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## **Start of Parking Restrictions**

THE BOROUGH OF WELWYN HATFIELD (VARIOUS ROADS, VARIOUS ROADS, HILLTOP, HATFIELD) (RESTRICTION OF WAITING AND PERMIT PARKING ZONES) ORDER 2022

THE BOROUGH OF WELWYN HATFIELD (VARIOUS ROADS, HILLTOP, HATFIELD) (PROHIBITION OF STOPPING AND WAITING ON VERGE OR FOOTWAY) ORDER 2022

This letter is to update you on the parking consultation and upcoming parking restrictions in your area.

The Cabinet Planning and Parking Panel (CPPP) met on 18 August 2022 and made a recommendation to proceed with the proposed restrictions albeit with amended hours of operation in light of objections received. All objections and comments were recorded and duly considered along with the Parking Services report. Further details regarding the meeting including the report presented and objection responses can be found at: **democracy.welhat.gov.uk**/ **ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=266&Mld=1499&Ver=4** 

We faced some initial delays to implement the restrictions due to requiring to tender the signage manufacture and installation as well as a newly identified structural requirement by County Council relating to placing signage on lamp-posts. The Traffic Regulation Orders have now been created and sealed to introduce permit zones, double yellow lines in the various roads within the Hilltop area as well as the Verge and Footway Prohibition Order.

The notice of making of Orders will be advertised in the Welwyn Hatfield Times on Wednesday 10th May 2023. The restrictions will come into effect on Monday 19th June 2023.

Signage and lining installation works will take place soon dependant on weather conditions. Some posts have recently been installed on highway land in preparation of placing the signage.

Please note, there will be a warning notice period of two weeks for vehicles parking in contravention of the resident parking restrictions, however, the warning period does not extend to the double yellow lines or verge and footway parking.

## Permit zones are as follows,

Zone B28 Mon to Fri 9am to 5pm

Bishops Rise (between The Downs and The Wades), Blackthorn Close, Broom Close, Filbert Close, Gorse Close, Hanover Walk, Hawthornes, Hazel Grove, Lane End, Newstead, Robins Way, Tudor Close, Willow Way, Herneshaw and Ryecroft.

Zone B29 Mon to Fri 9am to 5pm

Acacia Street, Cheviots, Chilterns, Cotswolds, Grove Lea, Northdown Road and Southdown Road (who also share parking with Almond Walk, Rowan Walk, Gean Walk and Scholars Walk), Southdown Court, The Downs, The Wades and Whitebeams.

## Zone B30 Mon to Fri 9am to 5pm

Dove Court, Finch Close, Heron Way, Kestrel Green, Lark Rise and Eagle Way (Including Linnet Walk, Magpie Walk), Martin Close, Minster Close, Raven Court, Swallow Gardens, Thrush Avenue and Falcon Close.

Please note, residents in roads outside of these zones will not be eligible to purchase resident permits or visitor vouchers as per the published eligible address list.

Double yellow lines and verge and footway prohibition will apply 24 hours a day 7 days a week.

Maps showing the extent of the new resident permit schemes and verge/footway prohibition Orders will be available to view online at: www.welhat.gov.uk/parking-consultations

The application process for permits will be open on 1st June 2023, please ensure you choose the start date on or after 19th June 2023 to ensure you do not lose time on your parking permit. To apply for a digital resident parking permit or paperless visitor vouchers please visit **welhat.nsl-apply.co.uk** 

You will need to create an account linked to an email address you can access for future permit renewal reminders, multiple applications for the same family household can be made through one account. HMO households we recommend each permit holder creates their own account to manage their permit. You will be asked to upload the correct proofs either as a scan or a digital photograph and upload onto the account. To get started, once you have logged into the permit account, you do not need to click any other details on the screen apart from clicking on "Apply for a permit", where the whole process will be covered from uploading proofs, registering vehicle details and the permit cost applicable.

Help to apply and further details including required proofs can be found at **www.welhat.gov.uk/parking-permits** 

A permit/visitor voucher is only required if the vehicle is parking on the highway during restricted hours. Parking in garages or on private driveways off the road will not be subject to the parking restrictions. Permits do not allow parking on yellow lines or verges/footways.

Permit Type Costs (As of April 2023) Resident Permit 1st Permit £40 per year \* Resident Permit 2nd Permit £65 per year Resident Permit 3rd or subsequent Permit £85 per year Motorcycle Permit £21 per year Visitor Vouchers (1 day vouchers) £20 for 20 day vouchers \*\* (limit of maximum 240 day vouchers in a 12 month period) Admin charge for cancellation or change of details £10 per change

- Residents who are a Blue Badge holder will be eligible for 100% discount on the 1st household permit only upon proof of valid blue badge.
- Residents in receipt of state pension may buy vouchers at a 50% concession rate with proof of state pension.

If you are unable to apply for a permit online, please call the Contact Centre on 01707 357000 for further information.

## **Review period**

3 months after the restrictions have started, we will have a feedback form available on our website **www.welhat.gov.uk**/ **parking-consultations** for residents to give further details on how the restrictions are performing and request any further required changes for us to consider in the roads listed. 6-8 months after introduction, we will review all comments made and consider any further remedial action.

Yours Sincerely,

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