

Appendix D

Preston Park Triangle Area Residents Parking Scheme Consultation Report January 2014

Background

The Preston Park Triangle Area of Brighton is an area immediately to the north of the recently introduced Area J extension in the London Road Station North area of the city. The area is contained within the boundary roads of Stanford Avenue, Preston Drove and Beaconsfield Villas. It has long experienced parking pressures due to its proximity to Preston Park recreation ground and sports facilities, the railway stations of London Road and Preston Park and the relative closeness to the city centre. For these reasons and due to requests from residents and ward councillors it was included in a timetable for parking schemes consultations as part of the City Wide Parking Review recommendations approved by Transport Committee in January 2013.

Following the introduction of the Area J extension in July 2013, the council received a number of complaints and petitions from residents in the Preston Park Triangle about general difficulties in parking and the belief that this was at least partly caused by displacement from that new extension. Therefore it was agreed that consultation on a resident parking scheme should take place as soon as possible within the timeframe set out in the committee report.

Headline Findings

The consultation achieved a 47.4% response rate.

65.7% of respondents were in favour of an extension to the Residents Parking Scheme and 34.3% of respondents were against the extension of the scheme.

Methodology

Brighton and Hove City Council Land and Property Gazeteer was used to provide 1287 property addresses in the Preston Park Triangle Area. An information leaflet, detailed maps, a questionnaire and a prepaid envelope for reply was sent to each address. Respondents were invited to complete the survey online via the council's Consultation Portal should they wish to: 127 respondents (21%) chose this method.

Plans could also be viewed at an exhibition held at Hove Town Hall parking Shop from Monday 11 November to Friday 20 December, 9am to 5pm.

610 responses¹ were received giving a response rate of 47.4%.

¹ 115 responses were not included and area discussed in the Appendix.

Results

Q1 Are you in favour of a residents parking scheme extension into your road?

Yes		No		Total
Number	%	Number	%	
392	65.7	205	34.3	597 ²

Results on a street by street basis were as follows:

Street	No. properties mailed	No. responses	Response rate %	Yes		No	
				No.	%	No.	%
Beaconsfield Villas	299	117	39.1	77	65.8	40	34.2
Chester Terrace	141	83	58.9	52	62.7	31	37.3
Cleveland Road	74	38	51.4	28	73.7	10	26.3
Edburton Avenue	36	17	47.2	13	76.5	4	23.5
Havelock Road	247	112	45.3	92	82.1	20	17.9
Lucerne Road	16	7	43.8	4	57.1	3	42.9
Preston Drove	250	96	38.4	42	43.8	54	56.3
Southdown Place	8	7	87.5	4	57.1	3	42.9
Southdown Road	28	21	75	12	57.1	9	42.9
Stanford Avenue	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
Surrenden Road	4	1	25	1	100	0	0
Waldegrave Road	178	98	55.1	67	68.4	31	31.6
Total	1287	597	46.4	392	65.7	205	34.3

Q2 What type of scheme would you prefer?

	Number of responses	%
Monday to Sunday 9am to 8pm	373	76.1
Monday to Friday 9am to 8pm	117	23.9
Total	490	100

Q3 If a Monday to Sunday 9am to 8pm scheme is chosen would you like to join the existing Area J (London Road station area)?

Yes		No		Total
Number	%	Number.	%	
300	63.2	175	36.8	475

² 13 people did not answer this question

Q4 Respondents were asked whether they are a resident, a business owner or manager or work in the area. Respondents could tick more than one option.

	Number of responses
Resident	588
Business owner or manager	50
Work in the area	48
Other	4

Q5a How many cars in your household?

No. of cars	Number of responses	Total number of cars
0	41	0
1	370	370
2	158	316
3	18	54
4 or more	4	≥16
Total	591	≥756

591 respondents have 756 vehicles (= 1.3 vehicles per household).

Q5b Do you have access to off-street car parking?

Yes		No		Total
Number	%	Number	%	
38	6.7	525	93.3	563

Q6a What type of business do you own or manage in the area?

What type of business?	Number of responses
Retail outlet	12
Office-based	22
Other includes: Nursery, doctors practice, dress maker, tutor, work from home, physiotherapy, veterinary practice	23
Total responses	57

Q6b How many vehicles are directly associated with your business?

No. of vehicles	Number of responses	Total number of vehicles
1	27	27
2	8	16
3	2	6
4 or more	10	≥40

Total	47	≥89
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47 respondents had at least 89 vehicles associated with their business (= 1.9 vehicles per business).

