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The Occupiers of:

DAVIDSON ROAD (Nos. 180 – 364 and 189 – 381)

Important Parking Information

Residents Parking Proposal - Questionnaire

Dear Occupier,

Proposed Extension of Croydon (East Outer Permit Area) Controlled Parking Zone

I am writing to ask for your views on the proposal to extend the Croydon (East Outer Permit Area) Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) to the section of Davidson Road shown on the enclosed plan. The proposal is a direct response to a petition received from residents requesting that the Council develop a residents' permit scheme to address the parking problems in this section of the road. Officers reported the request to the Traffic Management Advisory Committee (TMAC), who, on 20th October 2014, authorised this consultation.

The existing East Outer Permit Area CPZ operates between 9am and 5pm, Monday to Saturday. During this period, parking is only permitted within parking bays with a valid permit or ticket displayed on the vehicle windscreen. Residents and businesses within the zone boundary are eligible to purchase parking permits. These same conditions will apply to the consultation area if parking controls are introduced as proposed, but the existing footway parking arrangement will remain unchanged. The enclosed fact sheet gives further information on CPZs and how the proposed scheme would operate if introduced.

It is Council policy to engage with local residents before making decisions that affect them. This is why your views are important to us and we would be grateful if you could complete the attached questionnaire. Once completed, please return it in the enclosed pre-paid envelope to reach us by Friday, 21 August 2015.

Also enclosed is a formal Public Notice which will be published in Croydon Guardian and London Gazette. The Public Notice provides information on how to make a representation in addition to (but not in place of) your vote on the questionnaire. Should you wish to object to the proposals, you will need to enclose a letter with the questionnaire or send separately. All questionnaire responses and representations received by the consultation closing date will be presented in a report to the next TMAC for its consideration on 6 October 2015. This feedback will assist the TMAC in reaching a decision whether to introduce the scheme as proposed, vary or abandon it.

For further information or clarification on this proposal, please telephone **Chuks Nwaodume** on 020 8667 8261 or email him at Chuks.nwaodume@croydon.gov.uk.

Yours faithfully,

Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) – Frequently Asked Questions

1. What is a Controlled Parking Zone?

This is an area where parking activities are controlled by waiting restrictions (yellow lines) and parking bays. A CPZ usually operates during the daytime only when traffic movement and parking activities are heaviest.

2. At what times will the restrictions apply?

The proposed scheme will form an extension to the existing Croydon (East Outer Permit Area) CPZ whose operational hours are 9am to 5pm, Monday to Saturday.

3. How long will I be able to park for during operational hours?

Permit holders and Blue Badge holders will be able to park for an unlimited period within parking bays, providing a valid permit/Blue Badge is displayed. Pay and display users will only be able to park for up to the maximum stay shown on the parking sign at the bay and on the parking machine.

4. Who is eligible for parking permits?

Any resident with a vehicle registered at an address within the zone and any business with a business address within the zone would be eligible for a parking permit. Information on how to apply for a permit will be sent to all consultees in due course if it is decided to proceed with the scheme.

5. What about our visitors?

Visitors will only need to pay for parking during the hours of operation of the zone. Residents can purchase Resident Visitor Permits for their visitors at a cheaper rate than the normal daily tariff. During operational hours, visitors must display either a Pay & Display ticket obtained from a nearby parking machine or a Resident Visitor Permit (obtained via the resident they are visiting).

6. Why can't we have "resident only" parking?

The shared-use Permit / Pay & Display scheme proposed is far more flexible, allowing visitors, including customers of local businesses, to park. The permit cost is subsidised by Pay & Display users. Existing shared-use schemes provide residents far more opportunity to park than unregulated parking as the vast majority of commuters do not park within CPZs.

7. How much will permits cost?

Permit costs will match those of the existing CPZ, which are currently:

Residents

- £80 per year for first vehicle
- £126 per year for second vehicle
- > £305 per year for third and final vehicle (maximum of 3 permits per household)
- £4 per day for a Residents' Visitor Permit (maximum of 30 permits per year per household, sold in books of 5 permits)

Businesses

- £123 for three months per vehicle
- > £382 per year per vehicle (maximum of 2 vehicles per business)

Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) – Frequently Asked Questions (contd.)

8. How much will pay & display tickets cost?

Existing charges within the East Outer Permit Area: 8 hour max stay roads

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9. Where will parking bays and pay & display machines be provided?

Parking bays will be marked out on the carriageway in safe locations and away from junctions and dropped footway or driveway crossings. Yellow line waiting restrictions will be installed at locations where parking would be hazardous or cause obstruction. Pay and display machines will be provided on the footway where they would cause the least visual intrusion to residents. The number of parking bays will be maximised.

10. Can you guarantee me a parking space outside my house?

It is not possible to guarantee anyone a particular space on the public highway. However, as residents are given a higher priority for the available parking spaces, they are more likely to find a parking space. Experience of existing zones shows that there are generally more spaces available within the zone during operational hours than during times when parking is uncontrolled.

11. How can it be ensured that motorists parking in the zone park legitimately?

Civil Enforcement Officers (CEOs) will frequently patrol the roads within the zone during the controlled hours. CEOs can issue a Penalty Charge Notice (parking ticket) to any vehicle that is parked in a manner that contravenes parking regulations e.g. parking on a yellow line or within a parking bay without displaying a valid permit/pay and display ticket. Illegally parked vehicles may also be towed away.

12. Will I be able to park across my driveway?

Yes, but only outside the controlled hours (9am – 5pm, Mon to Sat) with all wheels on the carriageway and no wheel on the footway. It is not sensible to mark bays across driveways as this would legalise obstruction.

13. What if I do not support the scheme?

Vote 'No' on the enclosed questionnaire - if the majority of residents / businesses vote against controlled parking then a scheme is unlikely to go ahead in the road / area. However, if the proposal progresses because the majority of respondents vote in favour, there would still be an opportunity to make further comments or object to it at the Public Notice Stage when the scheme is formally advertised in the *Croydon Guardian*, by onstreet notices and on the Council website. Please note that if the majority of respondents in a cluster of the consultation area vote in favour of the proposal, then a recommendation could be made to extend controlled parking to this cluster area alone.

14. What happens next?

At the end of this consultation, the votes and comments on all returned questionnaires will be analysed. The results of the analysis will be presented in a report to the Traffic Management Advisory Committee for consideration at its next meeting on 6 October 2015 at 6.30pm in the Town Hall, Katharine Street, Croydon. The Committee will then make a decision whether or not to proceed with parking controls as recommended in the report. The report will be available to view from 29 September 2015 using the following link: www.croydon.gov.uk/democracy/dande/minutes/committees

Davidson Road Consultation – **QUESTIONNAIRE**

Your views are important to us, so please ensure you complete this Questionnaire and return it in the attached pre-paid envelope to reach us by **Friday**, **14**th **August 2015**.

Name*:

Address*:

* Without this information your vote will not be counted. This information will be used only for the purpose of this consultation. We will only use responses from occupiers within the proposed extension area shown on the plans – one response per household and received using the official pre-paid envelope.

Do you support the introduction of Parking Controls in your section of Davidson Road?

Please choose **one** option only by putting an X' in the appropriate box.

- 1. Yes, I **do** support the proposal to introduce parking controls as set out in the enclosed letter and plan.
- 2. No, I **do not** support the proposal to introduce parking controls as set out in the enclose letter and plan.

Comments:

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