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Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council (Off-Street Parking Places) Order 2023 No.2 Consultation on Proposed New Parking Charges for Bailey Bridge (East) and Bailey Bridge (West) car parks, Aylesford.

Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council (TMBC) are proposing to introduce parking charges in the above car parks and to also improve and extend the East car park to create an additional 15 to 30 Pay & Display and Season Ticket parking spaces, which will be available for all to use.

The proposed charges are.

Up to 30 minutes - 60p

Up to 1 hour - £1.20

Up to 2 hours - £2.00

Up to 3 hours - £2.90

Up to 4 hours - £3.80

Up to 23 consecutive hours £5.80

One month season ticket - £29.00

A 12-month season ticket - £290.00

As per its comments in 2020 Aylesford Parish Council still **Strongly Object** to the implementation of parking charges.

The majority of users are residents who have no choice but to park in the public car parks, they should not be penalised for wanting to live in a historic area where properties were built many years ago with no parking. For most residents there is no other parking option for them as there is very little on street parking provision in Aylesford Village due to its historic nature.

An annual payment of £290 for each vehicle is a lot of money especially with no guarantee of a parking space.

Residents naturally have visitors who will then have to pay to visit their friends and family.

Parents/Carers doing the school run will also be affected by this, as will people who work in the village with some having to question whether they can afford to pay the charges to come to work. Businesses will suffer either through loss of staff, who in the current climate may not be able to afford to continue working in the village or through a loss of people visiting.

Then there are tradesmen to consider who are carrying out work for residents and businesses. They will have to pay and of course with the recent reinstatement of the height barriers this already affects them being able to park as some workmen have large vans and/or ladders that now cannot fit underneath the height restrictions. Those that can fit underneath the restriction will then have to pay, many will not want to and will park possibly causing an obstruction in nearby roads.



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The Aylesford Village Community Centre may also be impacted by these charges as although hirers use the Parish Councils private car park, there will be times when they do need to use the public car parks due to large bookings/parties. People may stop using the community centre if there is the chance they will have to pay for parking.

The Parish Councils private car park is extremely busy at weekends due to the high use of the community centre. Aylesford Football Club is based on site too and the public car parks are fully utilised. Why should people attending these community activities be penalised.

What about people like the elderly who want to pop to the village shop to get their daily newspaper, or some milk etc. They won't do this if they must pay 60p to park they will go to Sainsburys where parking is free. The charges will have a negative impact on the village shop.

If TMBC are minded to implement the charges people will look elsewhere for parking, namely on-street parking up Forstal Road and/or on the surrounding residential roads which as already stated is very limited, which will cause issues for residents not to mention congestion due to inconsiderate parking in the immediate areas.

In 2020 the Parish Council suggested that if the Borough Council chose to implement the charges then there should be no charge for the first half an hour, to enable people to pop into the village quickly i.e., to buy their newspaper.

The Parish Council also suggested that due to the high number of community/social activities taking place at weekends, free parking should be provided in order to offer some support.

However, there does not seem to be any reference to this in the current consultation and the Parish Council questions why these are not included within the consultation proposals?

The two public car parks are used very differently from most others round the Borough due to them being in a historic area, and the amount of community/social events that take place in the village and for this reason the Parish Council feels they should be treated differently.

The Parish Council hopes that common sense will prevail and Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council refuse the implementation of these car parking charges as the introduction of such charges will be detrimental to the village, its residents and visitors.

Aylesford Parish Council

From: [Nicola](#)
To: [Andy Bracey](#)
Cc: [Committee Services](#)
Subject: RE: On and off-street parking restrictions - Changes to parking restrictions in the Borough of Tonbridge & Malling
Date: 03 January 2024 09:39:47

Good Morning

Ditton Parish Council has considered the proposed charges for off street parking and Members were concerned the effect charging for parking in Larkfield, Martin Square and Aylesford, Baily Bridge, would have on local residents and businesses.

Therefore the Council has asked me to respond advising that this council objects to introducing charges for car parking at these two locations as it will have a negative effect on the doctors surgery, the chemist and library along with other local businesses. It will likely lead to local people avoiding the local business and instead using larger out of area large business that offer free parking. It will also lead to increased parking on nearby residential streets so will have a wider impact of congesting local roads which are also a bus route.

Regards

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From: Committee Services <committee.services@tmbc.gov.uk>
Sent: 23 November 2023 09:48
Cc: Andy Bracey <Andy.Bracey@tmbc.gov.uk>
Subject: On and off-street parking restrictions - Changes to parking restrictions in the Borough of Tonbridge & Malling

For the attention of TMBC Members, Parish Council Clerks and KCC Members for Tonbridge and Malling

Sent on behalf of Andy Bracey, Parking Manager, Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council

Dear Councillors

On and off-street parking restrictions

Changes to parking restrictions in the Borough of Tonbridge & Malling.

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If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

Andy Bracey FIHE
Parking Manager
Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council

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**THE TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL
(OFF-STREET PARKING PLACES)
ORDER 2023 No. 2**

The Parish Council **OBJECTS STRONGLY** to the proposal to introduce parking charges for the Martin Square Car Park in Larkfield,

In making this objection account has been taken of the reports to the Community and Environment Select Committee of 21st September and Cabinet of 3rd October, 2023.

It is noted the scale of charges proposed is estimated to bring into the Borough Council an annual income of £31,919. No figure is given in the reports as to the costs attributable to this car park. At the meeting with Traders the Council Leader mentioned the business rates payable which we understand are £4,690.00 for 2024/25 (Provisional)

It is also noted the scale of charges previously proposed in 2020 put forward a much cheaper scale starting at 20p for the first 30mins compared with 60p now suggested. Also the Public Notice said the charges would apply from 8am to 6pm with it being free at all other times including public holidays. Now it is proposed charges will apply at all times including Sundays.

Background.

In objecting to any charges being imposed the Parish Council consider it is important to stress the car park was constructed by the former Malling RDC as an integral part of the provision of council houses under a planning permission date 18th March 1964. It was clearly to serve the shops the council built and owned plus the flats above. It is understood this was under Housing powers. Apart from Twisden Road, East Malling all the other car parks in the Malling area were provided as free standing ones.

Since they were opened the shops and flats continued to be owned by the Malling RDC till 1974. It leased the shops and collected the rents for the flats. After the Housing Transfer TMBC continued to lease the shops and receive the rents owning the freehold. The shops are an asset of the Borough Council and the car park's existence and on a free of charge basis must influence the capital value and the rents obtained.

Issues Arising from Borough Reports to Councillors.

In the report of 21st September at pages 3 and 4 some specific information is given which merits some comment as follows;

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- a. "There are resident vehicles that park in the car park overnight."

Although though no numbers or back up for this statement is given, residents from the flats do park there as they have nowhere else to go. It is understood they should not park in the rear area behind the shops.

- b. "A significant number of cars park all day belonging to the staff of nearby business".

Again it is correct some parking takes place by the staff who work in the shops the borough council lease. They too have nowhere else to go. This includes the staff who are volunteers of the charity shop and the Leisure Trust.

- c. "There is unrestricted on street parking availability nearby on Kingfisher Road"

This not entirely correct. There are double yellow lines along Kingfisher Road from the junction of New Hythe Lane to Magpie Close. Beyond that there are no yellow lines along Kingfisher Road but it is heavily used by parked vehicles belonging to the residents of the terraced former council houses built by Malling RDC as part of the development they undertook. The route is a bus route and more parking would be most detrimental as would introducing yellow lines

Adverse Likely Effects of Charging.

Apart from the effect on the businesses operated in the shops, café, takeaways, and offices the Parish Council considers the following problems would arise:

1. Parking on the Grass Amenity Area next to the Parish Councils Public Toilets. This grass area with its protected trees was laid out by the old RDC as part of the landscaping of the Square. The trees were planted as semi mature. We fear vehicles would park on it to avoid charges as happened when the former Old Persons Home was redeveloped and the borough was unable to prevent it.
2. Rear Access to Shops. Similarly, vehicles may start to park in these areas and the access points and also block the garages.
3. Magpie Close. There is a small concrete parking area for the bungalows which would come under pressure.
4. KCC Library. This is not mentioned in the borough reports but it has a small car park for users. It too could come under pressure.
5. School Pick Up and Drop off. The car park is used which eases the situation outside the schools in Swallow Road. Parking charges would disrupt this practice and transfer problems to other residential roads in the vicinity of the school.
6. Hospice Shop. Will volunteers who come by car be willing to continue if they have to pay to park and will it make it harder for volunteers to be found.
7. Effect on Kingfisher Road. As mentioned if vehicles migrate here it will make the route more congested and more difficult for the buses. Introducing yellow lines would make it difficult for the residents who have nowhere else to park.

Martin Square Traders.

We support the traders who are concerned charges will affect their businesses. This is particularly in respect of customers who are buying say a newspaper or takeaway who would have to pay the charges for a single purchase. They may go elsewhere. We will leave the Traders to put forward their own cases though but the Borough Council should remember they are their tenants.

As to customers going elsewhere to park free this would be at Morrisons (2hrs); Tesco (3 hours) and Lidl (90 minutes) so supermarkets could benefit at the cost of the traders.

It is relevant to record here the Borough recently leased to the butcher who was apparently not told of the possibility of charges even though they had been considered in 2020 and who indicated he may have had second thoughts if he had known.

It is also relevant to record “The Hengist” in Aylesford has closed with a statement saying among other reasons that “with new restrictions in the once free car park looking to be put in place soon it will make it even harder to attract people to the village”. This could equally apply to Martin Square (Kent Online).

Larkfield Health Centre.

This is an important local facility and it is feared some patients may suffer from charges. The car parking is limited. The present premises replaced a Clinic and house. When permission was granted under TM/02/01655 the Area 3 Report specifically mentions “the other parking close by”. Clearly the existence of the car park was an element in granting permission and that has proved to be the case.

Issues Arising from Planning Decisions

Our continuing research would also seem to show in some cases changes to the uses of the shops have involved meeting car parking conditions by relying on the existence of the public car park.

Times of New Parking Charges Proposed

The Parish Council is aware there is an issue that the public notice of 24th November 2023 for “New Parking Charges” does not give the days and times that they would apply. Part 4 headed “Changes to car park charging periods” only lists changes at existing car parks where is already a charge.

Conclusion

The Parish Council considers the imposition of car parking charges would be detrimental to the Martin Square Local Centre and would have unacceptable for traffic management in the surrounding areas.

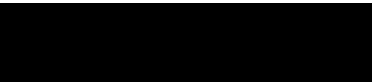
From: [Karen Bell](#)
To: [Andy Bracey](#)
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL SENDER]On and off-street parking restrictions - Changes to parking restrictions in the Borough of Tonbridge & Malling
Date: 05 January 2024 09:51:59

Dear Andy

Further to my email below, the councils Planning and Transport Committee met yesterday and on the same basis as our objections to the changes to the on and off-street parking restrictions proposed for West Malling decided that Kings Hill Parish Council would also object to the proposals for Ditton and Larkfield.

I would be grateful if the councils' additional comments can be considered.

Kind regards



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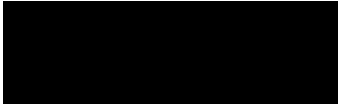
Kings Hill Parish Council has considered the proposed changes to the on and off-street parking restrictions and the changes to parking restrictions with the borough of T & M.

Please be advised that Kings Hill Parish Council objects to the proposals on the grounds that the retail and

services in West Malling provide a main amenity centre for Kings Hill resident and any impact upon them will adversely affect the residents of Kings Hill.

I would be grateful if these comments could be considered in the future consideration of this issue.

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6th January 2024

West Malling Parish Council response to TMBC Parking Consultation January 2024

Councillor Matt Boughton confirmed at a Chamber of Commerce meeting that TMBC needs to raise an additional £50k of annual revenue in our area. West Malling Parish Council prides itself on being open and constructive in our dealings with the Borough and will assist, where possible, with achieving this while requesting that the concerns and views of our residents, business owners and visitors to our town are given due consideration.

As a means of raising additional income, the Council would suggest that TMBC only increases the parking charges in the car park behind Tesco with a view to seeing how much additional income this would generate. Not only would this produce an immediate source of additional income, but there would be savings from the considerable infrastructure costs needed for the other proposals within these consultations. There would also be the cost saving of not needing to employ additional traffic wardens to monitor the proposed new designated areas.

Introduction of off-street parking charges – Ryarsh Lane car park

West Malling Parish Council is **strongly against** the introduction of any parking charges for the Ryarsh Lane car park other than the present business permits. We also do not wish to see the extension of parking charges to 8pm. This will have a serious impact on all the side roads where the parking restrictions end at 6pm. Residents returning from work, or from an evening out will be unable to find anywhere to park. It will also impact on all the early cafe, pub and restaurant trade pushing people to make later bookings and increase noise and disturbance into the night or to find alternative locations where parking is easier.

This car park is also essential for the thriving monthly Farmers Market which has an excellent reputation. The free car park is used by both stall holders and market goers and because it is free on Sundays draws in visitors from all around the area. Should these parking charges be introduced then we could see the number of stall holders and visitors reduce and the market close.

Nearby allotment holders are also regular users of the car park dropping off heavy bags and equipment.

The consultation document does not make it clear whether residents of Ryarsh Lane, with parking permits, will be covered for 24/7 parking. This section of the consultation document does not open properly on some devices.

Introduction of on-street parking charges – West Malling High Street and Swan Street

The Council is **strongly opposed** to the introduction of charges for these areas.

The Parish Council believes that there is only a small number of cars that park in the High Street and Swan Street one-hour bays for longer than is permitted. We agree that this is a concern and would like to work with the Borough to alleviate this.

Local businesses, shops, pubs, restaurants, cafes, West Malling CE Primary School, and St Mary's Church will all be affected in different ways, a business may have fewer clients, shops lose footfall, people may spend less in pubs and eateries. The longer-term knock-on effect could be profound. For example, fewer users of Tesco supermarket may mean that they withdraw from the town. This would lead to a complete downgrading of the town's viability and a reduction in the chargeable business rates.

The environmental impact of these changes cannot be overstated. Residents use the 1-hour free parking in the High Street to shop in Tesco. Shopping is heavy and awkward to carry. If they must pay for their hour then they will drive to Lunsford Park, Larkfield where parking is free, or to Kings Hill. This will have an environmental impact on the borough and increase poor air quality. TMBC should be encouraging people to shop as locally as possible, and this was particularly necessary during Covid. The first free hour is also essential for people visiting both the church, and churchyard, throughout the week and school drop off and pick up times. We ask that if charges are introduced then it is important that the 1 hour free remains.

We ask that TMBC take into consideration that West Malling is within a Conservation Area and that any alterations to the town need to be carefully considered. The introduction of numerous paying machines & information display signs around the town will detract significantly from the historic attributes that currently make West Malling an attractive place to live and visit. We also ask that TMBC take into consideration previous work undertaken to de-clutter the High Street so as to create an inviting area for residents and visitors alike; WMPC have previously agreed with TMBC a Design Statement to ensure only high quality coordinated street furniture is installed.

Both TMBC and West Malling Parish Council have a duty to consider all changes and how they will affect disabled, less well-off, older visitors and residents. Anything that restricts people with mobility issues (not just blue badge holders) from getting from A to B is detrimental to their wellbeing. Getting from your car and finding a machine can be no straight forward task. The ability to use the parking app particularly in an area which is renowned for poor mobile reception is a serious concern. We stress, for ease of use, that should the Pay & Display machines be introduced then they must be able to take cash and debit cards. The increased cost of an outing is a huge disincentive for those who struggle economically. For those disadvantaged, these worries lead to a loss of confidence and living a more restricted life. It is known that this can have a dramatic effect on people's mental health.

Visitors to the town are needed to keep West Malling as the vibrant and attractive place it is to shop and enjoy hospitality. West Malling should be welcoming and accessible to all ... regardless of their means. Mary Portas said, 'town halls ignore at their peril the risk of driving trade out of the high street to shopping malls ...' also stressing that parking charges risk undermining the vitality of the high street.

Alteration to the loading bay outside Tesco, West Malling

West Malling Parish Council agrees with this part of the proposal as it agrees that the current parking arrangement can present danger to road users. We ask TMBC to be mindful of the loss of parking bays this would cause. The Council believes that this is another reason that the one-hour free parking remains for the rest of the High Street and Swan Street.

Increase to on-street parking charges

Residents parking permits - West Malling Parish Council agrees with this part of the proposal.

Residents parking permits, non-UK registered vehicle - West Malling Parish Council agrees with this part of the proposal.

Visitor 24-hour vouchers - West Malling Parish Council agrees with this part of the proposal.

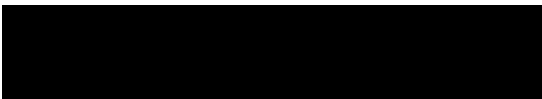
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Business parking permit - We would ask TMBC to investigate making this more equitable and efficient. Presently there are far too many spaces not being used.

In conclusion we are asking TMBC to take a holistic look at the impact of these proposals and not just the impact to parking, but on the fabric of the town and the lives of the people who live and visit here. We agree with the sentiment of the present Government's Levelling up strategy ...**creating opportunities for everyone across the UK by improving jobs, pay and living standards, making streets safer, protecting health, and wellbeing & investing in high streets and town centres.**

The Parish Council would welcome a meeting with TMBC to work towards achieving the Borough's goals. We are both concerned and perplexed by the confusing consultation documentation on TMBC's website. Residents are understandably annoyed and upset by the seemingly, if unintended, lack of clarity and are left with a belief that their views are not genuinely sought. Working together, both TMBC and West Malling would be stronger and better placed for having a healthy and prosperous future.

Yours faithfully,



Claire Christmas
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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Consultations](#)
Subject: Extension to Tonbridge – Upper Castle Field car park
Date: 24 November 2023 11:37:27

To whom it may concern:

Thank you for this opportunity to respond to the proposed extension to the Upper Castle Field Car Park. I would like to express my strong objection to the proposal. It's an absolutely awful idea and will change forever and for the worst the character of a key part of the Slade conservation* area. To compound matters, the total number of days and total amount of time when these extra spaces are needed is completely outweighed by the amount of time during which the area that will be lost is used, by residents and visitors to the area alike. The green space that is to be lost offers a place through which the former are likely to walk almost every day, on their way to or from work, when walking to or returning from the shops, when walking their dogs or using as a pleasant place in which to sit and read, or contemplate the castle, or to play with their young children or grandchildren, or to simply be at peace in a beautiful setting. The latter too are likely to enjoy similar advantages afforded by the space that the council is threatening to efface from existence. Many people, including myself, will have picnicked there or played with their children on the swings or played cricket or football or catch with them or, when walking along the path with their children years later, reminisced about those past events. It is an oasis of beauty in the heart of Tonbridge. All of that will be lost if the proposed extension goes ahead.

It is a joyous place through which parents and their children pass on their way to the Slade School on a weekday morning and on picking up their children in the afternoon. Parents spend time there after school chatting whilst their children run around on the grass or play on the swings. All of this will be lost. Walking to the castle on the way into town will mean walking through an ugly car park (at best) or walking along the Slade and then having to cross at the most treacherous point opposite the entrance to the car park. Do not underestimate the number of people who this will affect. If they make this trip twice a day for 5 days a week for work or shopping, then multiply that number, 10, by (say) 50 weeks. Multiply the same number by the number of people making the trip. This is an indication how many daily experiences in people's lives will be affected. Then consider the elderly residents of the homes adjacent to Castle Fields, who will see the green space they look out onto from their homes disappear, and who will find instead cars with their exhaust fumes and noise along with the noise of the people using those cars - now yards from their windows.

In a period when global warming is the most serious issue facing mankind - literally an existential one, and where cars are one of the biggest contributors to environmental pollution, it is shocking that a proposal that takes away green space and actively welcomes the use of motor vehicles is being proposed.

A local council generates income to fund the services it provides. The services it provides are to ameliorate the lives of its residents. This will unquestionably ruin in some form the lives of every resident of the Slade, of every parent who uses the field impacted by this proposal or the path that runs through it, of every person who regularly uses the existing car park to visit the car park or uses the swimming pool and enjoys before and after doing so, perhaps even not consciously, the aesthetic qualities of the green space. And for what benefit will the eradication of all of these attributes by the council be made? For the benefit of a few car drivers who could either visit the area by train or bus or, if they use their car, might park further afield and walk from there to the Castle. The council could easily find

an alternative to this proposal: why not provide electric buses from car parks further away or encourage people to walk? Longmead is only a 15 minute walk from the Slade. If the counter argument is that this would impact on the elderly or people with disabilities, why not set aside on targeted days an increased number of parking spaces in the current provision, for such people? Those drivers and their passengers who are relatively fit would be benefit from the slightly extended walk or would enjoy the short bus ride.

Make no mistake: this proposal, if it were to go ahead would, instantly ruin the character of the Slade, irrevocably. I completely object to it and it should be rejected out of hand and alternative ideas solicited and considered - perhaps drawing on the fecund and brilliant imagination of the residents of Tonbridge and Malling.

Kind Regards,



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Andy Bracey

From: Parking Consultations
Subject: FW: Tonbridge off-street parking consultation 2023 concerns to be raised

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 3, 2024 11:27 AM
To: Matt Boughton [REDACTED]
Subject: Tonbridge off-street parking consultation 2023 concerns to be raised

Dear Councillor Matt Boughton,

I hope this email finds you well. I am writing to discuss my concerns over the plans to extend car park charging in Tonbridge till 8pm and also include charging on Sundays and Bank Holidays.

There are two points I would like to raise. First around gym members of the council run Angel Centre and secondly about the statement of reasons.

Angel Centre Gym Tonbridge

I am an active member of the Angel Centre gym where I regularly attend 3-4 times a week after work. This means I mostly attend classes or the gym around 18:00. I also normally go on a Sunday as I can go at anytime within gym opening times as parking is free. I choose my times wisely as I am the sole provider for my family and need to look after my health and expenses where best possible.

With this proposed increase to the charging times this potentially could increase my current membership of £47 per month to £80.60 (How I got to this approx. figure using Ringo app that I have to hand for 2 hours of parking (a class is 50-60 minutes long so 1 hour would not be long enough for parking) at £2.80 x 3 times a week x 4 weeks a month added to my current £47 per month membership)

I am aware that there is a proposed plan to build a new gym facility as the current one is no longer fit for purpose and is currently operating at a loss - this is taken from this link on plans to refurbish or replace the gym [Leisure centre to be refurbished or replaced – Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council \(tmbc.gov.uk\)](https://www.tmbc.gov.uk) From reading the article that the gym is already operating at a loss I feel that this extended parking charges will only increase this loss as members would go to other gyms that offer either free parking or cheaper monthly fees.

I have built up a support community of local angel centre gym members who regularly attend gym classes or the gym every week to help encourage each other to maintain a healthy lifestyle and support the community by going to the council run gym not a corporate competitor. It would be a loss to myself and Tonbridge to break up these individual communities that people have built from going to this gym.

I believe a way to support gym members if the hours must be extended, would be to provide a parking pass for evening gym access after 6pm. This way gym members will still pay to park before 6pm as we do today but helps cover the extension. However, I feel that parking changes on Sundays and Bank holiday will further reduce the foot traffic to Tonbridge in general which is already a struggling town centre.

I do strongly suggest this is taken into consideration for this proposal.

Statement of reasons

Part 4 – Changes to car park charging periods

The Council's current parking charges are in place Monday – Saturday, 8am – 6pm, with free parking from 6pm, overnight, Sundays and Bank Holidays (though there are exceptions to this such as Haysden Country Park and West Malling High street car park).

The basis for this has been historic, based on traditional "office hours" and the opening times of local shops. However, retail opening times have changed significantly – many shops are open later and some (large retail supermarkets) are open 24 hours. There is also significant demand for parking on Sundays – not driven by free parking, but by the opportunity to carry out tasks, participate in leisure activities and attend events on what is for most a non-working day. This is particularly an issue in the car parks serving the castle, the swimming pool and sportsground in Tonbridge where it can be extremely difficult to find a parking space on a Sunday for leisure activities.

To this end, the Council is proposing the extension of its off-street car parking periods, to apply until 8pm (save in the West Malling High Street car park and

I have also done some very high level investigation over the statement of reasons for this proposed change around that shops opening hours are longer. I have found that the majority of shops opening hours, that they have advertised on the internet, only run till 6pm or earlier. Some examples I looked at were Boots, WHSmiths, Costa, Starbucks, Halifax, Santander, Holland and Barret and various charity shops.

The main shops that operate later would be Sainsbury, Angel Centre Gym and restaurants. From this high level look into opening times this does not seem to match up with the statement of reasons.

Can further detailed reasonings be provided along with a list of shops open up till 6pm and shops open past 6pm organised by importance of need for example Boots would be a vital shop to enable people to get prescriptions. Whereas a restaurant is more a commercial benefit over supporting the community.

I do hope my comments and concerns can be taken into consideration as areas I'm not sure have been fully researched into. I can fully understand why prices go up to park due to rising costs to operate but I just cannot see how extending hours and charging on Sundays and Bank holidays will support shops, community and the people of Tonbridge and surrounding areas.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards



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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Consultations](#)
Subject: The Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council (Off-Street Parking Places) ORDER 2023 No.2
Date: 06 January 2024 09:22:30

Dear Ms Beilby,

My name is [REDACTED] and I am the Pastor at Hillsong Church Kent on Medway Wharf Road in Tonbridge. Firstly I'd like to say thank you for the work that you and your team do, thank you also for welcoming comments and suggestions regarding the proposals affecting Council car parks in Tonbridge town centre.

Having carefully read the proposals and also the factors that have prompted them I understand the explanation given and the need for meeting the rising cost of operating the car parks.

At Hillsong Church Kent we have a congregation that is based not only in Tonbridge, Tunbridge Wells and Sevenoaks but also a considerable amount of people who travel from Maidstone and the Medway towns. We currently have two services on a Sunday as well as various midweek activities and meetings, for example a Youth group that runs on Friday evenings. At our Sunday services we regularly have on average over 600 people coming to Church and in order to be considerate neighbours and a caring presence in our community we give clear instruction for people to park in the Council car parks (Particularly the Sovereign Way and Botany car parks). As the parking is currently free on a Sunday and Tonbridge has many amazing spaces for recreation and eating out we have seen that when people come to the town centre for Church they frequently then visit the high street for food and shopping as well as the monthly Farmers Market too. We love being part of the Tonbridge community and seeing that also on weekends there are often community events, such as the Dragon Boat race and food festivals which our congregation frequently both attend and support once Church has finished on a Sunday morning.

We understand the need set out in the Council's proposals for extra revenue and parking spaces in the town and we would like to suggest that on Sundays and Bank Holidays that there could be either a reduced rate for parking or fixed charge for the day (for example £2). This would generate extra income from the car parks that are used by our congregation and also encourage people to stay in Tonbridge after the morning services so they can eat lunch on the high street, visit one of the parks and support community events like the Farmer's Market and Castlemas.

We strongly feel that if parking is charged by the hour at the proposed rates then people would likely leave the area once Church has finished and indeed they may have to make the decision to attend Church with less frequency due to the financial pressures that many in our community are facing.

I'd like to thank you for taking the time to read through our suggestions and would welcome being part of any further discussion. My contact number is 07557 512493 and I would be happy to talk further and answer any questions you may have regarding this matter or any other concerning Hillsong Church Kent.

Yours Sincerely

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Off-Street Parking Consultation 2023

I am writing in response to the above consultation specifically with regard to the proposals to introduce car parking charges at Martin Square, Larkfield and the Bailey Bridge car parks in Aylesford, which are both within my constituency.

I appreciate these are contentious proposals which will clearly impact a number of residents and businesses in my constituency and I have surveyed and met in person many of those affected to understand their views and concerns. In both cases, residents and businesses are overwhelmingly opposed to the introduction of car parking charges at these sites and I will set out the key reasons why below:

Martin Square, Larkfield

This car park is predominantly used by those visiting the local shops situated on the parade or Thornhills Medical Practice. There are also those who live in Martin Square who would be adversely impacted by the introduction of charges.

Many of the businesses I have spoken to have significant concerns about how the introduction of charges will negatively impact on their trade given they are likely to deter their customers from visiting Martin Square. This follows a particularly difficult few years for these businesses with the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent financial pressures for households and businesses. A high proportion are small and independently-run who have operated on Martin Square for a number of years having built up a loyal, and local, customer base. Included within this group are a new butchers, who like other butchers struggle to compete against the supermarkets, and a Heart of Kent Hospice Charity shop who fear that they will lose volunteers as well as donations. Standing in the queue myself for the pharmacy, customers were openly talking about switching pharmacies because of the charges, threatening its future provision. I therefore understand their concerns that the charges will lead to a loss of trade and of course the impact they will have on employees of the businesses who also use the car park. Furthermore, businesses I spoke to explain that there is no significant problem with the flow in the car park, and most importantly no evidence has been given to prove there is an issue so consider it a blatant and brazen money raising exercise.

Equally worrying is that the car park is also regularly used by staff and patients of Thornhills Medical Practice. The facility provides a range of services to constituents across my constituency and I am concerned that those accessing these vital health services, including pregnant women, minor surgery and the elderly with a limited income, will be charged to park while doing so.

Bailey Bridge, Aylesford

The Bailey Bridge car parks are predominantly used by residents locally who do not have any dedicated on or off-street parking. There are a number of small shops and licensed premises, in addition to a primary school, whose customers and staff will also use these car parks.

Having surveyed and spoken to many who would be affected, they are opposed to the charges and do not understand how a residents' permit would work in practice. They have explained that firstly the cost of the yearly permit at £290 is too high, especially given that there is no guarantee of a car parking space at the end of the day. While there is a consensus to tackle parking pressures in the local area, it is the widely-held view of those using the car park that the proposed scheme unfairly penalises those living nearby without access to on or off-street parking.

As with Martin Square, the car park does also allow customers to visit local shops in addition to pubs. The introduction of a charge will potentially deter customers from visiting and again, impact on the staff of those small, independent businesses who use the car park on a regular basis.

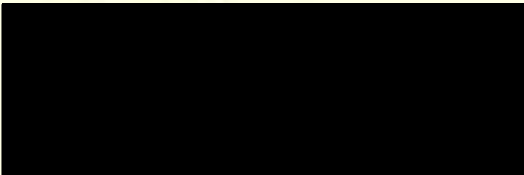
The Bailey Bridge car parks are also well used by teachers, staff and parents of pupils attending St Peters Church of England Primary School. Parents could incur daily charges when dropping off and collecting their child, or potentially increase parking on streets nearer the school which will of course lead to complaints from those living nearby of inconsiderate parking and road safety issues. I am also aware the school has concerns about the impact on its teachers and staff. Even in the event the school can reach an arrangement with the Council on bulk purchasing tickets during term time, this would still represent a considerable sum of money for those affected.

Finally, the Football Club and Community Centre will also be affected by the charges. While it is true that the Community Centre has its own parking, there is often more demand than spaces so the Bailey Bridge car parks act as an overflow. The volunteer Community Centre team work hard to ensure that it can pay for itself and this acts as a direct threat to its income. Furthermore, while the Football Club may bring additional pressure into the car parks at certain times of the week, the charges will merely add to parking pressures elsewhere in the village or along Forstal Road where it can be particularly treacherous.

In conclusion, in Larkfield there is a view that there is no proof of the Council's view on the flow of the car park and that this is simply a money grabbing exercise, pushed by other Councillors based elsewhere in the Borough, with no thought to the impact on local businesses and residents. In Aylesford, there is an acceptance that there are pressures on car parking but these proposals are not the solution, particularly when there is no guarantee of a space when residents are paying £290 per annum to park. The Bailey Bridge car parks are being seen as similar to those car parks elsewhere in the Borough rather than residential spaces for a medieval village that has expanded over time.

I would strongly urge the Council to reconsider these ill thought through proposals.

Yours sincerely

A large black rectangular redaction box covering the signature of Tracey Crouch.

TRACEY CROUCH CBE MP

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Consultations](#)
Subject: Parking Consultation
Date: 06 January 2024 09:05:51

Dear Sir/Madam

As Minister of West Malling Baptist Church, I just wanted to write a note sharing my strong concerns and opposition to the parking charge proposals which impact Saturdays and Sundays in West Malling.

As a Church in this community, we bring together approximately 80 people of all ages to Worship on a Sunday which significantly provides a place of connection and fellowship. Some are elderly and struggle with mobility and accessibility and so arriving at Church in Swan Street is valuable but not easy. Additional parking charges will have not only a financial impact on them but a social one too.

We have folk who come to us who are really struggling with the cost of living crisis. We support them with money budgeting courses and life skills courses. We have a hugely important midweek Coffee Morning which is a vital community event. We house a Men's retirement group. These are not insignificant events that take place and will be negatively impacted by these proposed changes.

We are making, I believe, a significant contribution to community life within this borough to those vulnerable and on the margins. These proposals in my opinion will make life harder for those who attend. It could have an isolating effect.

I believe we are not the only faith community in West Malling who would equally be impacted by these proposals. The presence of Churches in West Malling draws people into the Town which is good for the businesses too. There are 'knock on' effects.

One thing that COVID taught us was the importance of community. Community was stripped away through safety measures and social distancing. People suffered through isolation and most prominently the vulnerable and those on the margins. After restrictions were lifted people were looking for that community which had been stripped from them. We have seen an increase of people coming to West Malling Baptist Church. I believe that is in part because of the community, friendship and belonging it provides. My point is, why as a Borough Council would you take a step that negatively impacts and could have a stripping back effect on community once again? I believe part of your role is to build community not to chip away at it.

If I can assist, as a community Leader, in any way please do let me know.

Many thanks,
God bless

[REDACTED]
Minister of West Malling Baptist Church
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Secretary
Janice Webb
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3rd January 2024

RE: Parking Consultation

I am writing on behalf of the Trustees of West Malling Baptist Church in regard to the proposal to extend car park charging in West Malling and introduce meter charging on the High St and Swan St.

Although we are not a business, as a local church we do serve the community through the week and at the weekend. Here is a typical week:

Monday: Popin - free warm space in the day time

Wednesday: Charity Coffee Morning - free

CAP money courses in the evening for anyone struggling with finances or on the verge of being in debt or cost of living - free

Table Tennis

Thursday: Morning and evening gatherings for the church

Saturday: Messy Church for families

Sunday: Morning Worship

It might come as a surprise how much we do as a church through the week to support the lonely, families, elderly, etc. These events are for the community and provide a much needed place for folk to meet and socialise. We make no charge for the services we provide and are run by volunteers who either walk in or park in West Malling. The impact of increasing days on parking charges would be detrimental to the many volunteers who give at least 4 hours to run each of these gatherings. Our church does not have a car park so our volunteers already use the car parks in the daytime, but we are concerned that taking away free parking in the evening, on a Sunday and bank Holidays will have a very negative effect.

As the bus service is now so poor, volunteers and our Sunday congregation (75% living outside of West Malling) are given no choice but to travel to their local Baptist Church by car. Typically on a Sunday morning we have church members arriving from 9.30am to prepare the church etc. ready for 10.45am service. Because we believe fellowship is so important we provide refreshment after the service and therefore this may mean, on a typical Sunday, parking from 9.30am to 12.45pm (3 half hrs) and the shortest time being 10.15am (2 half hrs) through to 12.45pm. We also hold shared lunches following the service which again would extend that time and these would have to stop

should the proposals go through.

As part of Church Together in Malling we support united afternoon services and the West Malling Good Friday procession. Again these occasions would be penalised by charging on a Sunday and Bank Holiday. This event is supported by 150 to 200 local Christians from our surrounding churches and would probably be impacted by charging on Sunday's and Bank Holidays.

The impact of introducing meter charges on Swan St will make it more difficult for those who may have a blue badge, and as a church we obviously have funeral and wedding services from time to time. Would this mean the funeral hearse and wedding cars being charged for parking outside the church during the service?

We would ask that car parking charges remain as they are and in particular not to introduce charges for Sunday and Bank Holidays as a matter of respecting those coming into West Malling, so that they may freely gather for Sunday Worship without the distraction and worry of having to walk out of a service because their car parking time has expired.

Yours sincerely



Church Secretary and Trustee

West Malling Baptist Church

From: [Head Teacher](#)
To: [Parking Consultations](#)
Subject: Objection to TMBC parking charges in West Malling
Date: 07 January 2024 20:34:29

I am the Headteacher of West Malling CE Primary School and The McGinty Speech and Language SRP and am writing on behalf of the school to formally object to the proposed parking charges in the High Street and Swan Street.

From a school perspective I am very concerned about the impact charges on the High Street will have on the amount of parking in local residential roads. Parents park on the High Street at both ends of the school day to either walk the short distance to the school, or drop their children off for the Walking Bus scheme. The inability to do this will force parents to try to find parking on West Street, Offham Road and Norman Road. This will cause huge disruption to the school's neighbours and has the potential to cause access issues to residents' properties if parents park inconsiderately. The small amount of free parking available immediately outside the school next to the Old Cricket Ground will become even more congested than it already is. This area should provide a convenient place for parents to park at both ends of the school day, but is already congested and this congestion will only become worse under the planned changes.

From a wider perspective I am also concerned at the impact of the planned charging regime on the local business community. These businesses have had to survive the negative impact of the COVID pandemic and are reliant on local and passing trade. The High Street is a traditional English High Street, full of independent traders and eateries, and the Parish Council have worked hard to maintain this ethos and feel. The introduction of parking charges will seriously harm this local trade. People will instead choose to travel to out-of-town centres such as Aylesford or Kings Hill, where they will be able to park for free to access large, national superstores. There is an additional environmental consideration here, as people use their cars to travel further to these out-of-town outlets.

The proposals are a direct contradiction of TMBC's own Economic Development Strategy for 2023-2027, which states the Council is investing in our local economy to help residents and businesses and foster sustainable growth. The proposed parking charges would do neither. Residents who are in possession of one or more vehicles will be subject to increased financial burden due to parking permits. This could cause the most vulnerable to become isolated from friends and family due to the increased parking costs to not only themselves but to their visitors.

I recognise that the Council is hard-pressed financially, and looking to raise additional funds. I believe that some form of parking charge on the High Street and Swan Street would be appropriate, but not the current proposals as these significantly undermine local residents and businesses. Instead, I would propose an initial period of free parking for up to 2 hours, with charges starting after this point. This period of grace would mitigate the concerns of the school, help local residents and assist local businesses by maintaining local and passing trade.

I am aware that one of the Council's concerns is the 'clogging up' of the High Street and

Swan Street by people parking for the whole day, and potentially commuting to work by rail. Introducing a higher rate of charge from the 2-hour point onwards would prevent this situation from taking place while still providing the Council with an income from those people who do wish to park for longer.

I would ask TMBC to give serious consideration to these objections and reconsider their current proposals.

Kind regards,



Headteacher

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Consultations](#)
Cc: [Matt Boughton](#); [Tom Tugendhat MP](#); [Russell Meader](#)
Subject: On-Street Parking Charges 2023 - West Malling High Street & Swan Street
Date: 06 January 2024 11:22:04

To whom it may concern;

I'm writing on behalf of West Malling Chamber of Commerce with regard to the proposal to alter the car parking restrictions in West Malling.

Having attended the initial consultation meeting of councillors and a subsequent meeting with Councillor Matt Boughton, West Malling Chamber of Commerce have the following concerns.

When the proposals were discussed at the initial consultation, it appeared that no consideration was given to individual town requirements and that a standard parking scheme should be adopted in the councils streets and car parks in their ward. This one size fits all approach is extremely draconian with no consideration to the size of town, set-up or amenities. West Malling's main trading area comprises of two streets, both formed of small independent businesses. We do not have a large store, like other local towns, to attract the high volume of visitors required to warrant paying parking charges from 8am - 8pm 365 days of the year.

The key driving point on the consultation is to deter all-day parking offenders, however, introducing on-street parking charges from 8am - 8pm for 365 days of the year to deter a potential dozen offenders, is like using a sledgehammer to crack a nut. The blanket charges for 12 hours a day and every single day of the year is an extreme proposal to implement with a new untested scheme. Why is it not inline with the main car park (Tesco) of free after 5.30pm excluding Sundays and Bank Holidays. The introduction of these charges is guaranteed to discourage visitors to the High Street of West Malling. This statement is backed by the business owner's conversations with their customers, in addition to surveys and reviews conducted by independent professionals such as the Mary Portas review into the future of our High Streets, funded by the Conservative Party in 2011, which all point to the same conclusion.

Following the announcement of the public consultation, the business owners in West Malling have been asking their customers for their response to the on-street parking charges and the response has been a resounding, they would no longer shop in West Malling out of principle and inconvenience. Charging on the High Street and Swan Street will add an additional level of stress to the experience plus they feel aggrieved to pay to visit their local High Street. Instead they will use local alternatives such as Kings Hill and Bluewater who both offer free parking.

West Malling has an amazing collection of independent entrepreneurial small businesses that rely solely on footfall to drive their profitability. They cannot fall back on online presence and delivery service that many chains can afford. They heavily rely on the pop in customer who will visit two or three businesses during their free hour parking slot. The on-street parking charges 7 days a week 8am - 8pm will destroy that vital business feed, a period of free parking will still allow the majority of transactions to take place.

The suggestion by TMBC that "when parking charges were applied to the Tesco car park, no businesses were affected" is just speculation as no consultation has ever taken place to prove this. On the contrary, we put it to you that all businesses in West Malling have been

adversely affected by this change and removing free parking completely would be devastating for many if not all.

Another concern of the Chamber members, that TMBC are fully aware of, is the appalling phone signal in West Malling, the businesses in West Malling already have customers complaining they are unable to get a signal to pay the parking charges in the car parks and end up logging on to their business wifi to do so. Therefore a smartphone parking meter system will not work, an alternative system would need to be provided for non smartphone users too.

On the subject of parking meters, the Chamber members are also concerned of the negative visual impact of the parking meters on the Medieval centre of West Malling, the historic core, including High Street and Swan Street that sit within the Conservation Area. Justifiably there are many restrictions applied to properties that are located within the Conservation Area. What considerations and discussions have taken place with the department of conservation on the location and aesthetics of the parking meters and their blight on our beautiful market town?

We think most businesses would agree that some degree of parking control is required as the minority should not be allowed to abuse the few parking spaces that exist. More visits by the parking wardens would discourage this offence and would increase revenue by issuing more parking tickets to regularly offenders. An additional revenue stream that should be explored is the Ryarsh Car Park business permits. Business owners in West Malling have been trying to highlight, inform and illustrate with photographic evidence the large amount of parking spaces that are available every day in this car park. This has been ongoing for a few years following COVID and people moving to working from home so no longer requiring their parking space plus the closure of Malling House and an insurance company that held over 30 permits which are now expired. The Permit Parking system clearly requires an overhaul to maximise its use. There are people on waiting lists for permits when their is clearly the availability. This revenue stream should be explored as a priority by TMBC due to its ease, as there would be no additional instalment costs just improvement of systems.

The Chamber would like to see the on-street parking to remain as it currently is with the 1hour free parking 8am - 6pm 6 days a week. However, many feel that TMBC have already decided that the on-street charges are a 'done deal' therefore as a second option, we propose a compromise of a minimum 1 hour free parking period be introduced and charges apply to 6 days a week excluding Sundays and bank holidays and free from 6pm, in-line with the current system. In order to assist with revenue generation an increase be applied to those parking for longer than 1 hour.

It is well documented that introducing parking charges to small High Streets has a significant negative effect on it's life and wellbeing. The estimated annual revenue from the new parking charges of £50,000 less the estimated annual running costs of £30,000 of the scheme plus instalment costs, does not equate to the longterm damage that will be caused by removing all free parking and introducing charges 365 days of the year from 8am - 8pm. West Malling High Street is the heart of our community and has been for centuries and the Chamber members want that to continue and want to protect and preserve it. We are reaching out to TMBC to reconsider the on-street parking charges proposed for West Malling High Street and Swan Street.

West Malling has a fragile business community that is fighting to keep their businesses afloat post COVID and during an economic downturn. In addition to on-line competition and large shopping centres. Many have had a very difficult three years with some their

worst year on record during 2023. The introduction of the on-street parking charges feels like the final nail in the coffin.

Yours faithfully

[Redacted]

Secretary West Malling Chamber of Commerce

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Parking Consultations](#)
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Parking Consultation - formal response
Date: 08 December 2023 14:16:13

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for the chance to comment on the proposals for changes to on-street and off-street car parking in West Malling. I tried to use your form but unfortunately it did not have enough space for all we needed to say. I hope, therefore, that this email may be taken as a formal response.

