OBJECTIONS / COMMENTS TO ADVERTISED TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER

Scheme:	BRACKNELL FOREST BOROUGH COUNCIL WAITING PROHIBITIONS ORDER 2014		
	BAY ROAD, PARKING MAXIMUM 60MINS, MOI	NDAY- FRIDAY, 8AM TO 5PM	, NO RETURN WITHIN 1 HOUR
Date Advertised:	13 March 2014	No. of Objections Received:	6 objections received.

Objector	Summary of Objection / Comment	Officers Comments	Decision Abandon/Modify / Proceed as advertised.
	 wrote: I am for the Bullbrook Community Centre and I am very concerned about the affect of the prohibition and restriction of waiting on Bay Road will have on our regular and occasional users of Bullbrook Community Centre. I strongly object to these proposals on the grounds that it is discriminating against the users of the Community Centre, especially the elderly and infirm. The regular and occasional bookings are of ten longer than two hours and the elderly, infirm, people with disabilities, parents with babies/ young children and those carrying heavy equipment and goods for catering rely on parking close to the centre for functions, our regular coffee mornings, elderly groups and baby/ toddler groups. If the proposed prohibition and restriction order goes ahead, this will/ is likely to cause cancellation by long term users of the Centre that could cause long term financial difficulties to the community centre. We most definitely have more than two classes a week longer than 1 hour, Our financial are in every day and their classes are longer than 1 hour, often the younger children stay on to do three or more classes and their parents have to wait in the centre for them. For the older children and their parents, it would be a nightmare as they will have to park in the bays to drop them 	In the proposal, there is no restriction to park within the parking bays after 5pm. Opposite the parking bays, within walking distance of the community centre, there are two alternative unlimited free car parks- 30- 40 parking spaces in total. Recent site visits have indicated that the parking bays are occupied all day long and that some of these are employees of the shops or residents who should be using alternative car parks nearby. This limited waiting will give more opportunity to the customers of the shops and visitors to the community centre to park within the parking bays and ease congestion at school peak times.	Modify limited waiting from 1 hour to 3 hours

off and can't park there again to collect them (they have to collect them from the teacher for safety reasons. The teachers are at the centre longer than 1 hour and they have to set up and tidy up every day with heavy equipment.

The same applies to our coffee morning, they are their 2 and half hours, an elderly group of volunteers arrive earlier to prepare for the morning and tidy up after the coffee morning every week. Is it right that they have to carry over all the equipment from the car parks over the road? They have up to 50 people attending, mostly elderly and some with physical disabilities.

Other elderly groups using the centre are the Whist group, from 1-3pm, the Short Mat Bowls who are in longer than two hours 1-3:30pm and have many frail members. They are incredibly concerned about them having to walk over the road to get the the centre. The Town's Womens Guild and Women's Institute meet for longer than two hours with set up and tidy up included. We have a new small prayer group who meet two hours a week during the day.

Other groups who meet longer than two hours during the day are line dancing and Toddler group, once again a vulnerable group with babies and young children, with the leaders having to bring in resources, equipment to set up and tidy up again. All these vulnerable groups have to walk a distance and cross the road which is not ideal. I have not even mentioned all the groups.

Our users have never had a problem with finding parking in the bays in front of the centre. So there has never been a problem with people parking all day long, even if some do, there are always spaces available for our users. I go to the centre two to three times a day and I have always found a parking space in front of the centre and so have the users. So I am puzzled by how this information has been acquired, and the information on the number of users and length of time during the day. If you look out our website www.bullbrookcommunitycentre.weebly.com you will find accurate information.

Our users might not be able to find parking in the car parks (especially the one closer to the centre) if they have been put forward as an alternative, especially during the busy school pick up and drop off times.

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wrote: This would affect myself, my teachers and lots of parents hugely as obviously we are at the hall for a number of hours as are some of the parents and a lot of parents park, come in and drop their children off and then return after their class to collect them so the 1 hour no return would be a nightmare! I think it's also such a selling point to users of the hall that you can say that there's free parking with no restrictions right outside the hall. As mentioned about children below, I have so many little ones and also mums with even smaller children/ babies in a pram trying to get into the hall safety, parking further away means it's a lot more difficult for them, more time consuming and actually not safe as at least right outside the hall you can lift your child from the car and stand them on the pavement (as I do with my daughter) whilst you either get things or another child from the car where as if you are in the car parks there no where to do this, other than standing them in the car park! I hope this helps and if you don't mind keeping me informed that would be great.	See comments above.	Modify limited waiting from 1 hour to 3 hours
wrote:. I am writing in regard to the above reference (notification from Bracknell Town Council's Planning Committee to the Prohibition and restriction of waiting, loading and unloading Order 2013) We are a part of Warfield Church, providing an invaluable service, where all ages meet every Tuesday for two hours for a Community Coffee Morning. We have a long standing agreement with the centre and have a regular attendance of at least 30-40 members. In fact, we will celebrate our third birthday this April! Although many walk there, the majority is quite elderly and needto use the bays to park their cars. Also, there are some mums and toddlers who also need a safe place to park which the bays provide. Often, we provide entertainment which sometimes involves bringing equipment which we need to carry to and from the centre	See comments above.	Modify limited waiting from 1 hour to 3 hours

