

Possible Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) Hamilton Road Area

Detailed Design Consultation and Exhibition

We want to hear your views. Take part in this consultation and have your say.

Introduction

You may recall being consulted last October on a possible residents' permit parking scheme, or Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) for your area. The outcome of this consultation was reported to the Council's Isleworth and Brentford Area Planning Committee in December where it was agreed that a detailed scheme design be prepared for further consultation in the areas of support. The table attached shows a summary of the consultation responses. As your road was one from which the majority of respondents were in favour of a CPZ, you are invited to an exhibition of the draft scheme design and to indicate your views again in the attached questionnaire.

Details of the draft scheme design showing the location of residents' parking spaces, yellow line waiting restrictions and other key features of the CPZ can be viewed at the CPZ exhibitions (details below).

The purpose of this consultation is to provide further information on how the CPZ would operate and to check whether the scheme's design meets your expectations. It also provides the local community with a further opportunity to express their views with the benefit of the details of the scheme before them.

What is a Controlled Parking Zone?

A Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) is an area where all kerbside space is marked out with parking spaces where it is safe to park. Waiting restrictions (yellow lines) would be placed everywhere else where parking would not be allowed during the CPZ hours or longer periods as shown on signs.

CPZs are used to provide protected parking facilities for residents and their visitors, businesses and their visitors, as well as short-term parking for shoppers and visitors to other commercial premises.

CPZs are usually located in town centres and areas surrounding underground and rail stations and large places of employment where extraneous parking most affects residents and businesses.

CPZs ease congestion caused by illegal and obstructive parking and make it easier for residents, shoppers and visitors to businesses and other visitors to park.

How do CPZs work?

CPZs work by ensuring that only permit holders are able to park in the zone. Those eligible for permits will be residents (and their visitors) and businesses in the zone only. Permit holders will be required to park in designated bays during the hours the CPZ operates. At other times parking is unrestricted except where yellow lines operate for longer periods. Any vehicles that are parked illegally during the controlled times are liable to receive a Penalty Charge Notice (parking ticket).

Service or delivery vehicles can load or unload for up to 20 minutes on the yellow lines where there are no loading restrictions and also in residents' bays. However, someone must be in attendance at all times to avoid a parking ticket.

Exhibition

The exhibition will be held at:

Brentford Methodist Church Clifden Road, Brentford, TW8 0PB

on

Thursday, 18 March 2010 2pm to 6pm

Friday, 19 March 2010 4pm to 8pm

Saturday, 20 March 2010 12 noon to 4pm

The draft CPZ plans showing the location of possible parking spaces and other details of the scheme will be on display. Council staff will be on hand to answer questions on the scheme.

The plans will then be moved to Brentford Library, Boston Manor Road, Brentford and will be displayed there for one week. Please be aware that the library is closed on Monday and Wednesday.

In addition, the leaflet and the plans will be available on the council's website, **www.hounslow.gov.uk**Click consultations and click Hamilton Road Area CPZ.

What are the advantages of a CPZ?

Residents and their visitors are given priority when parking in residential roads.

Short stay pay and display parking bays are located near shops and other businesses that attract day-time visitors. The purpose of this is to increase the turnover of parking spaces and therefore help shoppers and visitors to other businesses to find a parking space.

Shared use bays (pay & display and residents permit or pay and display / residents' permit / business permit) may be used on the margins adjacent to residential areas, shops, businesses or for special cases.

Yellow lines will prevent obstructive parking on junctions, across driveways, on bends and in narrow roads.

Accessibility will be improved for pedestrians, wheelchair users and the disabled, bus and emergency services and refuse collection.

CPZs have some disadvantages

The layout of parking bays may appear to reduce the amount of parking spaces available, but much of this "parking" may be obstructive or dangerous. Of course the arrangement only applies during the operational hours of the CPZ. Nevertheless, every attempt will be made to optimise the amount of on street parking bays, without compromising safety and access requirements.

It is possible that parking will be displaced into uncontrolled roads outside the CPZ boundary. These problems will be considered at the review stage after the CPZ has been in operation for 6-12 months.

The signs and road markings that must be used may be perceived as being visually obtrusive, although every effort will be made to keep signs and lines to a minimum.

Parking across driveways

The council's current parking policy does not permit residents to park across driveways during the operational times of the CPZ. This is because enforcement difficulties arise from such a scheme and they can create tension between neighbours (e.g. a neighbour may choose to park partly across your driveway even though he/she should not).

