



# *The Counties Residents' Association*

*Protecting the interests of the community*

## **Urgent Reminder**

A few weeks ago you were sent an invitation from the Council to provide feedback into their consultation regarding the Parking Changes in Wanstead (the fold out map).

Shortly after, the CRA distributed a copy of the Council's "residents" questionnaire which they decided you didn't need, together with our own newsletter and a more general one from WaSRA. We asked you to complete/return the questionnaire, or use the Council's website to do so online.

Many thanks to all those who have done so, but as a very high response rate is critical, we therefore remind all who have not yet done so to do so urgently

**the deadline is fast approaching (5th May 2017).**

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To complete the questionnaire online please visit:-

**[www.redbridge.gov.uk/parking/parking-changes](http://www.redbridge.gov.uk/parking/parking-changes)**

If you still have the paper copy we distributed, please complete it and send it to:-

**Parking Design, 12th Floor Front, Lynton House, 255-259 High Road, Ilford, Essex, IG1 1NY**  
Alternatively, drop it into 43 Leicester Road and we'll send it for you.

If you require another copy, you may download it from the link above, or contact Malcolm on 07976 247730 and we'll drop one into you shortly (a simple text with your road name and house number is preferred).

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If you don't want Pay and Display on the High Street and/or a Resident Parking Permit scheme for The Avenue, Grove Park and/or Grosvenor Road, you must tell the Council. **The current proposals will likely mean Counties Roads are flooded with commuters and every day will be like an Eton Manor festival.**

**Doing nothing is NOT an option!**  
**You must let the Council know your thoughts!!**  
**COMPLETE THE QUESTIONNAIRE!!!**

See over for suggested comment wording!

### **Example Wording for Question 15 of the Questionnaire**

(feel free to use these, or rephrase them to suit you own views)

- I am content with the current parking restrictions in Wanstead and do not want any changes.
- Resident parking schemes are supposed to be for roads without off-road parking so that residents can park near their homes. The Avenue and Grove Park have lots of off-road parking and do not need resident parking controls.
- Current parking on The Avenue and Grove Park does not cause a problem for its residents as they have driveways.
- My road has very few driveways and can't cope with any extra cars being displaced from The Avenue and Grove Park (where they park without causing a problem).
- The houses on my road have very small front gardens and are not able to have driveways installed. The extra cars parked on my road as a result of this scheme would make parking difficult for me.
- The current one hour restrictions on The Avenue and Grove Park prevent most commuters allowing shoppers to park during the day. I am very concerned that making these roads resident zones will damage the High Street.
- The current one hour restrictions deter most commuters, all other users are a benefit to the High Street and have the right to park on these roads - they should not be deterred or charged.
- I am concerned about the viability of the shops, restaurants and pubs on/near Nightingale Green and afraid they may close with pay and display parking controls outside.
- I do not accept the Council's belief that pay and display parking will displace enough cars from the High Street to cause a problem that justifies resident parking schemes everywhere.
- The High Street has space for about 50 cars which wouldn't cause much problem if displaced into side roads. The implementation of large residents scheme is therefore unjustifiable.
- Displacement from the High Street will be much lower than the Council believes and no residential scheme should be installed in the side roads unless displacement actually causes a problem - ie don't install everything in one go, install in stages only if problems occur and to allow quick changes.
- Installing parking controls (ie signposts, lines etc) all at once is expensive and wasteful if they then need to be removed. I suggest installation is done section by section - if needed at all!
- The extra parking that will be forced onto my road and those near me will increase the demand for converting front gardens into driveways. I am very concerned about the effect this would have on the flood risk in my area and the aesthetic damage to our Conservation Area.
- The map provided shows that the Council are thinking of just Pay and Display on the High Street. This seems a more sensible approach, the resident schemes aren't needed.
- I am concerned about the simple practicalities and subtle consequences of Pay and Display, such as going to the doctors, bank, hairdressers and shopping and the social activities these can lead to which make Wanstead an attractive place to live and visit.