 and with an hour waiting period, this may mean we will not be able to secure a place on our return. We offer a really valued service to the community and restricting the use of the bays will be detrimental to this service. Therefore, we would ask that you re-consider and not allow the above order to be approved. It has been brought to my attention that you are intending to impose restrictive parking on Bay Road Bullbrook Bracknell. The Bullbrook Community Association have not been officially informed of your proposals or seen any plans or details and therefore we are unable to comment in detail because of the time constraint. We however, would strongly OBJECT to the proposal to impose restrictions on the present parking bays adjacent to the Community Centre in the parade of shops in Bay Road. On the following grounds, 1. It is discriminating against the users of the Community Centre, especially the elderly and infirm who hire for more than 1 hour, often whole mornings or afternoons and require parking to enable unloading/ loading of heavy equipment. 2. The elderly and infirm also use the shops and there is also a Funeral Business in the Parade. 3. If the proposed prohibition and restriction order goes ahead, this will certainly cause cancellation by long term users of the Centre and that will cause long term financial difficulties for the Community Centre and limit our ability to serve the Bullbrook Community in the way we are currently able. We would also ask why The Bullbrook Community Association did not receive formal notice of the proposals? We are certainly receiving notices for all other event in the Borough. 	See comments above. A letter and plan was delivered by hand to the community centre on the 13th March 2014.	Modify limited waiting from 1 hour to 3 hours
wrote: I am writing with regards to the above reference of the notification from Bracknell Town Council's Planning Committee to the	Opposite the parking bays, within walking distance of the community centre, there are two alternative unlimited free car parks- 30- 40 parking spaces in total.	Modify limited waiting from 1 hour to 3

2 V n a c V g p d d t t V v o h t t T	Prohibition and Restriction of waiting, loading and unloading Order 2013. We are a second that is part of the second that neets at the Bullbrook Centre weekly with a long term user agreement with the Bullbrook Centre committee. We use the centre every Friday from 8.00am till 3pm. We have 35+ children that attend regularly and their safety in getting to the centre is important to us. It is imperative that barents/ carers with their toddlers have a safe place to park which does not affect the crossing of any busy roads. These bays are he safest place for the parent/ carers to park. We also have heavy play equipment that we need to carry in and but of the centre and a 1 hour waiting period will mean that we will nave to move our vehicles within the hour and spaces nearest to he centre entrance will not be available again to reload the vehicles on pack down at the end of the day. If this is agreed, then we will have to consider another venue that has a better safe parking facility for the parents and toddlers. Therefore, we object to the restricted bays being agreed and trust you will not allow the above order to be approved.	Recent site visits have indicated that the parking bays are occupied all day long and that some of these are employees of the shops or residents who should be using alternative car parks nearby. This limited waiting will give more opportunity to the customers of the shops and visitors to the community centre to park within the parking bays and ease congestion at school peak times.	hours
T p tt a	wrote: Bullbrook community centre, we play short mat bowls on a Tuesday afternoon from 1.30pm to 3.30pm there is a plan for new barking restrictions that will mean we can only park for 1 hour if his goes ahead then quite a few of us wont be able to play anymore, we are all pensioners so would we be able to have a bermit for that time slot?	See comments above.	Modify limited waiting from 1 hour to 3 hours

• Cllr Angell and Sargeant – no comment prior to advertising the TRO.

• Cllr Angell - commented during the consultation period:

I have been approached by the Bullbrook Community Association who are receiving a good deal of concern from hirers of the centre that the restrictions will make them go elsewhere as the 60 minute restriction is no good, they hire the centre for two and a half hours at a time. These are elderly groups and quite clearly the restriction will impede the income of the Community Association. I do not see the need for such stringent measures and do not want you to proceed with this particular idea.

• Bracknell Town Council - these restrictions will have a negative impact on the shops and the Community Centre, therefore the committee cannot support this part of

the proposal.

- Thames Valley Police Traffic management no objection.
- Headteachers of Holly Spring Schools support the proposal.

Local Member comments on consultation responses:

Cllr Sargeant did not comment.

Cllr Angell responded:

Thank you for the report showing the views of objectors. On further reflection I would like to offer the following.

Bay Road

I have been taking further soundings and can find no support for your recommendation. I do notice that officers have suggested modifying the restrictions from one hour to two hours in light of the objections.

I would be interested to learn why this particular site is even being considered for change. I cannot locate any local people who have asked for it.

I do hope that you can discontinue with this. If there are any overwhelming circumstances that I am missing then perhaps a compromise would be a three hour restriction which might accommodate the objections we are already aware of.

Officer comments and recommendations :

A recent parking survey has shown that out of 14 parking bays, 5 cars were parked there for the whole day. They could belong to residents living opposite the parking bays or the employees of the shops. If a time limit were to be introduced on parking, this would help to make those 5 bays available during the daytime for visitors and customers and ease congestion at school peak times for those parents who have to use the car.

Opposite these parking bays, and within walking distance of the community centre, there are two alternative unlimited free car parks providing some 30-40 parking spaces in total.

Taking into account the number of objections, and Cllr Angell's comments, it is proposed that the TRO be modified to extend the limited parking from 1 hour to 3 hours with no return within 1 hour : Monday to Friday from 8.00am to 5.00pm