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Queen's Crescent Market Parking and loading changes

The Council has developed proposals to make Queen's Crescent market a better place for traders, residents, businesses (shop owners and market traders) and visitors. This leaflet sets out these proposals, and as a local resident, business or group, this is your opportunity to let us know what you think.

Residents have told us that they are concerned with the lack of parking especially as a number of trader bays are unoccupied on a daily basis. The proposed changes will therefore help to improve the existing parking facilities for residents but still meet the needs of the market traders.

Background

Queen's Crescent Market is one of London's oldest street markets, which is held every Thursday and Saturday at Queen's Crescent in Gospel Oak, Camden. Traditionally Queen's Crescent was a six day market, however due to the decline in traders and market visitors only a handful of traders operate on all six days. The general market, which consists of 96 trading pitches (4m x2m), is operated by both licensed permanent traders and casual traders.

This project focuses on the area bounded by Queen's Crescent market and adjacent streets, aiming to improve parking facilities in the area for the residents, workers and visitors in the area.

Who is being consulted?

All properties within the consultation area outlined in red on the enclosed consultation plan, permanent and casual traders, local and statutory groups, emergency services and Ward Members. At the same time, we are also advertising the proposed changes in the local newspapers (Ham and High and London Gazette).

What will happen next?

We will consider all responses received during the consultation period and these will help us make our recommendations, which will be submitted for approval, to the Assistant Director for Environment & Transport in June 2013. If approved, these proposals will be funded by Camden's own budget and be implemented shortly after.

Proposals

The plan attached shows the area covered by this project as well as the proposed changes. These proposals are described in detail below:

Proposal 1: Convert existing shared use parking bay which allows only traders to park on Thursday and Saturday (3 car spaces) opposite 117 Queens Crescent into shared use Monday to Saturday. The parking bay times of operation would be as follows:

- Traders will be able to park Monday to Saturday, between 8:30am and 6.30pm
- Permit holders will be able to park Monday to Saturday, between 11am and 6:30pm

Proposal 2: Convert existing trader only parking bay (3 car spaces) at Gilden Crescent into permit holders only parking bay, Monday to Friday between 9am and 11am. Outside of these hours the parking bay is available for anyone to park in for free.

Proposal 3: Convert existing shared use traders/permit holders only parking bay (2 car spaces) on Queen's Crescent, outside 186 Grafton Road into single yellow line. This is to allow passing space for vehicles during the day; the space can be used for parking outside controlled hours.

Proposal 4: Convert 10 metres (2 car spaces) of existing pay & display parking bay on Queens Crescent outside 108 Queen's Crescent into double yellow lines. This is also to provide passing space for vehicles.

Proposal 5: Convert existing 6 metres of single yellow line on Grafton Road, opposite 168 Grafton Road into shared use bay (1 car space). The parking bay times of operation would be as follows:

- Traders will be able to park Thursday and Saturday between 8:30am-6.30pm; permit holders can park after 11:00am if the bay is not occupied by a trader.
- Permit holders will be able to park exclusively Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, between 9:00am and 11:00am. Outside of these hours the parking bay is available for anyone to park in for free.

Proposal 6: Convert existing trader only parking bay (2 car spaces) outside 49 Allcroft Road into shared use parking bay. The parking bay times of operation would be as follows:

- Traders will be able to park Thursday and Saturday between 8:30am-6.30pm; permit holders can park after 11:00am if the bay is not occupied by a trader.
- Permit holders will be able to park exclusively Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, between 9:00am and 11:00am. Outside of these hours the parking bay is available for anyone to park in for free.

Proposal 7: Convert existing trader only parking bay (4 car spaces) outside 32 Bassett Street into shared use parking bay. Traders will be able to park Monday to Saturday between 8:30am and 6.30pm and permit holders can park after 11am on these days, if the bay is not occupied by a trader.

Proposal 8: Convert existing trader only parking bay (5 car spaces) opposite 96 Malden Road into shared use parking bay. The parking bay times of operation would be as follows:

- Traders will be able to park Thursday and Saturday between 8:30am-6.30pm; permit holders can park after 11:00am if the bay is not occupied by a trader.
- Permit holders will be able to park exclusively Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, between 8:30am and 6:30pm.

Proposal 9: Convert all remaining shared use parking bays (within the red boundary shown on the plan) to allow permit holders to park after 11am on Thursday and Saturday if the bays are not occupied by the traders. This will allow residents to park in bays that would otherwise be unoccupied for the whole day as traders generally arrive early if they plan to trade on the day.

This is your opportunity to comment

We need your views as this consultation exercise is intended to find out if there is broad public support for the proposals set out in this leaflet.

Please send your comments by the 03.05.2013 to: London Borough of Camden, Culture and Environment Directorate, Transport Strategy Service, FREEPOST RLZH – UEYC – ACZZ, Argyle Street, London, WC1H 8EQ. Please note no stamp is required and only ONE reply per household, business or organisation will be accepted. You must give your postal address if you want us to consider your views.

Alternatively, you can send your response by email to sadig.merchant@camden.gov.uk

Details of this consultation are also available on the Council's website, www.camden.gov.uk/consultations

Under the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985, we may not treat your questionnaire or letter confidentially, as it will be available for public inspection. Please only write to us about the consultation issue. If you want to comment on any other matter, please use a separate letter.

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Thank you for replying to this consultation

