

## Operations

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## Statutory Consultation Report

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This consultation results from the need to deal with parking pressure experienced on roads within Wood Green Inner Controlled Parking Zone.

### 1. Background

Essential service permits (ESP) and borough wide permits (BWP) issued by the Council to council officers and contractors undertaking services on behalf of the Council have been provided on the understanding that they should not be used to park in the following roads: in N22 Barratt Avenue, Bradley Road, Cumberland Road, Harold Road, Parkland Road, Ranelagh Road, Ringslade Road, Selborne Road, Tower Terrace, Warberry Road, and Wolseley Road.

Alternative free parking provision for council officers and contractors is available on the upper deck of Bury Road Car Park N22. This car park has been in poor condition for some time but a major refurbishment programme is currently underway.

### 2. Statutory Consultation

The present consultation is based on the proposal that the arrangement will be formalised, and that holders of ESP and BWP who are council staff or contractors should not park in any of the roads within the Wood Green Inner Controlled Parking Zone.

This proposal is not designed to restrict Council officers and contractors from carrying out necessary work, so permit holders undertaking defined services on behalf of the Council will be able to park if there is the need to carry hazardous chemicals or heavy equipment, or to attend emergency call outs.

A maximum time limit of up to 2 hours will apply to these call-outs and visits, with a 'no return' to the same road for 2 hours.

The purpose of formalising / enforcing these parking constraints is to ensure that ESPs and BWPs are used only for their intended purpose. An Essential Services Permit is not for workplace parking. ESP and BWP holders are expected to make alternative parking arrangements for their vehicles when they are in the office.

### 3. Analysis

		Count	%
Support or Object	Support	0	0%
	Object	7	54%
	Other view	6	46%
	Total	13	100%

Objections fall into one category; namely that the restrictions will prevent officers from carrying out site visits in Wood Green Inner Zone because they won't be able to park and carry essential supplies and materials.

Clearly the council wants to ensure that all essential services are maintained, and officers fully facilitated in this respect. Essential Service and Borough Wide Permits will remain valid for all essential use, but a parking time limit of 2 hours will apply in any one location.

Those objecting to the restrictions generally comment that their calls do not extend longer than 2 hours; and so the revised arrangements to permit operations should not have any adverse effect on permit holders.

Comments are set out in detail below.

## Detail

Card no	Department	Support or Object	Comments
1	Building control	Other view	I am a Building Control Surveyor and an essential car user. I attend sites such as St Anne's and Clarendon and other similar sites where full protective gear is required. Boots, Protective clothing, all weather gear, high viz jacket and so on. The site gear including material for site meetings can be cumbersome and heavy. The time I spend on site varies from 30 mins to 1.5 hours or more - especially if there is a dangerous structure involved. I am concerned that the proposals might adversely affect the service we provide as part of Haringey Council.
2	Building control	Object	I object to the proposed parking restrictions for the following reasons:- The restriction will prevent me and others carrying out there statutory function in a timely and practical manner. As a Building Surveyor I am required to visit sites /properties within the zone and to carry out the statutory function PPE and other equipment is required to be used. To carry -out the function in the time allowed some parking is required, this could be achieved by some type of limited parking allowance say 2 hours. This could allow the statutory function to be carried out and improve the parking for residents.
3	Building control	Object	I refer to the current consultation on the proposed changes to the use of the essential services parking permits and have the following objections: I work for Haringey Building Control. I have an essential services parking permit to carry out statutory work across the Borough at all times. My work requirements range from site inspections to compliance with the Building Regulations, structural surveys to dangerous structure inspections. As part of my work I am required to use PPE and other equipment, all of which has to be carried in my car. I understand the current issues relates from spaces being used by Council staff with essential services parking permits parking in this area all day. I agree that it this practice is unfair on the residents, so it would be better to limit the parking time for essential services parking permits users in the Wood Green Inner CPZ to 2 hours, this would then allow users to carry out their statutory duties, whilst not impacting upon the local resident's needs. Please reconsider your proposals, as the proposals will unnecessarily impact on all users who need to provide statutory service in the Wood Green Inner CPZ area.