Hours of operation

CPZs operate at different times of the day depending on the parking demands and each zone is designed to deal with the type of problem in that area. The preliminary consultation did not show a majority support for either a short-term or an all-day scheme. Therefore, the operational hours will be agreed following the outcome of this consultation. Please indicate your preference on the attached questionnaire.

Types of parking bays and who is eligible to park in them

Residents' permit parking

Bays would be marked for the use of vehicles displaying a valid parking permit during the hours of control. Residents of the zone would be eligible for parking permits. One permit is needed for each vehicle parked on street during the hours the zone operates. No permit is required if residents do not need to park on-street during the hours of control.

Visitors' parking

Residents' visitors could park in private driveways where this is possible or arrange their visits outside the restricted time, if this is convenient. Alternatively, they may use "Visitors' Permits" if they wish to park on street during the operational hours of the scheme.

Visitors can park in a residents' permit bay during the hours of control provided a valid visitors' permit is displayed in their vehicle.

Outside the hours of control visitors do not need to display a permit.

Shared use bays

Shared use bays may be used for parking by residents of the zone and their visitors, and by business permit holders where indicated, or by short term visitors to the area who buy a 'pay and display' ticket at an on-street machine. Residents and their visitors as well as businesses should display a valid permit whilst parked in these bays during the hours of control. Residents and businesses are permitted to park in shared use bays during the operational hours of the scheme by displaying their relevant permits. Residents' visitors are also permitted to park in these bays for the duration of the displayed visitors' permit during the controlled times.

Short stay 'pay and display' bays

These bays accommodate the short-term parking needs for shoppers and other businesses or visitors to the area.

Business parking

Businesses would be entitled to purchase business parking permits. Businesses may park in designated businesses spaces and shared use spaces (where business permit parking is indicated). 'Pay and display' or shared use parking is provided for visitors to businesses who purchase a 'pay and display' ticket at an on-street machine. Business permit holders are not permitted to park in residents' parking spaces.

Parking for disabled badge holders

Residents who have blue badges would need to purchase a residents' permit if they wish to park in residents' or shared use parking spaces during the hours of operation of the scheme.

Blue badge holders are exempt for up to 3 hours on yellow lines where there are no loading restrictions and provided their vehicle does not cause safety or congestion problems. Alternatively they can park in any disabled persons' parking place. To qualify they must properly display their blue badge.

Motorcycle parking

Motorcycles or scooters can park free of charge in any dedicated motorcycle bay (both on-street or in a council car park). They can also park in any residents' bay or shared use bay where a residents' permit would normally be accepted (please refer to on-street signs).

Motorcycles or scooters may not park on the footway other than in designated footway parking bays (none are planned for this possible zone).

Hamilton Road / Clifden Road - proposed one way system.

In light of residents' concerns over the difficulty in maintaining two-way traffic on Hamilton Road and Clifden Road a suggestion has been put forward on the introduction of a one-way system.

In light of the network of parallel roads it is feasible to introduce a one-way system. This would entail continuing the existing one-way flow on New Road (westbound) into Hamilton Road (westbound), complimented with a one-way flow on Clifden Road (eastbound). The section of Brook

Road South between Hamilton Road and Clifden Road would be retained as two-way. This proposal would put a stop to the altercations amongst drivers attempting to pass each other on narrow roads.

A one-way system would also assist in maximising the availability of on-street parking by formally allowing parking on either side of the roads. Furthermore, as both Hamilton Road and Clifden Road would carry one way flow there would be no need for passing places which would further assist in maximising kerbside parking.

Further information

If you would like to discuss these matters in more detail please visit the exhibition, or contact the Developments and Parking Team on **020 8583 4869** or email **traffic@hounslow.gov.uk** or write to the address below: Developments and Parking Team London Borough of Hounslow Civic Centre, Lampton Road, Hounslow, TW3 4DN

We need to know your views

We are keen to know your views on these proposals. This will enable us to improve the design that meets and takes account of your needs as far as possible. But it is important that you fully understand the proposals before completing the questionnaire.