On behalf of the Clergy team for St Mary-the-Virgin Church, West Malling, her Churchwardens and Parochial Church Council, I am writing to let you know that we have met to discuss the plans and we are unanimously opposed to the proposals. I am writing on the Church's behalf to explain the nature of our opposition.

Why are these proposals a problem for St Mary's Church?

There is often a mistaken assumption in the wider community that car parking only matters to St Mary's on Sundays. The life of any parish church is a lot more complex than that and the ability of people to park near the church matters every day.

St Mary's is a busy church in the local area conducting a significant number of Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals consistently through the year. On average, we host approximately 75 such services every year (35 Baptisms, 15 Weddings, 25 funerals) which is more than one a week. St Mary's also hosts civic events, concerts and music festivals, school services, and graduation ceremonies (for St Augustine's College).

So, at least once or twice a week, there are significant gatherings of people at St Mary's. Frequently, from Monday to Saturday we host gatherings of between 100 and 350 people; many of whom do not live locally. In the cases of weddings and funerals, they may travel significant distances to attend. St Mary's relies on the good graces of the High Street to enable such important moments in the life of this community and in the lives of many families. But the High Street's patience and grace with us is not assisted if congregations fail to find suitable parking, and instead park their cars poorly and/or illegally.

Furthermore, our ability to function as a viable parish church is heavily reliant on the fees we receive from hosting such funerals, weddings and baptisms, as well as the donations we receive for use of the church on other civic occasions. This is a financial matter for St Mary's, not just a matter of community spirit and events. We are concerned that changes in parking may particularly impact our ability to compete as a wedding venue against other options like local hostelrys, country houses and wedding venues.

Furthermore, a system of charging for on-street parking is also a concern because it disproportionately impacts those who are least able to withstand the additional charges - those who are more elderly and fragile in health. Not everyone who is thus affected would necessarily qualify for a blue badge and the ability to park without charge.

We are also concerned that charges on the High Street will lead to a displacement of car parking onto local residential roads. The close proximity of St Mary's to Churchfields and Offham Road may lead to inconvenience for our near neighbours and obstructions to their ability to park at their homes. St Mary's also enjoys a close relationship with our local

Church School, West Malling CEP School, and we are concerned at the impact of on-street parking charges on the walking bus, as well as on the vehicular traffic at pick-up and drop-off times in West Street and on Norman Road. The free parking next to the Old Cricket Ground is likely to be made much worse than it already is by these High Street charges.

Some might ask why we don't create our own car park in the churchyard. We are blessed to own a large ancient (open) churchyard that is a heritage asset and part of a conservation area. The consecrated land around St Mary's places upon us an important duty to manage and honour the legacy of West Malling's past down the centuries. West Malling's people have found their final resting place at St Mary's for over 900 years and many of our graves and tombs tell a story of our history and the legacy of our wonderful town. We relish and value this task but the space we have needs careful management. The Council do not have any civic-run deathcare at this end of the Borough and any land we occupy with a car park is land that cannot be used in future for burials. With pressure on grave-space already an issue locally, we don't think it makes sense to use some of the precious land we do have for burials to create a car park. Indeed, our hope is that in return for this deathcare amenity that we provide on the community's behalf, and in return for facilitating such important community moments as burials, the Council would provide us with some understanding and aid in return.

It shouldn't need pointing out, but perhaps it also needs pointing out to the Council that there is enormous importance for such gatherings in the strengthening of society and community. We also know that the High Street benefits economically from our presence (e.g. through the various wedding receptions and funeral wakes that take place in local bars, restaurants and hostelrys after services at the church).

Thinking of our commercial neighbours on the High Street, we are also pastorally concerned for the impact on their well-being economically. It is our calling and task as a Parish Church to offer support and comfort to all and to encourage and support human flourishing. After car parking charges were introduced into the off-street parking in West Malling, we have mourned the loss of many different shops and eateries that saw a resulting drop-off in trade. Local people have lost jobs and the cost of living bites hard. Our vestry charities that seek to offer financial support to local people have seen an increase in demand for grants. While we recognise that TMBC are not trying to deliberately run down our High Street and they also desire a flourishing, prosperous community, we do not see that a blanket approach to on-street parking helps that goal. Rather we think it works against it.

Finally, we are a Parish Church seeking to reach the Church of England's 2030 target for net-zero carbon emissions and have introduced a number of schemes in recent years to better support our environment. For a Borough Council that will also be increasingly aware of its environmental concerns and with a number of Green Party representatives elected at the last elections, we cannot understand how encouraging folk to travel greater distances by car to out-of-town shopping areas is of benefit compared to the shorter journeys they might take to travel into West Malling.

Seeking a solution

Having laid out our objections, we recognise that the Borough Council is also hard-pressed financially. We recognise that a well-run and financially solvent local Council is of great and positive benefit to everyone in our community; especially the poorest and most vulnerable. We think there is a solution that would introduce some car parking charges to West Malling (both on and off street) which would create income for the Council and mitigate our concerns, the concerns of local business, our local school and local residents

and visitors.

If the Borough Council were to bring forth plans that allowed for 90 to 120 minutes of hours free parking in West Malling, but then with higher charges than currently proposed for longer stays of two to eight hours, we would support the proposals.

Such a revised set of proposals would have the following benefits.

- For St Mary's, an hour's free parking is not enough. A wedding or funeral service can last up to an hour. 90 minutes free parking would be the bare minimum. Hence why we think that two hours is needed.
- High charges for longer stays still achieves the Council's goal of increasing revenue. TMBC could still raise the same amount of money but just in a different set of ratios.
- The school's concerns about pick-up and drop-off times are eased.
- Local residents concerns about a displacement of traffic onto residential roads is mitigated.
- Local shops, eateries and business owners are still able to rely on people 'popping to the shops'.
- High Street parking would also see a greater 'through-put' of cars. We are aware that some car owners currently park on the High Street (for free) and then walk to the Railway Station and commute to work. This is not helpful to the economy of the High Street and clogs up spaces that might otherwise be used by shoppers. We, therefore, recognise that not all car-parking charges are bad for the High Street. Charges for longer stays could be used strategically to stop long-stay car parking for free. That would push commuters' cars towards the railway station (where they should be anyway) and enable more spaces to be available for people trying to shop.

We know this kind of approach is technically very possible. We have seen it used to good effect in other local places like Paddock Wood. We therefore ask the Borough Council to reconsider their scheme around our suggestions and revise their proposals accordingly.

With kind regards and our good wishes for Advent and the coming Christmas festivities.

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cc: [Redacted]
Matt Boughton, Leader of Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council

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Team Vicar, Kent Downs & Malling Team
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Responses to consultation from Cllr Hood, submitted through the online response form

Off-street - Introduction of charges in Aylesford's Bailey Bridge (East) and (West) car parks

Response on 28th November 2023

I support the introduction of parking charges to the Bailey Bridge (East) and (West) car parks.;I support the introduction of Season Tickets for residents and local businesses.;

Every car park should contribute towards its maintenance costs where practical.

Response on 7th January 2024

I support the introduction of parking charges to the Bailey Bridge (East) and (West) car parks.;I support the introduction of Season Tickets for residents and local businesses.;; It is fair that every car park in the borough contributes towards the cost of maintenance and that there is a fair charging policy for all communities rather than some paying to park while others park for free.

Charging to park will prevent some motorists from hogging parking spaces and allow a greater turnover so visitors can easily access shops and support the local economy.

Off-street - Introduction of parking charges to Martin Square, Larkfield

Response on 28th November 2023

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Every car park should contribute towards its maintenance costs where practical.

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Charging to park will prevent some motorists from hogging parking spaces and allow a greater turnover so visitors can easily access shops and support the local economy.

Off-street - Extension to Aylesford – Bailey Bridge East car park

Response on 28th November 2023

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
Every car park should contribute towards its maintenance costs where practical.

Response on 28th November 2023

I object to the change of use of the Castle Gateway parking spaces to allow more public Pay & Display parking.
Hasn't this area been considered for relocating the council's customer services to free up the Castle for other uses?

Response on 7th January 2024

I support the change of use of the Castle Gateway parking spaces to allow more public Pay & Display parking.

Off-street - Extension to Tonbridge – Upper Castle Field car park

Response on 28th November 2023

I object to the extension of the Upper Castle Field car park to allow more public parking?

The area is within Tonbridge Conservation Area and an extension of the car park would detract from that. The area borders a school and a residential development for elderly citizens. Both children and older people are disproportionately affected by poor air quality which will be made worse by the extension of the car park. The argument that the parking revenue here is the highest and so we need to build more spaces is illogical, there are many car parking spaces available within a short distance, what barrier is there to increasing charges at the other sites to match this one? This area of grass has been put forward for increasing biodiversity by local councillors, it is a carbon asset and valued by the local community especially the Slade School.

Response on 7th January 2024

I object to the extension of the Upper Castle Field car park to allow more public parking?

There is sufficient capacity at other car parks in Tonbridge town centre so extending the car park here is unnecessary. The Green space which would be lost is a carbon sink and destroying it is contrary to the Council's own carbon targets. The extension is likely to increase the number of vehicles in the area which is adjacent to a primary school and elderly peoples accommodation and the resultant worsening air quality will disproportionately affect very young and old people according to scientific research.

Off-street - Increase in parking charges in our car parks

Response on 28th November 2023

I object to the revision of the Council's off-street parking charges

Unless charging is introduced in Snodland, Larkfield and Aylesford I disagree with increasing charges in Tonbridge

Response on 7th January 2024

I do not support an increase in parking charges for the current car parks unless charges are introduced to all car parks where it is financially sustainable.

Off-street - Parking charges to apply later and on Sundays and Bank Holidays

Response on 28th November 2023

I support the introduction of parking charges on Sundays.;I support the introduction of parking charges on Bank Holidays;I support the extension to the charging period to 8pm for all relevant car parks.;

The council has had its funding slashed by central government and revenue has to be found to avoid cuts to services. The current arrangement incentivises people to travel into Tonbridge on Sundays when almost all the independent stores are closed giving chain stores an advantage.

Response on 7th January 2024

I support the introduction of parking charges on Sundays.;I object to the introduction of parking charges on Bank Holidays;

I believe that there is a requirement to charge for parking on Sundays as currently free parking encourages visitors into the towns on the one day that many independent shops are closed.

I do believe that there should be free or cut price permits issued for car parks adjacent to places of worship for a period of time while the residents attend the relevant services in the same way that some parents are able to park for free at school pick up times. This is a policy used successfully at other councils.

On-street - Change of use of parking bays in Avebury Avenue, Tonbridge

Response on 7th January 2024

I support the revision of the Council's on-street parking bays in Avebury Avenue.

The removal of the metered parking spaces will free up spaces for residents. The current situation is not cost effective.

On-street - Increase in on-street parking charges

Response on 7th January 2024

I object to the revision of the Council's on-street parking charges

There is no justification for yet another increase in the price of a yearly permit which has increased above the rate of inflation. The price of the permits for the scheme is only supposed to cover administration costs not be a revenue maker.

On-Street - 1 hour free parking to become pay and display in West Malling – High Street and Swan Street

Response on 7th January 2024

I object to the introduction of on-street parking charges in West Malling High Street and Swan Street.

There is already a one hour limit to prevent cars overstaying and enabling a turnover of vehicles to assist businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 1

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I totally object to the above proposals as it will affect all the small business in martins square who are finding it hard as it is this will be the nail in the coffin should this proposal goes ahead

Off-street response – Reference number 2

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

There is not enough parking in that area already, charges would simply create more problems and make it harder for residents and visitors. It would also have a negative impact on the business's there.

Off-street response – Reference number 6

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Introducing charges will destroy the local businesses based in the Square. Stop being greedy and support the local business and communities.

Off-street response – Reference number 7

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 8

I object to parking charges.

Why can't you do free charges like you do in southborough instead of complicating things? First hour free then have to pay??

Off-street response – Reference number 10

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

As long as the fees are in line with what tmhc charge elsewhere, the extra hours income generated could go some way to reducing the increases elsewhere.

Off-street response – Reference number 16

I both support and object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 17

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will impact local businesses with customers potentially going elsewhere. It will also affect nearby roads with shop customers parking outside the square to avoid charges

I am not against charges for longer term parking and would suggest that the first half an hour parking was free with a charge for longer term parking. This would enable us to support the local shops and businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 19

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

Parking charges should be equitable across borough. One area should not be subsidising another.

Off-street response – Reference number 20

I support parking charges.

Parking charges should be in place 24*7*365 to encourage shoppers to look out for alternate transportation modes and to help environment. Also, parking charges should be increased every 6 months.

Off-street response – Reference number 22

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 25

I object to parking charges.

Martin Square is well used I agree but it is close to Thornhills Doctor Durgery which has only a small car park . If charges are introduced people will use Thornhills car park preventing patients from parking. A better solution would be to provide free parking for 2 hours with exemptions for legitimate customers / staff. This works at Waitrose in Allington where if I have a long hairdressing appointment they can enter my car registration and I am exempt from charges. This will prevent long term parking and allow Thornhills patients and customers of the local shop to continue to have free parking. I'm sure charges would have a negative effect on the local shops and surely we should be encouraging people to shop locally.

Off-street response – Reference number 27

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I have lived here for 7 years and use the square regularly. Not once have I found it difficult to find a space in the car park. The businesses in the square are very well used and to introduce charges under a three hour period would most certainly have a detrimental impact especially in these times where financially people are struggling. The car park is used by parents dropping their children at school which relieves the pressure on local roads. If car parking charges are introduced for short stay users, two things will happen. Firstly people will not use the businesses in the square as much. Secondly cars will park in the residential streets, making an already hazardous kingfisher road very dangerous. The car park is virtually empty at night.

I drive past the square daily and have never seen it completely full. The new butchers has been a great asset to the square and it would be a shame to see them suffer a loss in trade for the sake of 60 p to the council.

Off-street response – Reference number 28

I object to parking charges.

Unnecessary; people won't pay to use the shops and shops/businesses will lose money

Off-street response – Reference number 30

I object to parking charges.

I've lived here 30 years & had no issues with parking & this will have a bad impact on all shops in Martin Square...

Off-street response – Reference number 31

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 33

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 34

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

I feel that the first hour should be free... on the occasions I park there I'm rarely there for a few minutes.... If charges are immediately upon arrival I would use amenities elsewhere

Off-street response – Reference number 35

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Short sighted - residents yes but business, no.

You will prevent visitors

Off-street response – Reference number 36

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 38

I object to parking charges.

Parking should be free for the first 2 hours then chargeable.

Off-street response – Reference number 39

I object to parking charges.

Limit the parking time to 4 hours and it will solve the long stay problem. Charging for parking will reduce footfall at the shops and make people who find it expensive to clog up the roads nearby looking for free parking spots

Off-street response – Reference number 41

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 45

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 47

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 48

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 53

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I object to the introduction of parking charges. If TMBC ignore that objection then season tickets will need to be introduced.

1. I see no evidence of long term parking. I have gone to the shops often in the car during the day time and while the car park is busy there is always an opportunity for a space. Further, I walk my dog regularly at different times of the day. The car park is often virtually empty in the evening. That suggests there is no long term parking (like you see in Snodland where there are residents who park permanently in the car park).

2. Why did TMBC give grant money to parish Councils just a couple of years back so they could improve the look of the town centres to make them more appealing and inviting, to now introduce parking charges which will deter customers from local shops.

3. As shops close down through lack of business I would want to know what TMBC will do in order to deter anti social behaviour.

4. As shops close down through lack of money will TMBC revisit their parking charges and revert?

5. As shops close down through lack of money what will TMBC do to make up the reduction in business rates that they receive?

6. For elderly, disabled, those with mobility issues, those with hidden disabilities, the parking at the shops is a necessity. Council should note that not all are eligible for blue badges, and there are also often delays in obtaining a blue badge. What provision will Council make for these people who have a need, but not necessarily the means to keep paying for parking.

7. We have a gentleman who has been living in his van in the Larkfield car park for around six months now. For him he has access to toilet facilities. I also do a food drop with excess food from supermarkets there once a week so he has access to some fresh food. I also take him additional food during the week when I am able. Where would you suggest he park if he is unable to park there? (And maybe you should take this issue up with your housing officers as he has made several applications for housing and multiple have been lost by TMBC - an appalling situation).

8. I collect excess food from supermarkets and distribute it out in the Martin Square car park every week. Are you going to charge me for my charitable work so I have to pay do to this?

9. Are you going to charge those who are in need of additional food for coming to my food drop when they are already struggling themselves?

Off-street response – Reference number 57

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If you charge then people won't use the shops, or park in residential spaces.

Off-street response – Reference number 59

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 61

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 63

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Being charged to park in Martin Square will stop me shopping there! Why pay to park here when you can park for free at Morrisons just around the corner, and Tesco a few extra minutes drive away.

The small independent traders in the square will lose business. In turn, they will either raise their prices or just close altogether. Impacting the shoppers who don't drive and park in the square as well as those who do.

This is just another hair brained money-making scheme thought up by someone with a comb-over, wearing a tweed jacket, whose top 3 internet search history all include the word "tractor" and who doesn't have to worry about the cost of living crisis!

Off-street response – Reference number 64

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 72

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 73

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 76

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 77

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This parking charge is going to affect all the surrounding roads. People will thoughtlessly park on Kingfisher, Heron, and Swallow Roads, making it impossible for residents to get through it, park their own cars. The buses will definitely have trouble getting through. Unless you double yellow all the surrounding roads. Many people want to just pop to the chemist, the butcher, or the post office and they will be met with a charge of 60p or more. Businesses will suffer, I'll go to Bluewater where the parking is free. Martin Square car park has been free since 1965, why should we have to pay now?

Off-street response – Reference number 78

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

As long as season tickets are free of cost. Not even nominal charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 79

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 81

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 82

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 83

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

All car parks in the borough should be charged to users. Parking should not be free on council property.

Off-street response – Reference number 84

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 86

I support parking charges.

To encourage short term parking and use of the shops, the first hour should be free. Otherwise what will happen is that everyone will start using the Morrisons supermarket car park.

Off-street response – Reference number 87

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 88

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Free parking is a rarity in our area, and a privilege enjoyed often times by the less well off and venerable of our society. Adding to the huge financial burden we face at this time is currently not appropriate .

I do note the funding challenges but would ask for TMBC to consider other options, such as increasing charges to the larger and more affluent businesses who are based in our area.

Off-street response – Reference number 92

I object to parking charges.

Whilst I appreciate the need to cover cost involved in running car parks,

I think that charging for a short time say 30 minutes is to say the least a bad idea. Many people stop at Martin Square simply to buy a local paper or post a letter adding 60 pence to the cost of these small purchases is to my mind objectionable. A far better idea is to make the first 30 minutes free. Also when visiting the medical centre one doesn't know how long you will be there. Do you buy a ticket for 30 minutes, one hour or two who knows?

This needs a lot more thought before implementation.

Off-street response – Reference number 93

I object to parking charges.

Huge impact to business. I also think if council do go ahead then the first 30 mins should be FREE.
Enabling those more elderly and disabled to still park and collect prescriptions etc.

Off-street response – Reference number 94

I object to parking charges.

as a oap who uses the shops in martin square i think the charges should be scrapped as many people like us cannot afford to pay for parking . if you are going to charge to park how are the staff who work in the shops going to be able to afford to work as many are on minium wages ,don,t you think you make enough out of the council tax . so no to the parking charges .

Off-street response – Reference number 96

I object to parking charges.

As an overflow for surgery and access for library, I find that charges discriminate against the elderly and infirm. The car park is never full so charges are unnecessary to creation of space. Martin Square has numerous small businesses that will suffer as a result and resultant parking on the main road will add to local congestion and bottlenecks and probable accidents

Off-street response – Reference number 98

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 99

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 101

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 103

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The businesses around this car park are mostly small independent shops, the introduction of parking charges will increase their business costs in addition to increasing the costs for their staff and customers. I use this car park weekly when I shop and have never had a problem parking there. The introduction of charges for what will be a 10-15 minute stay will deter me from shopping there.

Off-street response – Reference number 104

I support parking charges.

I think parking should be free for all or all should pay across the borough. I think it is unfair on local businesses where customers and staff have to pay to park.

Off-street response – Reference number 105

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

People will simply just park in Morrisons and cut through the alley, or park in the surgery carpark or the library carpark. I've lived here for over 20 years and have never had an issue finding a place to park. There is no need to start charging people, they will go elsewhere. The Plaza Cafe and the Charity shop will suffer in particular if people stop going there.

Off-street response – Reference number 107

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Manage how long people are parking there, and issue fines if required. There is not a lot of free stuff in this world any more, what real harm does a bit of free parking do. It will turn into yet another money making scheme for the Council.

Off-street response – Reference number 108

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 112

I support parking charges.

Agree but only for long stay & a max free 3hrs should be given to allow free access to local shops & library.

Off-street response – Reference number 114

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 115

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 116

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Even though this carpark is well used the introduction for parking charges I feel has little effect in regard to the said long stay issues etc. Charges will have a knock on effect to the schools in the very near vicinity which to this day has awful issues with illegal parking in swallow Road and kingfisher Road just by the fire station on the school run times! This I feel will push the situation even further to dangerous parking and making crossing this road even worse. The carpark has a lot of traffic but I feel

to introduce charging will push people to not park and pay to and avoid altogether and use the surrounding roads causing more issues! The shops are a life line to people and have doctors, post office and pharmacy which is important to access without requiring a fee to pop in! I find this highly unfair and will create more issues for the people if this area!

The parking is not of that full capacity that people really need to pay to park! A quick loop round and someone would have moved off after a quick drop into a local shop! This I feel just makes no sense to do, it will in time ruin the businesses that reside here! If anything its a quick way to make more money to an area that the demographic cannot sustain due to the given climate!

Off-street response – Reference number 117

I support parking charges and I object to season tickets.

You should allow 1h free

Off-street response – Reference number 119

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 120

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 121

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 122

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 123

I object to parking charges.

First hour free to encourage school drop off parking and to support local shops and Gp surgeries .

No there is not a lack of space ever .

Off-street response – Reference number 125

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 129

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 130

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 134

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 135

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

There is not enough there to warrant parking charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 136

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I object to the parking charges in larkfield, due to the fact the amount that people will be charged is just to much , plus if it was implemented there should be charges starting at half an hour charge to a 4 hour charge IE- 50p per half an hour, £1per hour, £1.80p, per 2 hours, £2.60p, per 3 hours, then £3.40p, per 4 hours, then I would most probably agree to this proposal.

I live in may street snodland and have lived here for 12 years, and since the over charge for parking at snodland train station, resident parking in may street has been a total nightmare due to commuters parking in may street to avoid paying very high cost station parking tickets, I personally would be in an agreement to buy a yearly residents only parking ticket IE- £50 to £60 per year for 2 yearly parking tickets, then 1 guest parking ticket costing IE- £25 to £30 as an option to buy, this would generate a very lucrative yearly amount for our local council coffers and help towards to rebuild a healthy council yearly budget.

I hope that my one small voice may be listened to as a resident and voter.

Off-street response – Reference number 142

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

You'll find that these car parks are not always full. You could just implement a camera which distributes tickets if people are parked there for too long.

Off-street response – Reference number 144

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

Suitable provision must also be made for the local workers who need long term parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 146

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

When small businesses are trying to stay afloat you make it harder & drive more people to shop online which makes towns empty & areas become a no go place .

Off-street response – Reference number 152

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 153

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

You do not do what people ask of the car park so WHAT do you plan to use all this money yu are going to make on?? - i am disabled and you MUST put ALL disabled bays in front of the shops it is no use having them at the top end when people like myself can hardly walk AND the 3 bays in front are continually used by NON disabled people. This will only be a great loss for the shops people will go elsewhere.

Off-street response – Reference number 156

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 157

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Support Business, keep parking free

Off-street response – Reference number 158

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This is a bad idea, it will encourage motorists to park on adjacent roads for free parking. I can see this will in turn:-

Create difficult traffic conditions for larger vehicles like Buses that use Kingfisher Road as it could become single file navigating past parked cars that have created heavier congestion points.

Create more risk for families taking children to school as they could have limited visibility if there are more parked cars when crossing the road.

Increase the number of cars more likely to park on the pavement (trying to cram into a free space) hence blocking routes for pedestrians. I've seen this happen already where parents with buggies are forced into the road to pass a parked car.

Off-street response – Reference number 159

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 160

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Why why just another cash making cow.

Off-street response – Reference number 162

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 163

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 164

I object to parking charges.

I reject any schemes to further charge motorists

Off-street response – Reference number 165

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 168

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 169

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 170

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

Short term parking will enable more customers to get to the shops therefore hopefully increasing the turnover at the shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 174

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will impact small businesses in the square and affect patients accessing the surgery and visitors to the library. It will cause more congestion around the primary schools and preschool if parents are pushed out of the car park and onto the surrounding residential roads

Off-street response – Reference number 175

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 176

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 177

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 178

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 179

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

It is manifestly unjust that you charge for parking in Tonbridge but not in Larkfield. You should be consistent across the Borough.

Off-street response – Reference number 183

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 186

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 187

I object to parking charges.

I use these shops on a regular basis, especially the chemist as 3 of my family have chronic illnesses which require regular medication. We will still attend but will not pay for parking - we would rather park on the main roads which will cause traffic congestion, especially for the buses. Nobody abuses the parking there and I can therefore see no reason for this introduction.

Off-street response – Reference number 191

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 196

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 197

I object to parking charges.

I think to prevent the long stay parking in Martin Square making charges would be effective but in order to not drive custom away from the retailers the first 60 or at least 30 minutes of parking should be free and charges only made after one hour.

Off-street response – Reference number 200

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 202

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Local people should be able to use their local amenities without being penalised. In the current climate it is another nail in the coffin for the small independents and the elderly and those with young children..... also, don't we pay council and road tax already?

Off-street response – Reference number 203

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

There should be equity of parking charges across the borough.

Off-street response – Reference number 204

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 206

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

With TMBC all parking should be charged or it all ought to be free. No some pay, some don't, fair for all please.

Off-street response – Reference number 207

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 208

I object to parking charges.

If charges are introduced in this car park it will only drive shoppers to park in Morrisons car park and reduce the number of spaces for genuine shopper's to the supermarket. Also patients for the doctor's surgery will park in there also.

Off-street response – Reference number 209

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Make the first half hour free, some people only use it to collect a quick prescription or use local business. This will drive out local business and drive people away. Some people have to drive and cannot walk.

Off-street response – Reference number 210

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 211

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 216

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 217

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 220

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 222

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 224

I object to parking charges.

I sometimes work at Larkfield Library and find it hard enough to park without charges. If you start charging customers the streets around the shops and library car park will be very congested. I think this is a very thoughtless and terrible idea.

Off-street response – Reference number 225

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 229

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 230

I object to parking charges.

Use this car park for quick trips to the pharmacy and supermarket. Can always find a space so not sure why anything has to change.

Off-street response – Reference number 231

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

As someone who uses the service of a business in Aylesford this would severely put me off of keeping my business. Finances are extremely tight and I would be better taking my business elsewhere where there are no parking charges.

With regards to the businesses having to pay to park - if they lose customers over this parking charge then how are the going to afford to pay for the parking.

It seems like you'll end up with a business free Aylesford so you can bulldoze it and sell off the land for flats.

Maybe you could consider adding a time limit for cars which do not display a working permit (a permit which is free for those who work in the businesses)

Off-street response – Reference number 232

I object to parking charges.

If going to introduce parking charges at least make first hour free if not I for one will stop using shops it not fair on the small traders who will lose customers

Off-street response – Reference number 234

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 236

I object to parking charges.

I use this car park to visit a number of shops in the square. I have never had a problem with finding a parking place, which goes against your reason for bringing in charges. If the issue as stated is long term parking why not only charge for parking over 3 hours. By charging for all parking you will significantly impact on people using the local shops, why do we need to pay for collecting a prescription, visiting the butchers, collecting a take away. These charges will make me think twice about using these businesses when I can go elsewhere and not have to pay extra. What will happen is people wanting to pop and pick something up from the shops will park on the surrounding streets causing chaos for local residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 237

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 238

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 240

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I am a Larkfield resident of 13 years. I use Martin Square car park a few times a week - at different times of the day - to pick up the children from school, to use the amenities, to take neighbours to the doctors and to take bags of donations to the Heart Of Kent Hospice shop. *I have never had a problem parking*.

In fact, I have just parked here now, to pick my children up from school, on my way home. I dispute the reasoning that long-term parkers are preventing others from using the car park.

One of my concerns is this - if Martin Square becomes a chargeable car park, then a large number of parents and carers will park along the local residential roads and create havoc for traffic and pedestrians alike.

In my view, there is no need to create a chargeable car park in Martin Square.

Off-street response – Reference number 242

I object to parking charges.

I park there whilst visiting the library and taking items for donations to the Heart of Kent Hospice

Off-street response – Reference number 244

I object to parking charges.

If charges have to be introduced "to help turnover" and stop long stay parking, then there should be a period of free parking. Up to 30mins for example. I would rather the council say they want to make money, rather than make it sound like they're trying to help local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 245

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Won't be able to afford the parking fees

Off-street response – Reference number 247

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

The car park in Martin Square allows for a significant number of employees from local businesses to park whilst they are at work. The car park allows for these businesses to attract employees from outside the local area and who themselves also support the shops nearby in purchases during lunch breaks and after work. The introduction of parking charges to the Martin Square car park will only lead to vehicles being parked in local roads in an effort to avoid these charges. Contact should be made with businesses in the surrounding area to gauge which of their employees use the car park on a regular basis. The council can support these businesses by issuing a limited number of permits to the staff to avoid any parking costs.

Off-street response – Reference number 248

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 251

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 252

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

You will drive people away from support ing the village the cost of everything the value of nothing.

Off-street response – Reference number 255

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 256

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 257

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 260

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 263

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

More effort should be made to stop the long term parking in this car park. The shops, surgery and library should be accessible.

Off-street response – Reference number 266

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 269

I both support and object to parking charges.

If the intention is to prevent long-stay parking, providing season tickets is counterproductive and contrary to the stated aims.

Off-street response – Reference number 270

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Objection: The car park is rarely full. Local businesses will lose trade as people will go elsewhere, the Thornhills car park and Morrisons car park will become too busy. With Thornhills this could have a negative effect on health with people being unable to attend vital appointments or lateness for these appointments. If collecting prescriptions it can be difficult to ascertain how long you need to park for. The surrounding roads will become dangerous with cars being parked and blocking the road/view which is already a difficult road. Residents who are already living in the flats, some on low income should not have to pay for parking as a new addition to the current cost of living crisis.

Off-street response – Reference number 274

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 276

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 280

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 281

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 283

I object to parking charges.

I regularly go to Martin Square, I use the Library/Post Office, and other local businesses, I have never had trouble parking there. The main reason I choose those places is for the free parking. Many of the trips are brief, less than 20 minutes, if there was a parking charge it would actively discourage me from going and I would take my business elsewhere.

Off-street response – Reference number 284

I object to parking charges.

The roads around Martin square will become congested with people parking to avoid charges especially around school drop off and pick up times

Off-street response – Reference number 285

I object to parking charges.

Will push cars into surrounding area and kill off Aylesford Gillian's Martin square

Off-street response – Reference number 286

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I care for my mum who lives in The Ferns, Larkfield. When well, she walks to the Square but when unwell or following chemo she needs to go by car. If she had to pay, like most people in the current economic climate, she would either park at Morrisons to access the Square or not use these local businesses at all and go elsewhere where parking is free such as large supermarkets. Putting a charge in place would increase the amount of parking on the surrounding residential roads which are already like a slalom to drive along.

Free parking is essential to keep this local hub surviving.

Off-street response – Reference number 288

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 289

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

In comparison to Tonbridge this is a small parade of shops with local businesses that need our support more in the current climate than the car park.

Residents of the square are socially housed and are the vulnerable of society i.e disabled, single parents, elderly. We need to look after these people not charge them £292 to park outside their own homes.

The surrounding streets cannot house more cars which will be the case as people will not pay to collect a prescription or visit the butchers

Off-street response – Reference number 290

I support parking charges.

I support a charge to prevent all day Parker's that are not shopping locally but to charge from the point of entry will stop me shopping locally as I will not be bothered to pay for a short stop. I think a scheme where it's free for the first hour or even two hours and then charge to stop people leaving their vehicle there and going elsewhere.

Off-street response – Reference number 291

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 292

I object to parking charges.

By charging shoppers who are short term parkers using the chemist or shops you are going to stop us using our local shops. Why can't you allow shoppers an hours free parking. Then after one hour charge. This will stop the long term car parkers

Off-street response – Reference number 297

I object to parking charges.

This will stop people visiting short term to pop in for a take away, a newspaper , using the post office , picking up prescriptions, supporting the charity shop or using the excellent butchers. That's before longer stays for the doctor , dentist , hair appointments. It will probably be the end of the library that was fought for to stay open.

The roads around the square are terrible as it is - Kingfisher Road will be interesting! It's like a slalom run already and it's a bus route.. add to that the school runs and the roads around from the parents of 3 schools and a pre-school! I look forward to avoiding the whole area at that time...

I personally am unlikely to now visit for a takeaway when there's others in the area that I can visit for free. I've started using the butchers but that will just become an addition to my Tesco visit. I'd often go to browse in the library and pop to the charity shop but I wouldn't do that if there were charges.

I'm not even sure it's just the cost, it's the inconvenience as well if you're just popping there.

It's really disappointing that this is being considered. I feel sorry for the businesses that help make a little community for Larkfield. We'll end up with empty shops or more estate agents like West Malling, with all the community sucked out of it.

Off-street response – Reference number 298

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 300

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Introducing parking charges will push parking to other places, Morrisons or on street parking. It is an inconvenience to have to pay 60p when just popping to the Drs or Pharmacy, even when using an app (which charge and additional fee). I have never struggled to find a space in this car park, so I suggest there isn't a need to discourage long term parkers. The high street is struggling enough as it is. All parking in the Borough should be first 60 minutes free.

Off-street response – Reference number 301

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 302

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 303

I object to parking charges.

There is already enough cars parked dangerously on the school run this will

Make it worst and also working parents need to drop and get to work on time, I would not be able to do this if I had to walk.

Paying twice a day is unfair for school drop off/ collections, first 30 mins should be free

Off-street response – Reference number 304

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 307

I object to parking charges.

Should be free for Atleast 30mins so people can quickly pop to shops or get their prescriptions.
People will also park on streets near by causing more traffic on the roads.

Off-street response – Reference number 308

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 310

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Introducing parking charges in Martin Square car park will kill trade, which in turn will see a drop in parking revenue.

Parents are going to struggle finding somewhere park, as it's bad enough now.

Yellow lines will take over every road on the estates nearby and the extra traffic from the Pannetoni business site and new houses will make it impossible to drive or park anywhere.

As a side note, and obviously a concern for me, (REDACTED) Larkfield Community Group, it will mean the Light Up Larkfield at Christmas event will no longer be able to go ahead. This is a community event that brings people of all ages together, so if we have to cancel this it will be just another nail in trying to keep our fragile community together.

Apart from parents, trying to drop their children off at school, this will impact the elderly a great deal.

There is a large elderly population in Larkfield many of whom struggle to walk to their cars, let alone to the shops.

These are people most likely to need to use the doctors, pharmacy, hairdressers and newsagents.

If they have to pay to park in the square, probably by card or phone, they will not be able to access the services they need.

This means they will end up being isolated and lonely.

We already have a large number of people who are housebound in our area, and this will only increase the burden on social services.

Many people around the Square are elderly and rely on carers, a couple of times a day, who park outside their homes

Finding a parking space is already a problem for them, charging for parking round the square will create traffic chaos as they try to park in surrounding roads.

Charging for parking in Martin Square will have a huge impact on many people not just the shopkeepers. [OBJ][OBJ]

If charges are introduced, which I sincerely hope they aren't, then AT LEAST the first 30 minutes should be free.

The impact on the takeaways from charging until 8.00pm will be huge, Martin Square will become just another decaying shopping precinct, which in turn will encourage vandalism and ASB, thus impacting greatly on the residents living in and around the square. It's bad now, but it will end up being a no go zone at night.

The library will not be used as much and I expect if this happens KCC will decide to close it to save money. It's been mentioned many times before and this will just be the excuse they need.

Parking charges in Martin Square will decimate Larkfield as we know it.

Think again!

Off-street response – Reference number 311

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

I agree with the charges: car parks near crucial community amenities shouldn't be used for the storage of private vehicles.

Off-street response – Reference number 312

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 315

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 318

I object to parking charges.

Parking charges will :

1. Decimate the shopping area, which is currently thriving,
2. Discourage people on limited income from venturing to the shops, cafe, papershop etc
3. Will cause problems for patients trying to park at the surgery, as shoppers will park there
4. Will deter people attending the hairdressers, for potentially extended periods,
5. Will squeeze more cars onto side roads, and potentially cause problems for buses,
6. Will cause a problem for resident parking and school parking.

All the above will negatively be affected by parking charges in the Square. Larkfield is a busy residential area, and Martin Square needs to be readily, and freely, available to those residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 319

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I believe introducing parking charges will affect the local businesses, I am disabled and already struggling and would not be able to walk from my home to Martin Square.

Off-street response – Reference number 320

I support parking charges.

All car parks across the Borough should have the SAME parking charge system - not a higher rate in Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 323

I object to parking charges.

So many people tend to pop to the shops ie butchers, chemist, doctors etc. Charging for under an hour is an unnecessary cost. All that will happen is people will park around the local roads making residents lives a misery. Will also be dangerous at school run times, without option for parents to stop off in the mornings to drop kids

Off-street response – Reference number 325

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 326

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 327

I object to parking charges.

The car park should have charges to eliminate long term free parking but must have an initial period of free parking of half hour to one hour to allow local residents to use the shops for small shopping and prescriptions and so on.

Off-street response – Reference number 328

I support parking charges.

I support charging but not the first two hours. Charging from point of entry will prevent me from going to the butchers, post office, picking up prescriptions or getting a takeaway. It's not the cost it's the inconvenience of doing it. If parking for two hours onwards prevents long term parking where people are not shopping locally then I approve.

Off-street response – Reference number 329

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 330

I object to parking charges.

I use car park to take my elderly father to betting shop/Doctors as all he has in his life also I take my Daughter to the Dentist & they are never running on time, also go there to use the shops and take away ☹

Can't you consider if you have to the first one hour free? ☹

Off-street response – Reference number 331

I object to parking charges.

Give one hour free then charge thereafter which solves the long term parking concern

Off-street response – Reference number 332

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If parking isn't free people will just go and shop in the big tesco where parking is free and local businesses will suffer as a result

Off-street response – Reference number 335

I object to parking charges.

I will not be using the shops at Martin Square if I have to pay for parking. I only ever use the car park to use the shops and definitely no longer than 30mins. I think the first hour should be free or at the very least the first 30mins then payment after that.

Off-street response – Reference number 341

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 343

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 344

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 345

I support Season Tickets.

People register births in the library, a free stay of 30 mins or so would be good.

Off-street response – Reference number 346

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 347

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It will cause shops to close because the customers just won't pay even 60p to park just to go into the post office or butcher's. It's yet another tax on drivers! I'm disabled and just can't walk to work PLUS with the charges I will be paying out 2/3 hours wages just to be there. Thought government wants disabled people to work

Off-street response – Reference number 350

I support parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 351

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 353

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Residents and businesses all ready have enough to pay out. They get very little for the exorbitant prices charged. If T&MBC carry on with these proposals people will find cheaper places to shop and live.

Off-street response – Reference number 354

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

There are a number of reasons for my objection to the charges.

1. There is not enough parking available at the doctors surgery meaning I always have to park in the Martin Square car park to go to the doctor or collect prescriptions from the pharmacy. This now means I have to pay to visit my doctor, on top of the NI I already pay towards the NHS and the high prescription charges for adults in England.

2. The local businesses will loose out as I will not park there to visit the businesses, not just because of the charge but also the extra time to make the payment, when I may only be in the car park for 5 mins. What would make more sense is 20 minutes free parking, this would still then allow us to continue to support the local businesses.
3. The roads around Martin Square will without doubt become crowded with parked cars trying to avoid the charges of the car park. With two schools, a pre school and the fire station nearby, this is a real hazard along rounds that are already tight to get around.
4. Morrisons will have to start making stricter charges due to people parking there instead and walking through, so they will also end up loosing business eventually.
5. Residents and businesses should not have to buy season tickets to live and work in Martin Square. This isn't acceptable, even at a 'reduced rate'.

Off-street response – Reference number 356

I object to parking charges.

Martin Square is used by the local community. It is used by people popping into the chemist to get their prescription/medication. It is used by people getting their daily paper or using the post office. It is used by people visiting the library, the butchers, the hairdressers, the cafe, the bookies, the bike shop and the takeaway food shops and obviously the doctors as their car park is not big enough for the amount of people they serve due to you building too many houses in the area and no infrastructure. All these people are not spending huge amounts of time in the car park. Indeed I always get a space whatever time of day. People using the doctors will become anxious if their appointment is not on time as is often the case, or the queues are long in the post office or the wait is long for a prescription. People will use the Morrisons car park who offer a free two hours. People will use the local roads which will become even more difficult to drive down. I think you go round seeing where money can be made. This is nothing to do with helping the people that live in this area. I think it is disgraceful and discriminatory against people who need to use the services provided, need to use their car as the walk is too far. The bus service is expensive and not reliable. Think again TMBC. This is not necessary.

Off-street response – Reference number 358

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 359

I object to parking charges.

I think the charges will stop people just popping to the local shops,that will affect the local businesses.People will park in Kingfisher Road and surrounding roads causing conjection.

Off-street response – Reference number 361

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 363

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 368

I support Season Tickets.

Allow residents unrestricted access, but shop visitors a charge.

Off-street response – Reference number 369

I object to parking charges.

This will completely kill business to martin square and will mean people can not park to go to the doctors pick up a prescription the doctors usually run late so how much time do you pay for by all means have 1 hour free then pay but you will shut down all the businesses if you charge for any parking at all!

Off-street response – Reference number 370

I object to parking charges.

The introduction of a fee for short visits to use the local shops will reduce the footfall and people will move to the supermarkets that have free car parks. To avoid the loss of these local shops there should be a free parking period of 30 minutes to allow those that are genuinely using these important local resources to continue doing so.

Off-street response – Reference number 372

I object to parking charges.

I believe this will have a negative effect on residents and traders alike particularly those people unable to easily walk to the shops and who have to come in a car. This car park is used by people both visiting the shops, library and doctors surgery. I've never not been able to park and this is just a scheme to raise money for TMBC.

Off-street response – Reference number 378

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 380

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This is a bizarre thing to do the shops will suffer cost of living is expensive enough and I can't see how you can make people pay to drop their child to school some people live here and will not be able to afford to pay for the parking the surround small roads will have a massive impact and will become

congested, buses and bin Lorrie's also use these routes and people will park anywhere even blocking roads let's not forget emergency services need to get through these roads

Off-street response – Reference number 382

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 385

I object to parking charges.

Killing retail and leisure - it will only benefit Amazon, as eventually you will lose rates from buildings also, and will just have more flats in place of shops

Off-street response – Reference number 386

I object to parking charges.

We use the car park mostly for visiting the doctors as the doctors car park is usually full and it's usually because I am taking my poorly daughter and don't want to be worrying about getting a ticket just want to get to my appointment. If there are charges then more cars will be parking on the road and there are already many accidents there now.

Off-street response – Reference number 387

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

As a local resident, I will not use the local shops at Martin Square if parking charges are introduced, opting to use other local shops that have access to free parking.

As an employee at a local school, I know that parents use this parking to reduce the traffic surrounding the local schools. If parking charges are introduced, this will stop parents being able to do this and increase the traffic and parking on both Kingfisher and Swallow Road. This in turn will create a more dangerous area for our communities children on their journey to and from school.

Off-street response – Reference number 389

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 392

I object to parking charges.

Allow the first hour to be free to keep businesses in business. I will no longer pop into the shops if you start charging, yet again council making money. Sort out your employees first and get rid of the fat cats taking our council taxes.

Off-street response – Reference number 393

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This proposal Will further impact low income households already struggling with cost of living crisis. There are essential service provided to the patriots of this car park- including the doctor's surgery, pharmacy and health centre. Where expectant mothers and mothers with new born babies have to travel from around the region to see the midwife, as local provisions have been removed (lose of contracts in gp surgeries, resulting in midwife's being unable to see them in their named gp practice, so a central hub as been set up at larkfield medical centre) , So reduced access to alternative health care for these services, then an increase in travel costs plus added parking charges- could results is disengagement to some already 'hard to reach' families. So impacting on the key aims of the healthy child programme initiative of the government.

