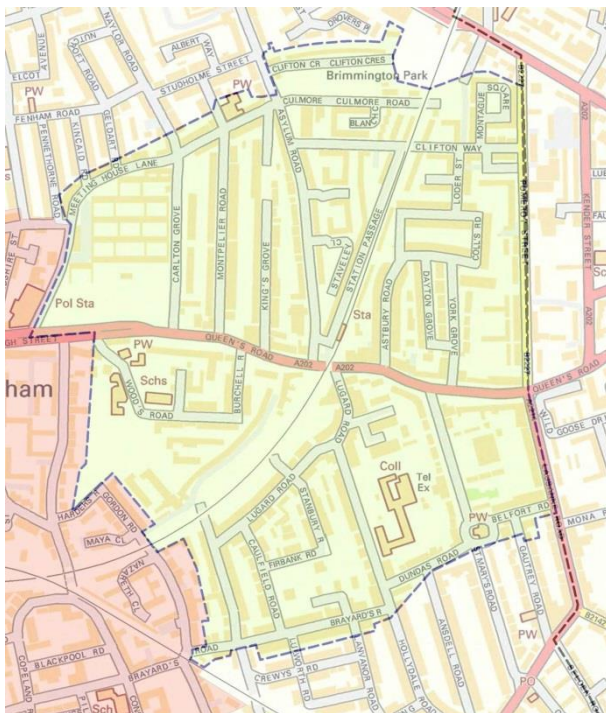


Queen's Road area

Parking consultation – January 2017

Have your say on parking in the Queen's Road area



Why have I received this consultation pack?

Southwark Council has received substantial correspondence from residents in your area indicating that parking pressure has increased.

We have received correspondence from your area telling us that parking pressure in your area has increased. There are several reasons that this may be the case. The streets in the Queen's Road area are within easy walking distance to Queen's Road station, which provides a 10 minute commute to London Bridge. Additionally, London Overground services commenced in 2012. This is likely to have led to an increase in the number of commuters using this station, which in turn would lead to increased parking pressures on the streets close to the station.

Taking into consideration the recent correspondence as well as the likelihood of overspill from nearby zones, the council has agreed to carry out a new consultation as part of a project to assess if a parking zone is appropriate for your area.

Have your say on proposals to introduce new parking controls

We are asking all local residents and businesses whether a parking zone should be introduced in your street and if so, during what times of the day.

Your views are important to us even if you do not own a vehicle or park in your street.

To help you understand what is being proposed, this leaflet contains:

- Map showing the consultation area (front cover)
- How to have your say (page 2)
- What are the proposals? (pages 3 to 4)
- Southwark parking permits (pages 5 to 6)
- Frequently asked questions (FAQ) (pages 7 to 9)
- What happens after the consultation closes? (page 10)
- Further information (page 11)

Inserts

- Questionnaire
- Parking bay feasibility drawing

Have your say...

online



Complete the questionnaire at www.southwark.gov.uk/parkingprojects

by post



Put your completed questionnaire in an envelope and return it to us via our FREEPOST address (no stamp required).

at an exhibition



Come along and talk to officers at our drop-in session

Location: St Marys Church, Junction of St Marys Road and Belfort Road, Peckham, London SE15 2EA

Time: Wednesday 11 January 2017, between 4.00pm and 7.00pm



The consultation closes on

Monday 30 January 2017

What are the proposals?

Primarily we want to know if you support the principle of a parking zone in your street and, if so, when it should operate (times of day and days of the week).

Read about the advantages and disadvantages of a zone in the FAQ

Parking layout

To help you understand what a parking zone might look like we have enclosed a feasibility drawing that shows *where* parking bays could safely be provided. We have also suggested what *type* of bay they could be and who could use them (e.g. resident, loading, blue badge holders or paid for parking places). We welcome your comments on this allocation of kerb space.

The consultation area is **not** a proposed parking zone boundary. We will analyse all feedback on a street by street basis and, if support is identified, this may result in recommendations being made for a zone extension or new zone(s) covering a smaller area than covered by this consultation.

The drawing is also available online www.southwark.gov.uk/parkingprojects

Double yellow lines at junctions

We are committed to improving safety on our roads.

Vehicles that park at junctions reduce the visibility for all road users and increase the risk of a collision.



It has been identified that vehicles regularly park too close to some junctions in this area. We will be recommending that 7.5 metres of double yellow lines are installed on all junctions in the consultation area, irrespective of the outcome of the parking zone consultation. Double yellow lines will also be proposed at locations where parking is deemed unsafe.

Rule 243 of The Highway Code says:

“**DO NOT** stop or park:

- anywhere you would prevent access for Emergency Services;
- opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space;
- in front of an entrance to a property;
- on a bend”.

What is a parking zone?