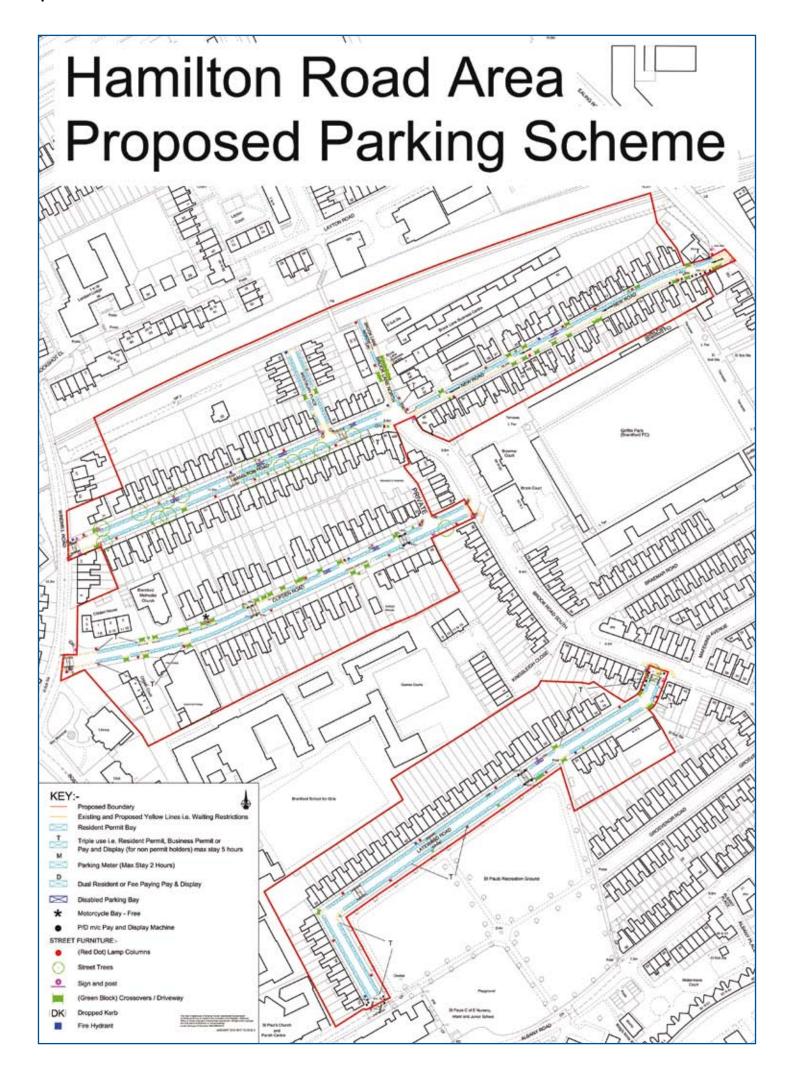
Please complete the questionnaire and return it to the council (no stamp required) in the envelope provided **to reach us by 29 March 2010**. Unfortunately, because of the large number of replies that are expected to this consultation, it will not be possible to respond in writing to any comments which are sent in.

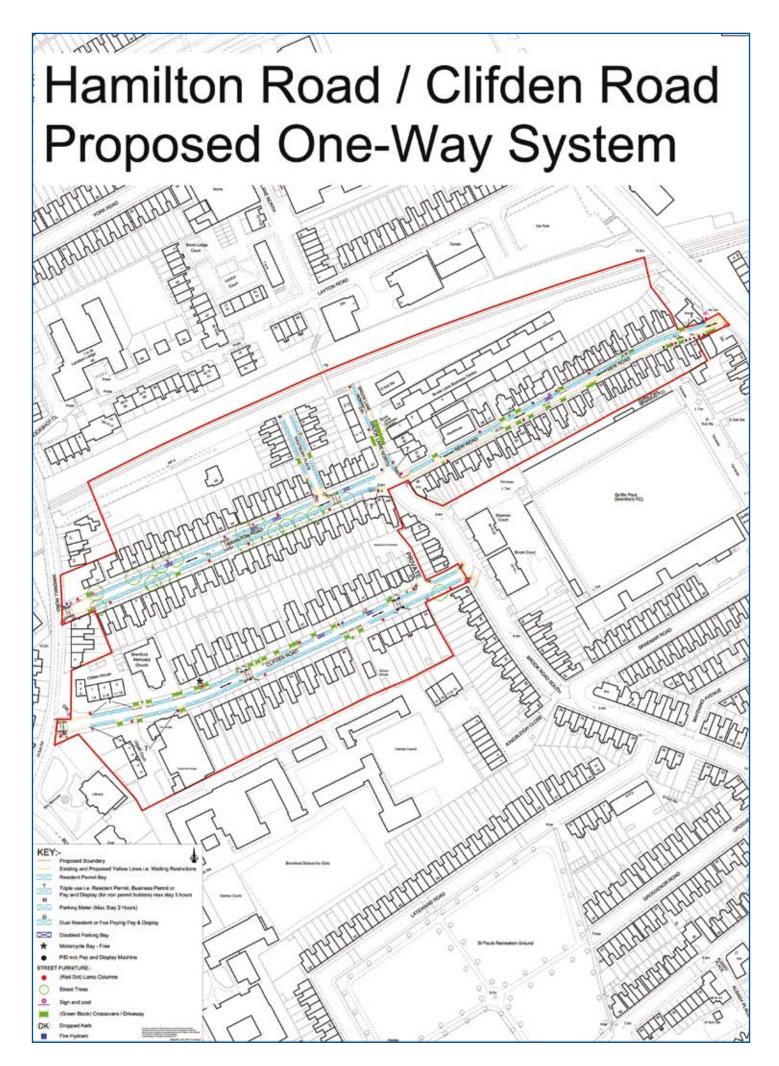
What happens next?