Also many local parents of school children that use this car park for 10-15 mins twice per day, would have to either find the money to drop and collect their children from school. Alternatively it will result in chaos in surrounding roads, as finding an additional £1:20 a day (£6 a week, £36 a term) for dropping children to school will increase the likelihood of dangerous, irresponsible parking in surrounding area. So unless resident parking is imposed and policed, it's going to lead to complaints and endanger the children in local community. So is a safeguarding risk to our children.

Off-street response – Reference number 395

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It will stop people using the local shops and they will go to Tesco or Morrisons instead. This is purely a cash grab and nothing to do with freeing up spaces used by long term parking. I have been to the car park for several years at every single time of day every day of the week and never not been able to get a space. If you want to stop people over staying then patrol the car park with CEOs to enforce the 23hr stay rule already in place.

Off-street response – Reference number 396

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It is unfair to place parking tariffs in a parade of shops that serves a local community. It would have a negative impact on those who live in the flats above the shops. The charity shop that is there would be negatively affected as people can go to other ones which you do not get charged for. This affects not only the older population but also those who can only shop in charity shops. It has a negative impact on all businesses in and around the parade of shops that serves the local community.

Off-street response – Reference number 397

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 400

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 402

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will cause unnecessary issues for visitors to the area. Most are only visiting for a short period (post office, pharmacy, collection of food) so there is a high turnover of spaces. Even at peak times (school run) there are spaces. Introduction of charges will unfairly penalise people for a brief stay and it will not encourage use of alternative transport but just push the parking to side roads and other areas causing congestion and problems for other residents. Consideration should be given to having the first hour of parking free, and a minimal charge for the next hour.

Off-street response – Reference number 404

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 405

I object to parking charges.

I think free parking encourages people to use the businesses in the area. They will suffer. I personally will choose to go where there are no charges, i.e out of town shopping, retail parks with free parking or shop online.

Off-street response – Reference number 406

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This is a crazy idea that will impact all the businesses but more importantly the ability for people to collect medicine and attend health appointments. You will create carnage in the surrounding area. I cannot see it working practically. If you are bothered by long term parking find out who that is. And deal with it.

Off-street response – Reference number 407

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 408

(no comment supplied)

No interest

Off-street response – Reference number 411

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I accept you will charge but the first 30 mins being 60p is silly. Should be first hour is free. That means people can still shop, go to the post office or library etc without having to pay. A lot of trade will be lost by charging. Where will the residents park cars in the evenings and at night. I can't see them paying £300 almost a year. They will park cars in kingfisher or by the primary schools making other roads congested.

Off-street response – Reference number 412

I support parking charges.

I support the move on the basis that Tonbridge parking prices are not increased. I firmly believe that Tonbridge should not be subsidising the rest of the borough with free parking when we pay through the roof to park in Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 414

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Stop trying to find ways of stealing off the public

Off-street response – Reference number 417

I object to parking charges.

I have lived in the area for 30 years & believe that Martin Square is a hub for the community for all. Due to the current cost of living, some are only just keeping their heads above water introducing parking charges will be impossible to pay for some. I also believe that the surrounding roads will become parking areas which will have a huge impact on other residents, bus routes and also increase the parking for parents dropping children off to school. Think it will hugely impact the local business in the square as people will think twice before going. Morrisons main car park would also be full with people parking there instead.

Its absolutely a stupid idea to introduce charges, think again please.

Off-street response – Reference number 418

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 421

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Whilst I object to the current proposal I do agree that there should be a charge for extended parking. The current proposal of charging from minute 1 is not reasonable there should be a 30 or 60 minute grace period especially to support the local businesses as there are too many independents being squashed out the market by high rates/rents and multinational companies. As a council you should be supporting local business not putting additional barriers in their way my proposal would enable people to park and attend the local businesses, pharmacy and/or doctors and in my case be able to drop an infirm relative off without having to pay a charge. I was going to also suggest a no return policy but not sure how this would work unless you do provide a dedicated drop off and pick up location

Residents and workers should be able to purchase an annual ticket but not at inflated rates but at the cost of administrative expenses which can be no more than £50 per year. Obviously they will have to prove residency and businesses would have to evidence employment eg wage slip

Off-street response – Reference number 422

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 424

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 425

I object to parking charges.

Myself and my family love to use the local shops but will sadly end up using the supermarkets more as they have free parking. This is unfair on the local traders. I support paying after 1 or 2 hours to avoid people using the car park for other reasons than using the amenities.

Off-street response – Reference number 426

I object to parking charges.

People accessing the doctors , chemist and local shops which include elderly , disabled and young families will suffer along with local businesses if charges apply. It's another tax on the people which will not only be a financial burden but a physical one to the vast majority This car park should as it services the hub of Larkfield remain free to all .

Off-street response – Reference number 427

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 429

I object to parking charges.

The danger is that introducing car parking charges at Martin Square could be the last straw for the small shops there. The manager of the charity shop thought not only would customers be deterred, but this proposal would severely impact people making donations. If you are going to introduce charges, make the first hour FREE, as most people just pop into the shops for a few minutes. Then go ahead with charges to deter long term parking if you must.

Off-street response – Reference number 430

(no comment supplied)

I don't live close to, or use, this car park

Off-street response – Reference number 433

I object to parking charges.

I feel that if charges need to be brought in to use the car park they should only target long stay customers NOT working at the local stores and residents. To introduce parking for anyone using the car park for less than 3 hours would dramatically affect the number of people using the shops and

library at the square which would be negative for the local area. With cost of living affecting so many, it will push people from using the square and push them towards Tesco, Morrisons etc where parking is free.

Off-street response – Reference number 434

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I use this car park for post office pharmacy or take away. The type of shops are ones where a 20min visit is usually sufficient. I object to parking charges for first 30 mins but accept it may be necessary for charges for those staying 30mins or more.

Off-street response – Reference number 436

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 437

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 438

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I object to these charges for many reasons. Firstly, people that rely on using the local shops, doctors surgery or library will struggle to use the services if they have to pay to park. So many people are already on the breadline and having to pay a charge just to go to the doctors or pick up a loaf of bread will be unreachable for them. The shops will also suffer and, long term, this will end up with empty units increasing the risk of anti social behaviour in the area.

Many parents also have no choice but to use the car park for the school run each day. An extra £1.20 a day will be unrealistic for some which will, no doubt, lead to more absences from school for children. On top of that, the local community will be unsafe during school times where people will have no choice but to park on the surrounding roads causing danger and chaos.

Off-street response – Reference number 440

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 441

I object to parking charges.

1) As a former teacher at a local school, I have witnessed the chaos created by parents/carers dropping off and picking up their children by car. Many parents use Martin Square car park at each end of the school day to help limit this. Introducing a parking charge (£1.20/day) will, without doubt, deter people from using this sensible solution to a potentially dangerous situation. This in turn will increase the number of cars using the roads immediately surrounding the local schools, therefore

increasing the potential for a serious accident. A possible solution would be to allow free parking for the first 30 minutes.

2) “Evidence that some car parks are frequently full with cars parked for long periods which makes it harder for shoppers and visitors to find spaces”

This is surely not an argument that can be used for Martin Square! As a regular visitor, I have NEVER had difficulty parking, even at peak school times. Solution: introduce a limit (2 hours?).

Off-street response – Reference number 445

I object to parking charges.

I have always found space to park. It also serves the clinic and GP surgery.

Off-street response – Reference number 446

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 447

I object to parking charges.

As a resident of the area and (REDACTED) Thornhills Medical Practice Patient Participation Group, I object to these charges being imposed.

The practice parking area is for patients only and will not be subject to these charges. Therefore, people will park in the practice spaces meaning that patients will be forced to pay for appointments. Should a patient become unwell or as so unwell that they need an ambulance to be transferred to hospital (whilst attending the practice), there is no provision for their vehicle being left without an appropriately paid for ticket.

The car park is rarely, if ever, at full capacity and most people park for less than 20 mins to attend either the pharmacy or the post office.

Parents park here AM and PM to avoid parking off street on the road near the two primary schools and the nursery. Having to pay to park at this location will mean these cars will park off street on the nearby roads, causing issues and opening up potential incidents of harm to children attempting to cross roads without clear visual sight of the traffic using the roads around the parked cars.

The impact this proposal will have on the local commercial and retail spaces will be detrimental to their business. Customers will simply go elsewhere and this will impact revenue.

There is no mention in this proposal for the digitally excluded, people with no access to a smart phone and would be unable to pay.

Nor is there any details about how the parking fees will be regulated, which will cost the council more in the long run.

With the exception of a season ticket, which during a cost of living crisis may have a detrimental impact on their take home pay. Thereby meaning staff will be lost from both the GP practice and the retailers.

Therefore, I sincerely object to this proposal on the above basis.

Off-street response – Reference number 448

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Free parking and parking availability is ALWAYS a reason why shops local to the parking do so well. When people want to "quickly pop to the shops" they do not want to have to pay on top of their shopping costs. It will only deter shopping there and send them to the FREE car parks at the large supermarkets, causing the demise of the local shops. EXTREMELY short sighted. If parking charges are REALLY only to prevent long term parking (which I extremely doubt!) then give, say, two hours free parking before charging.

Off-street response – Reference number 451

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Having volunteered at the Heart of Kent Hospice Charity Shop for the last 10 years, it would cost almost £5 to do a shift at the shop if parking charges were introduced. It would also mean that donors would have to pay for the privilege of giving goods to the Charity and prospective purchasers will be unlikely to visit the shop if they had to pay to park whilst doing so. It will also affect Blue Badge holders who need to use the Post Office, quite often these might be people who cannot afford parking charges. In my opinion, people who need to come by car will be more likely to shop elsewhere if they have to pay to park and these businesses will suffer.

Off-street response – Reference number 452

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

It will help to find a parking space as they won't all be used by commuters

Off-street response – Reference number 453

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 458

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 459

I object to parking charges.

There is no reasonable public transport alternative, we are in a cost of living crisis, it will discourage people from coming into the area to visit local businesses and penalise the people that work and live here. The cost of maintaining a car park is surely lower than running a functional, consistent, and frequent bus service which you do not. Also, this is going to cause people to find other places to park, potentially blocking roads and views of junction, leading to increased congestion and a safety risk in an area that is severely lacking in on street parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 462

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

A small number of spaces are currently used by residents of the Square which allows businesses to park at the rear of their shops. If charges were introduced then residents will take over this limited space by the garages thus forcing businesses to have to pay for daily parking. This will have a knock on effect by probably causing employees to resign as these costs would not be viable for them to pay out of their wages especially given the economic climate. It will also impact on the numbers of shoppers attending the Square which will have a major impact on smaller businesses such as the Heart of Kent Hospice Shop, Larkfield Cycles and the newly opened Butchers.

Off-street response – Reference number 464

I object to parking charges.

Why not do a similar scheme to the carpark in Paddock Wood where the first hour (or 2) is free with a ticket and then charge for longer stay. Then the shops and local businesses won't lose out on custom.

Off-street response – Reference number 465

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I object to both proposals (the second of which is irrelevant without the introduction of the first).

Evidence from boroughs in which these measures have been introduced or have been in operation for some time shows that business is reduced by them, leading people to use out of town shopping centres, and resulting in an increase in the closures of local high street businesses, particularly small independents. It makes no positive contribution, such as turnover, as many people will simply not go to those places if they have to pay.

Where these measures have been introduced near parks and similar open recreational facilities, use of those facilities has dropped and, in several cases, to the extent that they have been sold for redevelopment.

By all means introduce reasonable free parking time limits based around the time that it would reasonably take people to shop in the (already very limited) stores in a local high street and/or stop for a drink or a meal - the principle of free out of town centre and supermarket parking - but charging for parking, unless the cost can be redeemed against that of using a local outlet, is almost invariably to the detriment of local businesses. A free, reasonable time limit is what is more often than not actually evidenced to increase turnover.

As for the very idea that these measures are intended to make the cost of parking fairer across the borough and avoid users of already paid-for car parks and on-road spaces carrying the burden for those that are free, that would insinuate that costs for parking in those existing areas would be reduced by the amount of revenue from any new paid-for parking areas that may be introduced, in order to make the share fairer. Instead, the plan is to increase the charges for parking in these.

Most local authorities are strapped for cash and desperately trying to recoup losses made during over a year, and in some cases almost two, of limited usage of such services or no usage at all. However, local independent businesses have suffered the same or worse, and residents are already

struggling with the current economic situation and the already introduced rises in the cost of local authority services. It is not the responsibility of local residents and business owners to subsidise the results of financial mismanagement by local governments and ill-advised decisions by central government.

Off-street response – Reference number 469

I object to parking charges.

As a frequent user of the car park at St Martins square for short visits to the shops there I object to the introduction of parking charges. I personally have never had an issue finding a parking place and believe the introduction would have the following negative consequences. 1- significant impact to the neighbouring roads to St Martins square which will see an increase to people parking in the roads to avoid the charge. 2- local businesses (already struggling) will see a reduction in food fall and push more customers to supermarkets where parking is free. 3 - local roads will become more congested and have a higher risk of accidents as cars and buses will have to navigate around an increase of parked cars on the roads. 4- to penalise local residents by making them pay for parking and who already pay a significant amount in council tax with very little to show for that money in the way of services is morally reprehensible. I fail to see what these apparent high costs of running these car parks are. They are already established! As far as I'm concerned this is simply another example of greed from our out of touch council.

Off-street response – Reference number 471

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 472

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 475

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 478

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 479

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

More shops & Business will close. Parking charges are killing the high street.

Doesn't the council get enough out of the residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 483

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I work in Betfred at Martin square from last 4 years. I live far so that's why I drive to work. I can't afford paying £8 day for parking. I do inform the company so they even refuse to pay for the parking. Which means if I work here it's gonna be too expensive for me to come to work. Which is roundly £290 a year. When on the other hand I got kids and family to feed and pay my all monthly bills and mortgage so I totally disagree with the decision of making Martin square as a parking paid zone.

I hope you will understand my appeal because then I have to leave this job and look for some other job.

Regards

Umair Anjum

Off-street response – Reference number 484

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I work within Martin square and use the car park daily, the introduction of parking charges would affect me massively. I work between 8-14 hours 5 days a week and paying for the parking charges would cost a large sum of pay. Also most of the customer that visit our shop are retired and they see the shop as a place to socialise and get out of the house some of these people live alone, the introduction of parking charges will deter them from leaving there house.

Off-street response – Reference number 486

I object to Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 488

(no comment supplied)

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Off-street response – Reference number 489

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 490

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 492

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 494

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It will destroy business in Martin Square, who thrive on mobile/ car owner shoppers. It will spell closures of Shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 496

I support parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Talk to your planning department who consistently build new properties with not enough car parking spaces. People should be actively discouraged from owning cars, not enabled further by their council.

Off-street response – Reference number 497

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 498

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 504

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

6 pounds to park on a Sunday is ridiculous.

Off-street response – Reference number 505

I object to parking charges.

I think it will reduce the number of people shopping at Martin Square

Off-street response – Reference number 506

I object to parking charges.

If the issue is long stay parking, then why charge for the first 30, 60 or 90 minutes? Keeping a 90 minute period free would protect the cafe and other small businesses from their customers going elsewhere (eg to Castle Road Allington which has 90 minutes free parking) but deter long stay parking just as effectively as current proposals.

Can the charity shop buy a season ticket which can be used by different volunteers on different days?
The introduction of parking charges will otherwise drive volunteers (many of whom are retired) away and another useful business / charity will be scuppered.

Using consistency across the borough is a poor argument. Different locations have different needs and conditions and these should be taken into consideration when planning parking policies.

Off-street response – Reference number 508

I object to parking charges.

Historically, parking has been free, fostering community engagement with local businesses such as butchers and hairdressers. However, the prospect of implementing parking fees may deter individuals from supporting these small enterprises.

Moreover, considering the presence of medical facilities in the vicinity, the imposition of parking charges poses an inconvenience, particularly for those with scheduled appointments. Additionally, the proximity of Morrisons, with its free parking, raises concerns that increased demand for free spaces may lead to heightened congestion in their parking area.

Off-street response – Reference number 509

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I feel that charging for parking will impact the retailers in the square. It will also affect people when they need to go the Drs or chemist- if there has to be a charge it should be free for the first hour and then 60p for the 2nd increasing from there to stop people using it as a long stay car park.

Off-street response – Reference number 513

I object to parking charges.

Never have a problem parking in this car park which I use to support the local businesses. Parking charges will lead me to shop elsewhere.

Off-street response – Reference number 515

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 516

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Charging for the Car Park would stop people going there!

Off-street response – Reference number 517

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

The introduction of parking costs would effect the usage of the shops as people would not be prepared to incur this charge. Many people use the shops here to quickly shop for convenient items,

use the pharmacy or cafe. I would propose that parking for up to 1 hour is free as this will enable people to use the shops and not cause parking spaces to be used long term.

Charges after the free hour should incur a charge.

Off-street response – Reference number 519

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 520

I object to parking charges.

Will destroy local shop customers!

Schools nearby use car park so more hazardous parking by the schools

If you need the chemist having to pay also to see the GP outrageous

Off-street response – Reference number 521

I object to parking charges.

People work up in Martin square. Earning money,there's hardship as it is with people this is taking money away straight away. Older people that go to the newsagents that get there paper and milk for in and out. It's going to cost them more. This will affect people's businesses and employees. And for those who have lived in the premises above for years it's now going to cost more to live. People come to Martin square to support the local and friendly businesses. People will go elsewhere, which means businesses will bo longer be able to carry on. Business rates get higher and higher. This is a bad move for a local constituency. Councils should be supporting to keep these local business open to give jobs not to take them away. Wrong move. !!

Off-street response – Reference number 523

I both support and object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 525

I object to parking charges.

People won't use the shops etc

Off-street response – Reference number 527

I object to parking charges.

Pensioner and have to park for post office and chemist.

Off-street response – Reference number 528

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 529

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This is not London Martin Square car park has worked well since the early 70s and the parking can only be a cash cow for you to fleece the residents more than you already do.

Off-street response – Reference number 531

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 533

I object to parking charges.

I work long hours in the NHS, at the health centre in Larkfield. If charges are introduced for the car park at the shops, it is likely that cars will migrate to the health centre car park which has no charge. If I am unable to park in the health centre car park, my income, which is low, will be severely affected by having to pay an all-day charge - to the extent where I will have to seek alternative employment.

Off-street response – Reference number 534

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 535

I object to parking charges.

I think no charge should be made for the first half an hour to allow people to pop into the shops. To prevent long term parkers I am not against charges and I think a season ticket for residents is fair. Lots of residents have to pay for parking permits now

Off-street response – Reference number 536

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 539

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 540

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 541

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 542

I object to parking charges.

Normally I would go just park there to go to the chemist would park about 5 mins, 10 minutes at the most at busy times at the chemist (when queuing out the door). At least if it changes maybe suggest the first 30 mins or 1 hour free - then payable - to give everyone the opportunity to go every month for a prescription.

At present it states free for 23 hours, this I should imagine only encourages residents nearby to park their car all day if no space is available outside their house or have a second car.

Off-street response – Reference number 543

I object to parking charges.

I use the car park everyday for about 20 minutes and always find a space to park.

The distance from my home is too far for me to walk with a bad leg and find this car park invaluable for my daily needs.

Off-street response – Reference number 547

I object to parking charges.

Will badly affect businesses.

Local roads are gridlocked enough already without car drivers being forced to further congest the roads - which will happen if charges enforced.

I will only shop where I DO NOT have to pay for parking.

I no longer visit or shop in Maidstone due to charges.

I no longer shop west Malling due to charges in what was a free car park.

Enforced parking charges = more shop closures!

More failed businesses!

If charges are enforced I will no longer visit Martin Square.

Would be great if the Council actually supported the local businesses by permitting free parking to local shoppers. Generating more income so they remain in business.

Enforced charges will result in yet more empty shops.

Rather than driving remaining customers to abandon them due to being held to ransom for parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 551

I object to parking charges.

I believe that there should be a short period of free parking and then charge if stay is over that time.

Off-street response – Reference number 552

I object to parking charges.

This is just another step to the War on drivers, If you wish to raise capital without increasing Residents Council Tax, I suggest the council takes a strategic look at the corporate directors team who really run the council, Highly paid unelected individuals

Off-street response – Reference number 553

I object to parking charges.

You state the car park suffers from long stay parking yet the charges are being applied to short stay visitors?

If this was truly the case you would add a limit of 6 hours similar to shopping areas and residents could apply for permits.

Most people go for half hour to post a parcel, collect a take away, buy some meat, place a bet, or donate to the charity shop. These people will go to Snodland or Allington instead where it's free.

It is too far to walk from the poets estate, I only visit spontaneously to look in the charity shop when driving past as it's free.

Off-street response – Reference number 554

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 555

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This is daylight robbery which only serves to line the pockets of the council and will end businesses and create charges for residents who are already struggling to get by. Use the money from the excessive council tax rates you charge to maintain the car parks.

Off-street response – Reference number 558

I object to parking charges.

Business will suffer.

Off-street response – Reference number 559

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This just seems like another way to raise income. Putting a charge for parking will definitely affect the local trade, I for one will never use the shops in the square again if I have to pay for parking there. I will just use the big supermarkets that have free parking. Parents park here to take their kids to the local schools because it's safer than blocking the roads outside the schools BUT obviously kids safety doesn't matter when there money to be made !

If you really want to stop the "long stay" Parking, then the best idea to put in place is 2 hours free parking. This can be controlled by cameras set up as you enter and leave the carp park. Anyone parked over the 2 hours, has to pay. The money raised, will pay for for the cameras eventually. So, council will get their money back.

This will help the local shops maintain a good trade.

It will help the people that use the carpark to visit the doctor's surgery, because you can't always find a space in their carpark.

It will keep the kids safer on the school runs

Shop workers and people that live in the flats above the shops, they should be issued with a free "ticket to park"

Off-street response – Reference number 560

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I visit the car park regularly to visit the post office, chemist and charity shop. I never have a problem parking and I do not believe the introduction of charging is necessary. It is just a money making exercise. I don't visit West Malling anymore because of the charging there, not having change etc. By introducing these charges you will cause congestion in Kingfisher Road etc and the shops in Martin Square will lose customers which isn't fair on them in the current financial situation. It will make people go further afield to find shops with free parking. A better solution would be to make it free for first 3 hours (as Tesco does) allowing customers to have haircuts, beauty treatments, visit the library etc.

Off-street response – Reference number 561

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will have a detrimental effect on the local businesses. I for one would take my business elsewhere. I would ask GP to change my chemist. I would use post office elsewhere.

Off-street response – Reference number 563

I object to parking charges.

It will cause too many cars to park on the roads nearby, but more importantly trade will be affected in the shops, library will loose customers too and that might lead to it being closed

Off-street response – Reference number 565

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 566

I support parking charges.

Parking is atrocious in Tonbridge and the Sainsbury's is an example of how bad it can get

Off-street response – Reference number 567

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If the objective of the parking charges is to reduce long-term parking, why are you charging for short-term parking? The first hour should be free to allow shoppers to use the local shops. Charging for short-term customers will impact the local businesses as customers will simply go elsewhere where parking is free.

The local food outlets will see a decline in trade as well. Due to cost of living crisis and the country's economic meltdown, all their prices have gone up. Customers will not therefore pay additional prices for parking to go to the local food outlets.

Common sense would suggest that to meet the objective of reducing long-term low turnover parking then charge for that!!! Don't charge for short-term local business related parking. First hour FREE.

Off-street response – Reference number 569

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 571

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I never have a problem finding a space. To bring parking charges is absurd, the local shops rely on people popping in for bits, if you have to pay for parking to pop to a local shop you're better off driving 30 seconds down the road to another shop with free parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 572

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Employees of the pharmacy (myself included) are all on minimum wage and cannot afford to pay that amount in order to work. jobs will be lost/ people will have to leave which will make it harder than it already is to hire workers

Off-street response – Reference number 575

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Parking chargers will reduce the amount of people who use the local shops and retail businesses reducing rates being paid as businesses close.

Off-street response – Reference number 577

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The money you receive in the local precept should be enough for you to provide parking services for "free". Are you totally hell bent on killing businesses that operate in Martin Square with increased lack of footfall due to imposition of fees on already struggling households that will result in fewer people visiting the local shops???

There is currently free parking outside Thornhills Surgery which is not included in the proposals. Will this mean that it's a free for all to use the limited parking available at the Doctors to use the shops resulting in nobody being able to park to see their GP?

This has not been thought through carefully enough and is single mindedly focused on revenue generation at the expense of the public and the local businesses!

Off-street response – Reference number 578

I object to parking charges.

I am a volunteer at the hospice shop in Martin Square and as a pensioner will not be able to afford to park whilst helping out in the shop, I fear this will apply to other volunteers and will deter people bringing their donations, this is a valuable service to both the charity and the community and would be a travesty if it has to close due to lack of staff and donors. This is just one shop, all of the businesses will suffer at a time when we are all struggling financially. Pensioners and others who are unable to walk to the square will be punished as many rely on being able to park close to the Post Office and Pharmacy facilities, both who's queuing time will mean that 30 minutes will not be sufficient. I believe imposing parking charges at Martin Square, Larkfield will kill the trade and take away a valuable and much needed asset from the community. I'm extremely sad and upset at the prospect of what it will become if these proposals go ahead. Listen to the people who need this shopping parade PLEASE !!!!!!!

Off-street response – Reference number 580

I object to parking charges.

I think the impact on the community will be huge. Where are they expecting the people to park when they go to collect their children from school. Three schools and a nursery local! Not everyone is in walking distance or they maybe coming directly from work. What about the small doctors car park, that will be used instead. What about the ultra long queues in the chemist and doctors. Always more than 30min unless your seeing a nurse. Your expecting people to pay to collect take aways?

You are taking away business from the new

Butchers. Why go to a butchers and pay parking when you can go to the supermarket. The small businesses in Martin square will be impacted hugely and I think this is a complete mistake.

Off-street response – Reference number 583

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The car parks are for the benefit for thr local people not a cash cow for TMBC

Off-street response – Reference number 584

I support parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Should have 1 hour free parking all across all TMBC car parks to encourage use of our town's shopping and recreation facilities.

Off-street response – Reference number 585

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 586

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 587

I object to parking charges.

THIS CAR PARK IS OFTEN USED FOR PATIENTS ATTENDING THE DOCTORS SURGERY WHO WILL NOT KNOW IN ADVANCE HOW LONG THEY WILL NEED TO PARK FOR.

Off-street response – Reference number 588

I object to parking charges.

I use the car park when I need to pop to the post office and the lovely butchers shop. I object to paying to 'park' for less than five minutes. People will simply park in Morrisons and walk through the alley, or perhaps even get what they need in Morrisons!

Off-street response – Reference number 592

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 595

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

How about first hour free

50p next hour then say £5 or more to stop people who park in the car park and catch the bus

Off-street response – Reference number 597

I support parking charges.

Machines in car parks MUST accept cash

Off-street response – Reference number 598

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I use Martin square more than twice a week ,going to Library local shopping browsing charity shop etc

I cannot believe you greedy lot ,this will destroy the lives of some shops and shoppers there is no free time offered

You will be charging us for breathing in TMBC council soon

Bailey bridge one side seems to be used by residents and can rarely get parked there but the other side is needed for mums to pick up kids etc no where to park

You waste enough money already try looking at that first. Shame on you lot elderly like me and my husband will be greatly affected

Off-street response – Reference number 599

I object to parking charges.

I park here everyday to take post into the post office. I always find a space and generally only park for five minutes. It would take me longer to mess about paying to park than it currently does to park, go in and out of the post office and leave.

Obviously this is a done deal as I know these 'consultations' are just a sham to window dress unpopular policies, but at least consider free parking for half an hour like they do at Allington shopping centre. That way people can pop into the shops without hogging spaces for a long time, otherwise you will kill the shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 600

I object to parking charges.

The car park should be segregated into a long term parking zone and a short term (30 minutes to 1 hour) parking zone close to the shops. If not everyone will park in Morrisons.

Off-street response – Reference number 601

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 602

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I use this car park regularly but only for short periods, 1 hour max. If charges are going to be necessary why not introduce a system currently in use at the Chatham Dockside Outlet Centre.

Off-street response – Reference number 603

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The car park services important local amenities including doctor's surgery and pharmacy. Parking charges will make it more difficult for people to attend appointments and collect prescription as they will be worrying about additional costs. If there's a queue for prescription or Dr is running late it is just an excuse to fine people. The car park always has spaces when I visit so using the lack of space as an excuse is ridiculous.

Parents of the local school children use the car park for drop off and pick up to avoid blocking local streets - 60p for 30 mins twice a day for 190 school days drop off and pick up is £228 a year! How is that justified to get a child to school! It is a money grabbing exercise in a time when we are in austerity.

Off-street response – Reference number 606

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 607

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I am District Nurse and i use this carpark several times a day to visit patients and see the Gp in Thornhills.

Off-street response – Reference number 609

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It will inevitably happen but I think it's a crazy idea and will really affect the local businesses who are already struggling!!! When it does come into force then it should be free for the first half an hour.

Madness 🤪

Off-street response – Reference number 612

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Parking charges will discourage people from shopping at Larkfield, cause shops to lose business and probably lead to closures to the detriment of the whole community. Perhaps a maximum stay would ease the situation, allowing shopping but not long term Parking?

Off-street response – Reference number 615

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 617

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 618

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 619

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 620

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I was hoping that if car parking charges were going to be introduced then at least the first hour or half hour would be free as most people using the car park usually use one or two places, I am a pensioner and have a beauty treatments once a month which lasts half an hour, that would stop if I had to pay charges on top, infact I would park in Morrison's car park and walk through to the square. Overloading that car park! But others may not be able to do that. Shopkeepers will suffer as people won't bother using the facilities which would incur extra costs. What about the people who work in and around the square, why should they pay, delivery drivers, visitors to the doctors if you can't park in their car park, there are many reasons why there shouldn't be charges and if they are implemented there is a lot to lose!

Off-street response – Reference number 621

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 622

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Short term parking up to 4 hours should be free if you really want to stop long term parking this is the way to go . you are putting yourselves accross as a council just out to make money when all you need is money to ron the car parks. DONT BE GREEDY

Off-street response – Reference number 623

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 624

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 627

I object to parking charges.

I am disabled and often use this weekly to collect my medication from pharmacy and don't think it's fair for charging when you are literally only going to be minutes and in need of desperate medication

Off-street response – Reference number 630

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

The only concern I have is what effect this step will have on the town's retail shops and businesses . If shops close or businesses this reduces the ability of the council to collect business rates and creates more unemployment

Off-street response – Reference number 631

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 632

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 633

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 634

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 635

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 636

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 637

I object to parking charges.

Extortion. People don't have money to pay for this, they will go elsewhere, it is short-sighted gain, in the long term shops will lose money.

Off-street response – Reference number 638

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 639

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Customers have already expressed they will not be able to continue to support us with the cost of 60p for half hour they have said a free period would make sense to access the shops and leave within a short time frame and also to collect the children from the local school our children attend as there is no parking for this at the school just clogged up side roads where people park all over the place as it is (dangerous)

Off-street response – Reference number 640

I object to parking charges.

I lived in Larkfield for 25 years and now live in Maidstone. I head to Larkfield every Saturday morning to grab a butchers order. Martin Square isn't a place you spend hours. It is a place you stop for 5 minutes. If you introduce parking charges I wouldn't pay to do my butchers collection and would find an alternative butchers. It will only affect the businesses there and close them down

Off-street response – Reference number 641

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Introduction of parking charges in Martin square will cause congestion on surrounding roads during peak times. Many people that use the car park for school drop off also use the local shops. In addition local schools do not have the infrastructure for a drop off or collect service.

Off-street response – Reference number 642

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Most of the people are just quickly popping in and out of the shops. Local businesses will suffer loss of customers

Off-street response – Reference number 643

I object to parking charges.

This will be devastating to the small businesses in the area. Absolutely shocking.

Off-street response – Reference number 644

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 645

I object to parking charges.

You will drive local people away from smaller local and independent stores. Leave the parking as it is and stop ruining the area.

Off-street response – Reference number 646

I object to parking charges.

parking charges will adversely affect small local businesses at a time when things are hard enough anyway.

Off-street response – Reference number 647

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 648

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

We use the shops in the square frequently. We live some distance but choose to travel due to the quality of the shops. If parking was introduced we would reconsider where we shop as the free parking is a bonus to us and allows us to spend more money in the independent shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 649

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Parking fees will affect the local businesses to the point where they will have to close. It should not be allowed

Off-street response – Reference number 650

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 651

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It's hard enough for small businesses to continue in this current economic climate, but you are now making it even harder for them if you are going to charge patrons to park, even for a short in and out visit to the shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 652

I object to parking charges.

Why are the tick boxes asked as questions? There is no need to bring in charges here, it will have an adverse effect on the local businesses,

Off-street response – Reference number 653

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I used to live in martin sqq and it is unfair t9 expect residents to pay to park there and also it will cause chaos in morrisons car park as people will park there in stead. There are alot of elderly people that use the car park and that puts extra pressure on them money wise and worrying about how to get a ticket. This would be anextra amount of money to calculate into an already increasingly expensive cost of living environment.

Off-street response – Reference number 655

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If no grace period to use the small local shops was available then I would shop elsewhere. I also object on the grounds that shoppers will park in local side streets causing parking difficulties for reaidents

Off-street response – Reference number 656

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 657

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

You are gradually stopping people from shopping locally by introducing charges or moving parking problems to nearby residential streets. If I'm just popping quickly to get fish and chips or go to the butcher's I'm not going to choose somewhere I also have to pay to park

Off-street response – Reference number 658

I object to parking charges.

Parking charges will only cause damage to local businesses. These businesses need support particularly in the current economic climate. People are already struggling to make ends meet, parking charges will just make it worse.

Regarding your comments concerning long term parking and reduced availability, I have never struggled to find a parking space at Martin Square and I only ever visit at peak times (weekends).

Off-street response – Reference number 659

I object to parking charges.

Although I have no objections to a charge being make I feel that a there should be a period of free charge as I frequently pop into both the butchers and chemists to pick things up and no charge for the first hour would be beneficial to a lot of people.

Off-street response – Reference number 660

I object to parking charges.

I use this car park regularly for dropping in To the post office, picking up some meat in the butchers, picking up a chinese takeaway and sometimes dropping off the kids at school.

If you start adding a charge for each time I do this, I won't use these local facilities.

I'll park on the road for drop offs, I'll get my butchers meat from tescos and I'll go into town to use the post office to avoid paying.

I think you should get up to 30 minutes free parking at least so as to help the local traders keep their customers and to make the roads safer at school drop off and collection times.

Off-street response – Reference number 661

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Shops will end up closing as people will go elsewhere and that's a fact. I've seen it before

Off-street response – Reference number 662

I object to parking charges.

This will simply deter me from shopping on Martin Square, when big shops like Morrisons or Tesco provide free parking, surely we should be making it easier to support local business not harder.

Off-street response – Reference number 663

I support Season Tickets.

I object to there being charges with no allowance for a free 30 minutes or such period to allow people drop off or collection to shops

Off-street response – Reference number 664

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 665

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 666

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 667

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 668

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 669

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 670

I object to parking charges.

This would effect all the businesses round Martin square also it can take more than 30 minutes in the chemist and doctors

Off-street response – Reference number 671

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

People use this carpark to use Doctors. To pay is just not on! And the shops in martins square will suffer too.

Off-street response – Reference number 672

I object to parking charges.

It will stop me using the local shops

Off-street response – Reference number 673

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 674

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 675

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I often use this car park to pop to the chemist and take aways. I have had to park here for the doctors. There needs to be some free time say an hour for public and free parking for the businesses staff and residents. Council making easy money from motorists.

Off-street response – Reference number 676

I object to parking charges.

The first 30 minutes should be free, or it will put people off which will have huge impact to the business's in the square.

Off-street response – Reference number 677

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 678

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Small business are closing because of parking charges everywhere. I know so many elderly people who think of these shops as a lifeline, then you start charging, and putting the silly machines in where you have to download an “app” ... elderly people don't know how to do all that. These charges will ruin business for another group of shops, just like it's slowly ruining West Malling businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 679

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 680

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 681

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 682

I object to parking charges.

I feel strongly that this will have a negative impact on residents and shops in this area. Could you look at first 60mins free.

Off-street response – Reference number 683

I object to parking charges.

I believe this will make business loose customers. I am only ever there for 20mins.

Off-street response – Reference number 684

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 685

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 686

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 687

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 688

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 689

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

This will be the death of the little shops in Martins Square. I use the carpark for no longer than 20mins if I am collecting something, picking up a portion of chips, dropping donations off at the charity shop. Getting meds and visiting the doctors takes a lot longer.

It's such a shame that the council want to start charging to use this popular car park. Shops will close because of this. In the 20 years I have lived in the area I use Martin square weekly and it is always busy.

If the dr doesn't run on time you'll end up going in and out topping up tickets

If it is payment via apps only then some will struggle to use this and deter them from visiting

The roads around Martin Square will become a nightmare, people will abandons their cars to quickly dive in the shops making it a safety issue for the nearby nursery and schools.

Off-street response – Reference number 690

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 691

I object to parking charges.

Charging for parking will seriously affect all businesses in the square,

A more sensible idea would to have two hours free parking and then charge after that apart from people who run the businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 692

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

30 mins free parking like at paddock wood

Off-street response – Reference number 693

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I have lived in larkfield/aylesford all my life and the parking has always been free.

The yearly Christmas light switch on is also under threat of being cancelled because of this and cos many people are not happy about it

Off-street response – Reference number 694

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 695

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Theses are small business trying to make a living. Also the doctors..... in turn Morrisons will apply fees for parking. This is outrageous! How are family run businesses meant to cope. You will cripple them & they will close down more empty units.....

Off-street response – Reference number 696

I object to parking charges.

It will discourage locals to pop into the shops and push people to the side streets.

What about having free 2 hour on collection of a ticket then charge for longer stays - works well in Southborough.

Off-street response – Reference number 697

I object to parking charges.

Should be some free parking, say an hour

Off-street response – Reference number 698

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Parking charges are unnecessary in small village shops. It is creating barriers to shop locally and is unfair to shop owners. This drives people to shop online and this is why we have empty shops and half the high streets have charity shops and pubs that have been there for years as there is no incentive for businesses to open. If it is necessary to reduce non shoppers parking then introduce ANPR and have at least 1-2hrs free.

Off-street response – Reference number 699

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 700

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will be such a huge negative impact on absolutely everyone using Martin square and those with businesses. Most people use this car park daily and at a short amount of time each use. The chemist, the post office, the butcher's, dropping off charity shop items. The list is endless. By adding hourly charges you will be hindering the business as most will stop using the carpark entirely. I think a compromise would be the first 2 hours free. This would mean people cannot just park up for the day for free and walk away. And those who just need to get their errands done can do without the stress.

Off-street response – Reference number 701

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 702

I object to parking charges.

There needs to be a 30 mins free parking element to allow for post office and charity shop drop offs

Off-street response – Reference number 703

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 704

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Life is hard enough as it is for businesses and families this would drive people away from the local shops and businesses will shut and families will go without. This is a terrible idea my family have lived in larkfield for 55 years i think this is outrageous martin square is a community people need it

and this will take it away it will break everything martin square has been for a very long time

Off-street response – Reference number 705

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Roads are busy already with parents dropping children off to school for two schools next to each other. If a payment comes into place more people will have to park in near by roads due to the crisis at the moment it will become more dangerous for the children. It's an accident waiting to happen. Keep Martin square Free Parking please.

Off-street response – Reference number 706

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

There is a good collection of shops on Martin Square, that I fear will suffer if customers have to pay to park. For example, Arthur's Butchers already has to compete with Tesco and Morrisons close by, both of which have free parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 707

I object to parking charges.

Small shops would suddenly there should be a small grace period- sometimes you only want to nip into one of the shops to pick something up or drop something off to have to pay for day 20 mins each time would mean I would go elsewhere. Also I know school run users use it where will all these cars go? Probably parked all along the road leading to the school making it dangerous for pedestrians on the paths and crossing due to blocked pavements and poor visibility

Off-street response – Reference number 708

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Support the business their n put parking charges in I won't go how can charge when people that live around use it as carpark as hardly any space to park

Off-street response – Reference number 709

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 710

I object to parking charges.

Martins square has always been an easily accessible place for the post office, pharmacy, butchers, beauticians- it is one of the last local places with a community feel. There is no valid reason to introduce parking charges apart from the councils own gain. It will impact the local businesses and the staff that work there and would be a terrible shame to loose these

Off-street response – Reference number 711

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Trying to kill off local businesses. Paying just to collect a takeaway, prescription. Etc.

Off-street response – Reference number 712

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I would support only if the Thornhills Medical Practice patients were given per visit exemptions that would null parking charges for long waits. I feel it's not fair to charge for people to park for a doctor's and if that part weren't chargeable those shopping the square would just park at the doctor's.

Off-street response – Reference number 713

I object to parking charges.

We're in a cost of living crisis and you want to do this, totally out of order.

Off-street response – Reference number 714

I object to parking charges.

This car park needs to be free to support the local businesses that are around the square and also it's a safe spot for mums to park to drop/pick up their children from the school and nursery.

If charges are made then there will be a knock-on effect and it will be difficult to park at the Doctors surgery, which I use a lot having 3 disabled people who go there frequently. Parking to access the library will be difficult too. There are so many reasons why this should not be introduced.

Also it will have an impact on all the local roads, possibly disrupt the bus services and people will park in Morrisons which will end up causing problems there.

For such a small "Community" carpark I deeply feel that charges are totally unnecessary and will cause distress and inconvenience to so many people who regularly use it. Not to mention that it could be dangerous to pedestrians as the surrounding roads will have more parking than usual if there is a charge.

Please rethink this decision, surely there are other alternatives to bringing money into the council funds without targetting a small community.

Off-street response – Reference number 715

I object to parking charges.

I use the doctors, chemist, butchers and shop.

I also feel for the girls in tapers who will have to pay to work. It's always been free it should remain.

Off-street response – Reference number 716

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 717

I object to parking charges.

No one will pay to visit the small shops like Arthur's, charity shop, bike shop etc that you may just pop into if you have to pay.

If wanting to post one parcel at post office or pop into the pharmacy to collect a prescription people won't pay to do that!! Instead people will go to Morrisons and block their car park! (Or the doctors one!) totally pointless idea.

Off-street response – Reference number 718

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 719

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 720

I object to parking charges.

We should get free 30 minutes to pick up a prescription or a takeaway, prices have gone up too much anyway without this and local businesses will suffer

Off-street response – Reference number 721

I object to parking charges.

I often use this car park for both the local business as well as the doctors surgery (which rarely has a free space) - I believe a better option would be to have a grace period of an hour or 2 of free parking and then payment after that. I don't disagree to paid parking for longstay but I do think this would severely impact the local businesses as I personally would be more likely to go to tesco where parking is free if I had to pay for parking in the square

Off-street response – Reference number 722

I object to parking charges.

Free parking in Martin Square is necessary for local residents and particularly local businesses. There is ample parking for shoppers and people visiting the GP surgery. There is absolutely no reason to introduce charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 723

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I think this is absolutely ludicrous. This will have a massive effect on parking in Kingfisher Road. These charges will cause mayhem and blockages to buses, emergency vehicles etc. The car park is also used for patents to drop their children off at the infants school.

Charging to park would cause an extra 50 - 60 vehicles parking on Kingfisher Road - accidents waiting to happen. It is just pure greed by TMBC

Off-street response – Reference number 724

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This proposal will kill the shops in Martins Square. While I do not completely disagree with charges for long term parking, why can it not come into force after one free hour, like in Paddock Wood. Sometimes you just need to pop to the Post Office, for a pint of milk, or to pick up something from the chemist. One free hour and then charge seems a sensible solution.

Off-street response – Reference number 725

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 726

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I have a ten month old baby who has been poorly I have to visit the doctors frequently I cannot afford to pay every visit

Off-street response – Reference number 727

I object to parking charges.

If brought in there should be 1 hour free for quick visit to shops pharmacy or doctors think will be bad for business and locals

Off-street response – Reference number 728

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Small businesses will suffer if charges are introduced. We use Martin Square on a semi regular basis and will most likely not use the shops if charges are introduced.

Off-street response – Reference number 729

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 730

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 731

I object to parking charges.

This will stop all those wishing to just pop in to the shops, cannot believe there is no consideration for a short term free period

Off-street response – Reference number 732

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 733

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 734

I object to parking charges.

No free period of time to pop into Chemist to collect prescriptions or take elderly relatives for flu or covid booster

Off-street response – Reference number 735

I object to parking charges.