Parking zones are used internationally as an effective way of prioritising kerb space in favour of certain types of road user or activity (e.g. residents or vehicles that are loading).

Locations that are safe to park are identified by marked bays. All other areas are restricted and are not available for parking; these are usually indicated by yellow lines.

During the operational times of a zone, parking bays can only be used by specific types of user (e.g. resident permit holders). Signs will clearly indicate who is permitted to park.

The use of a permit system means that priority can be given to resident parking, but others (e.g. commuters) can be excluded. This should help ease the pressure on street parking.

The council has the power to issue a penalty charge notice (a 'parking ticket') to motorists who don't follow the parking signs.

What are the advantages and disadvantages of a parking zone?



Advantages

- Prioritises space for local residents, businesses and their visitors.
- Prevents commuter parking
- Improves access for vehicles – especially emergency service and refuse vehicles
- Improves highway safety and reduces inconsiderate parking
- Enables 'permit-free' planning conditions to be placed upon future developments
- Reduces the dominance of parked cars on a street, enabling other use of that space



Disadvantages

- There are cost implications associated with the operation of a parking zone
- Displacement effect to nearby uncontrolled roads
- Those wanting to park must pay for a parking permit
- Street clutter (signs and lines)

What permits would I be entitled to?

The table below shows the costs for different types of permit issued by Southwark Council. These costs are the same for each zone within the borough.

Resident permit costs			
1 month	3 months	6 months	12 months
£15.74	£36.58	£67.83	£125
<p>Blue badge holders may purchase a 12 month resident permit at a discounted cost of £31.25 Motorcycle or moped permits may be purchased for a 12 month period discounted to £31.25 Hybrid and Electric vehicles can have a 12 month permit discounted to £31.25 <i>Discounts only apply to the annual permit</i></p>			
Business permit costs			
3 months	6 months	12 months	
£176	£352	£577.50	
Virtual visitor permits			
1x one hour stay	£1.50		
1x five hour stay	£2.50		
1x one day stay	£5		
10x one hour stay	£10		
10x five hour stay	£20		
10 x 1 day stay (1 st purchase during year)	£25		
10 x 1 day stay (2 nd & subsequent purchases)	£45		
<i>50% discount for blue badge holders</i>			
Home care workers	Professional health workers		
12 months	12 months		
£125	£125		
On-street pay parking			
£2.50 / hour (pay by phone)			

Permit costs correct at time of publication

For further information regarding parking permits in Southwark, please visit our website www.southwark.gov.uk/parkingpermits

Resident permits

If you live within the parking zone and your vehicle is registered to that address, you will be entitled to buy a resident parking permit.

Exceptions may apply if your property is a recent development and has a planning condition that limits parking permits.

The permit *does not* entitle you to park in a different parking zone.

Business permits

Businesses operating from an address within Southwark's parking zones may buy permits for vehicles that are essential to their business. They are not available if the vehicle is just used for commuting purposes.

Visitor permits

Residents can buy visitor permits for use by their family, friends or tradespersons. You can buy visitor permits even if you don't have a resident permit or a car.

Visitors will need a visitor permit to park in a residents' bay. If you do not want to buy visitor permits they will need to:

- park on your driveway or land;
- park in a pay by phone space; or
- visit outside of the operating times of the zone when parking is free.

Home care workers' permits

The home care workers' permit enables care staff working for approved home care organisations to park whilst visiting their clients.

The permits are issued to the organisation not to individuals within the organisation. It is the responsibility of the organisation to make the permit available to its home care workers. The permits can be transferred between the organisation's home care workers and their vehicles. Each organisation can hold up to five permits.

Professional health workers' permits

Professional health workers' permits are used by medical and health professionals when making home visits to patients.

The permit cannot be used by medical professionals as a convenient method of parking near their place of work.

Frequently asked questions

Will I have to buy a parking permit if my street becomes a parking zone?

Yes. As a resident or business in the area you will need to purchase either a resident or business permit to park during zone hours. Outside of zone hours you will not need a permit. Our permits are now 'virtual'.

What if I do not have a vehicle?

You **do not** need to purchase a resident or business permit.

If you have a visitor who wishes to park within a parking zone they will need a visitors permit for their entire stay, during the hours of the zone's operation. These must be purchased in advance.

If a parking zone is introduced, can everyone in the area buy a permit?

Restrictions on parking permits apply to some new developments where a planning condition exists. Please check with the planning department for any restrictions on parking before submitting a permit application.



I live on an estate; how does this affect me?

Housing estates will remain independent from a parking zone and would not be altered as a result of this consultation. Views of the residents still count in this consultation and residents would be entitled to buy an on-street permit.

What are virtual parking permits?

You apply for your permit online and it is issued to your vehicle immediately. They replace paper permits that had to be posted to you and then displayed in your windscreen.

