last part of the route is adjacent to areas of the park outside of the Jubilee Ground which are sometimes home to the travelling community and other users, some of whom have historically found it amusing to intimidate the children either vocally, with abusive gestures and occasionally with missiles. As a result, the College now conveys children to the Jubilee Ground by coach.

Parking adjacent to Ground

When children are at the ground and it rains, the College likes the children to be able to access the coaches quickly from the Jubilee Ground. Apart from general concerns over catching chills and so on, in thunderstorms, we do not like children to be at risk from lightning strikes.

The timetable is very tight at the College and can be flexed meaning that certain children may not be using the ground for the same length of time as others and the ability to have coaches on standby to enable such flexibility is useful and helps maximise the time available for sport. The College timetable is very tight/efficient and any delay in a coach reaching the park as a result of having to wait elsewhere will have a knock on impact on dining, academic lessons or other co-curricular activities and also prevent the subsequent coachload of children reaching the park on time.

One of central and local government aims is to encourage the general health and physical well-being of the nation. Brighton College has a significant part of its timetable given over to sport and healthy activity and wishes to maximise the use of the time set aside for such

activity. As a result, ensuring the stay at the ground is maximised is also important.

As a result, of all of the above, the College has to date ensured that coaches in which children have travelled park adjacent to the ground and wait (there is no on site parking for coaches – there is insufficient room and the topology of the land prevents it).

Other considerations

Brighton College has become high profile over the last few years having won two school of the year awards in three years and its success has reflected well on Brighton generally. High profile and very popular education conferences take place annually with the current secretary of state for education having spoken at these over the last few years alongside other high profile individuals including Jeremy Paxman, the historian David Starkey etc. Brighton College has also been named the Royal Institute of British Architecture Client of the Year twice in the last three years for its developing campus plan (and will play host to the City's Heritage Society, Regency Society etc in the early part of next year, having already hosted the Council's own event to launch its vision for the future two years ago). These successes have reflected well on Brighton itself and the College has been proud to illustrate how helpful the Council has been in enabling the College to meet tight planning timetables etc. In short, the Council and the College are forging strong links with each taking full account of the operational needs of the other. I very much hope this request will see a continuation of this incredibly helpful approach for which the College has been very grateful. I have chosen not to alert the local College parents to the TRO as we feel you would be inundated unhelpfully. However, this submission's request for a modification is likely to reflect the views of a significant number of local residents in Brighton and Hove.

Proposed modification to TRO

The College (having spoken with the Parks Project Manager and other Council representatives) has been led

to believe it can continue with its current regime whereby coaches both transport children to and from the Jubilee Ground and also park and wait alongside the road. As a result, the College wishes the TRO to make specific provision for the ability for coaches taking children of Brighton College and teams that are playing against (or in tournaments involving) Brighton College to park and wait while their passengers are using the Jubilee Ground. On week days during term times, there are six coaches conveying children to and from the Jubilee Ground that we would wish to be able to park close to the ground on areas currently designated as no waiting on Schedule 1 and on Saturdays, there would be a total of two coaches (which will have conveyed visiting teams). The use is throughout the whole day for all six of these days during term time.

The coaches would have the drivers in them throughout (other than for any comfort breaks), would park sensibly on stretches of the road where there is adequate width for vehicles to pass safely and would be able to move if ever there were an obstruction caused.

Request for modification to TRO

The College therefore wishes to amend the TRO and insert a new clause in the TRO to enable the above coaches to park in the area. Provided it does actually achieve the aim outlined in the remainder of this email, it seems this might most easily be effected by including in "Part 2 – Waiting of Vehicles" clause 2 a new sub clause (10) so that "nothing in Article 1 of this Part shall prevent any person from using causing or permitting a vehicle to park, stop or wait in a Restricted Road during the Prescribed Hours; (10) if the vehicle is a coach whose most recent passengers are using the Jubilee Ground (such area to be defined on Schedule 1 or as I have defined its location above) either in their capacity as pupils or staff of Brighton College or in their capacity as a team playing against or in a tournament with Brighton College."