I will go elsewhere to use the post office and butchers if I have to start paying to park.

Off-street response – Reference number 736

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 737

I object to parking charges.

Another way to make money whilst the local businesses and taxpayers suffer and fork out more money in these difficult times. Martin's Place is so handy but we won't be using it anymore if there's a parking fee.

Off-street response – Reference number 738

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I will no longer be using the shops in Martin square If a charge is introduced. Sometimes can wait up to an hour in the chemist and charges would be an extra worry! An extra expense that cannot be afforded by many local people

Off-street response – Reference number 739

I object to parking charges.

You sure know how ruin any opportunity for small businesses in this county. Only just discovered the local butchers in the parade. Also convenient being able to park quickly outside. If anything prevent overnight parking. You will quickly see that parade empty for more convenient locations if you make

people pay for parking just like our high streets have been ruined by stupid parking charges. People go to Bluewater now. Let small business's thrive in our local community.

Off-street response – Reference number 740

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If parking charges were introduced I would no longer use the local services in martin Square but travel to the larger chain stores around the area.

Off-street response – Reference number 741

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Continuing with this proposal will possibly put some of the small business out of business as parking fees will put people off

Off-street response – Reference number 742

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 743

I object to parking charges.

Please give at least a free 30 minute time for a quick shop. It will devastate the shop businesses otherwise

Off-street response – Reference number 744

I object to parking charges.

I understand the financial pressures facing the Council but independent businesses such as Arthurs Butchers and others in Martin Square also face unprecedented pressures. If the purpose of the restrictions is to prevent long term parking clogging up spaces then there are different ways of achieving that aim. For example: limiting parking to 4 hours - effectively making it a short stay car park. In any case if restrictions are brought in there should be a free period of up to 2 hours to allow visitors to visit the different shop's, hairdresser and cafe. Another complicating factor is the knock on effect of restrictions on the Medical Centre Car Park which is already often under pressure. Drivers displaced from the Council Car Park are likely to use the Medical Centre Car Park making it difficult for users of the Medical Centre. There is likely to be displacement of parking on to nearby streets which already suffer at school times. Consideration also needs to be given to the type of meter used if restrictions are brought in. It should be possible to pay by card as well as an app due to the unreliability of signal.

Off-street response – Reference number 745

I object to parking charges.

The charity shop is run by volunteers who cannot afford to pay car parking charges and give up their time for free. It puts the shop in a precarious position.

Off-street response – Reference number 746

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If parking charges are introduced I will no longer visit the shops there. If your issue is with long stay parking introduce a time limit instead and then charges after 2 hours.

Off-street response – Reference number 747

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Small businesses will lose customers. Absolutely Disgusting!

Off-street response – Reference number 748

I object to parking charges.

I think this will damage the turnover of shops within the square. Maybe the first 1hr or 30 mins free would be a more sensible way to approach this. It would then mean customers aren't put off using the businesses in the square and the people staying there long term could perhaps get a permit

Off-street response – Reference number 749

I object to parking charges.

The reasons for introducing charges apart from making money for council are not valid: long term parking for a few residents does not impact use by others. Personally I will be impacted, picking up takeaways, delivering heavy items to charity shop ,using library, butchers and post office. The first 30 mins should always be free and a larger free space for Thornhills introduced.

Off-street response – Reference number 750

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 751

I object to parking charges.

The shops and library will really suffer

Off-street response – Reference number 752

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 753

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

So many shops here only need a quick 30 mins to do our business.. surely a 30 mins free period would be better. Obviously pay for longer. This will hit businesses very hard. Very unfair.

Off-street response – Reference number 754

I object to parking charges.

It's a shame you are not thinking about a free 30 mins so shoppers can just nip into the shops to collect their items.

Off-street response – Reference number 755

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 756

I object to parking charges.

I would support charges if the first 2 hours were free. This would support all the local shops and not affect their customers it would also increase the turnover of spaces.

Off-street response – Reference number 757

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 758

I object to parking charges.

We need to support our local shops

If u have a go appt then go to chemist u could be more then a hour so too expensive for lot of people and for people with mobility issues they need to be able to park without stress

Off-street response – Reference number 759

I object to parking charges.

We never had problems parking up here. We normally visit a number of shops over the week mostly for prescriptions in the chemist or hairdressers. I will not be doing this if I have to pay. Life is hard enough. Just trying to make more money out of us. What's to stop people parking down the side roads and surrounding roads? I will for one to not pay any parking charges

Off-street response – Reference number 760

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I would not come to Martins Square if parking charges would be applied. Such a shame for local shopping.

Off-street response – Reference number 761

I object to parking charges.

There should at least be a half hour grace to pop in and out of shops

Off-street response – Reference number 762

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 763

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 764

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 765

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 766

I object to parking charges.

Awful for the shops that are already struggling

Off-street response – Reference number 767

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 768

I object to parking charges.

Should provide 60 minutes free .it would deter me from using the facilities if I had to pay.

Off-street response – Reference number 769

I object to parking charges.

I support the shops but can not walk to them so now having to pay to park is questioning if I should carry on, if people live local they can walk

Off-street response – Reference number 770

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will be bad for the small businesses on Martin square who probably already struggle in this cost of living crisis. People will struggle to get to the GP as people will park there for the shops (assuming the GP carpark remains free). Think about the elderly who use this facility who do not have smart phones and the likes to pay for the parking. Most people that use this carpark are residents and pit stop shoppers. There is no need for parking meters here!

Off-street response – Reference number 771

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 772

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 773

I object to parking charges.

I use Martin square car park very regularly. I frequent the doctors, the chemist, Morrisons daily, the charity shop and the butchers. Usually just popping in and out but would not frequent them as much if had to pay for parking. I feel that all the businesses would suffer massively if charges were introduced.

Off-street response – Reference number 774

I object to parking charges.

Think it's disgusting that the council can keep charging people for any little thing . But can't keep our streets clean of leaves and rubbish . The poor people that work there . People just won't bother shopping there . Then it will all close

Off-street response – Reference number 775

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will just make visiting and shopping really difficult.

Off-street response – Reference number 776

I object to parking charges.

The side roads will be overcrowded, by the school

Mums who will be parking in the side streets ,the area will become congested

Off-street response – Reference number 777

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This is a joke we will not tolerate this issue

Off-street response – Reference number 778

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 779

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 780

I object to parking charges.

I often use the car park to go to the library or the local shops. In the holidays I take my young grandchildren to the library to encourage them to read, learn and enjoy books. Sadly this will be taken away from me and a lot of other people if you introduce a charge, as it is too far for me to walk to from Kings Hill, and I do not have the funds to pay to park. I also try to support the local businesses, using the cafe, butchers and post office, but sadly, this support will need to cease, and I will look to go elsewhere, where I can park for free.

Off-street response – Reference number 781

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 782

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 783

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Parking charges will kill the local shops

Off-street response – Reference number 784

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will kill small businesses in the square and add more cars parked on the road who do not wish to pay for parking. You're adding costs to people's lives that doesn't need to be there just because you're greedy!

Off-street response – Reference number 785

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 786

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 787

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

We use this carpark to shop etc and for the doctors when their carpark is full, so it's not fair to be charged for local convenience

Off-street response – Reference number 788

I object to parking charges.

As a result of the charges parking in the locality would become a nightmare for residents, pedestrians and bus drivers.

Drivers already park in the residents only car park behind the Clarion association bungalows on Kingfisher Road. Double parking along Kingfisher Rd often prevents buses from passing. Drivers parked on pavement hinder those using mobility scooters, wheelchairs and baby buggies. The knock on effect on the parking availability for patients at the medical centre would be disastrous. I am disabled do you intend to charge? Will there be a free period of time before charges kick in? Will the machines accept cash?

Off-street response – Reference number 789

I object to parking charges.

Small businesses would suffer. I shop at certain businesses and would shop elsewhere.

Off-street response – Reference number 790

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 791

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Not only will this stop people from visiting and supporting local businesses but what about when you are stuck in the post office or chemist/drs it's just another way of tmhc taking money! Larkfield is not a wealthy area! I was born in Larkfield and have been here 56 years and you have ruined what was once a lovely place to live, not to mention the school runs and mayhem to the side roads this would cause as so many kids come from much further away now, rather than local children. Stop doing this please you're bringing us to our knees!

Off-street response – Reference number 792

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I will no longer use local facilities if I have to pay 60p to just pop to the dry cleaners/butchers/post office which takes all of 5-10mins.

Off-street response – Reference number 793

I object to parking charges.

If you do put the charges in it should be like paddock wood were you get 30 minutes free people won't go there then the shop

Off-street response – Reference number 794

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 795

I object to parking charges.

people will not use the shops, and go to main supermarkets, where parking is free.

Off-street response – Reference number 796

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 797

I object to parking charges.

I often just park to collect prescriptions or to buy some meat. Only there depending on queues . So 5 or 10 minutes. Thus shopping mall is dependant on customers popping in and out. Charges would encourage these customers to shop elsewhere

Off-street response – Reference number 798

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 799

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 800

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 801

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If you have to pay to park I will stop using local shops, and will have to pay to visit the doctors.

Off-street response – Reference number 802

I object to parking charges.

I often visit Martins Square to go to the shops or the Post Office the new Butcher Hairdressers etc normally for a short period of time but the introduction of charges with no short term free period would mean that I would now look elsewhere. I have never had a difficulty in finding a car space or when I visit the Doctors but I'm sure I will in the doctors car parking area if these charges are imposed.

Off-street response – Reference number 803

I object to parking charges.

At a time when businesses are constantly closing you will find 50% of the shops on Martins Square closed 6 months after the introduction of the charges. Pure greed on a car park that is never full anyway.

Off-street response – Reference number 804

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 805

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 806

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 807

I object to parking charges.

People will not shop in Martin Square and shops will lose their customers!

Off-street response – Reference number 808

I object to parking charges.

I think it should be free for the first 30 minutes, then chargeable thereafter.

Off-street response – Reference number 809

I object to parking charges.

It will adversely affect my use of these shops

Off-street response – Reference number 810

I object to parking charges.

The local business will be damaged because of it and the roads around Larkfield will be parked on instead to avoid paying causing more congestion

Off-street response – Reference number 811

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Will affect businesses and customers will go elsewhere. I certainly wouldn't use the square if parking charges were introduced

Off-street response – Reference number 812

I object to parking charges.

I shop here once per week , my shop is pre ordered so I am at the shops less than 15 minutes ...I shouldn't have to pay for that ??

Off-street response – Reference number 813

I object to parking charges.

What if you wanted to quickly pop in to a shop I think it's unfair to occur a parking charge . And also if the doctors surgery tiny car parks full there is no choice but to park in Martin square car park why should we be charged to see a doctor . There always running behind too and late with appointments so never no how long your be

Off-street response – Reference number 814

I object to parking charges.

Introducing charges will affect the local businesses. Residents will instead shop elsewhere. Morrison's carpark will also be affected with people parking there which will make it more difficult for those who actually want to go to the supermarket

Off-street response – Reference number 815

I object to parking charges.

With cost of living paying for season tickets will be too much strain on people who are living in martin square and where else can residents park

Off-street response – Reference number 816

I object to parking charges.

I feel the local businesses would be impacted significantly from introducing parking charges. I believe it would be better to offer a free period for shopping, up to one or two hours, and introduce charges for longer stay parking

Off-street response – Reference number 817

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 818

I object to parking charges.

I've lived here going on 23 years & the car park is essential. I have used it for various needs the school run, library, shops or doctors but no matter what time of day or time you can always find a space. The council charging is just another revenue to line their pockets I'm sorry but how much more money can they take off people. Road tax & the road down to the car park is awful & don't start saying it will be better with car park fees as its two different things. These shops are on there's knees as it is anyway add parking fees & you will make it harder for them & locals to pop out to get a few bits here & there.

Off-street response – Reference number 819

I object to parking charges.

Small businesses face enough challenges without customers being forced to shop elsewhere. We should be supporting our local shops. The impact on local roads of people parking badly, to avoid paying, will also cause addition hazard to road users a d pedestrians.

Off-street response – Reference number 820

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

A ridiculous idea . Are you trying to close all the businesses there ??

Off-street response – Reference number 821

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 822

I object to parking charges.

The shops, library & patients visiting the surgery will all suffer enormously. Drivers will park on surrounding streets causing problems.

Off-street response – Reference number 823

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

These are local services and should be free to use.

Off-street response – Reference number 824

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 825

I object to parking charges.

As a local resident of the area, I constantly try to use local businesses and support them. This scheme if introduced, again makes it extremely difficult to do so as incurring further charges in order to do so, simply prices that support out of being viable and would mean I simply wouldn't be able to afford to do so. That doesn't help these businesses and means I and I suspect many others, wouldn't be able to support them and use them as it would prove expensive

Off-street response – Reference number 826

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 827

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 828

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This is going to impact so many businesses and residents, I will not be using any shops should the charges come into play. This car park is also an over flow for the doctors people should not be charged to be visiting the doctors or pharmacy!

Off-street response – Reference number 829

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Greedy let small business thrive before you just have more flats

Off-street response – Reference number 830

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

To introduce charges will impact the footfall greatly for all the small businesses in the Square which we should support

Off-street response – Reference number 831

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 832

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 833

I object to parking charges.

This car park is regularly used by sick or elderly residents who need the doctors surgery and/or the pharmacy. Charging someone to pay for parking just because they are ill seems ridiculously unfair. Sometimes the wait at the surgery can be long and it will be impossible to know how long you need to park for.

It will also affect all the small businesses around the square whose clients park in the car park. People will simply use Morrisons instead, where the parking is free. There should at the very least be a short period of free parking for those who just need to pop in and pick up an item, without a long stay.

Off-street response – Reference number 834

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

At least provide 1/2 hour free parking for those of us that simply pop into the butchers etc. This will greatly affect the independent businesses especially the butchers, this will just push people back to the supermarkets 🙄

Off-street response – Reference number 835

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 836

I object to parking charges.

There's always spaces to park. There's never no spaces. I don't believe that parking charges are needed and would cause more issues for residents near by. It will cause other to park outside houses to avoid faffing getting tickets

Off-street response – Reference number 837

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

With the cost of living crisis this is no sustainable

Off-street response – Reference number 838

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I have never had trouble parking there

Off-street response – Reference number 839

I object to parking charges.

The businesses in Martin Square would be seriously effected if parking charges are introduced.

Off-street response – Reference number 840

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 841

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Most people use the car park for just popping into a shop, so are there a minimal time but will have to put money in for poss 30 min stay

Off-street response – Reference number 842

I object to parking charges.

If there is a problem with vehicles being parked for extended periods why not put in a time limit. I feel this charge will affect the business in Martin Square.

Off-street response – Reference number 843

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 844

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I've never had any trouble finding parking in Martin Square whatever time of the day or day I have visited. This will be the end of the shops there and peoples livelihoods if charges are implemented. I would certainly stop going which is a shame.

Off-street response – Reference number 845

I object to parking charges.

Larkfield is a parade of shops the same as Ditton, Snodland and Aylesford on greenacres estate who do not have car parking charges. This should remain the same for Larkfield. It also reduces school traffic and helps residents park outside their homes.

Off-street response – Reference number 846

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 847

I object to parking charges.

There needs to be a free window for popping in and out of shops otherwise people will never be able to park in the residential areas due to people parking there from the shops!!

I have family I visit often and need to park my car to visit them

Off-street response – Reference number 848

I object to parking charges.

Unfair for shoppers who just want to pop in a shop for a few minutes to pick something up and if people want to take their children to the library. This will have a big negative impact on the business's in the square

Off-street response – Reference number 849

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 850

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 851

I object to parking charges.

The carpark is used by the community for many reasons. Parents using the car park for quick school drop offs will be forced to park in the busy roads surrounding, causing danger to children walking and crossing. Elderly and people with additional needs may struggle with the machines. With the cost of living crisis lower income people may struggle and not be able to access vital services such as the doctors, chemist. Footfall may fall for the library which then puts pressure on keeping this vital service open. The local businesses are well supported and may lose trade as a result.

How about introducing parking fees but giving grace for the first hour?

Off-street response – Reference number 852

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 853

I object to parking charges.

Have to drive 3 children to school every day. On statutory maternity pay. I cannot afford to pay this.

Off-street response – Reference number 854

I object to parking charges.

This parking space is well used & the local traders, library included, need the access maintained, not restricted. Parking charges will - inevitably - force people to limit their visits here. And add to the already high cost of living.

Off-street response – Reference number 855

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 856

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Usually when visiting it would be for 10-20 mins max so should be a min hour free.

Off-street response – Reference number 857

I object to parking charges.

the council are looking to the future, introduce pay for parking, nobody will use the car park , therefore the council will close the car park and build more housing, when do the council do anything for the public? i'll tell you NEVER , just trying to line their own pockets, wonder who's in line for a big back hander

Off-street response – Reference number 858

I object to parking charges.

I use this car park many times a week to use the doctors & all the local shops. Putting this in will kill the local business in these hard times WHY!

Off-street response – Reference number 859

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 860

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 861

I object to parking charges.

I visit the square regularly to collect prescriptions for my elderly parents plus myself . I'm also a patient at Thornhills . I'm sure you are aware these are busy places and can be there an hour at a time or more . I'm already struggling with the cost of living

Off-street response – Reference number 862

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Introducing parking charges would damage the trade for local businesses in Martin Sq. There is no requirement to charge for the use of this area as people only park there to use the services in the locality.

Off-street response – Reference number 863

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 864

I object to parking charges.

It will ruin our lovely local shops for shopping, which is a godsend for the elderly and young families.

Off-street response – Reference number 865

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 866

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 867

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Introduction of parking charges will affect local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 868

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Surely if the rationale for introducing fees for vehicles parking for an extended period, the answer would be to charge the vehicles parking there for longer than say 2 hours. Make it a huge amount eg £80 to park over 2 hours. Leave the first two hours free for those popping in to the shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 869

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

No free period (even 30 mins) just to pop in to collect a prescription etc. I will no longer be using the local shops if the parking charges come into place.

Off-street response – Reference number 870

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 871

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Absolutely ridiculous. It is highly unfair to charge people to pick up medication that they need to survive. The cost of living crisis has hit us all but charging people to be able to park to use a chemist and even the doctors surgery as the parking there is so small is unlawful.

Off-street response – Reference number 872

I object to parking charges.

I feel small business will miss out as people won't park and will go to out of town shops with free parking

Off-street response – Reference number 873

I object to parking charges.

As a person who has mobility issues, I need to park close to local shops that I support regularly.

Off-street response – Reference number 874

I object to parking charges.

These charges will also impact parking for the doctors surgery and move more parking onto surrounding residential roads. The charges will affect businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 875

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I have never had a problem getting a car parking space Sometimes people park there because the doctors surgery/library car park is full People use the car park mainly to just pop in and out not to stay Can't afford to pay to park as financially struggling Please don't introduce charges it is not necessary the car park flows well and spaces available throughout the day

Off-street response – Reference number 876

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

There needs to be some sort of "free" period for people who are going to the shops on the Square - seems a bit ridiculous to have to pay for parking if I'm popping into the Butchers for 5min or

collecting a prescription at the Pharmacy.

Off-street response – Reference number 878

I object to parking charges.

Sometimes I am only in one shop for a few minutes so do not think it's fair to be charged.

Off-street response – Reference number 879

I object to parking charges.

It will kill the local shops if you start charging

Off-street response – Reference number 880

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 881

I object to parking charges.

This is a very important car park as it gives access to the small businesses that have always kept the Square alive.

Access to the Library, Chemist and Doctors needs to be free, so that the people who use those facilities and support the local shops.

If long term parking is really an issue then make the 1st hour free.

Cutting the local community who cannot afford parking charges, off from this access would be really.

It would definitely impact heavily on local people and make life difficult for many vulnerable residents

Off-street response – Reference number 882

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 883

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 884

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

We use the businesses here regularly (pharmacy, library, charity shop, post office, dry cleaners, newsagents, butchers) and would struggle to continue supporting them if charges were introduced.

Whilst we can walk on occasion, this takes 20 minutes with small people and my mother, who is a pensioner, would not be able to walk that distance.

Therefore parking is paramount and charges are unnecessary. The parking is never so overrun that you can't find a space, so the only reason for this decision can be to generate additional income for the council at the expense of local people and local businesses at a time when everyone is feeling the pressures of the current economic climate.

You are also likely to push people on to the already busy local roads to avoid the charges, causing congestion and unsafe parking practices in an area where there are two schools and a preschool. This is an accident waiting to happen.

Off-street response – Reference number 885

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 886

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 887

I object to parking charges.

This car park supports a group of shops which rely on custom from people driving to the venue. Imposing charges will reduce their revenue from passing trade and the area will deteriorate as shops close.

Off-street response – Reference number 888

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 889

I object to parking charges.

This will kill the small business that are currently located in the square especially as Tesco and Morrisons are free. There should be a 2 hour free period allowing people to go to the cafe hairdresser shopping doctors, if you're saying it is to do with stopping long term parking why punish the shopkeepers?!

Off-street response – Reference number 890

I object to parking charges.

Free parking up to 1 hour or 90 minutes, that means people will still use the local shops, otherwise, if you have to pay for parking, you'll get people going elsewhere or to major supermarkets.

Off-street response – Reference number 891

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 892

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I'm a local hairdresser and it will incur extra charges to my clients

Off-street response – Reference number 893

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Martin square is starting to become a good hub of the community. Implementing parking charges will push away local customers who are supporting local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 894

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 896

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I object to these charges as I always find a parking space, I regularly use the library to attend the free toddler group and to get books for my little boy from the library. If I need to grab something from the shops which is often having a child I know I can drive quickly to the shops. We use the local businesses such as the hairdressers and beauty salon, the butchers and sometimes get food from the takeaway shops. The local independent businesses rely on the trade and I fully support them and do not want them to lose business. Furthermore, I use to work for Thornhills Medical Practice and majority of the patients park in the local car park as the car park that has been allocated to the surgery is often used by the residents from the flats therefore the patients rely on the parking at Martin Square. If anything you need to stop the residents from the flats parking incorrectly and ruining it for everyone else. Do not introduce parking charges as the car park is used by traders customers, patients and the elderly, also for the library which is a brilliant little library that we are lucky to have.

Off-street response – Reference number 897

I object to parking charges.

The car park supports local business and provides somewhere to park when visiting the Doctors. By introducing a charge you'll be taxing poorly people and killing local business as the patrons will use supermarkets.

Off-street response – Reference number 898

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 900

I object to parking charges.

I feel a better way to go is to introduce parking free upto maybe 2 hours for shoppers. This shouldn't include people who are residents, or business holders.

Off-street response – Reference number 901

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 902

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 903

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It's not fair on business people, they will lose trade. Also it will not be fair on people who live locally.

My elderly dad lives near, it's bad enough now trying to get parked where he lives, and it's supposed to be for residents only, nobody takes any notice.

We've grown up here, please don't ruin it.

Off-street response – Reference number 904

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 905

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 906

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 907

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 908

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I have never had a problem getting a parking space. I use it for short visits to go into the post office, pharmacy, butchers or to grab a takeaway order. Only time I have used a parking space for a longer period of up to an hour is when using the library or cafe. Spaces are always available and it's well used by the community and putting in parking charges would have a detrimental impact on the business in Martin Square. I would not be using the car park if I had to pay 60p to stop for ten minutes to pick up a takeaway or meat for my Sunday dinner. It may take me 30 minutes to use post office due to queues. I shall use elsewhere if there will be charges. With the cost of living constantly going up and wages not matching outgoings, parking charges are not acceptable in a small community car park!

Off-street response – Reference number 909

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 910

I object to parking charges.

Charges will put people off of using small business

Off-street response – Reference number 911

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I totally object to these parking charges, as I work in one of the shops on the square, the season tickets are a ridiculous amount of money and not guaranteed a parking space, also a possibility of losing business as people will go elsewhere for their services

Off-street response – Reference number 912

I object to parking charges.

Happy for charges for longer stays to stop people blocking spaces, but a 20 or 30 minutes free grace period if you just want to nip to the butcher/post office would be beneficial to keep trade coming to the square

Off-street response – Reference number 913

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 914

I object to parking charges.

Not only do I use this car park for the shops but also for the GP and library, whose dedicated car parks are too small. You cannot charge people who need to see a doctor or use council services like the library.

Off-street response – Reference number 915

(no comment supplied)

I do agree Martin Square has always a large number of cars not using shops. Short stay should be free but long stay should be monitored and charged. I have to use disabled spaces and these are very often used by non disabled cars and can I also point out that doctors car park is always full and I have to use Martin Square and could be gone 30 mins or more.

Off-street response – Reference number 916

I object to parking charges.

I often pop into the butchers here so am only in the car park for a maximum of 5 minutes so would begrudge having to pay for 30 mins or an hour when i won't be staying anywhere near that long

Off-street response – Reference number 917

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

We need to be supporting small businesses not driving people away to the bigger outlets where you don't pay for parking

Off-street response – Reference number 918

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I believe as part of the community and use that area often this will impact the shops and amenities as people won't pay to visit them shops or chemist for the sake of a hour max

Off-street response – Reference number 919

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 920

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 921

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The reason provided for introducing these fees seems to be an excuse. The majority of people use the parking to get to drs appointments, access the library or collect prescriptions. We've been told that the fees are being introduced to stop people abusing the spaces however if this is the case you could introduce no fee for those staying under an hour. This is going to effect the businesses in the

area. I feel sorry for those who are already struggling financially, this is just another thing they will need to consider when visiting their GP.

Off-street response – Reference number 922

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will destroy local business'. I for certain, will not pay to park there.

Off-street response – Reference number 923

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Such useful set of shops, tucked out of the way, used by locals for locals and if charges are enforced it will drive regulars elsewhere, and these thriving independent businesses will lose their custom which would be a devastating shame! KEEP SUPPORTING OUR INDEPENDANT BUSINESSES!

Off-street response – Reference number 924

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 925

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 926

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 927

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 928

I object to parking charges.

A fixed free time limit to support the local businesses would be preferable-could still enforce with a ticket and charge for over an hour.

Off-street response – Reference number 929

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 930

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 931

I object to parking charges.

We pay enough council tax each year as it is and this will no doubt go up and still you want to claw every last penny out of us. This will destroy the small businesses old and new that a lot of people depend on, especially the pensioners and disabled. And will also add to the hardship of the people living above the shops. This will in the long only push the problem on to other areas with people parking in residential areas. DON'T DO IT.

Off-street response – Reference number 932

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

How to shut local businesses....parking charges!!! Encourage loneliness, more people shopping online. The list goes on.

Off-street response – Reference number 933

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 934

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

People have to use the car to go to the drs as well as the shop's as there's not enough parking, it's a liberty to pay to visit the drs, older residents can struggle with using pay machines, down loading apps etc

Off-street response – Reference number 935

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 936

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I totally object to the introduction of any form of charging for Martin Square car park.

Not only does it affect the local businesses, it will also impact massively on the Chemist and the Doctor's surgery. It could take up to an hour to go and collect or get a prescription filled. Why should people be forced to pay to collect medication.

Also It isolates the elderly.... again!

My parents don't have smartphones and would be very worried having to use 'chip and pin ' on a machine that potentially could be used to scam as I presume it would be a cashless machine to prevent vandalism and theft?

Not only that but it encourages people to park in Kingfisher Road, an already very busy road and in turn making it very difficult for the buses to get through.

On a personal level, I work at Malcolm's hair studio on the London Road

THERE IS NOWHERE ELSE FOR OUR CLIENTS TO PARK!

We are already struggling against the massive rise in stock bill's and how our income has been reduced by the Cost of living crisis as certain services are considered a luxury for many clients so to add to their costs is just totally unacceptable.

Off-street response – Reference number 937

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will just increase parking on the road

Off-street response – Reference number 938

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

By implementing these charges you will be ensuring the local family businesses who are located in martins square suffer financially with loss of business.

Our older generation also have no idea how to use parking apps.

Stop being greedy and leave the parking well alone. Your killing the local towns and villages with all this parking charge nonsense

Off-street response – Reference number 939

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 940

I object to parking charges.

I often use the parking and have never struggled to park.

Off-street response – Reference number 941

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The car park has always been free, it's highly useful with a drs, clinic, post office & library on site, all things used in the community and not to mention using local foods especially the butchers. Along with the hair dressers ,and dry cleaners etc.

If it becomes a chargeable car park people will go elsewhere?

Off-street response – Reference number 943

I object to parking charges.

I rarely struggle to park at Martin Square. There are almost always parking spaces available. Putting parking charges in place feels like a revenue earning exercise rather than a necessary arrangement. You will kill the trade of local businesses that are already struggling and the local Library (which local children, mine included, rely on) will almost certainly close. In the short term, all you will do is encourage shoppers to park on the surrounding streets making the already congested roads worse and this will likely lead to further parking restrictions on the surrounding roads making it more expensive or even impossible for local residents to simply park outside their own houses. I cannot see anything good about this proposal.

Off-street response – Reference number 944

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 945

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I object against the new parking charges, I drop my parents off weekly so they can shop at the butchers and go to the library, if parking charges are brought in and not allowing at least a free period of 30 minutes then we will have no choice but to go to one of the main supermarkets, this is unfair to the local businesses who will suffer in loss of business.

Off-street response – Reference number 946

I object to parking charges.

Why should we have to pay to use the local newsagent, butcher or takeaway. The car park is never so full you cannot find a space. Please find another way to 'fleece' your residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 947

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 948

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 949

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will have a serious detrimental effect on the small business which are in the square, I'm lucky I can walk, but for people who need to pop into say the pharmacy, you are asking them to pay for an hours parking at least (because there is always a queue) on top of their prescription charge, people will park in the drs parking area causing issues for those using the surgery.

Off-street response – Reference number 950

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I regularly have to visit Paydens for the medication of my registered disabled son and I use the local business' when I am there , the doctors surgery spaces are not enough and lots of patients use this car park too

Off-street response – Reference number 951

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Will kill shops

Off-street response – Reference number 952

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

This is why towns and villages are dying off! Lack of free parking put people off of shopping locally so shop online. Then everyone blames people shopping online is killing the towns,,,,,,,,,,,,,start at the root of the problem

Off-street response – Reference number 953

I object to parking charges.

The shops will badly suffer as it mostly used for quick shopping or chemist to pick-up a prescription.

Off-street response – Reference number 954

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 955

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 956

I object to parking charges.

This would be an extremely negative decision to many of those who go to pick up prescriptions, visit the library or even use the car park to visit Thornhills GPs. As a citizen who knows people who struggle with income already and rely on the Martin's Square services without another good choice, it would affect them greatly as they can barely afford basic necessities, especially with the current rising cost of living. Furthermore, people would just end up using the Morrisons car park and walk

through, leading to the superstore becoming a more frequented location because of the closer distance and this could also harm shops such as the Premier as well as clutter the Morrisons car park.

Off-street response – Reference number 957

I object to parking charges.

I am a full time carer and these parking charges mean every time I have to go and collect medication or take my mother to an appointment I will have to pay parking charges

Off-street response – Reference number 958

I object to parking charges.

This car park is used by customers using and supporting small local businesses. People park and pop into the shop and leave. Any charge would stop this instantly. Paying to park for the 10 minutes or so needed will kill these small, and already struggling, businesses. As local residents, we need these local shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 959

I object to parking charges.

There has to be an option of free parking for an hour otherwise people will not support the local businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 960

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 961

I object to parking charges.

I need to visit the pharmacy at least twice a week and am disabled

Off-street response – Reference number 962

I object to parking charges.

Most people just pop in to shop for 10-15 minutes. All this will do is make people park in Morrisons for free instead. And create more congestion here

Off-street response – Reference number 963

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 964

I object to parking charges.

Most people only stop there for a quick visit. Charge for over 1 hour or 2 if you have to, to stop others but leave people to use the businesses, pharmacy and drs! Will clog up Morrisons car park or just mean the businesses will suffer by us going elsewhere!

Off-street response – Reference number 965

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It has been free since I can remember if you start charging people will just choose somewhere else and the small shops won't get much custom

Off-street response – Reference number 966

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 967

I object to parking charges.

I personally use this particular car park for shopping in Martin Square specifically because there are no parking charges.

I am usually in and out within 30 mins, so do not expect to pay a fee for parking my car, like you've introduced in West Malling High Street. It's added expense and time/inconvenience which is not welcomed.

If you do introduce charges, to prevent local residents parking, please ensure you allow shoppers to be able to use the car park for free within a two hour period. This will prevent the local businesses from loss of trade. Lots of large supermarket stores have this arrangement so it's definitely a viable option. Thank you.

Off-street response – Reference number 968

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

All this years we never had any issues. Why the charges now.?

Off-street response – Reference number 969

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

People will park in Morrisons instead

Off-street response – Reference number 970

I object to parking charges.

Have used Martin Square for over 40 years, car park charges will only end up filling Morrisons car park if you only want to pop into the shops, would be interested to hear their opinion of introducing charges, doubt the people proposing this has even thought of consequences

Off-street response – Reference number 971

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Not needed.

Off-street response – Reference number 972

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Disgraceful idea.

Off-street response – Reference number 973

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 974

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 975

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 976

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 977

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 978

I object to parking charges.

Will have a huge impact on the local businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 979

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 980

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 981

I object to parking charges.

Businesses will lose business, such a shame to introduce the charges absolutely no need at all.

Off-street response – Reference number 982

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 983

I object to parking charges.

Charges will push people to shop at the local supermarkets rather than these small independent shops, thus affecting their trade. The library is also located here and again could affect footfall for what is usually a free service which we'd hate to lose. TMBC astronomical Council tax should cover maintenance of car parks rather than parking charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 984

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 985

I object to parking charges.

Elderly and sick people need to attend the GP surgery and local chemist.

Off-street response – Reference number 986

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Why will people use these shops anymore if they have to pay for parking when you can go down the road and park and shop for free.

Off-street response – Reference number 987

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 988

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Martin Square is a lovely small community shopping area and Doctors surgery. The enforcement of parking charges will have a terrible affect on local businesses and it isn't fair to locals who already pay council taxes and support businesses. Stop being greedy and trying to charge for everything

Off-street response – Reference number 989

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I think it's ridiculous getting people to pay for parking considering the car park is not only used for shoppers but people who go to the medical centre aswell

Off-street response – Reference number 990

(no comment supplied)

I cannot believe that you would even consider this.

It will have a detrimental effect on all the local businesses as most parking is for an hour max. People will not pay if they are just popping to one shop for 5 to 10 mins so will go elsewhere.

And for Tapers there are other salons nearby with no charges..what would you do?

Most important of all a lot of patients at Thornhills also use this car park abd should not have to pay to see a Dr.

This total lack of foresight by the council..yet again..needs to be addressed.

This is the same council that originally gave the lease to the butchers to a sun bed salon rather than the fantastic addition to the local community that Arthur's butchers has become..and goodness knows how much trade they will lose.

Please get a grip and think what huge impact this will have to the local community

Off-street response – Reference number 991

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 992

I object to parking charges.

I am a pensioner and rely on free parking at Martin Square when I collect my prescriptions from Paydens

Off-street response – Reference number 993

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 994

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 995

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 996

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 997

(no comment supplied)

This ok if it doesn't affect shoppers who are popping in & out of shops making them pay when they might only be staying for 5 mins. Barriers & number plate search may work with free parking for first half to an hour, then long stay Parker's will have to pay.

Off-street response – Reference number 998

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I live a short walk from Martin square and frequently use the car park, due TMBC removing the parking bays opposite our home, we have no where to park with three children two of whom have special needs. I have no choice but to Park my car here over night and at points during the day. Now we potentially have no where once again to park, living on a main road is hard enough but I need my car to take my children to much needed appointments with no where to park adds extra stress on an already stressful situation. The car park have been a blessing to have and I am grateful we are able to use it. The shops need the car park to be free of they will lose custom and those shopping should be able to park their car with ease for free. Not to mention the parents whom use the car park during drop off and pick up with 2 schools and 1 pre-school close by the roads could become more dangerous for those children with cars parked wherever they can find a space. Would we be classes as residents were not directly next to the square but as mentioned you removed the bay opposite our home where we used to park. Would we be eligible for a season ticket?

Off-street response – Reference number 1001

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1002

I object to parking charges.

It's really not fair for all the shops in Martin Square, it's hard for them to make profit as it is now days.

With the introduction of parking fees you're going to add an extra burden on their customers who will not go and pay to park up there, they just go to one of the big supermarkets or shops that have their own parking.

The council should really consider the impact that this will have to the local shop and the community it serves

Off-street response – Reference number 1003

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1004

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1005

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If the problem is low turnover long term periods of people parking then why can't you introduce a free 2 hour parking at the very least ?

If you introduce parking fees it will severely affect the local business as people will just go elsewhere and at a time where people have less money than ever then it will affect local people's finances and mental health even more

When I go on holiday to Spain or Greece most places are free parking it's such a small thing but it makes such a difference to day to day life !

Off-street response – Reference number 1006

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1007

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1008

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1009

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I have 2 family members who require regular life saving medication from Paydens Chemist. I also have a family member who volunteers at the charity shop & won't be able to afford the parking charges, so won't be able to help out anymore if they come into force.

Off-street response – Reference number 1010

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1011

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1012

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I believe there should be a period of free parking so people who use the shops can park for 1/2 hour-1 hour for free to enable them to shop. Parking charges will kill off local shops 😊

Off-street response – Reference number 1013

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1014

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1015

I object to parking charges.

I never have a problem parking in Martin Sq. I can always find a space. The introduction of parking charges will harm the traders which when 'high street' shopping is struggling, will reduce footfall. In addition, it will increase street parking making the road more congested.

Off-street response – Reference number 1016

I object to parking charges.

This is the only place where you can pop into the post office/butchers/chemist easily - it is difficult and costly to park in West Malling so I don't use that PO - you will kill the trade at Martin Square - why not first hour free to allow for customers dropping in to these businesses?

Off-street response – Reference number 1017

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1018

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1019

I object to parking charges.

Introducing parking charges will stop me from using these local Shops, I'll go that bit further to the big Tesco and park for free.

Off-street response – Reference number 1020

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The small businesses in the square will suffer. People complain about local shops dying, so think council. We pay more than enough in council tax.

Off-street response – Reference number 1021

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1022

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Introducing parking charges will deter me from shopping there. It's currently a very handy place to pop into the shops. I never struggle to find a parking space.

Off-street response – Reference number 1024

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1025

I object to parking charges.

With the access to other shops that do not charge for parking within easy proximity (e.g. Morrison's, Sainsburys, M&S, Tesco Lunsford Park) the introduction of these charges will basically sentence these local shops and the library to a slow painful death. I understand the need for the council to raise revenue, but your income from business rates from the shops under threat will more than outweigh this and you will end up with less net revenue - I strongly urge you to re-consider this proposal.

Off-street response – Reference number 1026

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1027

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1028

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1029

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1030

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This is at the detriment to local businesses and those using the doctors surgery who do not have a big enough car park for sole use.

Off-street response – Reference number 1031

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1032

I object to parking charges.

The parking charges would have a detrimental effect of residents and businesses alike. It would also push residents to larger supermarkets with free parking which would go against buying from local, chain free shops and suppliers.

If it were to go ahead for any reason, there should be some discount or exemption for people within a mile of Martin's square or those who work at businesses there.

Off-street response – Reference number 1033

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Changes will kill off shopping in the square

Off-street response – Reference number 1034

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1035

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1036

I object to parking charges.

Should at least be a 1-2 hr free parking for those using local business

Off-street response – Reference number 1037

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1038

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1039

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1040

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Putting in parking charges will seriously impact the little businesses that are around. You won't be able to just pop in and pick up medicine from pharmacy or meat from the butchers. Absolutely ridiculous idea. Little events like the light switch on that brings people together for Xmas will also be affected. You will just push the problem to surrounding areas where people can park for free.

Off-street response – Reference number 1041

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1043

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1044

I object to parking charges.

If charges have to be implemented, The first hour should be free to allow prescription to be picked up and shoppers to buy goods, this would allow genuine shoppers to use the car park and trade to continue for the businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 1045

I object to parking charges.

These shops are only so we shouldnt need to get a parking ticket as only in them few minutes

Off-street response – Reference number 1046

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1047

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I am Disabled and come to marring square every week for my fish and chips and there isn't any way to predict how long this will take as they have to cook etc.

Off-street response – Reference number 1048

I object to parking charges.

I object to this proposal, Martin Square is a small community car park .

Collecting my medication would cost money that is totally unnecessary for myself to pay .

Off-street response – Reference number 1049

I object to parking charges.

With a supermarket next door I fail to see the reason for charges for people that are visiting the doctors for instance. It just means Morrisons will fill up. Just leave well alone

Off-street response – Reference number 1050

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1051

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1052

I object to parking charges.

This to me is just another nail in the coffin for local businesses who are struggling enough to offer great local services. This in my opinion will only drive people away and put more money in the pockets of the big supermarkets and Amazon. Let's also not forget that the motorist is and always will be easy pickings for council fund raising.

Local shops and businesses must be supported by local people and not only locals but councils too.

Off-street response – Reference number 1053

I object to parking charges.

To visit the square for collection of prescriptions, a newspaper or a takeaway would lead my business to go elsewhere if I had to pay for every visit and I'm sure a lot of people would feel the same

Off-street response – Reference number 1054

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1055

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1056

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1057

I object to parking charges.

We need to support our local shops and businesses!

Off-street response – Reference number 1058

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1059

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will prevent me from visiting the chemist, the dry cleaner, the butcher and the beauty salon. Each of these businesses will be affected by significant loss of income from visitors who normally come by car. The doctors surgery will be impacted by people parking in their allocated spaces. I will find alternatives for these services and products.

Off-street response – Reference number 1060

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1061

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1062

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1063

I object to parking charges.

I only use the car park for going to the doctors or chemist, I don't want to pay for car parking to visit either. I also drop off goods to the charity shop, I don't want to pay to drop things off or book a slot to drop things into them.

Off-street response – Reference number 1064

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I cant see me using Martin Sq carpark if charges are introduced. I see me by passing the place and using Lidl Tesco or Morrisons free provision.

Off-street response – Reference number 1065

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1066

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will cripple the businesses. I also don't understand how you can charge for the shops and not the dr surgery. Surely this will fill up the surgery car park leaving patients with no where to park???

Off-street response – Reference number 1067

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will have a huge impact on the elderly

And affect all the small businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 1068

I object to parking charges.

There is no parking at the doctors, local businesses would be hit which would mean price increases to cover the cost. Martin square has pharmacy and other businesses which would mean people like us oap,s who now have trouble finding spaces would be hit badly. You cannot even park for at least an hour with no charge! Have you tried to get a doctor's appointment, no parking at doctors, then you have to wait sometimes for ages before you see anyone!! This is going to hit hard on people on low incomes or oap,s. Business will suffer, prices will increase and there is very little maintenance done on the parking area!! Why the charge?. Think again please!

Off-street response – Reference number 1069

I object to parking charges.

There should at least be a short period of parking for free, say up to an hour. This would allow those of us who buy from the shops here but who aren't in the immediate postcode to continue to support these local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 1070

I object to parking charges.

Another money grabbing scheme. If you have to, allow for an hour free before charging. So many elderly and families use the pharmacy and library

Off-street response – Reference number 1072

I object to parking charges.

I want to shop at local shops and support their businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 1073

I object to parking charges.

I use the local shops, cafe, post office and would stop if I had to pay for parking. Doing this would push customers to the big supermarkets with free parking. The car park also helps if visiting the GP.

Off-street response – Reference number 1074

I object to parking charges.

I feel the fact the doctors , pharmacy and library is in close distance they offer an essential healthcare support . Whether it's the hearing aid fixing , jabs , midwife appointments , doctors and nurses . You are adding an additional barrier to people accessing these services .

Off-street response – Reference number 1075

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1076

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1077

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1078

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Your statement is contradictory. You state it should be for the shops and suffers from long stay parking yet you offer no 30min grace period for shoppers and instead offer the long stayers season tickets. That makes absolutely no sense. If it is for shoppers and not your coffers, a good deterrent is parking charges but with a 30 minute free grace period for shoppers.

Off-street response – Reference number 1079

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1080

I object to parking charges.

Small businesses are struggling enough without implementing parking charges, that just pure greed

Off-street response – Reference number 1081

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1082

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1083

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1084

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1085

I object to parking charges.

This will affect local carers in the community, people who attend the drs surgery, school drop off and local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 1086

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This is a local community shopping area. It has a small supermarket, butchers, chemist and other small businesses. Charges will mean they will lose customer. Its disgraceful that local government cannot support local business.

Off-street response – Reference number 1087

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1088

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1089

I object to parking charges.