How many permits would I be entitled to?

There is a limit of one resident permit per person to a maximum of three per household.

What if we don't have a parking problem in our street?

Tell us. We want everyone to respond to this consultation with their views because you know the area best. We will carefully analyse the results on a street-by-street basis and make recommendations accordingly.

It is important to consider that the introduction of parking controls in one street often results in displacement of parking into adjacent streets, as commuters and other motorists may move their cars somewhere else.

Consequently, we also ask those who are not in favour at the moment if they would change their mind if the adjacent street to them became part of a zone.

What days and hours would the parking zone operate?

This is an aspect of this consultation. The questionnaire asks what time you think controls should operate. The outcome of the consultation and results of the parking stress survey will help us make a final decision.

What is the difference between an all day and a part day zone?

All day parking zone (e.g. 8.30am to 6.30pm)

All day controls are successfully used in areas that have a high demand for parking throughout the course of the day and with pressure from a variety of sources. This includes streets that are close to town centres, leisure attractions and public transport hubs etc.



These zones give a high degree of priority for local residents, businesses and their visitors; reducing the negative effects of commuter parking. Of course, longer hours of operation also mean that residents and visitors who want to park on-street will need a permit or to pay for parking more frequently.

Part day parking zone (e.g. 12 noon to 2pm)

Part day controls are most successful in areas that have a sudden surge on demand for parking once a day, such as streets that are close to a commuter rail station. An example of this is the Herne Hill (HH) parking zone.



Outside of operational hours (i.e. most of the day) then parking is free and unrestricted. This can offer greater flexibility to residents and their visitors but it is also likely to result in higher pressure upon parking and with fewer available spaces. This is especially the case if the demand for parking isn't solely associated with rail station commuter parking.

Would shorter operating hours result in cheaper parking permits?

Shorter operating periods would not result in lower permit prices; although you might need fewer visitor permits per year which would save you money. The council takes the view that parking permits should be the same price in all zones within Southwark because the service that we provide (prioritising parking to certain groups) remains the same, irrespective of any operational details.

What if I am a disabled blue badge holder or have a disabled bay?

Blue badge holders can park free and without time limit in all shared use bays, pay and display bays and dedicated blue badge bays. They can also park on yellow lines for a maximum of three hours. Should a new parking zone be introduced, all existing disabled parking spaces will remain.

If you don't have a blue badge bay outside your home you are entitled to a 75% discount on a resident's parking permit.



Does Southwark set up parking zones in order to make money?



No. Parking zones are introduced as a tool to manage the finite supply of parking space on our road network.

We need to charge for parking permits to cover the operational costs of the zone. We maintain a ring-fenced parking account and publish full details of income and expenditure annually.

By law, any surplus on the parking account must be invested back into transport related improvements such as highway improvements, school crossing patrols, public realm improvements and safer car parks.

During our consultation residents often ask why their council tax doesn't cover the cost of parking permits. Council tax and vehicle excise duty help pay for services that are available to the entire population such as education, social services and road maintenance. Controlled parking schemes only affect a local area and are expensive to set up and run.

Parking stress in the area

Parking stress surveys show medium to very high stress levels in the area.

The full report showing the results of the weekday and weekend parking surveys can be found on our website and will be available to view at the exhibitions.

The story so far...

We have a thorough process which we follow when deciding whether to consult in an area about parking. The actions we undertook prior to sending this document to you are outlined below.

Action	Date
Area last consulted (no widespread support for a CPZ at this time)	2003
Requests, complaints or enquiries about parking pressure in an area that suggests a study is required	2013-2016
Consultation methods and boundary discussed with Peckham and Nunhead community council	June 2016
Informal consultation and public exhibition	January 2017

What happens after the consultation closes?

We will analyse all the responses on a street by street basis and report the draft findings and recommendations to the community council, which you are welcome to attend.

The council's policies support the introduction of parking zones but only where there is local support to do so.

The final report and any final design will be approved by the Cabinet Member for Environment and Public Realm in mid 2017.

Should a parking zone be approved, we will write to you to explain what happens next, but the stages are summarised below

Phase	Expected dates
Draft consultation findings and recommendations reported to community council	February 2017
Final report to Cabinet Member for Environment and Public Realm	Mid 2017
Statutory traffic order consultation	Summer 2017
Delivery and implementation of parking zone (subject to consultation results)	Autumn 2017

Further information

Further information about the project can be found online

www.southwark.gov.uk/parkingprojects

Telephone: 020 7525 2347

Email: parkingreview@southwark.gov.uk

Postal responses should be sent to the following address:

FREEPOST RSDT-BHXK-SCAJ
Highways Division
(Parking Design)
Floor 3, Hub 1
Southwark Council
PO BOX 64529
London, SE1P 5LX

Please note that we are not able to respond to all comments individually

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