The results of this consultation will be reported to the Council's Isleworth & Brentford Area (Planning) Committee. You will be notified of the results and the Committee's decision in due course. If the CPZ is supported and approved by Committee we will commence with implementation process. You will receive details of these if your road is included in the CPZ.

Have your say

Please respond to this consultation — even if you feel there are no parking problems or traffic congestion in your road.





Frequently asked questions on residents and business parking permits

Who qualifies for a residents permit and can purchase visitor permits?

You must have your main place of residence (where you live) within the zone boundary. Additionally, to qualify for a residents' permit, the vehicle must either be registered at that address or specifically allocated to you in the case of a company vehicle.

Do I have to buy a residents' permit?

Residents who wish to make use of a residents' permit bay or shared use bay during the operational hours of the CPZ would need to buy a permit. Residents, who do not need to park on-street during the hours of control, would not need to purchase a permit.

How do I apply for a resident / business permit?

If the scheme is implemented, permit application forms will be sent to every residential property in the agreed zone before it is introduced. Alternatively you can get a permit application form by emailing **parking@hounslow.gov. uk** or in person at the Civic Centre. You will have to show you are a full time resident and provide information on your vehicle.

Do I have to buy a business permit?

Businesses who wish to make use of a designated business shared use spaces on-street during the operational hours of the CPZ would need to buy a permit.

What is the cost of residents' permits?

The cost is currently £60.00 per annum if only one permit is required. The cost of further permits is:

2nd permit in household £80 per annum

3rd and subsequent permit

in household £130 per annum

The cost of permits is reviewed annually, but does not necessarily increase.

Permits for short duration schemes cost £40 for 1st resident permit, £55 for the 2nd and £80 for the third permit.

What is the cost of visitors' permits?

a) Short term visitors

Visitors' permits come in the form of "write-in cards" and are sold in books at a cost of £15 per book. Each visitors' permit would consist of 30 one hour lines.

Only residents are eligible to purchase visitors' permits and a maximum of 10 books per household is issued per year.

b) Long term visitors

Residents may purchase up to three permits per household per year for their visitors. Each permit would cost £32.50 and would be valid for a month.

What is the cost of a business permit?

The cost of an on-street parking permit for commercial vehicles is £400 per annum and that of private vehicles is £635 per annum.

What is the cost of a medical permit?

Medical permits allow doctors, district nurses and other medical personnel to visit their patients within any controlled zone in the borough. The permits are available at a cost of £32.50 per annum.

What is the cost of a carers' permit?

Residents may apply for carers' permit. Doctor's certification would be required as to the genuine need for carers visits. The cost of a permit is £32.50 per year.

Who would enforce the scheme?

Enforcement is carried out by the council's Civil Enforcement Officers (parking attendants) who place penalty charge notices (parking fines) on vehicles parked in contravention of the restrictions.

What if I have more than one vehicle per household?

You will need a permit for each vehicle if you wish to park them on street during the restricted time..

Will permits be transferable?