It would ruin the businesses and local amenities

Off-street response – Reference number 1090

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1091

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1092

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1093

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Paying for parking here is outrageous. It's a short stay car park for Dr's, dentist, small shops and local school. Most importantly school parking for 3 school is already chaos, removing this free parking will

cause more carnage and danger to our children.

Off-street response – Reference number 1094

I object to parking charges.

There is already limited parking around the 2 schools in the next road and most people stop to pop into the shops or as an overflow of the doctors parking. It's is unfair to penalise the people that use the car park for its intended use.

Cameras to monitor and charge/ fine vehicles that are in the car park for over 3 hours with a non return policy surely would be a much better solution to the long stayers rather than charges for all.

Off-street response – Reference number 1095

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1096

I object to parking charges.

I currently park here for the school run and often visit the local shops. If parking charges were implemented I would have to park elsewhere and the surrounding areas are already very congested around school times. I would also be less likely to visit the shops in Martin Square and the library. People also park here for GP appointments and these often overrun so it would be unfair for patients to be penalised for additional parking charges if an appointment took longer than expected.

Off-street response – Reference number 1097

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1098

I object to parking charges.

Allow 30 mins free so people can shop then go, it'll still help stop people parking indefinitely

Off-street response – Reference number 1099

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1100

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1101

I object to parking charges.

This will affect local businesses and service providers. Cars that do not want to pay will use the local roads in the surrounding area which are already crowded and it's on a bus route which will cause chaos and added danger at busy school drop off and collection times. I disagree that this is used for long stay parking, I use it for the local shops and post office (to avoid West Malling parking fees) and I worry that this will impact the wonderful small businesses and charity shop that Martin Square offers.

Off-street response – Reference number 1102

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1103

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1104

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1105

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1106

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1107

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

In a time of crisis you want to rape people for more of the money they don't have, tmhc should maybe reduce there office staff to save money.

Off-street response – Reference number 1108

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1109

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It's hard enough to park to get the kids from school I use it for parking

Off-street response – Reference number 1110

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I use this car park for school run like many others and feel charges will force struggling families to park on surrounding roads causing chaos, also the butches will lose a lot of business for people just wanting to pop in, the pharmacy which I have used many times for my son has long wait times for prescriptions thus making it impossible to estimate a time parked whilst there

Off-street response – Reference number 1111

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1112

I object to parking charges.

Will kill businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 1113

(no comment supplied)

I regularly use Martin Square car park to visit the hairdressers, butchers, post office and library. Most visits are for less than an hour, please do not charge for the first 60 mins. Many businesses will lose customers if charges are applied.

Off-street response – Reference number 1114

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I regularly visit Martin Square to go doctors and Chemist with my children I also park there to drop my children off to school if you start charging it will cause people to illegally park on the double yellows which will cause safety issues for school children

Off-street response – Reference number 1115

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1116

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

We visit regularly to visit the library, pharmacy, butchers and cafe. If charges are introduced we would no longer visit.

Off-street response – Reference number 1117

I object to parking charges.

I use the carpark everyday for school runs then to sort medication from the pharmacy. Most of the time I have to park in Martin Square so I can go to the drs as there are no parking space over by the dr when you go. Most of the time I can be in the drs from 30min to an hour and most times getting my medication from the pharmacy is about 30mins to an hour depending on the length of the queue. It's a shame that it's had to come to this as you will find many people will now park round all the side roads just so they can get there kids to and from school.

Off-street response – Reference number 1118

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

As a business owner I feel sadden for those businesses in or around Martin Square that will be massively impacted by parking charges. As people will choose to go to large supermarkets with free parking. Surely in a world at the moment where we should be supporting local businesses this is a crazy suggestion.

I am lucky enough to be able to walk to the local school to drop my children off, however it gets crazy along Swallow Road, where maniac drivers drive to fast or park in dangerous places. Having a few near misses over the years, I would be even more worried about this situation. If you introduce parking charges I fear this is only going to make an increasingly bigger problem along Swallow & Kingfisher Road.

Maybe introduce 1 hour free parking and then charges apply?

Off-street response – Reference number 1119

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1120

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I live in the area when I have doctors to come and see my dad where will they park? When I have visitors where will they park? When I start driving where can I park? Nobody will park there they will park on the roads for free and make the area mayhem thinking about the people not the money???

Off-street response – Reference number 1121

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Charging to park with no 30 min free period will be detrimental to the shops and businesses in the area. I live near Tesco where I can park and shop without hassle or paying but I do like to support the smaller shops especially our new butcher however I do not want to pay just to nip in for 5 minutes!

I have had trouble parking on occasion so I would be happy to pay for a stay of 30 minutes or more but I will not pay for less than this.

Off-street response – Reference number 1122

I object to parking charges.

if made to pay for quick pop in visits to the local businesses at Martin Square then I will be forced to take my business else where..dont mind paying a fee for a longer period but please let there be a free of charge 1st 20mins...i use the car park at least 5 times a week..

Off-street response – Reference number 1123

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1124

I object to parking charges.

One cannot guarantee how long the wait for prescriptions, use the library, nip into butchers and post office/shop. Why should people pay to park in order to use local shops. Would the money collected go into parking pockets or local community. This is part of our council taxes!!

Off-street response – Reference number 1125

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1126

I object to parking charges.

We never have a problem with parking in Martin square and we have often used the car park at all times of days and times.

Off-street response – Reference number 1127

I object to parking charges.

As a parent of a child that attends Brookfield school these parking charges will cause havoc on the surrounding streets. I am a disabled person and Martin square is the only place I can park that is safe for me to get my wheelchair out due to cars parked all over the double yellow lines due to no spaces left in Martin square. If charges go ahead in a climate that people are pushed for 20p as it is the surrounding roads with double yellows will be grid locked. Not to mention the Neighbouring school Lunsford lane.

Off-street response – Reference number 1128

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

We live in the town houses in Martin Square and the parking in the road is bad now. People park on the double yellow lines and if we have a big car in our drive they can block us getting in or out.. It will get much worse if parking charges are applied in the car park. Kingfisher road is bad now at school times so this will get much worse. Also it will stop people using the shops. Visits to the library, chemist, post office and doctors surgery will be expensive and pensioners won't be able to afford to visit. It won't be fair on the people volunteering in the charity shop or the workers in the shops or the residents in the flats above the shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 1129

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I have lived here since before shops were built. Never have we had to pay to visit shops and doctors. It will make the surrounding street ridiculous. I would like to know where any public meeting was offered for local people who support the local traders could object. Like most things the local people don't get a say. This is an outrage.

Off-street response – Reference number 1130

I object to parking charges.

I object the introduction of parking charges in Martin Square as it causes issues for our business such as having to pay a fee daily for several hours at a time as well as our delivery drivers having to pay each time they enter unless they are to pay a fine

Off-street response – Reference number 1131

I object to parking charges.

This is outrageous if you just want to pop on one shop

Off-street response – Reference number 1132

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I object to the introduction of parking charges and Season tickets as the charges cause inconveniences for both business owners and residents especially in the current living cost crisis. The cost will eat at the savings and earnings of many and will make it difficult to get by as overtime it will incur a heavy sum

Off-street response – Reference number 1133

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1134

I object to parking charges.

Parking is already hard enough without this

Off-street response – Reference number 1135

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Bringing in charges will severely impact the businesses on Martin Square - at least allow half an hour free so that you can pop into the chemist or pick up a takeaway. I agree that you shouldn't be allowed to park there all day & residents/businesses should have to park in the spaces furthest from the shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 1136

I object to parking charges.

Most shoppers spend less than an hour in this car park and so therefore unfair to charge for this, this will drastically effect local businesses and customers will shop elsewhere to save on charges, the knock on effect to this will be businesses closing then the square will become just a run down area with boarded up shops so will therefore attract crime

Off-street response – Reference number 1137

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1138

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1139

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It will cost people money to park just to pop in to local shops. For many, myself included money is already tight. Also I am a widowed sole parent to a child at Brookfield and I rely on help from older family members to drop off and collect my child some days every week. They need to be able to park there to do this.

Off-street response – Reference number 1140

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1141

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Pay to collect a prescription or go for breakfast and support the local small business owners. Greedy.

Off-street response – Reference number 1142

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1143

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This would be totally unfair

We need someone to park for the local shops and schools

Businesses will begin to fail if we need to pay to park into them.

Off-street response – Reference number 1144

I object to parking charges.

An hour free parking would be good to use local facilities but I certainly wouldn't come to Martin square and pay to park, most would park at Morrisons and walk through or use doctors which then won't be available for those needing the surgery.

I think you will lose businesses and customers if you put pay to park.

Silly idea especially as people do several things when visiting Martin square.

Off-street response – Reference number 1145

I object to parking charges.

Putting charges in for the car park will only increase the amount of cars parked on the road and Kingfisher road is bad enough at the moment.

Off-street response – Reference number 1146

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1147

I object to parking charges.

This will impact heavily on local businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 1148

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1149

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will decrease revenue at the local shops. It will cause the residents to struggle to afford their own homes and a number of disabled people live in this estate

Off-street response – Reference number 1150

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Many people are struggling financially and this will only add to their burden. It will ruin our local shops does the council really want this to happen! You don't have to pay when you visit Morrisons to do your shopping so why should they pay when visiting the shops in Martin Square.

Off-street response – Reference number 1151

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Will effect the businesses and people coming, Martin squares been there years and parking has never been a problem that needed changing. It will effect customers as I won't be paying a parking charge to quickly run in and out a shop, bakery or the local cafe.

Off-street response – Reference number 1152

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1153

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1154

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I have lived here 40 yrs & free parking on tbe square is a key resource for our community. Parents park there for the school run,patients park for the doctors, dentists & Health visitors people park when using the shops,library & hairdressers along with the other shops .its also used by residents whoblive over the shops & out on the london rd above those shops

If parking charges apply then business will dwindle in the shops & people especially the elderly wont be able to afford to use the heshlth centre as appointments often go over time & their income is limited.

If you want to make cuts then i suggest you look at the councils top executives & cut their pay to cover things for us lesser paid mortals .

Off-street response – Reference number 1155

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1156

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1157

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If it is introduced then because I'm disabled and can't possibly walk to work I will be " punished " for doing so. I'd have to pay for 4 hours twice a day 3 times a week and it would mean me rethinking

whether working is worth it. Stores will notice the lack of customers and put their future in peril

Off-street response – Reference number 1158

I object to parking charges.

I live in Kingfisher road. Putting charges in place will push residents and shop staff to park their cars in Kingfisher down on both sides of the road, which will affect those that already try and park the vehicle outside of their home and it will cause major issue major issues as Kingfisher road is a bus route.

Off-street response – Reference number 1159

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1160

I object to parking charges.

Such charges will have a detrimental effect on footfall visiting shops and doctors and disproportionate impact poorer residents and pensioners.

Off-street response – Reference number 1161

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1162

I object to parking charges.

The businesses will suffer for example people will no longer pop to the fish and chip shop when there are 2 more on the doorstep where parking is free.

Off-street response – Reference number 1163

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1164

I object to parking charges.

This will affect all the shops in martin square if charges are brought in - people will stop supporting their local shops. People will use larger store to collect prescriptions so they do not need to pay charges. With three schools and a pre-school locally where and how are parents meant to stop and drop if their children? With the hardship everyone is facing at the moment this is just another thing to be added

Off-street response – Reference number 1165

I object to parking charges.

I object to the introduction of parking because I use Martin Square all the the time I feel like this will have an impact on the business's up there because people will not want to pay for parking just to run into the shops ect for 10 minutes or so and also hair dressers will probley see a loss of customers as people will either go somewhere else to park or they will just use the morrisons car park or the doctors or library. The crisis of living is hard as it is with out the extra cost of car parks.

Off-street response – Reference number 1166

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1167

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I think at least the first 40min should be free and after 5pm as well

Also Sundays should be free as in a lot of other carports.

Also it will block up of the roads around Larkfield.

Off-street response – Reference number 1169

I object to parking charges.

I am an owner of a business in Martin square. These new charges will affect our business. People that pick up food will have to pay a fee. This will just encourage people to go elsewhere,which affects my business and the people who I employ. The fact they come to work and have pay at least £29.00 per month is very wrong. By doing this you are not helping the small Independet businesses at all. This really should be reconsidered as alot of people are going to be affected in all matters..

Off-street response – Reference number 1170

I object to parking charges.

The small businesses there struggle to get enough passing trade as it is, this will deter even more people and they will end up going bust and we will have no local shops at all.

People should not have to pay to visit the doctor or the library, they should be free of charge to all.

Off-street response – Reference number 1171

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I understand long term parking is a problem, and maybe parking needs to be limited in some way, maybe with a no parking timeslot in the middle of the day, and robust penalties.

However both the pharmacy and the doctors surgery are extremely busy at all times, and the parking for the GP is very limited so you need to park by the shops. There are other businesses such as the hairdresser, the cafe and the library where people spend more than a couple of minutes, and these businesses will be severely affected if people have to pay. All businesses will suffer if this goes

ahead.

Off-street response – Reference number 1172

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will not support any small businesses in Martin Square!!It will drive away custom and they need it more then ever!

Off-street response – Reference number 1173

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1174

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1175

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The car park is very close to 3 school and without Martin square as a safe car park option I believe it will cause havoc around swallow road and surrounding road. I believe this will lead to people parking irresponsibly and will no doubt cause major safety issues for the school children.

Off-street response – Reference number 1176

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will just add further pressure to already strained parking on the streets surrounding the school

Off-street response – Reference number 1177

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1178

I object to parking charges.

Where are we meant to park for school pick up and drop off everyday! Or popping into the shop.

Off-street response – Reference number 1179

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1180

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1181

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1182

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1183

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1184

I object to parking charges.

Frequent user of the car park for myself and taking elderly parents to Dr appointments. Local roads would become blocked. Never not been able to park when needed.

Off-street response – Reference number 1185

I object to parking charges.

I feel it's unfair to make people pay here as we park here to use the doctors and pharmacy.

Off-street response – Reference number 1186

I object to parking charges.

Introducing parking charges to Martin square car park, is obscene, money grabbing and pure greedy.

Off-street response – Reference number 1187

I object to parking charges.

I use the local shops and hairdressers. I don't know that I will continue to do this if I have to pay, it would increase the cost of my shopping. I work in Tonbridge and also use the shops at York Parade. Why is there going to be free parking at York Parade and not at Martin Square, they are both under T&MBC.

Off-street response – Reference number 1188

I object to parking charges.

Charges will affect small businesses using this area as I personally would now avoid using amenities such as the take aways, charity shop and post office if it meant I had to pay for parking. Businesses WILL close

Off-street response – Reference number 1189

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1190

I object to parking charges.

The car park at Martin Square is an integral aspect of the community of Larkfield. Introducing parking charges will negatively impact upon business most of whom are used for short durations (take aways, newsagents) and will not warrant a 60p charge to customers thus reducing the trade. Additionally this is used as a key parking locations for local schools. This traffic will go onto local residential roads, causing a negative impact upon local residents and higheneted risk of the safety of children and adults walking to school. It is not feasible for school parents to pay at least 60p each morning and afternoon daily and so they will park on local roads. A compromise could be free 30 mins to allow people to quickly use shops and business. The local library also only has 4 parking spaces and paying to use the carpark will also impact on those that use the library.

Off-street response – Reference number 1191

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1192

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

People use Martin square to nip to the shops or pharmacy or for a doctor's appointment. If charges are introduced give people one free hour at least. My suggestion is please don't take more money off people at a time when everyone is struggling from rising mortgage costs, energy costs and fuel costs.

Off-street response – Reference number 1193

I object to parking charges.

I work round the corner from Martins Square - I regularly use the car park to go to the butchers and the post office and the cafe for lunch - Generally 12.30 and 1h30 - I have NEVER not been able to park! This is an excuse for the council to make money 😊 if you introduce charges I will stop using those local shops / I have them were I live but choose to use Martin's square because I can shop during my lunch hour - if it aient broke don't fix it !!

Off-street response – Reference number 1194

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1195

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I disagree with any charges for parking in Martin square.

Off-street response – Reference number 1196

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1197

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Absolutely ridiculous in my opinion it's just another way to make money especially as there is no free time ect 30mins the fact you're happy to charge people already struggling for the first 30min proves it all about making money!!! Nothing to do with lack of spaces never had a problem parking all this does is stop people using shops already struggling

Off-street response – Reference number 1198

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

It is fair that all users of car parks in Tonbridge and Malling share the cost burden.

Off-street response – Reference number 1199

I object to parking charges.

This will mean paying to visit the library, if charges need to be introduced there should be a set period of time when to can park for free

Off-street response – Reference number 1200

I object to parking charges.

I use Martin square frequently - The shops are generally ones you would pop in for short periods eg: butchers or dry cleaners. These are all local businesses that an introduction in parking fees would certainly have an impact

It should be considered that a regime up to 30 minutes free of charge then charge a fee over this time as that would be classed as longer term use.

I also believe introducing fees would encourage people to use morrisons car park which is free for a certain time time and people would be more likely to shop in there than the Independant shops in Martin square

Off-street response – Reference number 1201

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I am in favour of supporting local businesses even if they are a little bit more expensive than bigger store but adding parking charges may be the death of these businesses due to the extra cost to the customers.

Off-street response – Reference number 1202

I object to parking charges.

There should be a minimum of 1 hour free for a local shop - then charges thereafter

Off-street response – Reference number 1203

I object to parking charges.

Just another money making scheme when the car park serves so many people using the facilities, this will impact on the local shops and businesses there

Off-street response – Reference number 1204

I object to parking charges.

First 45 minutes free - thereafter, start charges. Parking fees are a deterrent to shoppers who want to grab a few things.

Off-street response – Reference number 1205

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will kill local businesses, the majority of car park users stay for mere minutes.

Off-street response – Reference number 1206

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Any charges will result in small businesses losing money then possibly closure.

Off-street response – Reference number 1208

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1209

I object to parking charges.

Absolutely ridiculous as ever from TMBC, first 2 hours hour free would be a good idea and stop long term. Local small businesses need our support!!!

Off-street response – Reference number 1210

I object to parking charges.

Many parents park and walk there children to school if you introduce charges this will push them to park dangerously in surrounding roads

Off-street response – Reference number 1211

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1212

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1213

I object to parking charges.

Putting charges to park at Martin Sq would be devastating to the local shops, as people would not go there for the ones that drive, I think it would be better to have half an hour free would be better as you could park there and shop in that time.

Off-street response – Reference number 1214

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Most shopper's do their shopping within 1 hour if parking in st Martins car park. They should be free of parking charge. You want to support the shops and businesses in the area. Any parking over 1 hour should pay.

Off-street response – Reference number 1215

I object to parking charges.

Fairness would be charges apply after 2hrs - pharmacy & GP surgery has been known for long delays, hair & beauty treatments can be lengthy

Off-street response – Reference number 1216

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1217

I object to parking charges.

It will effect the community as a whole as people will not use martin square for there day to day shopping and alot of people rely on the shops and will find other places to shop

Off-street response – Reference number 1218

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1219

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The ticket prices do not take in to account volunteers at the charity shop who do not earn a wage but will have to pay £5.80 to park each day. Businesses can lose trade as those that just drop in to collect prescriptions or a takeaway will now pay 60p just to stop for 5/10 mins and this will deter many people. The first 30mins should be free if charges must be introduced. Parking on side roads will increase especially around the school run times, currently many parents park at Martin Square and won't want to pay, by parking on verges and side roads this will increase the risk of accidents, make it difficult for delivery lorries, buses and the fire brigade to get passed the parked cars and make viewing difficult to see oncoming traffic when coming out of adjoining side roads. I work at Martin Square 2/3 days a week and believe this will have a detrimental effect of staff, residents and visitors. The yearly and monthly season tickets along with the daily costs are an additional expense that most people will struggle to pay in the current environment when everyday living costs have soared and income is stretch beyond the limit. This could have a knock on effect to retaining staff who cannot afford the additional parking expenses. This can also affect recruiting, especially for college/uni age students/young people who are looking for work around their studies. They will be earning a low wage and may then have parking charges to pay on top which will discourage them from taking these positions which in turn will affect businesses who will need to pay more to recruit staff of an older age. Shops rely on the younger generation to keep costs down and this age group rely on these jobs to subsidise their student loans and gain valuable experience. Martin Square is not close to a train station so it is not used as a car park for commuters, the people parking there during the day are workers at Martin Square, visitors using the shops, surgery, library, etc and residents who will be most affected by these charges. These should be strongly reconsidered as the charges are detrimental to those that need the parking the most.

Off-street response – Reference number 1220

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1221

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This is going to be a nightmare for the schools. There is two schools on the plot the corner and there is very little roadside parking. Also I've never had issues parking there when popping in the local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 1222

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1223

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1224

I object to parking charges.

I don't agree to charges in Martin Square, it will be detrimental to the local shops, also cause stress to the public, when visiting the doctors, if they have to wait a long time, this is a local residential area, should be able to shop locally without the council trying to extract more money out of local residents, who pay their council tax.

Off-street response – Reference number 1225

I object to parking charges.

The car park is never full so long term parking is not an issue. The local shops, doctors and library will be heavily impacted by these charges unfortunately.

Off-street response – Reference number 1226

I object to parking charges.

Having first half hour or even first hour free would allow for local residents to use the car park to pick up medicines from the pharmacy, return books to the library and pick up food from takeaways. Having to pay a charge to use the carpark for something that will take 10-15 mins is harsh and will mean people will try and park elsewhere such as kingfisher Road. This will just push the parking to the local residential roads especially at school pick up times.

Off-street response – Reference number 1227

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

We should be encouraging people to use and support local businesses not put them off by introducing unnecessary parking charges !!

Off-street response – Reference number 1229

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I would support charges if the 1st hour was free. Most people don't need longer than that. If they stay over an hour there should be charged

Off-street response – Reference number 1230

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1231

I object to parking charges.

I visit the car park twice weekly to go to the pharmacy and post office. I have never not been able to park so don't agree with this reason for introducing charges. Most people that use the car park are

short stay parking so spaces become available quite quickly

Off-street response – Reference number 1232

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1233

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The free parking supports the businesses on the square

Would not use them otherwise

Off-street response – Reference number 1234

I object to parking charges.

I will not pay to pick up regular prescriptions or visit the butchers therefore these businesses will lose my custom.

My elderly mother often uses the car park to visit local shops and gp surgery. She finds it less stressful to shop here but should not have to pay for this.

Parents will not want to pay to drop off or collect at school times and will no doubt park in surrounding residential roads causing chaos.

Off-street response – Reference number 1235

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1236

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This car park serves the community as does all of the shops. Introducing car park fees will have such a detrimental impact on all the shops and the people that enjoy using them. How to kill businesses lesson here guys!

Just insider the first hour free this would then stop long stayers the people that abuse the current free parking.

So my regular hair dressing appointment which is normally 2+hrs will cost me a whole lot more now!

Off-street response – Reference number 1238

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1239

I object to parking charges.

Queues for both the chemist and the post office are ridiculously long and can result in waiting to be served around 45 minutes. Introducing parking charges will ultimately cause unnecessary financial hardship for the old and infirm. There are not enough spaces for the GP surgery either, it will make it impossible for people to keep appointments on time and it is unfair to create and impose further financial burdens on service users when service providers are efficient.

Off-street response – Reference number 1240

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1241

I object to parking charges.

The car park is vital for the library and shops surrounding Martin Square.

Off-street response – Reference number 1242

I object to parking charges.

When visiting doctors, if their car park is full I use Martin Sq, you have no idea of how long you will be waiting for that appt, once there was an emergency and I was in there 3 hours! same with queueing for the pharmacy, service in there is atrocious and just to wait for a prescription, you can be 45min plus.

Off-street response – Reference number 1243

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1244

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Grace period should be given - eg first 30 mins Free. Or Shops will and food outlets will lose income as shoppers will go where its free to park for a quick pop to the shop/takeaway

Off-street response – Reference number 1245

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1246

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I feel that all areas where there are local shops, there should be either 30 minutes or up to 1-hour free parking, otherwise local businesses will start struggle as people will avoid shopping in these local areas.

Off-street response – Reference number 1247

I object to parking charges.

No way, no charges

Off-street response – Reference number 1249

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

With half the doctors car park now not able to be used. NHS equipment. Most people use the car park on a short time basis for using the shops/doctors.

Off-street response – Reference number 1250

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1252

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I have lived in Larkfield for 10 years and never had a problem finding a parking space at Martin Square. I object to the idea of charges as not only is the car park used for both shops and residents it is also the overflow car park for the doctors and library and many parents use it for school drop offs. If charges have to go through I think the first hour should be free so as to allow residents access to essential medical facilities and a quick pop to the shops. Charging after an hour will stop the long stay parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1253

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I often use the businesses and library at Martin Square as they are accessible by car from where I live. If I have to pay for parking I simply won't use them as it takes away the convenience and appeal for me. You then risk the businesses failing and potentially yet another library closure. I also sometimes use the car park when the doctors car park is full.

Off-street response – Reference number 1254

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1255

I object to parking charges.

Just another way to make money out of people who are already paying through the nose for council tax disgusting!

Off-street response – Reference number 1256

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Bringing in charges to this local community car park will discourage the local shopper, anger patients as they have long wait times for the doctors and increase the parking on already congested nearby residential streets. I really don't see any benefit other than the local council making some £s. And quite frankly, we already pay higher than average council tax compared to other areas.

Off-street response – Reference number 1257

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1258

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

These charges will only push people to park in Morrisons car park and create a problem.

Off-street response – Reference number 1260

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1261

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1262

I object to parking charges.

Just have a time limit... just another money making scheme!

Off-street response – Reference number 1263

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1264

I object to parking charges.

I use the shops in Martin Square most days to either get a newspaper, use the post office, shop for food/ takeaways and take and collect grandchildren from school - each of these visits takes less than half an hour.

I also use the library and the doctors when needed

If charges are implemented at 60p for the first half hour, it will cost me a significant amount of money every week which as a pensioner I can ill afford.

Martin Square is not a major shopping centre, it is an LOCAL amenity for the LOCAL population of Larkfield and is the centre of our community.

The introduction of charges will lead to the lose of local businesses as a result of fewer shoppers and being unable to recruit/retain staff who will not pay the daily charges in the car park.

There is very little parking availability in surrounding streets so avoiding the car park will not always be an option - these proposed charges will cause chaos and gridlock at busy times particularly at school drop off and pick up time - as everyone tries to grab the very few parking spaces available near the THREE schools only a hundred yards from Martin Square.

It is inevitable that before long there will be a serious accident and possible loss of life

Some common sense needs to be applied please.

And finally, why are the proposed charges so severe ? - 8am -8 pm including Sundays and bank holidays Even the big town centres aren't that money grabbing !

Some common sense needs to be applied

Quality of life must win over a thoughtless money making exercise

Don't destroy our community please.

Off-street response – Reference number 1265

I object to parking charges.

To many local schools and limited free parking , parking at drop off and collection is already a issue without added parking charges , Many Elderly used car park for doctors and pharmacy,

Off-street response – Reference number 1266

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I use Martin square mainly for chemist and post office. I will not pay to collect my prescriptions and post parcels so will take my business elsewhere. Charges will result in the closure of businesses. I feel the first 30 mins or even an hour should be free. This will put off the long stay users. There are not enough spaces at the doctors surgery and patients park at martin square. You can not predict how long you may be in the doctors surgery. People will start to park in residential streets which will cause obstruction and upset to local residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 1267

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Sometimes I only need 1 item of shopping so don't want to pay parking charges I will go into Morrisons where it's free

Off-street response – Reference number 1268

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1269

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I use the car park to pop to the shops around the square and have never had issues finding a parking space.

Off-street response – Reference number 1270

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Introducing parking charges will just increase the number of people parking illegally at school drop off and collection time. Martin Square serves two primary schools and a pre-school. There are no parking enforcement officers covering that area, so this continues everyday. Parking charges will just increase the chaos and is likely to result in injury to young children. Local business will suffer from lose of trade as it has done in West Malling. The local library is also likely to suffer with fewer people able to access it if parking charges are introduced.

Off-street response – Reference number 1271

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1272

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I think parking charges will put people off shopping in Martin square. The local

Businesses will suffer as a result. A lot of elderly will be alienated if the charges go ahead especially if it a smart phone is needed to pay the charge.

Off-street response – Reference number 1273

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1274

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

There are always spaces. If there were parking charges I would not use the shops . Pharmacy,library, post office butchers there regularly like I do know. What about people going to the GP. Absolutely ridiculous idea and a good way to kill off even more businesses .

Off-street response – Reference number 1275

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1276

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1277

I object to parking charges.

Larkfields parking is already horrendous and so dangerous for children already with cars parking illegally. Martin square parking offers sensible parking where the cars arnt blocking mains roads or school entrances . Paying for parking to take your children to school is awful some people can't afford normal living let alone added extras this time of the year and in the current crisis.

Off-street response – Reference number 1278

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

A free half an hour for a quick shop would help the local shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 1279

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The council know lots of parents use the carpark for school pick up. It's disgraceful to to try and go after these parents fir money. Yet another money grabbing scheme. I don't know anyone who isn't outraged by this proposal

Off-street response – Reference number 1280

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

When visiting Martin square I am only ever popping into the shops or doctors surgery and would probably never be parked for longer that 20min , these charges would stop me from using the shops there , the section of parking for the doctors is always full I feel you need to have an option of an hours free parking!

Off-street response – Reference number 1281

I object to parking charges.

I live on Kingfisher Road which gets blocked sometimes due to cars parking here on main road. Often it means I need to help the bus driver to squeeze through or otherwise he sits there and beeps his horn for 30 mins and I have autistic son which is affected by this. I have no choice but get out of my house and help the fella to squeeze through with directing him (I don't get paid for this). If you introduce changes to that car park I will have even more cars on that stretch of the road and if that

happens I won't be helping. That bus can stay there whole day. I will just inform him to stop using his horn.

This parking is never clogged, there is always plenty of space.

Off-street response – Reference number 1282

I object to parking charges.

Often visit cafe, chemist, butchers etc . Charges will leave us even less to spend and deter us from shopping there

Off-street response – Reference number 1283

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1284

I object to parking charges.

I usually use the car park once or twice a month to pop into the library or beauty salon. Never had an issue parking so don't believe even long term users are causing much of an issue. The issue will be charging for short term will mean customers won't pop into use the shops. Maybe 3 hours for free if long term Parker's are really causing that much trouble.

Off-street response – Reference number 1285

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1286

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1287

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1288

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If you must introduce parking charges, consider having: the 1 hour free; permit parking for residents; and no parking fees in the evening, weekends, public/bank holidays. Bear in mind this will affect local businesses around Martins Square in a negative way.

Off-street response – Reference number 1289

I object to parking charges.

Also Used by the doctors visitors (you forgot to mention that). This is purely a money making exercise by you. The whole point of your message is to stop long term parking. Then put in a charge after 2 hours free parking. You also haven't mentioned parents using the car park at school start and finish times.

Off-street response – Reference number 1291

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1292

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1293

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I support the introduction of charges for stays of more than one hour. Most visits to the shops, doctors and library are brief. Charges for those visits will cause problem parking in surrounding streets.

Off-street response – Reference number 1295

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1296

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If there has to be charges, there should be at least half hour to an hour free parking for shoppers before introducing parking charges. Free on bank holidays and sundays and between hours of 20.00 and 08.00. This would prevent people leaving their cars.

Off-street response – Reference number 1297

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If you want to stop people parking all day, but still be able to use the shops easily and be able to pop into them, make it free for the first 2 hours.

If you do residents season tickets, it will be full of people there all day. and we still wont be bale to park to pop into the shops.

If you add charges, its going to have a significant detrimental impact to the local shops, as you can no longer park up, pop in and go again.

Off-street response – Reference number 1298

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1299

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1300

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1301

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1302

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

This parking should be free for the first hour and then charges thereafter.

Off-street response – Reference number 1303

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1304

I object to parking charges.

Feel it would be detrimental to the small shops - we literally pop most Saturday's to the butcher which we all consider an asset, but parking charges would mean lots of us return to getting our meat from supermarkets.

Off-street response – Reference number 1305

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1307

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I live in the flats on kingfisher road and our car park is for residents living in the flats only, but we are mobbed with parents dropping off their children to school as it is, if Martin square is made chargeable all of the surrounding areas will be mobbed with people parking to avoid the charge, who would normally park in Martin sq. also I should note that kingfisher road is already a very busy road to drive down at any time of the day with many residents who live in the houses on kingfisher parking down the road, these charges will also add more pressure to kingfisher road, as people will park there instead of paying to park as it's still a stones throw away. I don't think charging people even more in way of yearly permits is fair considering the already strain on household bills rising every other day. I also would not use the shops and pay to park, I would avoid and use other shops with free parking like Tesco or Morrisons, so you would be putting those shops out of business.

Off-street response – Reference number 1308

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1309

I object to parking charges.

If long stay parking is a problem, then just restrict the parking to free for 3 hours only. That way customer can still visit the shops free of charge and it won't impact businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 1310

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I go to Martin Square and its a matter of popping in a shop and going but I will not go if you introduce parking charges so local shops will not survive if you do this

Off-street response – Reference number 1311

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1313

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It will kill all small businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 1314

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1315

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

We know what you are up to. Destroy businesses and services, and sell off to developers. Evil people.

Off-street response – Reference number 1316

I object to parking charges.

If I have to pay to visit the shops then I will go somewhere else. Its the shops that will loose out ultimately and will go out of business. If you want to charge then first 2 hours should be free and those that park longer term pay or get a permit. Why must we residents all suffer because of those that perhaps car share for London flaunt the facility? Do TMBC just want to tax us residents???

Off-street response – Reference number 1317

I object to parking charges.

Charges will damage local trade. It should also be remembered that these spaces are also used by people attending Thornhills Medical Practice.

Off-street response – Reference number 1318

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It will kill the local businesses. Lots of elderly people use the car park & are struggling to pay bills. They can't afford to start paying for parking

Off-street response – Reference number 1319

I object to parking charges.

Will affect everyone, shops, chemist, Doctors. Dentist. London Rd shops. Residents. Every one using. Young to old, disabled.

Just encourage parking along the residents roads.

Kingfisher Rd, a bus route is bad enough already.

Off-street response – Reference number 1321

I object to parking charges.

I need to queue for the post office, I use chemist where there is always a, queue. I also use charity shop, and butchers. I am a widow and a pensioner. Life is hard enough without having to pay a meter age charge.

Off-street response – Reference number 1323

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1324

I object to parking charges.

Without a free short parking time the shops will all suffer and eventually close down,so everyone will lose out and will have to travel further to shop. I have never been back to West Malling since charges were introduced there! The surrounding roads will be choked with parked cars. It is madness.

Off-street response – Reference number 1325

(no comment supplied)

If any charges put in place needs to be a free time for shoppers. This park is meant for shoppers and medical centre instead of penalising these people and making business suffer prosecute long term parkers

Off-street response – Reference number 1327

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

This car park is used by patients of the doctors surgery because their car park is too small. It is sometimes very difficult to know how long appointments will take; forcing people to take out a long-time ticket. If the main worry is long-term parkers, put a free 4 hr limit on free parking or ban parking for one hour at lunchtime. Paying for parking now is a nightmare as you become dependent on having a smart phone which elderly patients often don't have.

Off-street response – Reference number 1329

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1330

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

What a way to kill local business stone dead. This is absolutely disgraceful.

Off-street response – Reference number 1332

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1333

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1334

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

Every car park should contribute towards its maintenance costs where practical.

Off-street response – Reference number 1335

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Argue that the financial burden of parking tickets, particularly when attending medical appointments and picking up essential medicines, is disproportionately impacting individuals. Emphasize the broader community impact by underscoring how small businesses, already facing challenges, might suffer if customers are discouraged by parking fines. Stress the need for a compassionate approach in these circumstances.

Off-street response – Reference number 1336

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It will impact the local business trade

Off-street response – Reference number 1338

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Are you going to introduce daily/annual parking charges at your council offices too?

Off-street response – Reference number 1339

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1340

I object to parking charges.

If you want to kill off the local shops then go ahead and charge for parking

Off-street response – Reference number 1341

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1343

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1344

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1345

I object to parking charges.

I think there should be 1 hour free and then charges. This would enable people to make a brief visit while stopping others using the car park for long term parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1347

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1348

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1349

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It's ridiculous to suggest that the only way to stop long stays is introducing charges...simply apply a 2hr maximum stop per day! People will need to be commissioned to check pay and display regardless so the cost will be same as forecasted whether checking permits, long stay, short stays etc.

Off-street response – Reference number 1350

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1351

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1352

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1353

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1355

I object to parking charges.

Parking is already at a minimum with 2 schools and a playschool on the Brookfield site. Parents already struggle to park. My biggest concern is that parents will be forced to park on side roads, which are already extremely busy. I live near the car park and parking spaces are already being used by some parents. It is dangerous for the children to walk further to school on this busy main road.

Off-street response – Reference number 1356

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1357

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I am a blue badge driver

Off-street response – Reference number 1358

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It will be detrimental to the shops

Off-street response – Reference number 1361

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Terrible idea to introduce any charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 1362

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1363

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1364

I both support and object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1366

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1368

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1369

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I object as adding parking charges would affect local businesses. I have never had a problem parking at Martin square in the 9 years I have lived in the area. It is handy I can just pop down there for 20 mins or an hour to have my hair done or view the parade of shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 1370

(no comment supplied)

Do not know this car park

Off-street response – Reference number 1371

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1372

I object to parking charges.

All businesses are going to suffer because people won't pay to park just to pop into a shop for 5 minutes, or pay the price to sit in the doctors for a good hour at times then at least a half hour on top In the chemist to collect medications. Ridiculous Decision

Off-street response – Reference number 1373

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1374

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1375

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1378

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

There should be a time limit of 30 minutes to pop into the butchers

Off-street response – Reference number 1380

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1381

I object to parking charges.

Many of the shops in Martin Square are ones that you visit briefly, such as the takeaways. To have to spend the time and money just to pick something up from these shops is not right. Very few vehicles (if any) would be parked there for long periods. If parking charges are applied, then there must be a basic free parking time of at least 1/2 hr to allow for these collections.

Off-street response – Reference number 1383

(no comment supplied)

I have no opinion on these proposals.

Off-street response – Reference number 1384

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1386

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This is a local car park, not a town centre car park. Local people need to stay local to support local shops and pay-parking will kill it off.

Off-street response – Reference number 1387

I object to parking charges.

This square is a vital community hub with essential services the pharmacy the post office the GP surgery a library and housing office an older person's extra care and residential social housing and a post office.

Only those who live in the square or work there park for longer periods of time the rest are people accessing these essential services and those supporting the small businesses including the food outlets, these local shops will disappear if this charging is introduced as will the essential services. This is not a big shopping mall nor is it close to places people might commute from it is a hub for the local community and needs to be protected.

Off-street response – Reference number 1388

I object to parking charges.

There are local shops in the square which will be affected by parking charges.

At the least, please please allow a grace period before introducing a charge - such as 2 hours free to get shopping and don't destroy the local economy.

Off-street response – Reference number 1389

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1390

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

I support parking charges, BUT only for people parking over 2hours, therefore stops people who park and car share, or leave their cars there all day!

If you charge everyone, customers will stop using the shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 1391

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1392

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I have never had any problems parking here. Introducing charges will be so harmful to the businesses in the Square.

Off-street response – Reference number 1393

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

LIFE IS HARD ENOUGH FOR LOCAL BUSINESSES AND RESIDENTS YOU WILL KILL THE AREA

Off-street response – Reference number 1394

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1395

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1396

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1397

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1398

I object to parking charges.

This car park is used for school drop offs and collection, as the school doesn't have any parking spaces. This usage is approximately 10-15 mins. If this car park charged then I would incur additional costs twice a day. This daily cost would soon become a huge expense over a month. This is not something I can afford.

Off-street response – Reference number 1399

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1401

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If parking charges are introduced it will restrict those persons who are unable to walk to the shops; and will eventually have an effect on local businesses. People will drift off to the larger supermarkets.

Off-street response – Reference number 1402

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

With Martin Square in particular, I believe that parking should be free for the first two hours after which parking charges should apply. This gives everyone the ability to carry out shopping or visiting the surgery without having to pay parking fees.

Off-street response – Reference number 1405

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1407

I object to parking charges.

In the 40 years I have lived here and used the Martin square car park I have never not been able to find a spot to park.

I park for short periods to pop into the chemist or other shops and having to go and buy a ticket will be annoyingly time consuming for the sake of a 5 or 10 minute stay.

Many of the local elderly community use this car park to collect prescriptions, pension from post office and use the GP surgery, putting a charge on the use of the 'local community amenities' seems wrong.

We need to keep our local shops, we don't want them losing business due to car park charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 1408

I object to parking charges.

It is not fair on the small shops, who pay enough council tax. So they need customers, but will lose some of them who can't afford to pay for car parking charges. It is not fair on the working class, who gets stung all the time & can hardly put food on the table at this time of year.

Off-street response – Reference number 1411

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I have never struggled to find a space in this car park so your suggestion that spaces are blocked is clearly irrelevant. This car park is also used by people accessing essential services such as the doctors and pharmacy, where waiting times can be unpredictable. People need to be confident that they can use the car park without risk of over running their paid for time, and that they can access these essential services without needing to pay.

Off-street response – Reference number 1412

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will have an effect on the local residents, as customers of Martin Square will decide to park on the surrounding streets and obstructing the bus route along Kingfisher Road.

Please consider making the first 30mins being free as an option.

Off-street response – Reference number 1413

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I live in the road leading to the rear of the shops in Martin Square, parking in this small section of road is awful at present & will only be made worse if parking charges are introduced in the car park.

Off-street response – Reference number 1414

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I work full time in the doctors surgery and I do not live locally. I do not want to be paying for the car park on top of the petrol that it costs me to get here. It will force me to look at jobs elsewhere where parking is provided free of charge leaving the NHS short staffed when it is already on its knees.

Off-street response – Reference number 1415

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Increasing or introducing parking charges to towns that are already on the brink of dilapidation will only make things worse. If anything free parking should be increased to encourage shoppers to come into town more often.

Off-street response – Reference number 1416

I object to parking charges.

Local businesses struggle enough to attract custom, and it is well-proven that free parking encourages trade in all towns and villages.

The simple solution to long-term parking - if indeed this is not just a means of earning additional revenue - is to have one hour free, then charges thereafter. Most people visit Martin Square for short-term activity (grabbing a newspaper, picking up a prescription, having a haircut, collecting a takeaway, dropping off dry cleaning) - so support those people and businesses by allowing people to park there free for a short time, but penalise those who park for longer by adding a proportionate parking charge.

It's the ONLY way to fulfil the objectives of serving shop-owners and ensuring good parking turnover for customers.

Off-street response – Reference number 1418

I object to parking charges.

I frequently use these shops and usually only visit for short amount of time and would definitely be put off going if charges were applicable. It would affect these small shops if everyone did the same thing. Plus the post office queue would cost everyone a fortune in parking charges!!

Off-street response – Reference number 1419

I object to parking charges.

I work at the Health Care Centre on Martins Square. The car park serves as a place for patients and staff to park but also brings in revenue from advhic shopping before/after appointments. The issue would be parking on Road sides if there was no where to park near the surgery.

Off-street response – Reference number 1420

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This car park is used for quick stops. Pharmacy, Shop etc.

It's also used by parents dropping children into school.

Adding charges just makes this unusable for many people.

The businesses in Martin Square would no doubt suffer.

Off-street response – Reference number 1421

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Please leave this area alone and free to park. Majority of people pop to the local shops and want to support them without the extra charge of parking fees.

Off-street response – Reference number 1422

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1423

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1424

I object to parking charges.

I regularly drop off & collect my 90+ year old parents in Martin Square in order for them to go to the hairdressers and I also have to collect their prescriptions and such like from the pharmacy, events that often mean I'm stopped for approximately 10-15 minutes or less. Having to stop and go to the Pay & Display machine would actually increase the length of time I'm in the car park! That really does not seem right. Maybe making the front couple of rows of parking short term, and the back longer term would be more advantageous to all.

Off-street response – Reference number 1425

I object to parking charges.

Charges could be introduced, but there must be a free time allowable. First hour free to allow the car park to be used for shoppers, then say 0.60 for 2 hours and then 5.00 for kver 2 hours. Thus will stop the long terms comunors parking. Each shop or Flat should be allowed one free season ticket.

Off-street response – Reference number 1426

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1428

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1429

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1435

I support parking charges.

The burden of charged for car parking should be spread around the area, not just Tonbridge

Off-street response – Reference number 1437

(no comment supplied)

N/A

Off-street response – Reference number 1438

I object to parking charges.

