

# Paper Petition Details

## Third Crescent Parking Issues

We, the undersigned, would like to register our concerns and request that remedial action be undertaken by you / appropriate organisations regarding what we feel is an abuse of our quiet residential street in relation to parking.

Third Crescent is a short cul de sac off Gloucester Avenue in northern Slough. The residents include young families and elderly people and parking by the residents is principally done on our driveways. However, there is a short (approx 50 yards) stretch of road leading into the cul de sac which is being used by non-residents to park their cars, often for long stretches of time (i.e. up to several weeks). There are three main problems that we would like to highlight:

1. The road is very narrow, meaning that the cars are parked mostly on the pavement, with just one set of wheels on the road. This makes the pavement impassable, meaning that residents have to walk along the road. This is obviously dangerous, particularly for the very young and the very old.
2. There is also a group of people that seem to be using the area as some kind of unofficial car workshop. Cars are regularly being worked on / repaired on that pavement area, adding to the access problem. Additionally, when these cars are then moved, there is often a large amount of litter (e.g. cigarette ends, crisp packets etc) left behind. This is an obvious environmental problem.
3. There have been occasions in the past when the bin lorry has been unable to access the street to collect our rubbish, due to the above two problems. This has meant that our rubbish collections have been missed and we have had to make our own arrangements to dispose of our rubbish.

We wrote to the council about this on May 27<sup>th</sup> 2015 and did not receive the courtesy of a response. Since then, the situation has remained unchanged and is now becoming untenable. We would therefore like to request in the strongest possible terms that action be taken, whether that be by the implementation of parking restrictions, residents permits or some other measure.

We look forward to a response from you and to discussing our concerns further at your earliest convenience.

**This petition was received on 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2016.**

**This petition was passed to the Team Leader, Parking Services on 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2016.**

**This petition was responded to by the Team Leader, Parking Services on 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2016.**

### Final Results

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### Council Response

Thank you for the submission of the above paper petition. Unfortunately we do not have a record of the correspondence dated 27<sup>th</sup> May 2015.

Third Crescent is public highway that is currently unrestricted; this means that any vehicle is permitted to park here without time limits. However, we have noted your concerns regarding obstructive parking and the repair of vehicles on the public highway and have considered your request for parking controls.

There is not sufficient capacity or adequate carriageway width to allow for a resident permit scheme, therefore we cannot consider this option. We have placed Third Crescent on our waiting list to propose double yellow lines on both sides of the road at the entrance. Once the list is reviewed, approval will be sought to carry out a formal public consultation of the proposal, and we will decide on how best to proceed based on the results of the consultation.

With reference to the repair of vehicles and litter, this was referred to our Neighbourhood Enforcement Team to investigate. The team have advised that in such instances, they can visit the area to assess the situation, and will arrange visits at different times to Third Crescent within their available resources. It would be helpful to have feedback as to when the working on vehicles takes place so that visits can be arranged to observe and speak to the vehicle owner/mechanic. Any feedback can be given by calling 01753 875255 or by using the online reporting forms at [www.slough.gov.uk](http://www.slough.gov.uk). Please note that if the vehicles are parked legally and the activity being undertaken is legal, there may be little action we can take. In relation to litter being left, unless there is sufficient evidence and proof of who is creating this it is difficult to pursue, but this will be assessed at the visits.

I hope that this response has addressed your concerns.