4	Building control	Object	<p>I wish to object to the proposed changes to the Wood Green Inner Controlled Parking Zone for the following reasons: I work in Building Control and as surveyors we are contracted to have a car and to carry out site inspections throughout the borough. This involves visiting approx. 6-8 different sites every day and carrying PPE and other equipment. It is essential that we park near the site. Having to park elsewhere and walk a great distance is not practical and will affect the number of site visits that can be undertaken. I believe that we pay a substantial amount for this privilege now. I fully understand the parking pressures on the area but note that it could now put pressure on the outer zone! A better idea would be to limit the parking to a maximum of 1 or 2 hours to enable inspections to be carried out or issue a different essential user permit which permits inner zone parking where it is required by a service.</p>
5	Building control	Object	<p>The reason that I purchase essential services parking permits at great expense to my Service is so that Building Control Surveyors and Engineers can carry out their statutory service across the Borough at all times - these inspections range from site inspections to ensure compliance with the Building Regulations, structural surveys to dangerous structure inspections. All the team are required to use their own PPE and other equipment during these inspections, all of which has to be carried in their vehicles. In addition, the surveyors are expected to carry out 6 - 8 inspections per day in order that we carry out our statutory functions - this number is not possible without driving. I understand the issues being raised and the concern of local residents not being able to park due to spaces being used by Council staff with essential services parking permits and this issue would be resolved by staff who are in the office parking in Bury Road, however to stop essential services parking permits users parking in the Wood Green Inner CPZ is unrealistic and not necessary. A better solution would be to limit the parking time for essential services parking permits users in the Wood Green Inner CPZ to 2 hours, this would then allow users to carry out their statutory duties, whilst not impacting upon the local resident's needs. Please reconsider your proposals, as the proposals will unnecessarily impact on all users who need to provide statutory service in the Wood Green Inner CPZ area.</p>
6	Homes for Haringey	Object	<p>I work for Homes for Haringey and hold a borough wide business permit: I visit vulnerable garage tenants and inspect sites in and around the wood green area concerned. I did not request the permit to park when in the office, the permit is used to park when carrying out my duties as I carry swathes of keys, lap top other equipment. It is not feasible for me to park in Bury Rd Garage when carrying out my duties.</p>
7	Not stated	Object	<p>Whilst I understand the residents views, I would like to express my view on the above proposed changes to parking for essential permit holders. I myself have mobility difficulties which makes walking slow and difficult and wonder if there are provisions for employees with these difficulties. I need to use my car for my role throughout the day needing to walk to and from the office to address in these areas, to see numerous clients throughout the day, every day. This exclusion will be problematic for me and others with similar issues when undertaking visits to clients in the proposed area as I will be carrying toys and equipment to use in my role with families living in these areas. Will there be any concessions to accommodate this?</p>

8	Not stated	Other view	I appreciate the issues round the Council buildings; however, I do need to park and move seized goods for work using my own vehicle, I would like to be able to park at the turnpike lane end where there is no Council Buildings. If you could extend the exclusion cordon rather than take out the whole inner Wood Green CPZ maybe a complete ban near the office and a time limit elsewhere in the inner CPZ. South of Mayes Road towards Turnpike Lane. Should ideally be able to be used by Essential users.
9	Not stated	Other view	Instead of a total ban, can officers be allowed to park for no more than 2 hours at any one time in this zone. This may arise as a result of the need to visit the office in-between inspections or undertake inspections in the turnpike lane area. The officer when parked in this area should have to put a time of arrival on the dashboard. When this change was first introduced last year, lifts in the Bury road car park failed on a number of occasions, the stairs stunk of urine, it was dark in the evening especially in the autumn months. other outer zones are available but I think allowance of no more than 2 hours should be considered to enable staff to be flexible in their working arrangements.
10		Other view	We have recently noticed a sign that has been placed on posts of Bradley Road N22. We want to confirm our understanding of this notice, and that there will be no impact on the residents permits for those living within the CPZ. Having read the sign, I understand that the new restrictions to be put in place are to impact the following people only: -Council officers -Contractors undertaking services -i.e. those who are essential service and borough wide permit holders as such as residents of Bradley Road with parking permits, we are not affected.
11	CYPS / Soc Srvcs	Other view	Hello, Will the same restrictions apply to people who use the daily essential service scratch cards to visit clients?
12	Homes for Haringey	Object	I do not believe that a blanket approach should be used in the case of the Proposed changes to staff parking in Wood Green I am a Homes for Haringey's emergency call out officer I feel strongly that I should be able to retain my current parking rights, I am on call 24\7 and carry specialist keys and tools in the boot of my car at all times hence to reason for having my car as close to me as possible at all times. I am also manage the weekend essential services team who are responsible for carrying out boroughwide essential services works every weekend, one of the main parts of my duties is to scout the borough in order to make sure that my teams are dealing with and hazardous health and safety issues this task is carried out throughout the whole weekend IE: both Saturday and Sunday. For the above reasons I feel that parking control should depend on job and task rather than the blanket approach which is being proposed. I agree and have seen that over the years more and more teams have been issued permits and yes some of them are questionable as it is quite clear that the role they are doing does not warrant a permit this issue should be explored before final decisions are made. Due to the fact that many permits in circulation have already been paid for I believe that they should be in full use up to the expiry date changing the use of permits before the expiry date simply is not fair.

13	CYPS / Soc Srvcs	Other view	These changes are going to affect Wood green high street and Turnpike lane traffic terribly as children services employees- mainly social workers- who are in an out of the office frequently will have to enter the busy traffic in the high street to go to their visits, meetings etc and come back to the office. This will reduce the effective time using and impact on the region traffic.
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