I feel that the introduction of parking charges will push cars onto the surrounding roads that are already busy with two schools close by. Martin Square provides an important support for the local community with a GP surgery, chemist, post office and library. Both the local cafe and library provide a warm hub that is important to a lot of local people and if parking charges were introduced I feel that would isolate a lot of elderly people in particular. Also if charges were introduced it is often difficult to estimate how long you would need with regard to visiting the post office or doctors. Larkfield is finally getting a variety of local shops with the recent addition of a fabulous butchers and this action could have a severe effect of these businesses. Keep free but with a time limited stay of 2 hours for example?

Off-street response – Reference number 1440

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This car park is managing just fine by itself. The parking by the doctors is often a mess, forcing patients to use the shop parking. Charging for parking will anger shop owners, shoppers, residents and patients of the Thornhills surgery.

Off-street response – Reference number 1441

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1442

I object to parking charges.

The car park is well used but never full so the argument about long term parking is irrelevant. The shops will use customers. I shop there often because it is free parking and always spaces.

Off-street response – Reference number 1444

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Charges will deter shoppers and businesses will suffer

Off-street response – Reference number 1445

I object to parking charges.

I mainly go down to Martin square for the hairdressers and post office. Occasionally I have had to park here for the library when the library car park is full. If charges are put in place to park then I will not be parking here and will in fact park on the road or I will not bother with Martin Square at all! I dread to think how parking charges will affect the shops down there, I imagine many will go 'bust'.

Off-street response – Reference number 1446

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

TMBC is not analysing the root cause of the issue. Why is there so much low turnover parking?

Can this be addressed in other ways? Treat the cause not the symptom.

Off-street response – Reference number 1447

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Unnecessary and greedy! This is not a wealthy area, it's a Council estate. Why would you even consider imposing more costs on people already struggling ?

Off-street response – Reference number 1449

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This car park should be for the local shops and services ie Drs and library - can't you put a limit of 2 hours free parking instead?

Off-street response – Reference number 1450

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1451

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1452

I object to parking charges.

Never seen a problem with parking. Will have impact on businesses. The amount that will be brought in by tariff will be minimal to Tonbridge & Malling.

Off-street response – Reference number 1453

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will cause extra traffic on Kingfisher Road which is already a busy bus route. Customers will choose to go elsewhere for local needs. A first 30mins free should atleast be considered.

Off-street response – Reference number 1455

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1459

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Paying for parking will be detrimental to the local businesses and cause problems for those wishing to access the doctors and library and will have a huge impact on local roads for school times as many parents use the car park for safe drop off and pick ups

Off-street response – Reference number 1460

I object to parking charges.

Parking charges would stop me from using the services in that area because there are alternatives with free parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1462

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I strongly object to parking charges. So many people use Martin Square for all of the local businesses. People use the parking here when dropping off and picking children up from the local schools and nursery, if they can't park here it will cause more traffic on the school road and make it more hazardous and dangerous for the children. People also park here to use the local doctors when their car park is full and I myself have done this and had to carry poorly children into the doctors in an emergency, the last thing people need is to worry about paying to park.

People pay enough tax to be able to use Martin square as conveniently as they do and it is all locals that use it.

Times are too expensive at the moment without introducing unnecessary parking costs.

Off-street response – Reference number 1463

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I have to collect medicine from the chemist and could wait a while. And paying parking charges adds to the stress

Off-street response – Reference number 1464

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1465

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1466

I object to parking charges.

This would have a detrimental impact on the local area, local businesses and access to health provisions such as the Health Centre and pharmacy. It would cause accidents and delay to bus routes because people would then take risks parking in nearby side roads to save money.

This is a really short sighted tax on the local residents and making trading for these independent businesses even harder in an already difficult climate My disappointment with this proposal knows no bounds!

Off-street response – Reference number 1467

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1469

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1470

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1471

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1472

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1473

I object to parking charges.

If the purpose is to prevent long stays in the car park, why not include a window of time of free parking (e.g. 30 minutes) for those parking just to use the local shops. This will prevent the reduction in trade that will certainly occur if people have to pay to park just to grab a pint of milk from the shop.

Off-street response – Reference number 1474

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1475

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1476

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1479

I object to parking charges.

Whilst I accept the problem of long-stay parkers, I don't support the proposed tariffs. I feel that at least one hour should be free, as that would allow the many local inhabitants to make use of the shopping facilities. If charges are introduced, it will increase congestion in Morrisons and Thornhills' car parks, both of which are already well-used as well as in the neighbouring streets - a particular safety issue at school start and finish times.

Off-street response – Reference number 1480

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1482

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

A lot of people use this car park to take the children to school and pick them up. People are struggling as it is and this is just gonna make things more harder for Parents.

Off-street response – Reference number 1484

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I object that we may have to pay to park in Martin Square when a lot of people use it for school runs. This would create further higher risks of accidents as would just push more cars to dropping children off outside the school. It is already dangerous with cars parking and stopping on and in Kingfisher Road and Swallow Road. Council need to deal with this first rather than just charge everyone to take their children to school in the Square.

Why not make the first hour free to accommodate potential visits to not only school runs but also chemist and doctors. With the proposal it would cost a parent £1.20 a day to do the two school runs a day. Just crazy.

Off-street response – Reference number 1485

I object to parking charges.

I work 4 days a week as a volunteer in the Hospice shop and the charges will cost me £12.00 per week which as a pensioner is a lot to find extra per week

Off-street response – Reference number 1486

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1487

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

A free parking period should exist e.g first 30 mins, before any charges come into play

Off-street response – Reference number 1488

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

By introducing car park charges you will be killing local businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 1489

I object to parking charges.

Perhaps 1/2 or 1 hour free to help support local shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 1491

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I appreciate residents who live there may not follow rules, but the car park to pop into when you have a doctors appointment, need to pop to the chemist or post office... local business will loose trade or have to put up there prices which will lead to less customers. Also you can not very often get in at the doctors surgery and people will now park there so you for sure won't get in! Maybe 90 minutes free only?

Off-street response – Reference number 1492

I object to parking charges.

I object to coat being charged in regards to Martin Square. The car park is used by myself as a Pare t to take my children to school on a daily basis. As there are two local schools and mi inalienable on street parking this is the only viable option for Pare nts. The doctors at Martin square also has limited parking and the car park situated at Martin square is often used as a spill over. It is not right for patients to pay to receive medical care for themselves or their children.

The potential charges are fuelled by nothing other than greed.

Off-street response – Reference number 1493

I object to parking charges.

I work 4 days a week in the surgery, 8-6 (10 hours+ somedays) and have a 30-45 minute journey each way. I do not want to roam the streets of Larkfield to find somewhere safe and secure for me to park my car and then have to walk to get to work. I am also concerned for my safety in the winter months going back to my car. This is adding additional stress for me that I can do without. Not only is it a large inconvenience to me, it is also and unnecessary inconvenience for the surgeries patients. Please can you re-think this ridiculous idea.

Off-street response – Reference number 1494

I object to parking charges.

The shops surrounding the square are very dependent on people popping into the car park so the introduction of charges will make them not viable. Also people visiting the doctors surgery or dropping in prescription requests have to use this car park as the one provided at the surgery is not big enough.

Off-street response – Reference number 1495

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1496

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1497

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1498

I object to parking charges.

Whilst some parking charges may be necessary and I do agree in principle, providing the first 30 mins free will enable people to conduct their business that they need to do and deter long stay users of the car park. This will reduce the impact on businesses. Small town centres thrive in this area and free parking contributes towards this. Evidence from businesses in areas where parking charges have been introduced will show that paid for parking affects these small businesses disproportionately, sending more customers to large supermarkets with their large free car parks.

Off-street response – Reference number 1500

I support Season Tickets.

In essence I have no objections to residents getting permits. However if you make these car parks more expensive for the general commuter more people will use the few roads around Tonbridge that are not permitted - mine being one. This is frustrating, annoying and unsafe on these roads and always feels like an anomaly. I would welcome residents permits on all roads to combat this and then make the formalised car parks cheaper to local nearby residents but more expensive to others.

Off-street response – Reference number 1501

I object to parking charges.

Firstly I am sure you are aware of the state that local businesses are finding themselves in both in the last few years and especially now when people are finding it sooo difficult to make ends meet and spenditure from wages and income is so tight. There are many residents finding themselves having to use food banks just to survive.

I do not agree that long stay parking is the need for the Council to make money from what I believe is mostly residents from the surrounding flats in Martin Square and of course both owners and staff that work in the local shops. I feel strongly that the Council are forcing the hand of these small businesses into liquidation and I hope they can live with themselves should they decide to go ahead with these proposals.

I also feel strongly that as residents of this local area that we should not have to pay to visit our local GP Thornhills. Should I have the need to visit the local hospital we are charged for this already! As the car parks have already been sold off to a Private company and residents are paying Council tax!!!

Off-street response – Reference number 1502

I object to parking charges.

Please allow at least 2 hours free for Dr./pharmacy visit.

Off-street response – Reference number 1504

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I work at the Dr's surgery and would find this cost on top of my min wage extremely unfair. I also use the local shops here supporting local business' and I would look to shop else where if I had to pay to park my car.

Off-street response – Reference number 1505

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1506

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1507

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1508

I object to parking charges.

This is going to damage the Shops and why should people should have to pay if they are picking up a prescription for example, or just dropping something off at the Post Office. Things are difficult enough as it is without having to find extra money for parking, and it will keep people away from the area for shopping.

Off-street response – Reference number 1510

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1511

I object to parking charges.

i work in martin square and also go to the shops and feel paying for parking will cost me more and would have to look for another job

Off-street response – Reference number 1512

I object to parking charges.

Yes it will lose trade to shops in Martin square

Off-street response – Reference number 1513

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It will loss trade to the local shops

Off-street response – Reference number 1514

I object to parking charges.

Loss of trade to local shops which will clog side roads

Off-street response – Reference number 1515

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1516

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Drop off at the local schools are already a nightmare, parking charges will only amplify this

Off-street response – Reference number 1517

I object to parking charges.

A parking charge will only further encourage locals to shop elsewhere (Tesco, West Malling). Short term gains for the council will result in long term damage.

Off-street response – Reference number 1518

I object to parking charges.

It would kill off the shops and many people park there to pick up prescriptions etc from the chemist!
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Off-street response – Reference number 1519

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will stop people coming to Martin Square for shopping and use other facilities.

Off-street response – Reference number 1520

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

another council rip of dont you think we pay enough in taxes

Off-street response – Reference number 1521

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1522

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1523

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Where do we park to pick up prescriptions, visit the doctor, go to the post office, these cannot be accurately timed as queuing is the norm. The medical centre car park is always full, I have difficulty walking and do not have a blue badge, so my stay in the carpark is longer than people with out these problems. I could not have my hair done, pedicure or manicure, or go to cafe for a coffee and chat with friends. Businesses will suffer, which is not fair to them.

Off-street response – Reference number 1524

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

The Martin Square car park should be kept free of charge. Those of us who use it for the purpose of visiting local businesses and shops should not be penalised because of the vehicle owners who use it as a long-stay facility. Rather those who do this should be discouraged. If charges are inevitably to be introduced, then the first two hours of parking should be free and charges only applied thereafter. I don't accept the lame argument that some car parks in the Borough levy a charge, so all of them should. Surely the council can be more flexible and imaginative than this?

Off-street response – Reference number 1525

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1526

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will have a hugely detrimental effect on local business. The doctors surgery never runs to time and will have an impact on patients. Parking will only push out into the community causing other issues. Maybe consider 1hr free parking as a compromise?

Off-street response – Reference number 1527

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1528

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1529

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Local businesses will close as martins square is essential for popping to chemist , doctors . It's a real community that will be ruined by parking charges .the council should be supporting local businesses not force them to close as no one will use the square if there are parking charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 1530

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1531

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1532

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1534

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This is an area requiring support to ensure traders continue

Off-street response – Reference number 1535

I object to parking charges.

I only go around their for my 98 father in law only their for a short period of time to collect medicine

Off-street response – Reference number 1537

I object to parking charges.

I think a ticket machine to limit long term parking is good but the first hour free otherwise it's not worth dropping off parcels at the post office or popping into the charity shop .

Off-street response – Reference number 1539

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Have the free car park duration restricted from 24 hours to 2 hours maximum and use a warden to monitor and issue fines for those exceeding the allotted parking time. I am local, but would prefer not to pay for the half hour spent in the pharmacy queue to be told to 'Come back this afternoon/tomorrow and your prescription will be ready for collection'.

Off-street response – Reference number 1540

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

That car park is used almost every day for people going to the pharmacy to collect medication and to get medical advice, something that we are being encouraged to do. Any charge is a charge on medical services. And the scale of charges makes it very hard, when visiting the pharmacy, to determine how long to pay for - it is likely that people paying for 30 minutes will sometimes have to wait longer than that in the pharmacy and then be faced with the initial car park charge plus a penalty charge. This proposal is an absolute disgrace. If it goes ahead there should be a vigorous campaign to make everyone who parks at the TMBC offices, Kings Hill, regardless of who they are (except blue badge holders) to pay the same rates at Kings Hill, if parking for staff and visitors is currently free. What is being forced on people visiting a pharmacy for medication and medical advice at St Martins Square should be forced on all those working for/at the organisation trying to introduce those charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 1544

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The reason you have given for introducing charges is to deter the long stay parkers. Why are you then charging the short stay parkers? To allow people to use the shops in Martin Square and the doctor's surgery (as their car park is often full) I believe parking should be free for up to 2 hours and then charge a higher amount than you are suggesting in your proposal for people parking longer. This would be an effective way of deterring the long stay parkers that you state you are trying to deter from using the car park.

In the current economic situation, to burden people who live and work in the area is quite unfair.

All your current proposals are going to achieve is to deter people from using Martin Square and the businesses to close down or increase their prices, another burden on the local residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 1546

I object to parking charges.

The businesses will obviously lose customers. Who would pay parking to buy a newspaper? I use the shops here, for instance the hairdressers etc and not go into town because I don't pay parking charges.

Also cars will be parking outside peoples houses instead which will cause problems for residents. The charges are so high. Not even the first 90 mins free or anything. I've lived around the area all my life and it really saddens me.

Off-street response – Reference number 1547

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

As the long term manager of this branch I feel that your decision to make this car park pay and display will not only have a negative effect on the levels of trade for the local businesses but it will effect the local residents financially also

Our customer base spend long periods of time in the branch and the shop is used as a social hub for people of all ages (over 18).

We have a core group of elderly customers that stake a little but gain a lot of enjoyment through socialising here and being offered free teas and coffees, a number saying that it's cheaper to come and spend time with us than heat their own homes. Asking them to pay up to £5.80 a day on top isn't fair.

Personally you will be costing me £290 just to park for work also, adding more stress to a person thats already struggling financially and to manage poor mental health.

I personally feel you should atleast give customers 1 hour for free and consider giving local residents and local shop staff free permits to park during business hours.

Off-street response – Reference number 1548

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1549

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

These obscene charges are going to kill what few shops we have so much for supporting local businesses

Also will blue badge holders have to pay

You do realise how long it takes to pick up a prescription from Pharmacy approx. 90mins

Does this include the doctors car park

Off-street response – Reference number 1550

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will result in cars parking in approach roads causing congestion and accidents. Many of the most vulnerable people rely on the free parking to attend the doctors surgery and getting medication from the pharmacy which both often involves waiting over an hour

Off-street response – Reference number 1553

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1554

I object to parking charges.

What does " the car park suffers from low turnover long-stay parking which reduces the availability of spaces for all users" mean in real terms. The description of the problem is vague. Do you have any data on occupancy?

Off-street response – Reference number 1558

I object to parking charges.

Any parking charge should have one hour free (by collecting a ticket) here for those that 'pop' in to the shops. Retailers will be damaged if you don't do this.

Off-street response – Reference number 1561

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1562

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1564

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1568

I object to parking charges.

Where would cars that are currently parked long term in car park go. If the problem is low turnover then introduce a charge for long term parkin (eg more than 4 hours)

Off-street response – Reference number 1570

(no comment supplied)

It is quite simple to ensure free short stay parking by installing ticket machines that allow an initial hour for free and charges after that.

Off-street response – Reference number 1571

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1573

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Parking charges could have a negative effect on local shops and businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 1574

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1575

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1580

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1581

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

kill people jobs in shops

Off-street response – Reference number 1583

I object to parking charges.

Completely fed up with parking charges will just stop going there

Off-street response – Reference number 1588

I object to parking charges.

The square offers services and businesses to local residents. The introduction of parking charges will prevent some members of community from being able to park and this will also effect local

businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 1589

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

You been in the doctors lately not to mention the chemist . I rest my case , how much would that cost.

Just money grabbing thieves. Everyone will park in morrison's which then will become a pay n display car park

Off-street response – Reference number 1591

I support parking charges.

I agree with parking charges to reduce the long term parking but feel the first hour/2 hours should be free in order for people to support the local shops which I do.

Off-street response – Reference number 1592

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Charging shoppers too much for short-stay parking kills local shops. Many other councils have already realised this - why don't you? Without easy/cheap parking, drivers choose to shop elsewhere - for everything. Without good footfall, local shops fall empty. So ultimately councils don't gain any extra revenue - instead they lose much more from lost business rates. And locals lose valuable amenities, which would otherwise have attracted more people in - both shoppers & residents. Above all - local shops are vital to anyone who doesn't drive, esp elderly/vulnerable. They become isolated & (despite often being on lower income) their only shopping option is expensive convenience stores.

So instead - short-stay parking should ideally be FREE for residents, low for short-stay visitors & higher for long-stay. If not free, then residents should be able to buy 'carnets' of CHEAP parking tickets (like residents in controlled parking areas can get). Business owners should be offered season tickets. But recognise that many workers these days are part-time or even temporary - so they (or owner of business where they work) should be able to get 'carnets' of tickets too, to used as/when required.

Off-street response – Reference number 1596

I object to parking charges.

The purpose of parking charges is to ration a scarce resource. In the case of Martin Square this is not a scarce resource as I have never found it impossible to park. it would therefore appear that the Council intend to introduce these charges as a means of raising revenue.

Off-street response – Reference number 1598

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Charging people does not support the local community especially people who are not able to walk far, there should at least be a free 1/2 hour for popping in and out

Off-street response – Reference number 1599

(no comment supplied)

N/a

Off-street response – Reference number 1603

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1604

I support parking charges.

There should be limited free parking available for people using local shops. Charge for longer than one hour. Otherwise having parking charges will penalise local businesses. As it is you can't park easily because of people who park for long periods.

Off-street response – Reference number 1605

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1606

(no comment supplied)

Don't use so can't comment specifically on this area. But I do know (from experience elsewhere) that short-stay parking charges in small local shopping areas always spell death for local shops, & are bad for residents & Council revenues alike. If you penalise local shopper parking - you 'shoot yourself in the foot'; they'll just go elsewhere. Inevitably that leads to shop closures - so you also make shopping harder & more expensive for elderly, vulnerable & anyone without a car.

Off-street response – Reference number 1607

I object to parking charges.

There are small local businesses and Charity Shops, by introducing charges to park will have a huge impact, as some may not be able to afford to pay. To introduce this during a cost of living crisis is just plain ridiculous

Off-street response – Reference number 1608

I both support and object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1609

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1611

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

You have to think of the disposable incomes of people using this car park and impact on trade. Why not provide 1 hr free and then charge thereafter.

Off-street response – Reference number 1612

I object to parking charges.

In principle I support charging but with the 1st hour free and reduced (free) parking for residents permits.

This allows users to pick up essential services such as prescriptions but reduces the long term parking issues.

Off-street response – Reference number 1613

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Martin Square in Larkfield has a small number of local businesses that are struggling with the increase costs of operating their businesses. The introduction of parking charges will lead to a reduction in footfall which will further impact on their ability to keep operating. Consequently some businesses will close leaving empty spaces as per most high streets.

Off-street response – Reference number 1614

I object to parking charges.

It will put people off visiting local businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 1616

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will kill the local businesses in Martin square that thrive on people popping in and puts additional financial strain on people using essential services such as the library and doctor/dentist services (whose own car parks are not large enough) making these things less accessible to all. It will also increase on street parking with people avoiding the parking charges which will adversely affect residents in the local area.

Off-street response – Reference number 1617

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

disgraceful we pay enough, youll kill local business and put greater financial struggle on the community. fix the roads first before you charge more. endless puddles potholes and caved on pavements

Off-street response – Reference number 1623

I object to parking charges.

Just think with cost of living problems also oap's would be just another problem for people at these very difficult times.

Off-street response – Reference number 1627

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

first hour free enough time to shop local

Off-street response – Reference number 1629

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Will reduce the footfall for businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 1630

I object to parking charges.

If charges are brought in for the first 2 hours then shoppers will go elsewhere resulting in no support for the local shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 1631

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1634

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This is totally unreasonable. This will effect the trades people considerably and why would you pay to go to the doctors? This is our Martins Square and has been for many years with no objections, so why now. Is it because the council is running out of money? Maybe they should not waste so much and find other ways of obtaining, like manning the double yellow lines with CCTV and fine those who abuse it.

Off-street response – Reference number 1635

I support parking charges.

Long stay parking limits availability for others.

Off-street response – Reference number 1636

I object to parking charges.

I do not support the parking charges in Martin square. These are our local shop that we pop to, to use post office etc. Why does everything have to come to charging the local residence. I would definitely not use these shop as much if ever I would find alternative places where I could park and use the shop without having to pay. What a nuisance it would if you wanted to quickly run in the

shop and you were going to be 5 minutes and you have to pay for an hours parking just to pop in the shop. The people who would be mostly disadvantaged by the charges are the local shops who would miss out from a lot of customer who choose to shop elsewhere. I hope you will reconsider this terrible decision can that would massively affect the local community.

Off-street response – Reference number 1642

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1643

I object to parking charges.

If a parking charge was introduced, I would no longer visit the area (as is the case with West Malling High Steet), so those businesses would therefore suffer the loss of my custom. This would apply to many other people too.

Off-street response – Reference number 1644

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1645

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1646

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1648

I object to parking charges.

We are living at a time where people are struggling to pay bills, but food for their families and introducing parking tickets is not supporting real people living real lives. Elderly people who can't walk may need to drive and park and this will put extra pressure on their financial situation

Off-street response – Reference number 1650

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1651

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

For fairness across the borough, it's right that there are charges at all car parks (especially if it helps limit price increases at other car parks).

Off-street response – Reference number 1652

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1653

I object to Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1654

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1656

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1657

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1659

I object to parking charges.

I use at least twice a week, never have a problem parking, always enough space. I am only there 15-20 mins will not use shops if I have to pay. Community will suffer if this goes ahead.

Off-street response – Reference number 1661

I object to parking charges.

This is a money making scheme for the council. Targeting the residents with another stealth tax because they can't budget the taxes efficiently and shifting the burden on to the residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 1664

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1666

(no comment supplied)

I have no comment on this issue.

Off-street response – Reference number 1668

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Detrimental to local business & community

Off-street response – Reference number 1669

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1670

I object to parking charges.

I object to any additional charges and costs on motorists , motorists already have heavy financial burdens and we are not just here as a cash cow to milk.

Off-street response – Reference number 1671

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Will affect local business & the community particularly those wishing to visit the pharmacy & surgery

Off-street response – Reference number 1672

I object to parking charges.

This car park has just a few local shops around it. the introduction of charges will drive cars to the next door free car park at the supermarket and local businesses will suffer

Off-street response – Reference number 1674

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

As an example, I and my family use pharmacy, morrison shop, butchers, chinese, indian, fish and chip shop, pizza & kebab shop and the cafe. we use the facilities at different times of the day and week for an average of a 10-15 min stay each time but can be multiple visits per day, ie pharmacy sat morning, kebab sat evening. if parking charges are applied multiple charges per day? I and my family have discussed this situation and decided we would not frequent martin square anymore and move our trade to Tesco, morrison and lidl where parking is free and can obtain the same goods and services in the larkfield high st.

Furthermore unless you put double yellow lines all the way through Kingfisher rd, (a bus route) to stop the increase in shoppers parking and including prohibition of residence parking and before implementation of any charging scheme you will increase congestion to the point of gridlock and increase danger to the road users(especially as there are 2 schools and a fire station entrance on this road). A full costing of implementation and annual running of this proposal, including kingfisher and ANY other mitigating proposals, such as compensation for traders lack reduction of business, must be

made available for public scrutiny before ANY work is started.

Off-street response – Reference number 1675

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

This car park is often used by people accessing the doctor's surgery where there is only very limited parking and it is always full. This car park is also used by people accessing their prescriptions from Payden's pharmacy. Many of these people are already struggling with their health and financially do not warrant an added burden of having to pay to get access to their local GP and pharmacy.

Off-street response – Reference number 1677

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This is a local community shopping area, these businesses rely on local people supporting them, by charging to go to the post office or the charity shop, or the fish shop is putting pressure on the local residents as well as the businesses themselves, TMBC is also putting up council tax, again another lot of pressure being put on local residents, TMBC is not residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 1678

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I am objecting to the charges because it will deter people using the local shops and be detrimental to local businesses and local residents.

I do not live near enough to walk to the shops, but I visit the shops almost every day, pick up my granddaughter from Brookfield School at least twice a week and regularly visit Larkfield Health Centre. At a charge of 60p for the first 30 minutes this would cost me over £5.00 per week. As a pensioner I would find this difficult.

I suggest you make the first 30 minutes free with charges after that to deter the long term parkers.

If you make any form of charges you should make allowances for people visiting the surgery. An appointment can take 15 minutes or sometimes well over 30 minutes. It seems unfair to fine people visiting the doctor through no fault of their own. If you bring in season tickets for local residents and the local businesses, they should either be free or no more than the equivalent of £1.00 per week.

These charges seem like a ploy to raise money for the council at the expense of local businesses and local residents.

You should rethink the proposed charges at Martin Square so that local residents and local businesses are not disadvantaged.

Off-street response – Reference number 1679

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If you want to stop long term parking just restrict the length of time people can park here. If you charge for parking people won't use the shops here which will affect businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 1682

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

This proposal sounds sensible and would ensure that more people can benefit from short term parking by freeing up spaces previously used by long term parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1684

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1685

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1686

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

In my view this will result in a significant drop in revenue for the business in Martin Square with many potentially all going out of business which would be a significant blow to the local community not to mention the loss of local jobs for local residents

Off-street response – Reference number 1689

I support parking charges.

Martin Square car park is mostly used by local residents who are supporting the shops located in the square including a doctor's and chemist. Many of these are elderly and infirm and in low income.

Introducing car park charges will mean that many residents will park in Morrisons and use this store to shop rather than those in the square. Alternatively this will add to on street parking on a bus route road used children from local primary and secondary schools.

Parents from the three primary schools very nearby and the nursery school across the road use the car park for a short time each day to drop off and pick up children. Payment will discourage parents from using the car park and add to the chaotic parking around the school site increasing risks for parents, children and the crossing warden.

Council tax is high in the area and we have few TMBC provided facilities. Our Larkfield car park should be free.

Off-street response – Reference number 1690

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1691

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1692

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1694

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1695

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

A fairer system would be to have first 30 mins free. Most people visiting the shops by car are rarely there longer than 15 minutes. You will be making people pay for visiting the doctor and they won't always know how long they will be there. The chemist always has a long queue only to find your medication isn't in, so you have to return later that day which would result in paying twice.

We should be encouraging people especially children to visit our libraries, paying for parking will put people off going. This decision will result in more people parking in Morrisons carpark and walking through. Morrisons carpark won't have the spaces for people wanting to go food shopping.

Off-street response – Reference number 1696

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will convert the roads around the school at pick up and drop off times making it unsafe for the children.

Off-street response – Reference number 1697

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If you want to prevent people parking at Martin Square for long periods of time, I would support a 3 hour free parking limit. If you are waiting for a Drs appointment, you have no idea how long this is going to be, nor if you are waiting in the queue to collection prescriptions.

If you charge for the first half an hour this will encourage drivers to park on the road causing congestion in Kingfisher.

Not everyone has Smart phones or the ability to be able to pay on line for these parking charges and I would estimate that at least half of those using Martin Square are of the more elderly population.

By charging from the first half hour, the businesses in Martin Square will suffer from the lack of footfall and that will include the charity shop.

Whoever thought of this idea is just not looking at the whole picture. Don't punish people who are finding it hard to make ends meet.

Off-street response – Reference number 1698

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1700

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I use this car park frequently and can always find a parking space. I believe charge would be detrimental to the small local businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 1708

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Whilst parking can be difficult in Martin square at times, I don't believe parking charges should be introduced as I'd be less likely to go there and I imagine the businesses will suffer. Why not introduce restriction of 1 or 2 hours of free parking to improve turnover and have permits for residents/businesses needing longer?

Off-street response – Reference number 1711

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Stop hitting motorists with stealth tax!

Off-street response – Reference number 1712

I object to parking charges.

Parking charges will further limit access to the Doctors Surgery and the Chemist.

Charges in the Square will cause an overload in Morrisons car park inconveniencing shoppers there.

The businesses in the Square will also be adversely affected where people just pop in for a few bits

Considering the ever increasing large population in the area TMBC should put more effort into improving the pathetic bus provision in this area.

Off-street response – Reference number 1714

I object to parking charges.

Local businesses are already struggling with so many large supermarkets near by. This would further deter people using these shops. This square is the hub of the community and used for a community food drop weekly that a lot of people queue for, proving it is an area of vulnerability and deprivation, who rely on these local shops. Parking would deter trade, many people do not know how long they are going to be in the post office or doctors and could incur fines, when they are already struggling with their health, finances and wellbeing.

Off-street response – Reference number 1715

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1716

I support parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Martin Square is my local car park, if you must do this Please provide first 60 mins free to allow pick up of prescriptions, and provide pay machines that can take card payments not just phone payments as I (like many others) do not have a smart phone nor would I want any apps linked to my payment details as this is a security risk.

Surely those residents who live closest need a permit LEAST, as they should be able to walk to the Square !

Off-street response – Reference number 1717

I object to parking charges.

It is not sensible to start charging immediately on entrance to Martin Square Car Park. People need to pick up prescriptions at the Chemist (Sometimes a long wait). Also people pop in to buy a paper, use the Cafe, Betting Shop, Dry Cleaners, Butchers and the Charity Shop. Charging will deter customers from using the car park and they will find other places to park, i.e. in the streets around the Square causing more traffic problems than we have already. It would be more sensible to allow an hour free parking to keep the shops viable. The charging will deter long stay parking but where will they park?

Most local store car parks are now charging so they will just park in the streets as well. God help us if we have a house fire. It is so congested in some of the roads now that a fire engine would have trouble getting down them. Please think again about not allowing a free period of parking or most of the shops will suffer.

Off-street response – Reference number 1718

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1719

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1720

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

I would support this, so long as the short term charges (2-3hrs) are low (in the order of £1 per hour) to still support the local shops and high street. Otherwise, TMBC will be killing off our High Streets and reducing their (our) revenue in the longer term with reduced business income and higher crime rates /cost. Once the high street has deteriorated, then it will be impossible to recover. Parking charges are a very important part of one's choice of shopping destination.

Off-street response – Reference number 1721

I object to parking charges.

parking should be free for locals who pop in for short stay papers, cafe, butchers, chemist ect

long stay comuters who park and get the bus in to town all day.

local shoppers have no chance of parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1722

I object to parking charges.

I would support parking charges for stays of three hours or over.

The first three hours free would allow visitors to use the local businesses and support their viability.

Longer staying visitors would have to pay.

Off-street response – Reference number 1723

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

As if things aren't difficult enough for everyone financially. This will have a big impact on the shops, also Carpark is used for overflow Thornhills Surgery and to charge people for being unwell is a cruel act. You could do what most Supermarkets do and let people park free for 90/120 mins as an alternative if you have to, definitely do not charge residents or local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 1724

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1725

I object to parking charges.

Due to waiting times in the post office chemist doctors library the minimum waiting time of one hour for sixty pence is too short and should be for at least two hours

Off-street response – Reference number 1726

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1727

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

The free parking supports the small business and the local community, introducing parking charges will push vehicles onto the residential streets. This will cause dangerous situations for pedestrians and increase the risk of persons suffering serious injury.

Off-street response – Reference number 1728

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1729

I object to parking charges.

Using the shops should not take more than an hour. The first hour should be free. There after charge users. If proposal is implemented I will not be using the shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 1730

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

I support the charging for parking in this carpark but I am concerned about the below-

- Introducing parking charges will have a detrimental effect on local businesses who are still struggling from the down turn due to Covid.

- I feel introducing charges will only cause motorist to park in nearby roads and cause a nuisance for local residents. Kingfisher road would be a typical example.

- If charges are introduced I believe the first hour should be free. This would allow people to attend doctors and the health center appointments, use the library and use local shops.

- I believe some people park in this carpark and catch a bus into Maidstone. Its used as a park and Ride?

- If charges are brought in then payment should be allowed by card and cash. Payment must not be only by a smart phone as this discriminates against the older generation who generally don't have smart phones.

- Usually visitors to the health center and doctors surgery have to use this carpark as the surgery carpark is full.

Off-street response – Reference number 1731

I object to parking charges.

It was proved when charges last went up in West Malling businesses experienced less footfall this will be worse.

Off-street response – Reference number 1732

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It will be a loss of trade for the tradesmen in the square and a lot of people will not come to the square for medicine and shopping. This imposition is totally out of order.

Off-street response – Reference number 1733

I object to parking charges.

Martin Square is the main carpark for Thornhills Medical Practice and Larkfield Health Centre, providing care for many quite often disadvantaged patients etc. Adding charges will negatively affect the health and wellbeing for the local population and is not ok. "Season Tickets" will invariably cost money, thus forcing local NHS staff to pay to come to work. Wasn't so long ago that we were all being clapped and applauded for our work. This would be a total betrayal.

Off-street response – Reference number 1736

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Impact as a Business / Employer:

Our staff costs will not be affordable – 30-40 members of staff, many full time will need somewhere to park. TMP cannot afford annual season tickets, costs could be over £11,000 per year (based on £290 annual season tickets)

Secure carpark costs not affordable – Costs to put barriers up to stop unauthorised parking would be too high for TMP to fund

Shared Building - Building is rented, with other tenants, will be difficult to arrange suitable parking arrangement for all.

Impact on Staff:

Costs will not be affordable – Staff will have extortionate increased costs. Many work long shifts, 10+ hours, 4-5 days per week so will incur maximum daily charges

Retention – We may lose staff

Recruitment – Will be difficult for us to recruit new staff

Wellbeing – This is already causing anxiety for some staff

Morale – This will greatly lower staff morale

Parking will be a major problem – Limited or no space. Our staff use the free carpark in Martin square so our patients have priority for our small free carpark. With our staff not using the overspill free carpark in Martin Square, they will be forced to use our carpark (assuming the carpark isn't already filled by non visitors to TMP) leaving no parking for patients, visitors. Alternatively staff will have to park in local roads.

Safety concerns – Staff having to walk alone, longer distances to cars parked in side, unlit areas when dark

Impact on Patients:

TMP small carpark is not big enough – We have almost 15,000 patients registered with us and our patients need the additional free overspill carpark. Our own carpark is no where near big enough to support the daily parking needs

Costs will not be affordable – Many patients have to visit more than once a week. Lots of patients on low or no income

Personal healthcare will suffer – High risk that patients may put off visiting for essential and routine healthcare

Wellbeing – Many patients are already anxious / unwell prior to visiting, the worry of not knowing if they will find a free space in our small carpark or if they will have to pay could significantly increase anxiety levels even more.

Parking will be a major problem – Limited or no space. Assuming the carpark isn't already filled by non visitors to TMP or staff. Alternatively patients will have to park in local roads

Safety will be compromised – Patients may end up having to park in surrounding side roads, this is not suitable for those less mobile or those feeling too unwell to walk too far. Concerns for those walking alone, longer distances to cars parked in side, unlit areas when dark

Patient accessibility compromised – Easy access / parking is an essential requirement for a healthcare setting

Off-street response – Reference number 1737

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1738

I object to parking charges.

It will discourage visitors from coming to the T&MBC area and drive locals to do their business outside the T&MBC area.

Off-street response – Reference number 1740

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1742

I object to parking charges.

This car park is well used for Paydens Pharmacy and Thornhills Medical Centre. Thornhills is regularly full. The introduction of charges will drive people to use Morrisons car park where free parking up to 2 hrs is allowed. If charges are applied to Martin Square the first hour should be FREE to allow unfettered access to essential facilities of Paydens and Thornhills without the worry of paying and possible fines due to long queues in Paydens and delays in seeing Doctors.

Off-street response – Reference number 1745

I object to parking charges.

Free parking is a necessity for those collecting a prescription, buying their morning paper, queuing for the post office, stopping off for fish and chips, for volunteers working in the charity shop. Surely limited free parking could be made available for short stays with exemptions or substantial reductions for shop workers. Then you can target the long stay parking with a charge. You need to be fair to the local community who pay a hefty council tax charge.

Off-street response – Reference number 1746

I object to parking charges.

As a worker in Paydens chemist I feel we should not have to pay to park we are providing a much needed service and also our customers should not have to pay to get there medication, for some it's medication to keep them alive.

Off-street response – Reference number 1747

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1750

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1752

I object to parking charges.

This is a well used car park that allows overflow from the GP practice. Rather than charge make it a 2/3 hour no return car park to allow children to be collected from school, people to use the cafe and library.

Off-street response – Reference number 1756

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1758

I object to parking charges.

Why not allow 1 hour free parking with a ticket. There are only a few shops in the parade. We do this in Paddock Wood

Off-street response – Reference number 1762

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Whilst I think introducing some kind of tariff is a good idea to stop long stay parking for those that are not using the shops or medical centre I feel you are now penalising the NHS staff and genuine shoppers. Surely introducing charges will push people to park on the roadside (our roads are already

extremely busy without having to drive past parked cars) and parking outside people's houses!

Off-street response – Reference number 1763

I object to parking charges.

The introduction of charges to Martin Square will significantly damage local businesses and the excuse that longterm parking is a valid reason to introduce charging is just an excuse for the council to make money to the detriment of local businesses, the charity shop and the Doctors surgery. This will also adversely affect disabled and vulnerable persons who will have no other option to shop or visit the doctors. The council could easily take measures to restrict long stay parking by introducing CCTV with ANPR that many large retailers use at their car parks to charge people who stay for extended periods. The Council could also sell tickets to residents and businesses who wish to park there for extended periods so I object strongly to the Council making these changes.

Off-street response – Reference number 1766

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1767

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1768

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1772

I object to parking charges.

This will affect local business and also increase people parking in Morrisons and walking through the St Martins square. Also the car park is small at the Thornhill medical centre and many patients have to park in ST Martins for their appointments.

Off-street response – Reference number 1773

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1776

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1777

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I rely on volunteers who give up their time to help in this shop, and 80% of them aren't willing to pay as well, so this shop can't be run without volunteers, also people won't donate if they have to pay to bring their donations in, I'm afraid it will be the end of the square if this goes ahead.

Off-street response – Reference number 1779

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1780

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1781

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1783

I object to parking charges.

I understand the need to get some revenue from the car park but I object to charging short stays for people using essential services such as the doctors and pharmacy. The time needed for these is often an hour or more so I think the first hour should be free, and perhaps just charges for longer stays. Also the ticket machines will no doubt be card only payments and number plate entry. This would be disadvantageous for older people who are a large proportion of car park users.

Off-street response – Reference number 1784

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

You mention in your report there is low turnover of vehicles restricting access for others. You need to publish your data that resulted in this conclusion. I disagree with your assumption.

Off-street response – Reference number 1785

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This car park serves not only the business' in Martin Square but also the residents in the housing above the commercial premises, the health centre, the library and the residential care centre. By introducing charges to this car park you will force residents to park on the public highway in the immediate area which will endanger not only the bus route through the estate but also the schools that are in the locality. Parking for school "drop off" and "collection" of pupils/students is bad enough currently without further impediments enforced.

It would seem that TMBC either want to see the demise of all services that are currently available in Martin Square so that they can re-develop the area for commercial gain or are reluctant to cut unnecessary expenditure elsewhere.

Shame on the current majority on the TMBC for being wanting to take ever more of their residents hard earned cash at this time of financial worries for most normal people.

Off-street response – Reference number 1786

(no comment supplied)

NA

Off-street response – Reference number 1789

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I visit the Martin Square car park frequently and I'm rarely unable to find a space. The car park is invaluable for customers of the local businesses and in many instances people parking there are only for a short period of time. If charges are introduced then it is likely people won't visit the local businesses - they won't want to pay if they are literally spending 5-10 mins in one of the local businesses. However, if there is a real issue with people parking there for long periods of time then perhaps a better proposal will be for the first 30 mins parking to remain free with then charges applied after this time. This will then minimise impact on local businesses and short term shoppers and limit the people that park for longer periods and thus aiding turnover.

Off-street response – Reference number 1790

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Local shops are under major financial pressure with business rates, rents and cost of living. They need all the support they can be given. If the problem is long stay parking then restrict parking periods to, say, 2 or 3 hours as the supermarkets do rather than charging

Off-street response – Reference number 1791

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The area around Martin Square is residential and many residents have no option but to park in Martin Square. Residents have chosen to live here, and those with cars or with relatives and friends who visit them and have cars, will now be impacted by having to pay for a season ticket. This is an additional cost they have not planned for. We are at the moment in the midst of a cost of living crisis and in effect TMBC will be imposing a parking 'tax' on residents in order to recover money to bolster their budget. This is no fault of TMBC, but the Council should be lobbying national Government for additional funding - not charging its own residents in order to increase lost finances.

An improved way to prevent long-term parking would be to provide parking permits to residents and local businesses, and to allow free short-term parking of up to 3 hours, charges applying thereafter.

Off-street response – Reference number 1793

I object to parking charges.

It should be free but if charges are to be introduced then first 1 hour should be free.

Off-street response – Reference number 1794

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1795

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1796

I object to parking charges.

Local shops and businesses are struggling to compete with out-of-town centres which often have free parking or extended parking periods, e.g. Asda at Kings Hill (3hr). If long-stay parking is a problem, this needs to be tackled by more effective enforcement. This proposal will only harm local shops and businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 1797

I object to parking charges.

Again the TBMC are looking for areas to raise funds and as usual and ignore how it will affect the people concerned. My wife and I are both pensioners, with medical conditions ie. replacement hips/ knees etc, and do not qualify to have a Blue Badge.

We shop on a regular basis calling at Post Office, Chemist, Hairdressers, Supermarket, Cafe, Toilet, Library. This will be the death of all these valuable local facilities.

Off-street response – Reference number 1798

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1801

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1802

I object to parking charges.

I believe introducing parking charges will affect the local businesses and will potentially force customers away. If you are concerned about "long term" parking, then maybe notices should be put up stating (maybe) more than 3 hours parking at any one period would incur a fine.

Off-street response – Reference number 1805

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1807

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1810

I object to parking charges.

A two or three hour free parking prior to charges would stop long term parking and would not impact on shops

Off-street response – Reference number 1813

(no comment supplied)

All car parks should be pay as you leave. This allows people to to shop without restrictions and shops to increase their footfall.

Off-street response – Reference number 1814

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Why is it always the motorists that is used to raise money? There are hardly any free parking facilities available anywhere. It's not as if we've got very good public transport to fall back on. I certainly hope that we don't end up with a ULEZ situation in our area!

Off-street response – Reference number 1815

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1817

I object to parking charges.

I am particularly concerned on this impacting on Thornhills Doctors surgery and Paydens Chemists.

Patients / residents will be worried about being delayed in the surgery or collecting prescriptions which could result in car parking penalties. The first hour or 2 should be free. If charges are introduced then people will park in Morrisons who will then introduce parking charges. Local businesses will suffer from reduced shoppers. If long term parking s the problem then long term / 4 hour plus Parking should be targeted, not short term visitors. Furthermore local streets will be used for parking causing problems for residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 1818

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Parking charges will deter people from using local shops

Off-street response – Reference number 1819

I object to parking charges.

Free parking for at least a limited period improves accessibility to the small businesses here and improves consumer choice of where to shop. The introduction of charges will cause many to use alternative suppliers with the associated extra travelling and the consequent reduction in care of the environment (more fossil fuels burnt).

Off-street response – Reference number 1821

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It is very unfair and the shops will suffer . If you must make charges then at least make the first hour free.

Off-street response – Reference number 1822

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I sometimes visit Martins Square for the use of the shops, introducing parking charges to offset Council budget, i object to paying

Off-street response – Reference number 1825

I object to parking charges.

I think charges should be free for three hours and then charge after three hours that way Shoppers can get their shopping and the people that are long-term will pay.

Because if you put a charge from the start, it means people will not use the shop down there they will just go somewhere else where you don't have to pay i.e. if I want a pint of milk I will go to the local store but if there was a charge, I would just go to Tesco's where you don't have to pay so the local businesses will be losing out on my custom.

Off-street response – Reference number 1828

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1829

I object to parking charges.

I use the car park and the adjacent car park owned by Morrisons at least 2 times a week. I never have a problem parking. I shop, get prescriptions and attend the GP surgery where I support and am part of the patient forum. The GP car park is always busy and those with limited mobility often get dropped at the door and the helper parks the car in the car park. This will be an unnecessary expense and stress. If there is a charge to the car park this will increase traffic from the square out past the fire station onto an extremely busy road as users will use the free Morrisons car park instead.

Off-street response – Reference number 1830

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

To apply charges for visits of less than an hour just smacks of 'money grabbing' in my humble opinion. To ensure that the businesses around Martin Square (including the GP Surgery & chemist) surely the first hour can be free to use? Also, for those who live in and around Martin Square where are they to park please? It seems totally unfair to force them to pay for a season ticket for themselves and any visitors just for the sake of the odd car that does abuse the free parking. It could be the death-nail for many of the businesses located there and just unaffordable for the residents that live there and rely on the car park for parking. There is no local bus service, so those that need transport have no choice but to have a car. I personally believe that the whole scheme should be scrapped.

Off-street response – Reference number 1832

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

Costs should be low

Off-street response – Reference number 1837

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Commercial Carparks offer 3 hours free parking, the Council should borrow a leaf and at the very least, offer 3 hours free parking for the following reasons.

1. The local library at Martins square is at this challenging time, a warm space and safe haven for parents and children.

It is the only space (outside school) where reading is actively encouraged. The council cannot be seen as going against the national reading policy by actively discouraging access to the local library by introducing punitive parking fees.

2. Ongoing construction work at the Health centre at Martins Square has reduced available parking. Let's not get started on the unpredictably long wait times before seeing a health care specialist (as they like to be known these days).

3. Most pharmacy's in the area have closed. Payden's at Martins Square has had to take on a lot more prescriptions, introducing longer wait times.

Taking points 2 and 3 together, a parking fee penalises access to our superb, but struggling health care service.

4. Local businesses around Martins Square already struggling under the weight of business rates, will die as customers will find it easier to trot over to Sainsburys, than pay a punitive parking fee to support their locals.

5. Finally, as an "older" person, I plan my travel with pit-stops (a euphemism for public toilets) in mind. The facilities at Martins Square are the nearest for miles around. The last thing that should be on my mind is whether I am going to be fined (pounds), for spending a penny.

A 3 hour free parking window, accomodates the needs of older people, shelters families in a warm space, supports the national literacy plan and will keep the doors of local businesses open. You will all get older sooner rather later and the 5 points I have raised above, will become your reality sooner rather than later. Do not make YOUR getting older TOMORROW, harder than it already is by introducing punitive parking fees TODAY.

Off-street response – Reference number 1839

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I work at Thornhills medical Centre in Larkfield. If you introduce charges it will force people to park in the surgery carpark which is very small and there will not be anywhere for the staff to park. I could not afford to pay for parking due to the salary that I am on and I would have to leave my job to find other employment. To charge for parking would have a massive affect on all the staff at Thornhills Medical Centre.

Off-street response – Reference number 1840

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1841

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I work at Thornhills Medical Centre. If you start charging at Martin's Square, everyone will be using the surgery's car park which is very small as it is. This will affect Staff parking, I personally would not be able to afford the parking charges for when I work!

Off-street response – Reference number 1842

I object to parking charges.

Parking will move to side streets and Morrison. Introduction will severely impact traders. Should consider tickets providing 2 hrs free parking to discourage long stay Parker's who my be people who work in the shops, health service or retirement home.

Off-street response – Reference number 1844

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1845

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This would be detrimental to local businesses on the square who already struggle with rising costs and competition. Customers will choose to go elsewhere such as supermarkets with free parking instead. applying charges will also affect those using the doctor's surgery and chemist or library.

Off-street response – Reference number 1846

I object to parking charges.

I object to parking charges, Martin Square is a thriving community (at the moment!)

Doctors, chemist, library, post office, charity shop, butchers, and many more, people will go to super markets for three hours free parking. I think 3 hours free parking would be better.

Off-street response – Reference number 1847

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I feel that if parking charges are introduced this will mean that people will park in neighbouring roads and cause congestion, block residents drives etc. It will impact hugely on local shops in Martin square and decrease footfall.

I feel there should be 2 hours free parking and then introduce charges . this would allow for legitimate use of the car park, for use for post office , GP, Pharmacy and school drop off and pick up. 1 hour would not be long enough especially for GP appointments as they often run late!

Off-street response – Reference number 1849

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

St Martins Square is a deprived area and the shops in that location depend on locals shopping there. The elderly who do not drive depend on those shops so they must not be allowed to go out of business particularly if customers no longer travel to this location. There is hardly ever an issue finding a parking space so to introduce charges will have a detrimental effect on the local area. Furthermore patients at the GP surgery also rely on those spaces. I do however agree that residents should pay a season ticket if they wish to park there continuously.

Off-street response – Reference number 1850

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1851

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It's near a doctors and shop need our support

Off-street response – Reference number 1853

I object to parking charges.

The introduction of parking charges will affect adversely both the businesses and the local residents. Most users of the carpark only pop in to collect prescriptions or quickly use the shops. The introduction of charges will only push cars outside of the carpark affecting residents. The revenue generated for the council be miniscule after the costs

Off-street response – Reference number 1855

I object to parking charges.

Why do we have to pay parking to use the public services eg chemist and doctors it's an ourqge

Off-street response – Reference number 1856

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

There is no need for this and will affect many people who may only need to park for less the 15 mins.

Off-street response – Reference number 1857

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1858

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This is unacceptable for people who use this it's only used for quick visits and need to think of the community especially as this is often used for doctors parking it will also affect local business in the square

Off-street response – Reference number 1859

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1862

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1867

I both support and object to parking charges.

I couldn't see any prices, only a map, so don't have all the information.

I object if you have to pay for short term parking at Martin Square, say 30 Mins to visit library, chemist or post office or dropping off at the charity shop. I agree with charges for longer term to stop people staying for hours.

Off-street response – Reference number 1868

I object to parking charges.

Proposed charges will drive away customers from small businesses who are struggling as it is.

I use the car park occasionally and have always found a parking space in the 20 years I have lived here.

You state above that the car park is “well used”.

This shows the current system is working fine and does not need tampering with.

Have you consulted Morrisons because people will park in their car park to avoid charges.

People use the car park to visit folk in Lawson House and the doctor’s surgery. It is wrong to charge people who visit these places.

Off-street response – Reference number 1869

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

Free parking in the evenings and on Sundays would be more supportive to residents and their visitors but keep bays available for daytime use and discourage long term parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1871

I object to parking charges.

Why introduce charges which will reduce people’s use of the shops which are already struggling? If long stay is the problem then introduce something like 4 hours free parking. It will still entice people into use the shops and prevent people taking up spaces for too long. The current suggestion is just a way to introduce charges it’s not actually prioritising shoppers or shop owners.

Off-street response – Reference number 1872

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1873

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1875

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1876

I object to parking charges.

I have lived in Larkfield for 47 years and this has been a free amenity for the local area and for those who attend the Thornhills Medical Practice. To impose parking charges would seriously impact on people using the parking facilities and the shopkeepers whose livelihood depends on people being able to park nearby. Unlike many other local car parks very few people park here in order to use public transport as the bus service is limited and the train station is a long distance away in either direction (West Malling, East Malling or New Hythe).

Off-street response – Reference number 1877

I object to parking charges.

I think a 2 hour free parking would be good for visiting the shops or doctors then pay after that time to stop long time parking

Off-street response – Reference number 1879

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

There is an inadequate provision for people attending Thornhill Medical Practice and your charges effectively punish the sick and elderly within the community.

Similarly people needing prescriptions will also be penalised.

The overall effect on the square will inevitably drive the footfall down, lower sales and profits, and destroy the local shops. If businesses die so will your income from business rates

Off-street response – Reference number 1881

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Why can't the first 30 minutes be zero rated. Then people who are just picking up prescriptions, collecting dry cleaning etc will not have the hassle and wasted time of queuing for a pay point

Off-street response – Reference number 1884

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1885

I object to parking charges.

I have very rarely found the car park to be full, therefore there is no reason for charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 1886

I object to parking charges.

Introducing parking charges in Larkfield will just spread the problem to the surgery and Morrisons and possibly on road nearby parking. Long term parking is allowed now perhaps reducing the time you are allowed to park, say 8 hours, may help. It is easy to spend four hours shopping visiting the go and having a meal. Some wouldn't bother if the cost of parking is added.

Off-street response – Reference number 1889

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Improve public transport infrastructure before taxing your local residents with another ridiculous scheme.

Off-street response – Reference number 1890

I object to parking charges.

Charges would be detrimental to the trade of local businesses that we should be supporting. I'm an oap with health problems and I need to visit the doctor and pharmacy regularly so would be greatly penalised. I use the car park regularly and there are always parking places available.

Off-street response – Reference number 1892

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I care for my 86 year old Mum who lives around the corner of Martin Square and use this car park on a regular basis to take her to the doctors, chemists, hair dressers, charity shop, library and news agent. The longest time we spend there is one and a half hours (at the library). To introduce these charges will kill the trade for the small business, that are already finding it hard, and also penalise the local and loyal customers that use them. If you want to help trade and their customers then give 2 hours free parking and then introduce charges thereafter, that way you won't have the long stayers. Otherwise people are just going to park in the surrounding residential roads and cause extra problems for residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 1893

I object to parking charges.

Charging for parking puts off people who want to use small local business, many of which are already struggling. If there is a problem with long stay parking, restrict the parking to a number of hours, no need to charge.

Off-street response – Reference number 1895

I object to parking charges.

Parking charges would deter people from using the local shops who have suffered enough already due to Covid and the economic situation. Perhaps charge after the first two hours. This would prevent long term parking. The car park should be free for shoppers.

Off-street response – Reference number 1896

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The introduction of parking charges will result in cars parking on local residential roads parking unconsiderably across drives near corners and causing unnecessary upset to local residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 1897

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I use the tapers beauty and if i had to pay for parking i would have to consider going to another local salon were parking is free.

Again the post office would suffer, as would most of the local shops.

I can honestly say that i have always found parking spaces available.

Off-street response – Reference number 1898

I object to parking charges.

As is the case with many Larkfield residents this car park is used by me frequently each week for short visits to the Post Office, newsagent, chemist, doctor's surgery and the other small businesses that surround it. These proposed charges would cause major problems for people who need to make these usually short but essential visits. Why not put a charge on people staying more than three hours to stop the all day free parking which is one of the reasons given for these charges? Our small car park cannot be compared with towns like West Malling.

Off-street response – Reference number 1899

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I use the shops and doctors surgery on Martin square regularly and if there were to be parking charges this would definitely have an impact on custom and the ability to attend a doctors appointment. I have autism and one of my biggest issues is the stress and worry of being on time and knowing I have a smooth journey to and from the place I go (this includes being able to park). At the moment there is no problems with parking at Martin square and it makes life easier especially with two young children. However if there was now to be a charge for parking this would be a massive stress and strain on my daily routines and I know for a lot more other people too. Especially in these hard times people couldn't afford to keep paying to park to use the local shops, there would be absolutely no parking in the doctors car park as there is already an issue with this now. People would also just use Morrisons car park and fill that up with would affect the use for Morrisons customers and custom/ profits for Morrisons. I feel this is an absolutely unfair proposals as it would have such a big impact on everyone's lives, people who use the shops and services there and also the businesses themselves, I am sure they will take a loss in profits which will probably lead to closure. I feel a better compromise would be to have the first hour free and then a charge for anything over as that will encourage consistency and a better flow of traffic. Additionally I feel the original proposal would also affect traffic and blockages around the area as people would just park on the surrounding roads and possibly even on yellow lines which would also increase the chances of

accidents and pedestrian safety. Please do not enforce these charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 1900

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I strongly object to the parking charges it will have a strong negative impact on the shops people visiting them. Parents paying twice a day to park there to take and pick up children from the schools. The Doctors surgery. The side streets will be used for parking causing congestion.

Off-street response – Reference number 1901

I object to parking charges.

I will no longer use the local shops if I have to pay for parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1902

I object to parking charges.

Free parking is vital for low income families and for small businesses to survive. Why not reduce the time allowed on each visit 2 hours therefore eliminating long stay uses of this community facility.

Off-street response – Reference number 1903

I object to parking charges.

Again it will detour customers from visiting shops and do more online shopping which will NOT help local business or bring money into the local economy.

Off-street response – Reference number 1904

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Charging will deter visitors and shoppers. A time limit e.g. 90 minutes, then charge, would be more effective to encourage turnover and visitation.

Off-street response – Reference number 1905

(no comment supplied)

Not my area so cannot say

Off-street response – Reference number 1906

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

These proposals may well deter customers and thus a loss of business to the shops. This is not helpful.

Off-street response – Reference number 1907

I object to parking charges.

This will make a huge difference for the small businesses there. People will not visit as they have to pay and also with the doctors surgery. People will start parking on the side roads causing havoc. Also I pick my grandchildren up from school so this will cost me £1.60 per day which over a week will cost me £8.00 to park . Why do you not consider the system used at Allington car park where you park free of charge for an hour and 30 minutes, so this is convenient for the small businesses the doctors and school drop off and pick ups.

Off-street response – Reference number 1908

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

by introducing minimal charges i.e 30mins it will eventually kill local trade, empty units again. I thought you wanted to encourage local trades, not pushing customers away.

Off-street response – Reference number 1909

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

We often use the carpark for the doctors surgery and also access to the shops and library .there is always spaces available and never seems to be full .

So I don't agree with the statement that there is a need for charges due to people using it for long stay parking. preventing shop and doctors visitors from being able to park.

If charges are to be implemented the first hour should be free which would allow shop and doctor surgery users to still find free parking .

And for flat residents a free permit to use carpark.

Off-street response – Reference number 1912

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Parking charges in Martin Square will not help those who shop, attend the doctor's surgery or visit friends and relations living in the square. The only effect will be to add to the coffers of TMBC and penalise the aforementioned members of the community, the majority (probably) of whom are elderly, infirm or needing to buy food etc. As a Frequent attender at the Surgery it would be difficult to estimate the duration of one's visit and therefore need to guess as to how much to pay for parking unless it is envisaged that there will be a free period of, say three hours before charges need to be paid. It may ease the current situation if the car park is treated as in those of the supermarkets whereby free parking is allowed for a maximum of 3 hours, thus deterring all day parking. There should be exemptions for residents and the employees of those businesses surrounding the car park. I ask that common sense and good reasoning prevail over pure monetary gain!!

Off-street response – Reference number 1913

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Waiting for prescription can take an hour or more that could result to a parking find. Parents who pick up their children find it safe to park at Martin Square than on the road near the schools. Charges are not necessary and never have been. Drivers pay enough so leave this car park alone.

Off-street response – Reference number 1914

I object to parking charges.

With Martin Square Surgery, the pharmacy and library all located in the same area it will discourage people from parking in the square when they don't know how long they need to park for. GP appointments run late and pharmacy takes in excess of 30 minutes to make up prescriptions so those parking run the risk of overstaying their time.

People will not want to pay and park to use the library when their spaces are full.

Local businesses e.g. butcher, charity shop will suffer as people not within walking distance will use alternatives.

Parents often park when dropping off and collecting children from the local primary and nursery schools. Can a free 30 minutes parking be considered to ensure the safety of these users and to avoid congestion near the schools?

Off-street response – Reference number 1915

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1916

I object to parking charges.

Why can't there be free parking for 2 hours that gives most people time to do their shopping etc and then pay if stay is longer, if you start charge for just half an hour parking it will make people park in the road and stop people coming to the square and nobody wants that.

Off-street response – Reference number 1917

I object to parking charges.

This would be an expense in a cost of living crisis. Parking will be used in areas not normally used which will cause friction with members of public.

Off-street response – Reference number 1918

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This car park is currently very busy and lots of people use the shops. I think that bringing in parking charges will reduce the use of the shops as well as the car park. It will also increase parking on streets near Martin Square which are already congested with on-street parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1919

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1920

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Martin Square is mostly used for quick visit to the pharmacy post office and library mostly by mothers with children, the elderly and disabled. Charging to park there will increase stress and unnecessary cost to these set of people

Off-street response – Reference number 1921

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Detrimental impact on residents, businesses and particularly the medical centre. Morrisons car park would become congested by cars avoiding charges. Also overflow to surrounding streets.

Off-street response – Reference number 1923

I object to parking charges.

I think if they introduce parking charges, it will affect the trade in the local shops. I do use the facilities myself and mostly there is space to park. Parking charges will just drive the cars onto the local streets. There are a lot of local people who just pop into the shops and will not want to pay a parking charge for doing that. If it necessary to introduce a charge to prevent long term parking, could the first 2 hours not be free? I have lived for many years in Larkfield before moving to Snodland, and I have not o served that there is a problem with long term parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1924

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

As a long term resident in this area for 29 years, I use this facility at least 5 times a week, to support the Post office, Butchers, the Pharmacy, and in the evenings occasionally the food outlets. As long as it remains free to use, I will be able to continue supporting the local businesses, as I do now.

I have seen little evidence of long term users, parking all day, as it already has a maximum of 23 hrs to stop such behaviour, Kingfisher Road will become unuseable, as it is already a rat run through the estate, and buses will not get through if people start parking here to avoid charges, as it is blindingly obvious they will.

Off-street response – Reference number 1925

I object to parking charges.

Martins Square is a thriving community hub with good independent local shops which will certainly lose business, and possibly close. More empty premises, and loss of business rates to tmhc.

More importantly, it has a health centre, a chemist, a post office a library, as well as the care home. It is not in any way acceptable to charge local people for accessing these services.

This proposal should be thrown out, as it was once before. Please do not destroy this thriving little local community, it is so much more than just another car park

Off-street response – Reference number 1926

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I understand the motivation behind this but believe the downsides outweigh the benefits. Free parking is one of the few competitive advantages local shops have it would be a blow to take that away for communities and the proprietors

Off-street response – Reference number 1927

I object to parking charges.

I often pop to Martin sq for the pharmacy, butchers and dry cleaners, introducing these charges would make this far less convenient and I could just go to a bigger supermarket instead where the parking is free.

If it's long stay parking you want to prevent why not operate a free up until 1 hour scheme instead?

Introducing charges to this car park will damage the small businesses that operate there making it another ghost town of closed shops similar to Maidstone.

Off-street response – Reference number 1928

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1929

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If you introduce charges for the car park, you will force everyone onto the neighbouring streets, as no-one will pay to park. The local businesses will suffer dramatically. Everyone will just use Tesco and Morrisons instead.

Those in the flats above will find they cannot access the associated garages as they'll be blocked by inconsiderate drivers, that's if they actually have access now, as many seem to be rented out to 3rd parties.

You'll have an empty car park and crowded streets.

The health centre will suffer, as they have inadequate parking already. The library will cease to have visitors, and that's a low figure already.

If this is a ploy to say, the car park is empty, so we'll build the flats we previously suggested, you'll find even stronger opposition to that.

Any Councillor worth their worth will oppose this bonkers idea, or else they'll find themselves voted out of office at the next election. And you wouldn't want that now, would you?

Off-street response – Reference number 1930

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I won't use the shops if I have to pay.

This will kill the shops in the square

Off-street response – Reference number 1932

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This appears to be yet another stealth tax on local residents. You say that a lot of the parking is taken up by long staying non shopping drivers and yet you intend to offer long stay season tickets ,

Off-street response – Reference number 1933

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Frequently use the car park for Dr's library and shops. I think its wrong that I have to pay to seek medical help. There's always plenty of space when I use this car park.

Off-street response – Reference number 1935

I object to parking charges.

The proposed car parking charges will effect the local traders, especially the people who just pop in for a newspaper or pick up their medicine from the chemist and picking up food take aways . This will encourage people to park outside the car park on double lines, bus bays etc, there is no parking wardens in this area to check. I Strongly object to these charges.

Suggest if these charges go through, which they will , make the first 30 minutes FREE.

Off-street response – Reference number 1936

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1937

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1939

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

For the same reason as Aylesford, schools close by and introduction of charges mean increase of cost to parents just taking and picking up child from school. If charges are to apply it should just be post 9am to pre 2:30pm allowing reduction in long stay parking abuse but no increased cost to parents and problematic parking in side streets for residents around these times.

Off-street response – Reference number 1940

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1941

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1943

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1950

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1951

I support and object to parking charges, and I support and object to Season Tickets

I understand the councils are under increased cost burdens every year however this also translates to the public they serve. Maybe some middle ground can be reached here with the introduction of a period of up to 1 hour free parking to reduce the burden to individuals just needing the essential pick up

and drop off type use of such car parks, this will allow for increased availability throughout the day, and prevent peak time disruption to traffic flow and businesses from individuals avoiding paid car park use.

Off-street response – Reference number 1952

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I strongly feel that introducing parking charges with no free period will cause many issues and is a very short-sighted proposal.

1) Where will the parents park that use the car park to drop off and pick up children from the local schools? They will park on both sides of Kingfisher and Swallow roads causing blockages when buses, bin lorries and emergency vehicles cannot get past. They will also park in the GP surgery car park causing problems for patients needing to park and missed appointments causing the NHS more issues, also behind the shops blocking access to shop rear entrances and garages, also the library car park and Magpie Close causing more issues for the library and local residents or they will abuse the Morrisons car park causing an impact on shoppers.

2) There will be a loss of trade, where people would stop to pick up a newspaper, takeaway or whatever while passing will simply go elsewhere rather than try and find 60p change (if the machines will accept cash, if so usually no change given so if you have a pound coin you will not want to waste 40p each time) or fumble around with a parking app which takes longer than visiting the shop.

3) The standardisation argument is simply irrelevant, there is no legal or government mandate that requires this.

4) If the problem is long-term parkers enforce a maximum stay time and anything over that is paid. For example more than 4 hours you pay a small charge of £2 for example with resident and shop worker permits at whatever rate per annum. Charging short stay users makes no sense at all if stopping long term users is the end goal.

5) Introducing charges will compound road rage and parking confrontations between residents and motorists in an already problematic and overcrowded environment.

6) There is no security for car park users as it stands, no patrols or CCTV coverage which has resulted in damaged vehicles where the offender drove away with no number plate recorded or thefts from vehicles, are the council proposing to implement security measures as motorists will be charged to park?

7) It is wrong to look at an easy option of charging motorists to park to make up black holes in budgets, increased efficiencies, better budgeting and possibly increased money provided from the government should be sought.

Off-street response – Reference number 1953

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1954

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1955

I object to parking charges.

I would not use the businesses there that I currently do now

Off-street response – Reference number 1956

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1957

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It will have too much of an impact on local small businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 1959

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1961

I object to parking charges.

People will stop using the local cafe and shops. This also unfairly disadvantages parents taking children to/from school who will end up having an extra bill of £25 a month just to get their kids to school. Not all families are able to walk to school.

Off-street response – Reference number 1962

I object to parking charges.

This car park is used in a great number by people who are accessing the Post Office, Doctor's Surgery and to get prescriptions at the Pharmacy. Suddenly adding parking charges will impact people who need to use these services the most e.g. the elderly, ill, disabled and young families all who are unlikely to be earning well. I would imagine if it could be free for the first hour it would be very useful so that people only pay to park for extended periods. I am not sure what the parking fees would be there for really apart from to just make money. I have never seen the car park completely full or overused.

Off-street response – Reference number 1963

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1964

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I normally visit the Square once a week just for a short stop of under 30 minutes. This will result in my not shopping in Martin Square. Businesses are already finding it hard and this will penalise the small business owners.

Off-street response – Reference number 1965

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Please learn from Maidstone borough council and do not apply these parking charges! Maidstone has been killed as a result of greedy MBC enforcing such extortionate and extensive parking charges. Please keep Martin Square accessible for all - the doctors car park is often full so patients rely on being able to park in Martin Square quickly and easily without having to worry about charges or overstaying at a potentially very difficult time (dealing with illness/pain). I always utilise the shops in Martin Square if this is the case for me and I will simply not be able to support these businesses if parking charges come into action

Off-street response – Reference number 1967

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1968

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1969

I object to parking charges.

Restrict parking for 3 hours and send a traffic warden once in the morning and once in the afternoon anyone there longer than 3 hours slap a ticket on them. Could put up ANPR cameras there.

Off-street response – Reference number 1970

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

There is a busy doctors surgery there along with numerous other businesses.

It does not need parking charges and will only deter people to use the local shops.

I agree with season tickets for people that park there long term. Perhaps do the first 2 hours free for other vehicles then people can still use the shops without extra charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 1971

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It will cause the nearby nhs car parks to be abused more than they already are.

Off-street response – Reference number 1973

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1974

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1975

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1977

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1978

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I pop to these shops regularly and have had to use this carpArk for the drs surgery also, I would go elsewhere if they started charging

Off-street response – Reference number 1979

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1980

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1982

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1983

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

I park regularly for free to use the post office and pharmacy. Not had any trouble parking because I make sure it's not a school drop off and pick up time.

If you introduce charges the roads will be used more or people will park at Morrisons and walk through

Off-street response – Reference number 1984

I object to parking charges.

This will kill the shops in Martin sq - the council is supposed to support the community !

Off-street response – Reference number 1985

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I use the car park for the doctors and the charges will cause Martin square cars to use the doctors car park. Making it harder for those who need to get to the doctors

Off-street response – Reference number 1986

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

As a visitor to St Martins Square to Larkfield cycles and Arthur's Butchers I feel these charges will impact on local businesses. I will be even less inclined to shop locally and buy online. It is a disgrace and will destroy local economy and the small businesses. I try and shop local and often pre-order and object to having to pay more just to pop in and collect orders from shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 1987

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1988

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

For something as quick as picking up a prescription etc the idea of charging for 1/2 hour is ridiculous

Off-street response – Reference number 1989

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I have never had a problem finding a parking space, the reason for proposing the charges seems incorrect.

Off-street response – Reference number 1990

I object to parking charges.

Charges should only be in place for long stay users. My family and I use this car park for very short periods of time to attend the pharmacy, go to the post office or collect take away food. Short term users should not be forced to pay for parking if under an hour.

Off-street response – Reference number 1992

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1993

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1994

I object to parking charges.

Local shops will suffer and it will penalise those going to the doctors.

Yet another tax on the motorist

Everyone will park in Morrisons instead

Extra hardship for everyone just so the council gets a few extra quid

Off-street response – Reference number 1995

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1997

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1999

I object to parking charges.

The GP surgery has reduced the size of it's carpark and I frequently have to park in Martin square. We are told to turn up early for appointments but they are regularly overrunning/late. I have a chronic condition and mobility issues resulting in frequent visits to the surgery and chemist, who also have long queues sometimes. As I am retired and therefore on one of the smallest pensions in Europe I think it will prove detrimental to my health and general wellbeing to have to pay any charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 2000

I object to parking charges.

Most people use Martin square to visit doctors and chemists. Not to mention to support small local businesses. This proposal undermines the heart of life in our community. This must not happen in these very difficult times.

Off-street response – Reference number 2002

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2004

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

People will simply park in Morrisons... or surrounding streets or won't pay at all, just to nip to the chemist. Just another money making scheme to plug a black hole. We aren't made of money!

Off-street response – Reference number 2007

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Having season tickets doesn't guarantee someone that lives there a space

Off-street response – Reference number 2008

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2009

I both support and object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2012

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It will ruin the local economy as no one will want to go to Martin Square if they have to pay, it will also increase the on street parking as people will park on kingfisher road and walk in

Off-street response – Reference number 2014

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2016

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2017

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Martin Square has been, and is a family area and more importantly an area where those who are living in council housing or have to pick their children up from school, will not have the money to pay a stupid charge. It has been free for my whole life, I park there, my friends, family and colleagues park there. Asking for money in an area of such density and crowded population is another way to take money out of the pockets of those who will not have it especially in the cost of living times we are in. We pay our road tax to drive and I propose, just propose that perhaps you as a council begin to fix the potholes in these cold, wet and icy conditions that could cause an accident which you get the money for from our road tax instead of trying to scam more money and perhaps in a more idealistic world you would realise this instead of taking more money from those who cannot afford it, or those who want a two minute trip to the shop, or those picking up their ill child's medication from the pharmacy, or even those who are going to the cafe to socialise and even getting a haircut or getting dinner. All this is is another way to take money away from the general public to line yourselves rather than fix issues we already have. I object to charges being implemented within Martin Square for parking, it is ridiculous, you can go up one road in this borough and point out potholes, damaged items of value or even a street sign, street lights not working, we are living in a world of if you don't like it don't go with these rules being implemented limiting our own and others

capabilities and means of socialisation and exposure to continue a social life outside. Start using our road tax, our council tax to fix the community and then propose a silly idea so you can't be criticised so much for the work you do not do with our honest money and after that once proven a worthy council who care for their community propose an idea, but you're showing no care by no reparations of anything I've stated and now asking for more money, it's barbaric and the money grabbing is laughable in my perspective.

Off-street response – Reference number 2018

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2019

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2022

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2023

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Martin Square provides many resources for the local community and this charge WILL affect the local trade and penalises those who cannot walk to the shops, chemists, doctors, food outlets!

Off-street response – Reference number 2024

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I am a regular user of the shops in Martin Square by imposing charges would certainly deter me from shopping and using the hair and beauty salon. I would look for alternatives where parking is free. It would be detrimental to businesses for their customers to pay for parking.

I am also a TMBC resident and feel that I don't get value for money now. In taking away parking I feel it is just another tax for borough residents already paying a huge amount in council tax

I strongly object to any proposal to charge.

Off-street response – Reference number 2025

I object to parking charges.

Charging will badly affect the business's in the square and parking will spill out on nearby roads making the current situation worse as people will use the doctors car park and any space available.

Off-street response – Reference number 2026

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

In my view the introduction of parking charges in Martin Square will have a severe impact on the retailers in the Square, the medical centre and residents. I understand the costs of upkeep and the need to manage long term parking but this could best be achieved by allowing a free period ((1-2 hours) before charges start thus allowing people to use the traders and medical centre as the purpose of their visit. Charging should then become applicable for anyone staying for longer periods and season tickets could be made available to residents and traders' employees. The council should be encouraging rather than discouraging use of the Martin Square facilities including the shops, cafe's, takeaways, library and medical centre. The imposition of charges as proposed would impose an unfair and unreasonable burden on legitimate users whether they be visiting the facilities, working in them or a resident. Maintaining free short term parking whilst managing long term would achieve the council's stated aims without creating undue burdens on legitimate users

Off-street response – Reference number 2027

I object to parking charges.

The shops and especially the Post office are used constantly and also if the Doctors car park is full we have to resort to the car park. I cannot walk very far so rely on using my car.

Off-street response – Reference number 2028

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2029

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2031

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2032

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2033

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I use this car park occasionally as I visit the Library and leave their car park for those less able than I am. I'd prefer a system (like Otford Village Hall Car Park) where short-term parking is free for say an hour or so. Let's face it the shops aren't that exciting there really and perhaps introducing charges will drive people to park in Morrisons? As a normal user, I'd be as well to park in Morrisons and wander through the path to the library or use up one of their precious spaces. I do think if you are to introduce this then local residents and businesses should have somewhere to park. Also if you charge will you increase people parking out on the street which is a bit narrow at the best of times?

Off-street response – Reference number 2034

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2035

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2036

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2037

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

What you have also people who live in NEW HYTHE LANE who can not park there cars there because of yellow lines and parking not allowed at certain times.

Off-street response – Reference number 2038

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I feel that access to free parking is of paramount importance to all local residents and is also vital for any high street. Having fees imposed upon you as soon as you put a step outside your front door will have a detrimental effect on a village and will stop people visiting. Public parking should be free for everyone !

Off-street response – Reference number 2039

I object to parking charges.

I only use the car park to pop to the chemist, fast food outlets or post office. I am never there for more than half an hour and am always able to find a space. If charges come into effect, I will no longer use those local businesses and will go elsewhere. It will be the local businesses that will suffer. Since West Malling car park introduced parking charges, I only visit when charges do not apply.

Off-street response – Reference number 2040

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If you want to increase parking turnover you could set up limits like in shopping centre car parks e.g. 3 hours unless you are a resident with a permit instead of charging people who see already struggling.

Off-street response – Reference number 2041

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Parking charges should be consistent across the borough.

Off-street response – Reference number 2042

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

In my opinion these parking charges are going to impact greatly on the local businesses in Martins Square. The chemist and the Post Office for example are essential services especially for the elderly and if customers now have to pay to park to collect a prescription or post a parcel they are going to shop elsewhere, or park at Morrisons and walk round, which in turn is going to increase the cars using the supermarkets car park. We in Ditton do not have a chemist and have to travel to Larkfield Martins Square or Tesco to collect medication, especially now that the pharmacy at Sainsburys has now closed.

At the very least if charges have to be introduced I propose that the first 30 minutes is free, similar to the car parks in Paddock Wood.

Off-street response – Reference number 2043

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2045

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I-745:751f the intention is to deter long stay parking, then season tickets should be made available for those needing to park for long time periods. But, if shorter stay parking charges are to be applied, the first hour should be free, to allow people enough time to visit the shops in Martin Square to buy their required items, which are generally small-scale, and then leave the carpark straight away. If parking charges are introduced for even the first half hour, this will deter people from coming to these shops, and push them elsewhere, losing business for this vital local hub. Whether its for takeaway food, quick provisions at Morrisons local, the post office, the pharmacist, the butchers shop, cafe, and charity shop, all of these businesses will lose out if parking charges are introduced.

Off-street response – Reference number 2046

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

At least 1 hour should be free to go to local services, eg, doctors, library, post office, butchers, charity shops etc. For those people that are using the car park for all day parking, charge them.

Off-street response – Reference number 2047

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2049

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Parking should be free for small businesses use

Off-street response – Reference number 2050

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2051

I object to parking charges.

These parking spaces are vital for local businesses who must be supported. Therefore I believe that free parking should be in place for a fixed period e.g. 3 hours (this is based on the fact there is a hairdressers in this shopping area and a hair appointment might last up to 3 hours). After that you could charge users to prevent some people parking all day for free. If you are going to introduce fees please provide options; not just an App but payment via contactless and perhaps cash.

Off-street response – Reference number 2053

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2055

(no comment supplied)

On the whole I recognise the Council's need to manage its budgets. With regard to Martin Square here we have the Pharmacy & Post Office (no close alternatives) both heavily used and largely for very short duration visits. Surely there is a case to have the first 30 minutes free of charge for these health and financial (pensions) purposes which would encourage such parkers to exit asap and so improve the overall throughput of the car park. Anyone overstaying the 30 minutes would automatically be charged appropriately.

At present I am able to walk to Martin Sq, so am not directly affected by the charging proposals, but I do not know how long this will continue, and, with there being no effective public transport I will have to use my car. Walking to West Malling is not really an option, I am stuck with Martin Sq.

Off-street response – Reference number 2057

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2058

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2059

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2061

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Businesses in Martin Square will be severely affected by charges at a time when businesses need help more than ever.

Off-street response – Reference number 2062

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2063

I object to parking charges.

I understand the need to raise cash for the borough in the current circumstances but there is flaw in your reasoning. You say you want to deter long term parking and create more flow for local shoppers, which is fine. But charging for the first 30 minutes is ridiculous. Most shoppers spend considerably less than 30 minutes in the square and bring business to the shops. If you charge for this period people will just go to Morrisons or Lidl reducing foot fall. Plus many parents park in the Square to drop children at school and pick them up. Again, short term but often includes a little shopping. You could be putting childrens lives at risk by forcing parents to park on roads around the school.

Charge the long term parkers by all means but charging for the first 30 minutes could turn Martin Square into a ghost town. Forcing shops to shut and going bust will not help the local economy but making the first half an hour free will allow businesses and schools to continue as they currently do.

Off-street response – Reference number 2064

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2067

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The car park in the doctors surgery is not big enough to facilitate all patients - and it would be unfair for people to have to pay to attend a doctors appointment. We don't have many local businesses in the area - we should be supporting local and encouraging people to use these shops rather than deterring them.

Off-street response – Reference number 2068

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2069

I object to parking charges.

Although I live in Medway, I have a very close friend in Larkfield. I use Martin Square almost daily to assist her with her shopping, pharmacy needs and postal requirements. As a disabled person I need to use my motability vehicle for this. Consequently I disagree with parking charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 2070

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

I support low price short term parking, and high cost long term parking, this would help shoppers and shops, and deter all day parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 2071

I object to parking charges.

Many people park here to go to the doctors. We already have huge prescriptions costs, to then also have to pay to park, it would be so tough. Feel this is only a small community car park, feel it's only right to keep it free.

If had to pay feel Many people would then move to parking in Morrisons.

Off-street response – Reference number 2072

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2073

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I regularly pop to the chemist or post office for just a few minutes, if charges are introduced I will find somewhere else and my trade will be lost.

Off-street response – Reference number 2074

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2075

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

People who are not well and are in need of prescription at the pharmacy will be coming to park so they need to be swift without having to pay for parking

Off-street response – Reference number 2077

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2078

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2079

I object to Season Tickets.

First hour free then a nominal charge moving forward.

Off-street response – Reference number 2081

I object to parking charges.

The shops will lose business and where else can you park if you can't park in the Doctors car park if you're visiting the Doctors

Off-street response – Reference number 2082

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I use these shops occasionally, if you introduce unnecessary parking charges I'll just take my custom elsewhere.

Off-street response – Reference number 2086

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2087

I object to parking charges.

This is currently a nice easy site to go to as a change to Tesco superstore. Introduction of charges will put me off and make Tesco more appealing.

Off-street response – Reference number 2088

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2089

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2090

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If parking charges are introduced people will stop coming, the square will die and businesses will fail.
Leave it free for ALL!

Off-street response – Reference number 2091

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2092

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The introduction of charges would adversely affect the use of this small community collection of shops. The butchers, coffee shop, HOKH charity shop etc.

If you want to avoid long term use of the facilities, consider a free first 90-120 mins. of parking. This would allow people who want to browse the little shops and have a coffee to be able to do that.

Also, consider a way of encouraging people to use those shops that may require longer parking by providing a permit from the shop, eg hairdressers/ beauty salon who are having a long hair/ beauty treatment (that often take over 2 hours) so they are not disadvantaged.

It would also be detrimental to patients accessing the Medical Centre. Knowing that doctors can run behind by up to an hour it would be unfair to charge for time where the fault is not with the patients (not with the GPs/ nurses either - it's just busy). Also, there is always a wait at the pharmacy for prescriptions and this also needs to be taken into account. I have had to wait in there sometimes for 45 - 60 minutes and have sometimes been asked to return later in the day.

As for resident parking: It is unfair to charge these families for parking where they live. I don't know of any other residence where a family would be charged to park outside their home within the local area- whether that is The Birds Estate or the Trees Estate or anywhere else. Provide a permit so they can park safely but they should not be charged.

This is a community based area which would, I would have thought, been financially managed by the taxes we pay - private individuals and the local businesses? These costs are increasing yearly. To subject residents or those who are using the Medical Centre or providing support to the local shops to pay for these facilities twice is wrong and unfair.

I am lucky in that the shops and GP centre are within walking distance of my home - but not everyone is that lucky. The GP surgery covers a wide area and it is not possible for everyone to access them, especially if unwell, elderly or have babies and young children.

I therefore strongly oppose any introduction of charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 2093

I object to parking charges.

This will deter shoppers using the small independent stores in Martin Square - it would give added advantage to larger stores with free onsite parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 2095

I object to parking charges.

You will kill local business

Off-street response – Reference number 2097

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2098

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Before April the Charity shop in the square did not open on a Monday as to lack of a manager for this day. Since April this year (REDACTED) The 'Heart of Kent Hospice' charity shop on (REDACTED). I am (REDACTED) of age and cannot walk from my home to the shop. If I have to pay for parking I will not be able to undertake this any more due to financial reasons.

This would lose the Hospice an approximate amount of £1300 of income from sales per month equating to £15,600 per annum. Even if another manager was appointed it will not stop the reduction in donations as doners will go to other shops where they do not have to pay to park.

This also effects our volunteers who also cannot walk to the shop but have advised us they will not be able to carry on if they have to pay to park as mostly are on pensions. This alone could cause the shop to close for most of the week as we cannot run the shop without them. Therefore incurring an even greater loss to the Charity.

Also many elderly people who drive, use the shop on a regular basis not only to make a purchase but also to feel part of the community. Many of these people are lonely and isolated. It will be detrimental to their mental health and well being as most are pensioners or on a very low income and cannot find this extra money. Our customers signed a petition which was made available to you when this first arose showing all but one person would not use the shop if this came to fruition.

The Hospice is an amazing local charity based in Aylesford helping dying people and their families during a terrible and traumatic time. To diminish their income would be cruel and unacceptable within the local community, especially those who have or, may have to in the future, use this amazing and much needed Hospice. Feelings are very strong regarding this.

Off-street response – Reference number 2099

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2100

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It's parking for our community OAPs and families with children alike ..

Off-street response – Reference number 2101

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Disastrous for local shops, residents and for those using The Surgery.

Off-street response – Reference number 2102

I object to parking charges.

I use this car park for the Doctors surgery, chemist and most of the other shops. I have recently had open heart surgery and cannot walk to them so I have to drive with the use of a borrowed car. This is for the foreseeable future as I am still receiving sick notes from the doctor.

As I do not yet receive a pension and are not entitled to any Government help with anything financial, at present I do not have any income whatsoever and could not possibly pay any parking charges. I would not be able to go further afield for these type of shops as I cannot afford the extra petrol.

Also I meet people to have a conversation with which will be taken away from me. I already suffer from depression and this will make me feel as if in a prison. There are many other local people in my position who have used the square for health reasons and all of them will be similarly affected.

The amount of people who use this square on a short term basis drastically outweighs the odd long term people so this does not really effect the parking availability.

Off-street response – Reference number 2103

I object to parking charges.

I strongly believe the parking charges as they stand will impact on the businesses in the square. I often use the car park for the school run as well as pharmacy, library, GP. I feel the first hour should be free. In a climate where we are all struggling financially, it's another slap in the face. How do people expect us to support local businesses? The fines are often ridiculous with these parking companies too.

Off-street response – Reference number 2104

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I use the doctors weekly and the local shops as I can't travel very far any more. To have to pay for parking is going to add another cost to my budget that I simply can't afford.

Off-street response – Reference number 2105

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2106

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2107

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

You state that the car park suffers from low turnover long-stay parking which reduces the availability of spaces for all users, why then are you introducing parking charges for the first 30 minutes? I don't object to the Council introducing parking charges to deter long-stay parking but I do object to the Council charging drivers to park for the short-term, i.e. the first 30 minutes which should be free.

This will ensure that those who wish to "pop into a shop" for a few minutes and then leave can do so without being penalised. I can't help thinking that your reasoning is merely an excuse to cash in on any drivers parking in this car park.

There is also the issue of a section of Thornhills patient car park in Martin Square not being available, which leads to overspill parking in the Council car park and again is also unfair on those drivers who cannot park in Thornhills car park.

If the Council proceeds with this TRO to introduce charging for any parking regardless of how long that is, it will inevitably lead to a loss of revenue for the shops and café in the Square and displacement leading to inappropriate parking in the other areas close by, particularly the northern stopped-up part of Martin Square.

Off-street response – Reference number 2110

I object to parking charges.

The majority of businesses within Martin square are visited for far less time than half an hour, and requiring payment for 5 minute visits to shops will have a significant impact on the number of their visitors.

Off-street response – Reference number 2112

I object to parking charges.

I believe this will push more trade to the supermarkets and out of town shopping centres. There is a new butchers open in the square which is very popular with local residents and this change has the potential to dramatically affect his trade, together with the other shops there. At the moment it is very convenient to "pop" into the shops there, rather than go to one of the supermarkets. If you have to purchase a ticket every time you use the carpark it takes away that convenience. As our elected representatives I feel that you should be supporting local businesses and this feels like the opposite.

Off-street response – Reference number 2113

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2114

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2115

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2116

I object to Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2117

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Who will pay for resurfacing in regards to Kingfisher Road Townhouses when the shoppers park there instead of paying for charges. If support is not put in place, i will investigate a group action with a local solicitor that will evidence the link between parking charges being introduced and residents in the Kingfisher Townhouses a)being unable to park outside their home b)resurfacing of the tarmac.