Q7 Any other comments?

An open text box enabled respondents to add comments. Although expressed in residents' own words analysis of the open text shows common themes emerged and have been grouped as followed below. The figures show the amount of times a comment was made which is in some cases from the same household.

Comments	Number of times made
Parking restrictions already implemented are the problem/ No problems before Area J/ remove CPZ's	139
Don't want to pay for parking	101
Concerned about displacement	85
In favour because of current parking difficulties/ general positive comments	59
Want light touch scheme (eg two hours a day)/ prefer other flexible parking schemes	58
Need scheme ASAP/ Too long to wait	46
This is purely a money making exercise	39
Not enough residents parking spaces in this scheme/ will need more than one permit	37
Concerned about the cost of visitor parking	37
General negative comments	36
Unhappy about hours of scheme operation	33
No need for a scheme/ Unnecessary	23
Concerns that the scheme will adversely affect businesses in the area	21
Scheme won't help after 8 parking situation	20
Not enough visitor permits	17
Don't like the chevron parking/ not safe for children using the park	17
Needs enforcement of current illegal parking	16
Don't want signs and P&D in conservation area	14
Don't want mobile payments/ Don't use mobiles to pay	12
Don't want double yellow lines across driveways/ don't want more double yellow lines	11
Need other traffic calming/ more creative options/ speed humps	11
Concerns about disabled parking	5
More loading bays needed	4
Need more motorbike bays	3
Confused about what is Area J	2

Demographic Information

Gender

Gender	Number	%
Male	237	48.4
Female	253	51.6
Total	490	100

Do you identify as the gender you were assigned at birth?	Number	%
Yes	381	98.4
No	6	1.6
Total	387	100

Age

Age	Number	%
18-24	3	0.7
25-34	36	8.5
35-44	99	23.3
45-54	124	29.2
55-64	93	21.9
65-74	49	11.6
75+	20	4.7
Total	424	100

Disability

Disability	Number	%
Yes, a little	32	6.8
Yes, a lot	26	5.6
No	410	87.6
Total	468	100

Of those who answered “yes”, disabilities were as follows:

Please state the type of impairment which applies to you.	Number	% ³
Physical impairment	39	67.2
Sensory impairment	3	5.2
Learning disability/ difficulty	0	0
Long-standing illness	17	29.3
Mental health condition	5	8.6
Development condition	2	3.4
Other	7	12.1
Total	73	

³ % of those who answered yes to the disability question above

Ethnicity

Ethnicity		Number	%
White	White English/ Welsh/ Scottish/ Northern Irish/ British	447	92.5
	White Irish	4	0.8
	Gypsy or Irish Traveller	0	0
	Any other white background	25	5.2
Asian or Asian British	Bangladeshi	0	0
	Indian	1	0.2
	Pakistani	0	0
	Chinese	0	0
	Any other Asian background	1	0.2
Black or Black British	African	1	0.2
	Caribbean	0	0
	Any other Black background	0	0
Mixed	Asian & White	4	0.8
	Black African & White	0	0
	Black Caribbean & White	0	0
	Any other mixed background	0	0
Any other ethnic group	Arab	0	0
	Any other ethnic group	0	0
Total		483	100

Appendix

115 responses were removed from reporting as they fell into the following categories:

- Duplicates (only one responses per household was included)
- Responses from residents outside the area, including those using sports facilities at Park Park Tennis Club, Preston Park Cycle Track and St Peters Cricket Club who use the Cricket pitch at the cycle track.
- No address given
- Empty flats under refurbishment

75% of these responses were against the introduction of a parking scheme in the Preston Park Triangle area as show in the table below:

Why removed from main report	In favour of parking scheme		Not in favour of parking scheme		Total
	Number	%	Number	%	
Duplicates	7	63.6	4	36.4	11
No address given	10	50.0	10	50.0	20
Outside area (roads to the north of proposed boundary)	5	20.8	19	79.2	24
Outside area (roads to the north and users of sports facilities ⁴)	1	25.0	3	75	4
Outside the area	2	8.3	22	91.7	24
Outside the area (users of the sports facilities ⁴)	3	10.3	26	89.7	29
Flats under refurbishment	-	-	-	-	3
Total	28	25.0	3	75.0	115

⁴ Includes Preston Park Lawn Tennis Club, cycle track, St Peters Cricket Club