No, each vehicle parked on street during the restricted times will require a permit which bears its registration number.

Can a residents' parking space outside or near my house be reserved for me?

No. A private parking space cannot be reserved on the public highway. This does of course mean you too can park in a residents' bay elsewhere in the same zone.

Each zone is given an identification letter that will be shown on the signs for parking spaces and on permits.

Will enough residents/business parking spaces be provided for permit holders?

Maximum use will be made of the available kerbside space for parking, but some space may be 'lost' through the introduction of yellow lines for safety and access reasons. The number of permits likely to be issued is unknown at the moment, but the council would not refuse to issue a permit or permits to any resident or a qualifying business vehicle within the zone except under special circumstances linked to planning conditions. Further, the Council has no control over how many visitors' permits are in use at any one time. Hence it is possible that the number of permits issued could exceed the number of spaces available.

Therefore, it should be noted that purchasing a permit does not guarantee that a space will be available. Almost all the space in residential roads would be reserved for residents and their visitors, with a small number of shared use and pay and display bays.

Will the zone create a fringe-parking problem?

Initially, it is likely that some parking will be displaced to roads on the edge of the zone but some will go elsewhere or people will use other modes of transport. The zone will be extended or modified accordingly when it is reviewed and further reviews will also be needed as travel patterns change over time.

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Road	Q1. Do you experience any parking difficulties in your street?			Q2. Are you in favour of being included in a CPZ?		Q3. If 'yes' when should the CPZ operate?		Q4. If a CPZ is introduced, should match days at Brentford FC be included in the operational times?		Q5. If you are not in favour of a CPZ now, would you re-consider if the roads around you show support?	
	Yes	No	Some- times	Yes	No	All Day	Part of the Day	Yes	No	Yes	No
Albany Road	5	7	6	5	12	3	1	9	4	3	12
Braemar Road	4	4	12	7	13	3	4	15	4	7	8
Brook Lane North		2		2				1	1		2
Brook Road South	10	12	16	10	29	7	3	24	8	6	24
Clifden Road	17	7	7	16	15	8	11	21	6	9	11
Ealing Road	3	7	4	2	12	2		9	4	1	10
Grosvenor Road	5	5	3	4	8	2	4	9	3	4	6
Hamilton Road	20	4	8	19	13	11	9	24	4	6	10
High Street	1	5	4	1	4	1	1	3	1	2	2
Lateward Road	17	6	12	23	12	9	12	24	10	3	10
Mafeking Avenue	4	5	18	4	23	4	1	17	6	3	21
New Road	12	2	6	10	10	8	5	16	2	7	5
St Paul's Road		1			1						1
Westbury Place	2	3	3	2	5		3	1	7	3	3
Windmill Road	1	2	1		4			2	1	1	3
TOTALS	101	72	100	105	161	58	54	175	61	55	128

Questionnaire Hamilton Road Area, Brentford

It is recommended that you read the enclosed leaflet before completing the questions below. Please complete the questionnaire and return it to the council (no stamp required) in the envelope provided **to reach us by 29 March 2010**. If you require additional copies of the questionnaire, please contact the Civic Centre on **020 8583 4875** or email **traffic@hounslow.gov.uk**

Name (Company name if appropriate)							
Address							
	Postcode						
Please include your address so that we can relate the answers to your part of the road. Replies will be used for the analysis of parking requirements in the area and for no other purpose. In accordance with the 1998 Data Protection Act, your name and address will be kept confidential.							
Please tick the appropriate box							
1. Are you in favour of your road being Yes No	included in a CPZ?						
2. If a CPZ is implemented, what operat	tional times would you prefer? Mon - Fri, 10am - 12pm						
Include Saturday Yes No	Include Sunday Yes No No						
*If you prefer alternative hours/days of operati	on, please indicate this below.						
3. Should a CPZ operate on match days Yes No	at Brentford FC?						
4. Would you support the introduction Yes No	of a one-way system in Hamilton Road and Clifden Road?						
•	omments box below and if necessary use a separate sheet. Whilst all , because of the large number of replies that are expected we will not be able						
Comments							

Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

Accessible formats and translations: Environment Department Developments and Parking Team London Borough of Hounslow अनुवाद की मुफ्त सेवा उनमभे ਦी भुड़उ मेहा Civic Centre, Lampton Road Hounslow TW3 4DN.

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