Off-street response – Reference number 2119

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

There is my and partner that need to park there as there is no other parking anywhere else, where I live is restricted parking times plus both our cars have been damaged outside there as people drive too fast on the main road, I work at Maidstone and Tunbridge wells hospital and find it difficult sometimes to park when I come home. If we both have to pay for seasons tickets who's to say we will be able to park.

There is no where else to park safely

Off-street response – Reference number 2120

I object to parking charges.

This will deter me from shopping in Martin Sq and using the library too.

Off-street response – Reference number 2121

I object to parking charges.

I believe if people were allowed 1 hour free parking, this would allow for many people using the chemist to pick up prescriptions and the use the post office.

Off-street response – Reference number 2122

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

What about if you need to go to the doctors ?

Off-street response – Reference number 2123

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2125

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2126

I object to parking charges.

If you want to encourage short stay visitors then make short stays of say up to say 1hr free and charge for longer stays.

Off-street response – Reference number 2127

I object to parking charges.

I believe that the introduction of charges will have a negative impact on the businesses operating in Martin Square

Off-street response – Reference number 2128

I object to parking charges.

I believe it will reduce the custom the local business, or move the parking to other places, potentially hazardously.

Off-street response – Reference number 2129

I object to parking charges.

Charges will lead to overuse/congestion of adjacent care parks at Morrisons (New Hythe Lane), Thornhills Medical Practice and Larkfield Library all currently free (Morrisons first 2 hours free) and heavily used in business hours. Parking on adjacent residential streets; Kingfisher Road, Magpie Close and the service road to Larkfield allotments (off Kingfisher Road) will increase. Congestion in the immediate area is periodically, sometimes frequently, a problem and insufficient regard has been paid to the following: close by are 3 schools, 1 nursery, Larkfield Fire station and the no. 71 bus route which uses Kingfisher Road and New Hythe Lane - any closure or serious congestion on the M20 motorway between junctions 3 and 7 results in the A20 at Larkfield becoming seriously congested (meaning stationery/moving at walking speed or less) - more on street parking will worsen this.

Of further concern are the unintended consequences of parking charges - to avoid charges drivers will be more likely to drive to get free parking at e.g. Tescos (Leybourne Way), Lidl (London Road) and Aylesford Retail Park - more congestion more pollution. A majority of the retailers in Martin Square are small businesses - a marked national trend has seen the closure of many such businesses in recent years - parking charges in this case will reduce footfall, potentially threatening these businesses and the local people employed. Traffic congestion is already an unpredictable damaging factor in this immediate area impacting local services and quality of life.

There seems to be no consideration for the residents of flats/maisonettes in Martin Square and their visitors who will incur further expense.

At a time when many are struggling with the expenses of daily life the introduction of parking charges will cast the Council and its members in a less than favourable light.

I suggest the income to the Council is more than outweighed by the above, social, economic and environmental factors.

Off-street response – Reference number 2130

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The introduction of any fees will drive the customers away and severely impact businesses on the square. It will also drive more traffic onto the street. The parking by Brookfield is awful already and will only get worse. Why don't you ticket the illegal parking outside the school first of all before penalising genuine customers

Off-street response – Reference number 2132

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I am a midwife working out of Larkfield medical centre and this will affect my ability to park but also my patients ability to attend as the GP car parking lot is pitiful and always full. It will also be the death to the local shops- absolutely ridiculous proposal- stop killing our local businesses! Another stealth tax on drivers

Off-street response – Reference number 2134

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2137

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2138

I object to parking charges.

Makes it too expensive to pop to shops in search of an item. It'll encourage people to park all around the streets nearby.

Off-street response – Reference number 2138

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Off-street response – Reference number 2139

I object to parking charges.

To collect a newspaper which takes a few minutes an extra charge would mean I would not use the shops in Martin Square. When parking to go to the Doctors surgery it would be difficult to gauge the time needed and pay appropriately.

Off-street response – Reference number 2140

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2141

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Doctors car park isn't big enough, and they always run late very hard to predict time needed, unfair to fine for doctors faults. Also 90% of cars are in and out in under an hour seems petty and ridiculous could also hurt the businesses themselves as people will naturally flock to places that do not charge for parking. I feel this would hurt the local area which is just not acceptable

Off-street response – Reference number 2142

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

While I understand that people who live and work there need passes to stay longer. Having consumers pay to park to support the local business will be detrimental to those business as people will naturally flock to free parking places as there as so many around. It would also be incredibly unfair to fine people for doctors running late as people often use that car park as the doctors one is so small and over subscribed. This would put unnessacery stress on the local residents and could result in a boycott that could damage our local shops which are very much loved by the community but because of cost of living people have to go where is cheaper and putting in parking costs could result in these local businesses going out of business.

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Off-street response – Reference number 2148

I support parking charges.

You should have 30 minutes free parking

Off-street response – Reference number 2149

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I have to say I find it incredibly disappointing that charges in Martin Square would even be considered. I use Martin Square on a regular basis as it is local to me. I have never on any occasion had any difficulty in finding a parking spot and there are always spaces to park. To think that charges of any cost would be considered, strike me as nothing more than blatant money grabbing. I have clearly been mistaken in thinking that the local community should be supported rather than hindered with parking charges. This is the fastest way to damage local businesses as well as destroying all trust with the local community.

Off-street response – Reference number 2150

I object to parking charges.

I feel it will cause more on street parking or make people park in nearby Morrisons. The fees will make quick visits to the shops less convenient. The fees might also lose the shops trade.

Off-street response – Reference number 2152

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

Only Monday to Saturday with an option of a free first 30 mins

Off-street response – Reference number 2153

I support parking charges.

It should allow a free period before charges apply to allow shoppers or patients of Thornhill medical practice to complete their visit say in 2 hours but then long stay vehicle's should pay a reasonably high fee.

Off-street response – Reference number 2154

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2155

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will drive people out of Martin's Square as most people only use the parking for a short time. We use the pharmacy there to pick up repeat medication. We are normally in and out in five minutes and i would not be happy if i had to pay. This would mean me changing pharmacies.

I am sure this will also have a negative impact on the businesses in Martin's Square who works lose custom

Off-street response – Reference number 2157

I object to parking charges.

Charging for parking in Martins Square is not in the best interest of the public, or the traders. It has been reviewed and rejected previously.

Off-street response – Reference number 2159

I object to parking charges.

With the availability of parking at Thornhills' GP often limited, patients are forced to park in Martin Square. The introduction of parking charges will impact them, many of those may well receive a low income. I feel too that it will encourage long stay parking in Morrisons' car park, thereby reducing parking slots & the eventual introduction to charges there. We are asked to lessen the impact on the environment by using local shops; this charge will impact their business, as people will prefer to go further afield where there are no such charges. Local residents and those working in them businesses, who own vehicles, may chooses as an alternative to park in nearby roads; the local bus route of Kingfisher Road already being snarled up with parked cars!

Off-street response – Reference number 2160

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2161

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

How can you think of doing this at a time where everyone is struggling. This will not support local businesses and if people don't park shops will close and you will be worse off.

Off-street response – Reference number 2163

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2164

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2165

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2166

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I think there should be free parking for 1-2 hours to help support struggling local businesses. I would only support season tickets if the car parks are monitored to ensure that those who hold season tickets can actually park there overnight. I also would only support season tickets are open to residents of new hythe lane (Morrisons end).

Off-street response – Reference number 2167

I object to parking charges.

Changes for under 2 hours would mean I would not use those local businesses. This is not good for the local area.

Off-street response – Reference number 2168

I object to parking charges.

This will cripple local businesses- customers travel to these establishments for quality services and individuals will not be willing to pay so the businesses will lose out

Off-street response – Reference number 2169

I object to parking charges.

I worry that introducing parking charges could affect the shops in Martin Square and make additional costs for both the employees of the shops and the residents who live around Martin Square. I always find a place to park when I do use the shops in Martin Square and I don't feel there is an issue at the current time.

Off-street response – Reference number 2170

I object to parking charges.

If you introduce these charges you will

Kill the trade!!

Off-street response – Reference number 2171

I object to parking charges.

If they charge for parking I will no longer be shopping in the square

Off-street response – Reference number 2172

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2173

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2174

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2176

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2177

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I wrote previously to object to this outrageous tax on local residents. As I objected previously, these parking areas and in particular Martin Square, were built for the convenience and use of local residents to use their local amenities, shops, toilets and Library.

How dare local councillors hijack our local free car park to raise taxes and funds.

I have lived here and used the car park for 24 years and I can categorically say and will swear an affidavit I have always been able to park. There has NEVER been an occasion when I have not been able to park.

This is a tax on women wanting to get their hair done (highlights can take 4 hours. I take it you're not going to be taxing men to get their hair done?!)

It is a tax on women and girls getting their nails done and having a pedicure (about 2 hours).

It is a tax on local residents to use their GP Surgery.

It is a tax on the elderly to use one of the few remaining Post Office Counters.

Charging for parking will kill these local shops as locals will simply shop elsewhere on their way home from work.

Whose decision was it up charge for 1 hour?!!!!

Unbelievable! Petty!!!! Greedy!!!!!!

The majority of my use of this car park is to pop to the GP (less than an hour), pop to the chemist (less than an hour), use the post office (less than an hour) and use the shops and butchers (again LESS THAN AN HOUR!!!!)

HANDS OFF OUR FREE PARKING FOR LOCAL SERVICES!!!

This is a greedy folly Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council, and will cost more to set-up and run than it will return in funds.

Off-street response – Reference number 2179

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I propose a free 30 mins parking, then pay for an hour and upwards. Need to make 4hrs upwards much more expensive to deter all day Parkers.

Introduce Parking passes to be used for medical centre.

Off-street response – Reference number 2180

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2183

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2186

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

If the proposals are implemented in Martin sq will disabled drivers be given the same concession as in est Malling car parks, i.e. 3 hours free parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 2187

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If the issue is a low number of vehicle owners utilising the car park at Martin Sq for long stay purposes, wouldn't a limited on the time a vehicle may be parked there with the appropriate parking penalty thereafter be a solution to the small percentage of vehicles that 'misuse' this facility?

Introduction of car parking charges will adversely affect the local businesses that are located around the square. It will also displace users to the private car park at Morrisons, additionally causing knock-on impacts to accessibility to their supermarket.

We should be encouraging local residents to utilise local shops and services, not driving them away.

Off-street response – Reference number 2188

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Parking charges will affect local traders and increase parking in Morrisons car park.

Off-street response – Reference number 2190

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will have a big impact on people visiting these shops

Off-street response – Reference number 2191

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2192

I both support and object to parking charges, and I support Season Tickets

If the issue is long term parking then how about a free 2 hour slot to promote use of local shops but then charging beyond that to discourage long term parking. This has proved popular in many towns and villages to not deter shoppers and keep local shops in business

Off-street response – Reference number 2193

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2194

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2195

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2197

I support parking charges.

Parking charges should be fair across the area

Off-street response – Reference number 2198

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If you want to totally kill off the business remaining at Martin Square, then imposing car parking charges is the way to go. At best it will make Kingfisher Road even more dangerous with parked cars and affect patients of Thornhills where, presumably(?) they wouldn't pay to park. It would also encourage pay for parking at Morrisons as that would be the next port of call. At worst, it will finish off the small businesses there. By all means, please introduce waiting restrictions with perhaps the 60/90 minutes free which should cover most people's visits to the Square and then a nominal charge after that if necessary. That would discourage commuter parking for those perhaps catching a coach into London or similar. Local residents of the square should have a permit not a season ticket.

Off-street response – Reference number 2199

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2201

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

There are a lot of small businesses around the square which may see a downturn in business if parking is charged. During these tough times we should be supporting our small business and not making more close. The parking at st martins should remain free as it has been for years.

Our council tax is extremely high in this area and you'd think you'd have enough money to "manage" the car park from this collection. It appears that the council is inflicting more costs on the people who live in the area, which is causing people to be priced out of the area.

If you are concerned Cars parking for long amounts of time how about put an 3 hour max with no return within an hour, however this may also affect businesses and their employees. this is unreasonable for the people who live in the flats above the shops who have always been able to park here.

I would ask you reconsider the parking charges as our area needs small business and little shops that are easily accessible for everyone.

Off-street response – Reference number 2202

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2203

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2204

I object to parking charges.

As far as long term parking is concerned, there are legitimate reasons for its use. The shops will suffer as more people will use the supermarket.

Off-street response – Reference number 2209

I object to parking charges.

I am able to walk to Martin Square, if you do decide to introduce parking charges the reality is shoppers will just use the streets to park causing issues to residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 2211

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2212

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2213

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It will completely drive people away and cause more congestion and dangerous parking on Kingfisher Road.

Off-street response – Reference number 2215

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2216

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The charges and inevitable fines would leave our community much worse off whilst filling the pockets of an external company. It will impede people using the doctors the pharmacy and the

library which should all be a free service. It is the constant grab for money in this country that is ruining people mental health. It's one more thing to think about in what should be an easy day to day activity. If you need money for the up keep make Morrison pay more tax.

Off-street response – Reference number 2217

I object to parking charges.

As the parking area for the medical practice in Martin Square is very restricted people need to park in the main car park so they can attend their appointments. If you inflict charges on the main car park you will be making patients to the practice pay to attend their appointments and also pay to collect their medications. Many frail and elderly people do not have the ability to walk very far.

Off-street response – Reference number 2218

I object to parking charges.

Goldfinch Close is not currently a double yellow line area. therefore people will park here instead of the car park. Why not just limit parking to 2 hours in the car park and have a £70 fine for exceeding this. This will then not interfere with people using the shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 2220

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Buying a paper will cost an extra 60p, going to the chemist with my mother will cost 60p, the supermarket will become the place to buy items. My haircut will cost £1.20 more. If the charges are 8am-8pm which seems likely, my occasional fast food on Fridays will cost an extra 60p. This is not going to help the businesses is it?

I will start using other shopping locations as I am not close enough to walk to Martin Square.

If charges are to be brought in then the first hour should be free or the times charges are in force has to be changed to later in the morning and earlier in the evening.

Resident permits could be used instead of a season ticket. That way relatives visiting could place the permit in their car for the duration of the stay

Off-street response – Reference number 2221

I object to parking charges.

Trying to park when having a doctors appointment is hopeless in the centre's car park so we have to park in Martin Square not knowing how long we will have to wait for our appointments, especially if they are running late so this could cost quite a bit for the parking. I think the local businesses, like the cafe, butchers, fish shop and Morrisons etc, will lose a lot of custom and people will just go elsewhere, I thought the government were trying to help small businesses not run them into the ground. The residents outside Martin Square are probably to get fed up as shoppers will be parking outside their houses, not willing to pay for what could be just a 10 minute visit to the shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 2223

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2224

(no comment supplied)

No Comment

Off-street response – Reference number 2225

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2226

I object to parking charges.

Your assertion that the introduction of charging will lower the turnover of long-stay parking which it will but it will also impact on many people who using the parking for access to shops, doctor surgery, visiting relatives at retirement home and the Library to name a few.

TMBC has not learnt that the introduction of parking charges is a retrograde move which will then causes parking issue in surrounding roads and will also impact on trade for the shops just to make a small amount of revenue for TMBC and it associated parking company that will be contract to manage the payment process. The cost of installing machines and videos systems to monitor vehicles entering and exiting will be costly and with revenue going toward the new infrastructure and ongoing running costs. If you want to kill a vibrant shop and community facilities in Martin square than the introduction of parking charges will do that as demonstrated in countless town/village centres in Kent.

Off-street response – Reference number 2227

I object to parking charges.

Parking charges at Martin Square will force people to spill out and park in local roads which are already congested. It's going to disadvantage the businesses at Martin Square and extremely unfair on patients attending Thornhills Surgery, particularly the elderly. The same applies to those picking up medication from Paydens. You sometimes have to wait in the queue for up to 40 minutes.

Off-street response – Reference number 2230

I object to parking charges.

Apart from the damage to the shop's trade, this car park is used for patients of the doctor's surgery. Also many parents park there to pick up children from the schools. They would have to park in nearby roads, causing traffic problems and making the school areas dangerous.

Off-street response – Reference number 2231

I object to parking charges.

As one of the daily users of the car park to pick up the morning newspaper, I object to having to pay an extra 60p per day. I will therefore have to go somewhere else which will damage trade to that

shop, with no fault of their own. At least the first half hour should be free !

Off-street response – Reference number 2232

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2235

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2236

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

While the car park at Martin Square is well used, I use it regularly at various times of the day to use the shops that surround it and I have never had a problem finding a car parking space. The nature of the shops at Martin Square would suggest a typical car visitor attends for 30 - 40 minutes as an absolute maximum, and probably for a far shorter time in reality - it's simply not a long stay destination, and therefore car parking charges really are not justified. I suspect that imposing charges would not help those local shops and people would be less inclined to visit. TMBC would in effect be imposing a stealth tax on local residents and visitors to Martin Square. I object to the parking charge proposals. There is a possibility that people may then park on local roads instead, causing unintended, negative consequences and dangers on the public highway.

Off-street response – Reference number 2239

I object to parking charges.

Will make it difficult to get to my doctors

Off-street response – Reference number 2240

I object to parking charges.

Retail workers in Larkfield will be impacted by the introduction of parking charges. For instance volunteers in the Hospice shop (which we support) will be hit. May I suggest that workers who need to park in Martin's Square have an exemption sticker if that is possible to implement.

Off-street response – Reference number 2241

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2243

I object to parking charges.

I would be extremely sorry to see anything that made things more difficult for the traders and services in the Square.

I am concerned about effects on parking on local roads. Kingfisher Road is bad enough already. The surgery and Morrison's will be under great pressure for their parking spaces.

I would be more sympathetic to the scheme if the first 30 or 45 minutes were free.

If the worst comes to the worst, the 'meters' should be suitable for the elderly (which includes me). Some meters are difficult to understand, and we can get very confused as to what to do if we are to keep out of trouble.

Off-street response – Reference number 2244

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2245

I object to parking charges.

I lived the area for over 30 year why do we have to start paying now. This will only lead to people parking in morrison's and walking through the cut. Also the area by the bungalows and library will also be a problem which will course access issue for the emergency services when need

Off-street response – Reference number 2246

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2247

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2249

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2252

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I use this car park regularly to collect prescriptions from the chemist, go to the library, visit the charity shop and Tapers beauty. Introducing parking charges will mean I would avoid using these businesses. There are cheaper places to have my nails done in town but I choose to use Tapers as it is a local business. However, if I also had to pay parking I would have to go to cheaper places. I would also use the chemist at Tesco's instead of Paydens if I had to pay to park.

Off-street response – Reference number 2253

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Appalling idea. Those shops struggle enough, applying parking charges to their clients will only harm their businesses, maybe enough to close them.

Off-street response – Reference number 2254

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I fully object to the planned charging of locals using the ST Martin Square Car park, at a time where there is a cost of living crisis for the local community. This area parking is used by the local school and is a safe parking option for parents with Kids. Implementing this charge will force parents to park in areas that are unsafe and lead to congestion on the local roads and restrict traffic flow at peak school hours.

This area is also used for parking by the Elderly and people using the local doctors surgery, Library and Pharmacy. This is yet another example of TMBC showing that its residents do not matter and money triumphs over the the welfare of the local community. Costs for locals are already sky high and being penalised simply to use the local public services is a bad look for the council.

The local business will also be hit by this charge leading to an already deprived area falling further into decline through the actions of the areas own council and self harm.

I strongly recommend the council reconsider this proposal in the interests of locals taking into account safety of locals and the current economic climate.

Off-street response – Reference number 2257

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Reasons why I object due to the impact on our healthcare business:

- Malling PCN employ around 30 members of staff who work from or access the health centre as part of their day to day roles. Recruitment in healthcare, like many industries is difficult at the moment and small factors such as paying to park can be a barrier.
- Healthcare is still recovering from a pandemic, trying to regain routine for patients and get up to date with chronic disease management. There are still patients that do not want to come in to surgeries with the risk of covid, many do not want to bother their doctor because they know the strain that they are under and many are struggling to make ends meet themselves and cannot afford time out of work to attend the doctors. Adding parking charges into those considerations when attending a healthcare appointment is a further barrier.
- The PCN have put a lot of time, effort and investment into re-engaging patients with healthcare services since the pandemic as many people were not attending their appointment or wanting to come and receive help. This has a huge detrimental impact on their health and later on, will become a much greater cost on the healthcare service.
- Healthcare staff already receive a lot of abuse and opposition because people struggle to get an appointment and due to the nature of healthcare, appointments can be delayed. We do the very best we can with what we have but sometimes with a shortage of staff and simply giving those that need it more time, we inevitably run behind. For those visiting appointments within a charging time,

I have no doubt that running over their parking time will be another grievance received by our hard working reception teams.

- It was raised that currently parking areas in Tonbridge, Borough Green and one other location cover parking costs across the borough of Tonbridge and Malling. It sounds like these are the more affluent areas of our borough. In healthcare, we also have to make provision for the varying levels of deprivation across our patch and have to make a similar decision that funds are not split fairly because it makes sense and allows us to address need. It doesn't seem unreasonable for this approach to be the same for parking.
- Everyone is aware that the NHS is struggling. Like all businesses, we are also trying to find alternative and innovative ways to help more people with the limited funds and resources we have. The current set up with free parking in Martin Square is allowing us to do this at present with 4 car park spaces in our health centre car park occupied by the 3 trailers and a hub accessible with plentiful and free parking for people from all across the local area. The services we are providing are in addition to GP services and were created because of high need and demand at a local level. If parking charges were imposed, we may be forced to remove the trailers as spaces will be needed for staff or patients and entire healthcare services will be lost.

Off-street response – Reference number 2258

I object to parking charges.

My usual reason for parking in St Martins Square is to collect books I have ordered on-line from Kent Libraries. The library charges £1 for each book reservation, which is a good service, adding car parking fees increases the cost of reserving books, which in some cases means using the facility will not be cost effective so my use of the library service will diminish.

Off-street response – Reference number 2259

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Parking should be free for residents. If you introduce parking charges then that just moves the parking problem somewhere else causing other problems for local residents. Also as people need to get to the doctors' surgery, the chemist and to collect children from school it would be better if the first half hour were free.

Off-street response – Reference number 2263

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2264

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2265

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2266

I support parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Times are hard and people don't have the money

Off-street response – Reference number 2267

I support Season Tickets.

If you want to promote parking for using the shops then if you introduce season tickets for residents, you are receiving payment for vehicles staying long term in the car park. Residents need to understand that owning a motor vehicle has cost implications.

Off-street response – Reference number 2268

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2269

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2271

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2272

(no comment supplied)

The problem with all increases is how much it will effect shoppers and visitors. With business rates going up, shops will close and high streets will become deserts of coffee and charity shops and still no increase in footfall.

Surely a more integrated approach is necessary if Our high streets are to grow. Parking is one aspect. In general, don't please put charges up regardless. Busy popular times keep the same to encourage shoppers. late evening put up by a smaller flat rate so monies improve without driving people away.

For larger shopping parking areas, why not encourage shoppers with half hour free and more for the first hour, plus far higher patrols by cp officials.

Living is more expensive, cars are ordinary means of transport. Please don't kill off the HS with draconian increases.

Off-street response – Reference number 2274

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Parking outside our house is bad enough. If you force people out of the square they will make things worse. Why not seek ways to reduce car use in other ways, actually support public transport, rather than small-minded penny pinching which does nothing but line the pockets of this horribly wasteful council

Off-street response – Reference number 2275

I object to parking charges.

Cars will park on local streets. More congestion. Makes access to post office for elderly difficult if they have to park at a distance.

Buses hardly exist and are rarely on time. Some elderly cannot climb onto a bus.

Off-street response – Reference number 2276

I object to parking charges.

The local shops rely on pop-in customers, who will be there less than half an hour; free parking up to an hour should be made available to all, as well as residents parking, with charges levied only for non-residents parking for over an hour.

Off-street response – Reference number 2278

I object to parking charges.

If you must restrict parking why can't you put a time limit ie 2 hours instead of driving people away and increase the resulting on road parking. Where has all the money been wasted, ie public toilets closing, roads and pavements

Off-street response – Reference number 2279

I support Season Tickets.

I support part of the proposal, as I feel the charges will prevent customers and patients using the car park if needing to park for over half an hour. The doctor's car park is often full (especially since the installation of the porta cabins). Perhaps the first half hour could be free and the 60p charge extended to 2 hours which will help if a doctor's appointment is delayed, or a long queue at the pharmacy, or queues at the newsagents. Also it would give time for someone to eat at the cafe, which would be nice as we can now meet up.

I can understand you wanting to prevent long term parking, but feel this could clog up local roads as people will find an alternative. Also patients worried about parking charges when visiting the surgery will look outside the car park to park.

Perhaps another look at the starting criteria and please please find easy to use meters

Off-street response – Reference number 2280

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2281

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2282

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2286

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2287

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will put people off using the shops in the square, people will park in the surrounding roads or Morrisons and walk through, or just use Morrisons instead. I believe it is an exercise in raising funds.

Off-street response – Reference number 2288

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2292

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I strongly object to introducing parking charges at Martin Square I frequently use the shops in the square, I am also a patient of the medical center and there car park is inadequate for the number of users It would be advisable to have a free period with charges for long term parking

Off-street response – Reference number 2293

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I strongly object to these charges, I feel the shops as well as the shoppers with suffer.

I frequently use both the shops and the doctors surgery, the doctors car park is far from adequate for the users.

If the parking charges come into practise I suggest at least two hours free parking then charge that way it will deter long term parking. For the residents could you supply permits allowing them to park free.

Off-street response – Reference number 2296

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I rarely have an issue finding parking when needed to go and run a few errands to use local businesses. I would avoid using these businesses if I had to pay for parking to run a few errands. I would go elsewhere, even if it meant driving further away and giving my business elsewhere that would provide free parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 2297

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2298

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If charges had to be introduced then I would not object to charges being levied after three hours to allow people who just want to visit the Library, local shops and doctor's surgery to do so without having to pay. But I strongly object to the imposition of charges for all types of parking as I think this would be detrimental to trade for all the small shops. Imposing charges on users of the Martin Square car park would also lead to overcrowding in the Morrisons car park.

Off-street response – Reference number 2299

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

People are already under pressure cost wise so this is extremely irresponsible and will put pressure on the businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 2301

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I think the 1st hour of parking should be free, to allow quick trips to post office, takeaways etc. Otherwise people will use Morrisons instead of business will lose out

Off-street response – Reference number 2302

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I object on the grounds that I believe it will cause more problems than it solves, I do not think there should be charges for less than 30 mins and feel that up to 1 hr should be a lower charge to encourage short stay, high turnover, good use of shops, charge becomes more manageable if your visit achieves many things over that longer stay. Depending on the ticketing system, it could take longer to get a ticket, than to collect your prescription/by a newspaper. It will encourage people to park in Doctors car Park (if this is being charged too, a cost on the doctors appt will impact health for some), or park in Morrisons, pushing the parking management onto others and forcing them to charge to avoid abuse. The shopper loses over and over as do the businesses. If parking charges are introduced, and you don't park in a space, just wait for someone, how would that be charged? Will those cheating be followed up? Will those who park on yellow lines in nearby roads get followed up? Parking may occur on access road up the footway for the shortest stops. Nearby roads will suffer, parking behaviour will be erratic, a little like outside schools, at pickup time, because it's only for a

short time and it is never enforced. If charges are introduced, I agree that consistency is good but it is no good applying the same approach to different situations, so variation is appropriate, most likely from area to area, but for best turnover and less abuse of on-street parking, scrap the up to 30min charge. Pay by phone like Ringo is not as quick as contactless card or cash. Ticketless is good. If charging is introduced, season tickets make sense, but theoretically (if everyone just paid up) would not reduce parking and if it does, where are they parking instead? What if your doctors appt or hair appt runs over your ticket time - needs to be a way to top up late before leaving the car park, to avoid penalty charge or pay on exit for time used. Also the library could be shown to be less used due to cost to park and so affect the longterm life expectancy for our library. Not everyone is close enough to walk, nor able to.

Off-street response – Reference number 2303

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2304

I object to parking charges.

This is a disgusting suggestion. I have visited these shops regularly and have never had an issue parking. These are local shops for many people some of which will be low income and to make people pay at their local shops for essential services like chemist and post office is a terrible money grabbing idea.

Off-street response – Reference number 2305

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2306

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2307

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2308

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I understand the council view but, why couldn't there be an hour free parking? That way you'll get no long term parking which is what they're trying to avoid & it allows local business's to keep their trade.

There must be some 'give & take' surely?

Off-street response – Reference number 2310

I object to parking charges.

it will damage local business as I won't use them if I have to pay, at least first half hour should be free that's all you need to pop to the shops

Off-street response – Reference number 2314

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2316

I object to parking charges.

This is just another way to grab money from those who can least afford it. It will also damage businesses, for example who is going to faff around paying for car parking to collect a prescription when you can park easily and for free at Tesco?

The excuse of stopping long stay parking is just that, an excuse! There is rarely a problem finding a parking space, there will be plenty of spaces for sure when people stop visiting the shops. This is a disgusting proposal.

Off-street response – Reference number 2318

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2319

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2321

I object to parking charges.

I am concerned that charges will drive people away and small businesses will in particular, suffer. It will also drive people to park in residential areas causing congestion and potential danger to pedestrians.

Off-street response – Reference number 2322

I object to parking charges.

It will damage trade for the businesses and it's nice to pop there for the doctors, post office, cafe, take away etc. adding parking charges will stop people visiting.

Off-street response – Reference number 2323

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Residents pay enough in council tax, without asking them for more money, bearing mind its about increase

Off-street response – Reference number 2327

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2329

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2330

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I wouldn't bother popping in if I had to pay everytime, instead I would shop online so it's not going to do businesses any good.

Off-street response – Reference number 2331

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2332

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2333

I object to parking charges.

Parking charges will deter people popping in to the Square to buy.

Off-street response – Reference number 2334

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

How can you possibly charge people to go to the drs is madness. Business like the butchers will not cope. The library will end up closing too. You are completely crazy on charging for theses car parks.

Off-street response – Reference number 2335

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

You do not know how long you can be in the doctors or paydens and I think the local shops will lose trade

Off-street response – Reference number 2337

(no comment supplied)

Not being a resident of this area I do not have a educated opinion on these proposals

Off-street response – Reference number 2339

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If the car park is being used by a low turnover of long stay parking, then I don't believe implementing a season ticket scheme will resolve the issue. Residents and business owners still need somewhere to park and this may well cause street parking issues.

In respect to local business use, if implemented, owners will pass on the costs to patrons. Staff, likely to be low paid roles, will suffer unnecessarily.

An option for parking restricted to, say, 1 1/2 hours will offer sufficient time for use of facilities while not allowing long term parking but again this could cause street parking issues and will incur a charge to police this! Therefore any restrictions and charging is likely not to resolve the issue and has the potential to drive patrons away from using the facilities.

At present I use St Martins sq fairly regularly and never have a problem parking! I appreciate this may be different at certain points through the day but do not believe implementing charges is beneficial for anyone.

Off-street response – Reference number 2342

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Just council greed as usual

Off-street response – Reference number 2343

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2344

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2345

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2346

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2349

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2350

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I think that this is just a money grab. Free parking in Martin square makes the doctors, chemist and local small business accessible to those around Larkfield and Aylesford. With there being very few doctors offices close by, parking should be free as some of us are not within walking distance. Some of us are seriously struggling for money at the moment as a direct result of Tory leadership and their failures. 60p may not sound a lot to them, but for us working class people it can be everything. If the government wants us to support small businesses to help the economy, making parking less accessible in areas where small businesses operate is counterproductive. We have already seen the impact high parking charges have had on our local high streets, they're almost derelict now. I'm sorry, but us working class people are paying through the nose just to afford to live. I am a thirty year old woman who lives with her parents but works in the police and I cannot find an affordable property to rent let alone apply for a mortgage. This proposal is just another twist of the knife for those of us who want to settle down and start a family and are hard working honest people. Every day SOMETHING is going up in price or we are being charged for services that really should be coming out of our taxes. It is absolutely disgraceful and the Tories are ruining this country.

Off-street response – Reference number 2352

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2353

I object to parking charges.

You can wait longer than 30 mins in post office, chemist and doctors so wouldn't know how much to pay. Also people will stop using the local businesses if they have to pay for parking

Off-street response – Reference number 2354

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2355

I object to parking charges.

The main purpose of free parking at Martin Square, Larkfield was to avoid penalising the overflow of patients at the doctor's and pharmacy there.

Off-street response – Reference number 2357

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I am in my seventies. I go to the PO in Martin Square and the Library frequently. A compromise is to have the first hour free as at eg Paddock Wood . That way nobody can abuse the situation by parking all day and older people park free for an hour.

Off-street response – Reference number 2358

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2359

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Season tickets will reduce available parking supporting the shops. Objection to charges is based on no provision of 30 minutes free. If the issue is addressing low turnover long stay then a period of free parking should be provided to support shop customers.

Off-street response – Reference number 2360

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2363

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2365

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2366

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2369

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2371

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2372

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2373

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2377

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2380

I support parking charges.

These are free parking sites and it is reasonable to expect a small cost.

Off-street response – Reference number 2382

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2384

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2389

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2390

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2392

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I only park there for the butchers. Only ever there for 15-20 mins. Seems fairly odd to punish the businesses by forcing their customers to pay for parking.

Things like this genuinely make me think about using a different butchers. Please allow common sense to prevail for once!

Off-street response – Reference number 2393

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2394

I object to parking charges.

I feel it could be detrimental to the business and local residents. We do not want to see the decline in businesses and people may go elsewhere if you charge.

By all means limit the parking to say 3 hours, unless you work in the square. But for most of us we only park there when going to the shops, chemist, hairdressers or drs surgery.

Some also park to drop children to school/pre school. Residents will also have their own garages and parking spaces.

Off-street response – Reference number 2396

(no comment supplied)

N/A

Off-street response – Reference number 2397

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2398

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2399

I object to parking charges.

I think this excessive. Making people pay Monday to Saturday is enough.

Off-street response – Reference number 2400

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2402

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2404

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It is already a done deal, but my comments are as follows:

- The lovely ladies in the charity shop are volunteers. It will not be worth them working as they will be out of pocket. One of them has told me that the shop may close!
- My sister-in-law works in one of the shops. She is on minimum wage and works part-time. Again, it will not be worth while her working there if charges are applied.
- The shops will be affected and will lose business.
- The elderly use the car park for the GP surgery. A lot of them, my Mum included, are unable to use apps to pay for parking!

I have lived here all my life and the changes in this area have been catastrophic, from new housing estates to constant traffic. Larkfield used to be a lovely village. It is still a nice place to live with plenty of amenities but it has become so busy.

It is inevitable that the charges will be applied as the public are never listened to and if things get rejected they get overturned (Forty Acres!). Sad times :(

Off-street response – Reference number 2405

I object to parking charges.

Will affect customers and businesses owners

Off-street response – Reference number 2409

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

As a resident of Tonbridge we already pay council tax and have a parking permit for our car on our road. I feel this is enough and paying for parking on Sunday would dramatically impact the local football/ruby clubs (of which we are both a part of) holding matches and festivals due to parking costs.

Off-street response – Reference number 2416

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2418

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2420

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2421

I object to parking charges.

This will affect businesses in Martin Square as people will go elsewhere.

Off-street response – Reference number 2426

I object to parking charges.

Currently the free parking allows for quick short visits to the local shops and amenities including the doctors practice, there should be a 3 hour allowance and then charges thereafter.

Off-street response – Reference number 2427

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2429

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The need to attract customers and visitors, in support of local businesses, outweighs any revenue growth or 'parking balancing' argument. Local authority budgets are threadbare as a result of central Government neglect. Given we're on the cusp of a recession, now's not the time to ask the public to plug the gap.

Off-street response – Reference number 2430

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2433

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Free parking is what encourages people to travel to St Martins Square over out of town free parking shopping centres.

I propose a ticket providing 4hrs free parking to allow for shoppers to come and go but commuters and others will have to make other arrangements.

Off-street response – Reference number 2437

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2441

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I object to paying the proposed parking fee to visit the shops in Martin Square for example to collect a prescription or visit the doctors surgery. It should be free to park there for up to 2 hours to stop local shops losing trade and causing parking issues elsewhere such as Morrisons car park.

Off-street response – Reference number 2443

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I work full time at Larkfield Health Centre providing care to all the patients within the area. Parking is limited already and i have to use the Martin Square car park almost daily for 10 hours at a time in order to do my full working day.

By implementing parking charges or season tickets this will be significantly impacting both staff and patients.

Due to the cost of living, my wages will be impacted significantly with potentially over 3 hours of my precious pay going towards parking per week.

I really feel that those who use this car park as either business owners or staff should be given free parking permits and then if you are accessing this car park for domestic reasons i.e shopping or using the salon then you should pay. I also use the salon in the Martin Square, so would be willing to pay to park when accessing the salon but not for work reasons.

Season tickets for staff is also outrageous as it is not moral or ethical to make people pay to park at work when money is already very tight for everyone.

Off-street response – Reference number 2444

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2445

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2446

I object to parking charges.

The impact this would have on the local community and the Larkfield Health centre would be catastrophic. There are already pressures within the NHS with limited appointments available to patients, which has impact on numbers. And now, you are creating charges for those with health needs and conditions to get health care. There is already a struggle with the economy, and with this

added charge, you will be causing small businesses to close. I completely object to this proposal!!

Off-street response – Reference number 2447

I object to Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2448

I object to parking charges.

This will reduce the customers to the local shops and charge patients trying to access the local GP services.

Off-street response – Reference number 2449

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2450

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2451

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Will reduce the likelihood of using local shops

Off-street response – Reference number 2452

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2453

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2454

I object to parking charges.

My biggest issue with this proposal is the impact on the customers who are using the chemist (Paydens), post office and Drs surgery. All of these are critical services where a parking charge to attend them is such a bad choice decision

Off-street response – Reference number 2455

I object to parking charges.

Absolutely ridiculous for us OAP's who nip in there quickly to the library and pick up prescriptions. It will encourage people to park in Morrisons car park and walk through making Morrisons shopping difficult !

Off-street response – Reference number 2456

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2457

I object to parking charges.

It will kill the small local economy if you implement this

Off-street response – Reference number 2458

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This car park is used by many, including myself who have to regularly visit the Thornhills Medical practice, but who would not qualify for a residents permit.

The scheme is just about making money for TMBC. We already pay for the costs of maintenance via the exorbitantly high council tax charges.

I suspect Morrisons will have a concern as their car park is free to use and many will use there instead of paying you to park in Martin Square. This will mean a loss of income for the businesses in the Square due to the reduction in passing trade- I will move my prescription collection to Tesco's which is free of charge, and no longer use the other shops whilst I'm there either.

Give you heads a wobble!

Off-street response – Reference number 2459

I support parking charges.

Free short stay within 1-2 hours, charges for long stay

Off-street response – Reference number 2463

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2464

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I use Martin Square for the post office and chemist and park for no longer than 15 minutes. I occasionally use the dry cleaners and the charity shop. I have never had a problem getting a parking space so can see no reason why charges need to be introduced. I would stop parking there and use shops elsewhere if I had to pay to park.

Off-street response – Reference number 2465

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I would think twice about shopping in Martin Square which would be tragic, especially as they now have a butcher. This would potentially kill off a small thriving shopping area with independent shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 2467

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2468

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2469

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2471

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Parking in Martin Square has always been free and benefits the small shops around the square including the doctors surgery car park as an overflow. The majority of people using it are local but not all walking distance especially if needing to purchase items. I would not use the car park at all if a phone charging car park system was introduced and I think these phone app car parks are terrible for older people

Off-street response – Reference number 2472

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

In a time of public hardship and rising costs this just adds more pressure on the public. This would also impact local businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 2474

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2476

I object to parking charges.

We all know small businesses are struggling the idea of charging for patrons parking will likely increase pressure on these small businesses and their customers. Car owners are feeling like they are a cash cow.

Off-street response – Reference number 2477

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

In theory I object to charges - businesses and their staff and residents without private parking need priority and a " free" exempt season ticket should be made available for them. The car park could be made short term i.e. up to 4 hours for other users and after that fees are incurred- this might deter commuters parking there.

Off-street response – Reference number 2478

I object to parking charges.

Parking charges would deter from using the local takeaway, post office and other shops, especially when I would probably only park for 10 minutes. I would you go to King's Hill where parking is free. I would see this being the end for the small businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 2479

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2480

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2481

I object to parking charges.

This car park is for the chemist doctors library , I have never had any problems parking in 40 years . Why not have 2 hours free

Off-street response – Reference number 2483

I support parking charges.

Please ensuee6 this supports the High Street development

Off-street response – Reference number 2484

I object to parking charges.

I live in the area and have done for nearly 20 years and at no point have I ever found it difficult to park in Martin Square car park. People rely on the parking to just park up drop off prescriptions, pop to post office etc.

if you start imposing costs people will start parking in and around the local area which is already busy with two primary schools and a pre school nearby. Local residents will suffer as customers will park across drives, etc.

also imposing parking fees will mean people will park for longer and therefore less parking for others. This is just a greedy way to get more money from people.

Off-street response – Reference number 2485

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

With the car parking area being relatively small and serving the Doctor's surgery as well. I think there is a serious risk that cars, at peak times, will park on the roads surrounding Martin Square. This will, potentially, lead to congestion and increased risk to children and elderly adults crossing the roads

Off-street response – Reference number 2488

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

Parking fees should be set at a minimum and I would be against this if the introduction of parking fees incurred excessive costs that would lead to high fees being charged

Off-street response – Reference number 2490

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

In a time when businesses are struggling with footfall, increased costs and reduced spend per person, any measure which reduces customers is only going to lead to more and more businesses struggling to survive. By introducing charges to Martin Square all you will do is to drive away customers to the Morrisons supermarket car park next door, making it harder for them to manage demand for their spaces, and reduce the number of people who spread their shop between the businesses in Martin Square and Morrisons. There are a number of other large supermarkets close by which do not charge for parking and again you will just push customers towards those stores and away from small family-owned businesses.

You also state that you wish to improve consistency across car parks throughout the borough. However, your proposals still include unfair discrepancies between the car parks in each location, particularly between Borough Green and the ones in Aylesford, Martin Square and West Malling which have very similar offerings. I do not believe that the cost of maintaining the car park in Borough Green be any less than in the other locations so it is unfair (if parking charges must happen) that visitors to Martin Square be unfairly subsidising Borough Green.

Off-street response – Reference number 2491

I object to parking charges.

I go to Thornhill medical center .you can be there for 45 mins. i us the post office. you can be there for 20 mins, and i us paydens the chemist you can be in there for 30 mins, this will also have a impact on the local bossiness in the square if you start charging for parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 2492

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2493

I object to parking charges.

As pensioners my husband and I use the car park on a weekly basis. Collecting prescriptions from the pharmacy which often involves waiting longer than 30 mins. Attending the doctors surgery which again can be a lengthy appointment. Going to the library weekly to change library books and collecting replacement hearing aid batteries, again can involve a lengthy wait. Visiting local shops, hairdressers and McColls regularly. As my husband is virtually housebound the library has been a lifeline for me to collect his books. These charges are going to negatively impact on vulnerable pensioners in Larkfield and surrounding areas as well as the local businesses. Perhaps free parking for the first hour could be a compromise. I appreciate the need to save money but sure you will have to employ someone to monitor the parking which mitigate any income from the parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 2495

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I use these local shops regularly as the parking makes it easy to pop to them. Often it is more expensive but the convenience outweighs that. If parking charges come in I would likely go to other places such as Tesco instead.

Off-street response – Reference number 2496

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The local business will not survive without parking, I will no longer use the dry cleaners, news agent, chemists, butcher or cafe. This will be extremely detrimental to those needing to access the medical centre. Also this will just cause far greater parking issues on local roads if people continue to use the shops. Totally short sighted. Parking charges after, say 2 hours, I may support but don't believe there is an issue for long term parking

Off-street response – Reference number 2500

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I strongly object to charges being introduced for the following reasons:

1. Visiting the doctors - wait times can be long for appointments (despite arriving at the designated time slot) leading to significant parking costs or receiving a fine if unable to leave the surgery to top up parking. This will result in people not seeking help when they most need it. And those most vulnerable won't be able to afford to visit the doctor.
2. Despite plenty of choice in the local area, my family use Tapers Hairdressing and Tapers Beauty regularly. Some treatments can take over 2+ hours which adds an additional cost which we can (and others) ill afford. This will deter people from using these lovely salons.
3. Staff working in the stores will be paid minimum wages so won't be afford to work in the stores due to charges.

4. