

Paper Petition Details

Parking Restrictions Clive Court

We the residents of Clive Court are appalled with the manner in which you have imposed reduced parking restrictions, without our complete knowledge. In June of this year, we all had to complete a form or survey with regards to a new parking restriction scheme to be put in place for residents. The survey or form did not ask for the existing parking to be reduced. We the residents of Clive Court, woke up one morning only to realise that the existing parking has been severely reduced. Most of us have lived in Clive Court for several years and we have enjoyed parking our cars without any problems. Ever since the double yellow lines were introduced, parking has become a very unpleasant experience, as there are not enough parking spaces anymore, for all the residents. As residents, we are entitled to park where we live, as when most people moved into the area, that was taken into consideration.

With regards to the double yellow lines which were introduced at the beginning of Clive Court (approaching it from Church Street, High Street and then Clive Court), we the residents cannot understand why these double yellow lines have been introduced. We the residents have been parking our cars along that stretch of road for so many years without any problems and all of a sudden, no one can park their cars there anymore.

We received a letter from you not long ago and I quote: **“this scheme is not yet operational and a further letter will be sent to all residents in January 2021 with details of how they can apply for a permit and an exact date of when the scheme will be going live.”**

We the residents have a couple of questions for you:

- 1) If the scheme is not yet operational, then why introduced double yellow lines now?
- 2) Why have our parking spaces been severely reduced, when the consultation which we had in June of this year, did not mention reduction of car parking spaces?

We the residents, believe that Slough Borough Council did not carry out its duties in accordance as to what the residents were made to believe. So, we ask you to take into considerations what we have put forward, reverse what has been done (with regards to the double yellow lines at the beginning of Clive Court as mentioned above) as severe reduction in car parking spaces was not part of the consultation.

This petition was received on 7th January, 2021.

This petition was passed to the Team Leader, Parking Services on 7th January, 2021.

This petition was responded to by the Team Leader, Parking Services on 4th February, 2021.

Final Results

Number of Signatures	14
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Council Response

Thank you for your petition dated 21st December 2020 regarding the introduction of parking restrictions to Clive Court.

A number of points have been raised which I will address individually below.

You have queried why we have introduced double yellow lines to Clive Court. You state this has reduced the parking available to residents and there was no mention of this in the consultation letter.

I can confirm when proposing a residents permit scheme our primary objective is to always maximize kerb capacity but to also address any potential road safety concerns. As Clive Court is a particularly narrow road, we can only allow parking on one side of the road, hence the introduction of double yellow lines to the opposite side. However since receiving your petition we have reviewed this and a decision has been made to amend the double yellow line at the entrance of Clive Court only, as the road width is slightly wider at this location which will allow parking for additional vehicles. These amendments will be made on site shortly, if they haven't been done already.

It is important to note that this scheme has been implemented under an experimental order which means once the scheme becomes operational, the first 6 months acts as the consultation period. During this period we would advise all residents to write in with their comments and after the 6 month period has elapsed, we will analyse all the feedback that has been received and make a collective decision with your ward councilors on the next steps. This information will also be stated in the letter that is to be sent to all residents shortly.

The consultation letter that was sent to residents contained a link where residents could find out more information on the scheme. This link detailed the various restrictions being proposed and also a plan of the scheme. Following the consultation we had to make some amendments to the scheme and then made a decision to proceed with the amended scheme.

You have asked why we have implemented double yellow lines if the scheme is not yet operational.

We know from experience that it can take a while to introduce a scheme of this size to the Borough as delays can arise due to weather conditions and the lining teams existing workload. As a result there is always a slight delay between the scheme being implemented and it going live. Furthermore we cannot enforce this scheme until it has been fully implemented, however I hope to be in touch with all residents in the coming weeks with an update on this and the operational date.

I hope the above helps in answering your questions however please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further queries.