If it would help to have badges issued for the coaches so it is clear it is a coach that is waiting there in that capacity, we would need to have a store of such badges

			<p>as we use a variety of coaches.</p> <p>Reason why we feel the Council should accept the request</p> <p>Having spoken with the Council representatives who have been to the site and considered the College's requests, there is adequate parking room on the "no waiting at any time" stretches of road in the areas along the road adjacent to the Jubilee Ground to facilitate this and the coaches would be manned and therefore able to move swiftly in the unlikely event they were causing an obstruction.</p> <p>As this regime is currently in operation and it has never been the College coaches that have caused any obstructions (or not without immediate movement to alleviate any obstruction), we do not think the solution we propose will compromise the intention within the TRO. We look forward to confirmation that this request is acceptable in line with initial indications from the Parks team and that the College can continue to use its own sports facilities without hindrance; to maximise the time available to the boys and girls for sport; to enable them to access and leave the ground safely; to have somewhere immediate to go in the event of poor and potentially dangerous weather; and to provide flexibility to ensure the remainder of the school curriculum can be accommodated by the proximate parking and waiting of coaches to the ground.</p>	
Gregory Weinbaum	Langdale Gardens Hove	Object	<p>I do not object to the principal of the changes in the order however I do object that there are no exemptions stated for users of the facilities at the park. I am in a local cricket team which hires the cricket pitch from the council (cost of £80) on many Sundays during the summer. Several members of the team have to drive to the park as we give lifts to other members of the team as well as bring all of the required kit. It would be unfair for us to have to pay additional charges in addition to the £80 we already pay to hire the cricket pitch. Additionally, it's not suitable for us to use public transport due to having to bring a lot of equipment to the park in order to play. Therefore, if there are no exemptions to the charges for hirers of the pitch we would be prevented from enjoying sport at the park.</p>	<p>The maximum cost for the weekend afternoon period 2pm to 6pm is £2.00. The reason for maintaining a charge over a limited period at the weekend is to prevent cars from being left in the park over the weekend.</p> <p>Administration of exemptions for individuals would be complicated and expensive.</p>

			Please therefore introduce exemptions to the pay and display charges for those who are playing cricket and hiring the pitches from the council.	
Daryl Dawes	Wilson Avenue	Object	Firstly I'd like to say where is our letter from you asking all residents their opinion of this proposal before you go ahead with this ridiculous idea!! and yes I am against this idea, what is wrong with the way things are at the moment? We as residents have shared drives and need to park on the street to allow our neighbours out. If you proceed with this idea all it means is that we will have to park our cars further up the road thus causing a problem further up the road	Officers have carefully considered the responses during the initial consultation and the feedback was that residents were happy with restrictions placed on Wilson Avenue. To ensure residents do have the facility to park on the road at certain times we have proposed single yellow lines.
James Ward	wilson ave brighton		You don't seem to have given any thought to where residents are going to park. we have a shared drive that only one car can pass through [the same for most of the road] for a house with 3 bedrooms and a house with 6 bedrooms and at present a total of 5 cars. all you are going to do is create a parking problem farther up Wilson ave when there isn't a problem this far up Wilson ave to begin with.	Officers have carefully considered the responses during the initial consultation and the feedback was that residents were happy with restrictions placed on Wilson Avenue. To ensure residents do have the facility to park on the road at certain times we have proposed single yellow lines.
Jim Mann	Rotherfield Crescent Brighton	Object	Proposed parking restrictions East Brighton Park. I wish to draw to your attention a report that I submitted during the consultation process which looks to have been completely ignored. I wish to object to the proposed restrictions because this will affect the members of the publics use of the park, in particular with the council run scheme of Healthwalks. These walks are designed to help Brighton residents to get fit, remain fit and also to provide a social element to walking thus improving their health and wellbeing. The scheme is supported by the NHS and has had immense successes. If these proposals occur as outlined in the plan I believe people will be driven away from this very popular walk due in part to its location to the east of the City. I therefore wish you to be made aware of my report and to consider the points I have made.	The alternative proposals put forward in this response (restricting maximum length of stay to 4 hours and/or giving certain groups exemption stickers or vouchers are not the preferred options. The scheme has to be self-financing and these proposals would be resource intensive in terms of administration and enforcement. Proposed charges have been kept at significantly lower levels than on street parking to minimise the impact on genuine park users. The

Proposed control parking East Brighton Park

I have read the proposals and the reasons for them.

The problem in East Brighton park are due in the main with 'travellers' vehicles that are parked on the southern side of the parks access road but there is also indiscriminate parking at the park entrance adjacent to Wilson Avenue.

What is proposed is over complicated and unnecessary and does require a little more fore thought and planning.

The 'travellers' vehicles/private caravans can easily be displaced by purely placing a time restriction on parking along the access road and the other designated parking areas in the vicinity of the Pavilion cafe. The double yellow lines indicated on the plan would prevent parking where the road is narrow and this has obvious benefits to park users.

A realistic time of four hours maximum parking with no return for four hours would suffice. This would mean that persons using the park legitimately would not be inconvenienced by parking charges but would still have ample time to visit the park or cafe, play sports, socialise or walk.

The entrance area, quite rightly, requires marked bays and could be subject of a parking charge but equally could also be subject of restricted parking as I mention earlier, thus preventing inconvenience to other traffic.

Parking on the verges along Wilson Avenue would be remedied by the proposal of double yellow lines on the east side of this road. This in effect prevents parking on that side of the highway, the grass verge being a part of

times at which charges apply have also been limited.

the highway.

I do not understand the logic of a single yellow line on the west side of Wilson Avenue. As can be seen this side of the road is habitually used for parking and any change to this seems unnecessary.

In essence these proposals are too draconian and actually take away the public's free access to the park. I note that mention is made that the charges would be used to implement the scheme but surely this can be funded centrally taking into account the vast revenues received by the council from parking within the city.

There is another consideration that has been either ignored or overlooked and I wish to make you aware of this. I am bringing this to your attention because the Sports Development Team of Brighton and Hove City Council were not approached or consulted on these proposals.

Healthwalks is a scheme that began over 10 years ago, (please visit the Healthwalks page on the council's website for further information on this scheme). The scheme provides assistance both physical and mentally to local people. These walks are free to attend and are led by qualified volunteer leaders. When these proposals were advertised the Sheepcote walkers were somewhat shocked.

As a result I conducted a poll and 96% stated they would no longer attend this walk if parking charges were introduced. This walk is extremely popular with an average attendance of about 20 people. Even more worrying is the fact that some walkers stated this is the only walk they were likely to attend and would give up walking. The walkers do feel very let down by the council

			<p>concerning these proposals and wished me to make you aware of this.</p> <p>A workable suggestion is a sticker/label scheme whereby walkers can show they are attending the healthwalk, either on the Wednesday or the first Saturday of the month. This sticker would be valid for four hours starting 15 minutes before the walk is scheduled to depart. Wednesdays would be from 9.45am and Saturdays from 10.45am. This would be a workable solution due to the length of these healthwalks.</p> <p>The losers of this proposed scheme will be the members of public who I voluntarily serve.</p>	
<p>FirstName: Nicholas Lastname: Rosekilly</p>	<p>Goldstone Villas, Hove</p>		<p>As a regular user of the facilities, (I play cricket there throughout the summer) We pay for hire at the pavillion and for the grounds itself we also support the bar and food facilities at the ground. To have to pay parking charges on top of these charges would be punitive and likely to make us consider other free venues to use. The need for transport is essential as we have a lot of heavy kit to transport and using public transport would not be a viable option. It would be a shame to leave this great site under used by the public and I feel that the parking charges are a shortsighted view.</p>	<p>The maximum cost for the weekend afternoon period 2pm to 6pm is £2.00. The reason for maintaining a charge over a limited period at the weekend is to prevent cars from being left in the park over the weekend.</p> <p>Administration of exemptions for individuals would be complicated and expensive.</p>
<p>Sam Germing</p>	<p>St Georges rd Brighton</p>		<p>EAST BRIGHTON PARK PAY AND DISPLAY. I PLAY CRICKET FOR CUTTERS CHOICE CRICKET CLUB HERE AND WE ALREADY PAY FOR THE PITCH AND DONT WANT TO PAY FOR PARKING, ESPECIALLY ON A SUNDAY.</p>	<p>The maximum cost for the weekend afternoon period 2pm to 6pm is £2.00. The reason for maintaining a charge over a limited period at the weekend is to prevent cars from being left in the park over the weekend.</p> <p>Administration of exemptions for individuals would be complicated and expensive.</p>
<p>David Lemmon</p>	<p>Toronto Terrace ,Brighton</p>	<p>Object</p>	<p>We use the park for cricket on Sundays in the summer months. We have to carry our kit to the games in cars and therefore need to be able to park near to the pitch.</p>	<p>The maximum cost for the weekend afternoon period 2pm to 6pm is £2.00. The reason for</p>

			We already have to pay for the hire of the pitch, but to pay for the parking as well would be very costly. There doesn't seem to be any problem as things stand with free parking.	<p>maintaining a charge over a limited period at the weekend is to prevent cars from being left in the park over the weekend.</p> <p>Administration of exemptions for individuals would be complicated and expensive.</p>
Akshat Mehta	: Tyson Place, Brighton		At least Sundays should have free parking	<p>The maximum cost for the weekend afternoon period 2pm to 6pm is £2.00. The reason for maintaining a charge over a limited period at the weekend is to prevent cars from being left in the park over the weekend.</p>
Jon Elsom	eldred avenue withdean brighjton	Oppose	Opposing pay and display near to cafe and cricket ground. I'm against this particularly on Sunday as this will mean my cricket club will not use this ground and so the council will lose money as a result. Pay and display would not be encouraging use of sports facilities, the business of the cafe would suffer, also there is no other practical way to get to the ground with heavy kit bag other than by car, so there is no choice being offered.	<p>The maximum cost for the weekend afternoon period 2pm to 6pm is £2.00. The reason for maintaining a charge over a limited period at the weekend is to prevent cars from being left in the park over the weekend.</p> <p>Administration of exemptions for individuals would be complicated and expensive.</p>
J Edgell	Stanmer Villas Brighton	Object	This will significantly increase the cost for sports people attending events at East Brighton Park by 30 or 40% (based on a £10 match fee for a game of cricket for example). It is therefore likely to deter sports players who need to carry heavy kit or displace car parking to Wilson Avenue for example. Parking has never been a problem in my experience in this area at a weekend.	<p>The maximum cost for the weekend afternoon period 2pm to 6pm is £2.00. The reason for maintaining a charge over a limited period at the weekend is to prevent cars from being left in the park over the weekend.</p> <p>Administration of exemptions for individuals would be complicated and expensive</p>

David Kennington	Mickleham, Dorking, Surrey	Object	<p>I regularly play cricket here with a team called Zambuca Tigers and have done so for a number of years. The ground is just right for us and has the added facility of the café. We do not have a ground of our own, so we do need to use publicly available grounds. I come from Surrey to play for my team, so necessarily rely on my own car to get me to and from games.</p> <p>We pay the council for use of the ground and that fee has gone up in recent times, although we have allowed for that. The extra £3 or £4 would be an added imposition that would be likely to deter some of our members from playing. Our playing age range is very wide – from teenage years to over 60s and we range from students to employed and unemployed, so some of us will be less able to pay vehicle charges than others. Of course all that applies to our team will apply to the opposition we invite too and they may feel less inclined to play us if they need to pay extra just to park. We need all the encouragement we can get to keep playing a great game and keeping healthy too!</p> <p>All in all I hope you will reconsider this imposition of charges which I'm sure will affect all users of the lovely park and access to the wider countryside, not just us cricket players.</p>	<p>The maximum cost for the weekend afternoon period 2pm to 6pm is £2.00. The reason for maintaining a charge over a limited period at the weekend is to prevent cars from being left in the park over the weekend.</p> <p>Administration of exemptions for individuals would be complicated and expensive</p>
Nicholas Straiton	Havelock Rd Brighton	Object	<p>I am strongly objecting to the introduction of a pay and display scheme at the East Brighton Park. I help run a local cricket team and I know that a number of our younger players who travel in from areas outside of Brighton by car will be affected by this measure which might deter them from playing due to the added expense. Visiting teams will also be inconvenienced for the same reasons. It seems completely nonsensical for a Council that ostensibly is trying to promote the general population to be more active is implementing measures that will have exactly the opposite effect!</p>	<p>The maximum cost for the weekend afternoon period 2pm to 6pm is £2.00. The reason for maintaining a charge over a limited period at the weekend is to prevent cars from being left in the park over the weekend.</p> <p>Administration of exemptions for individuals would be complicated and expensive</p>

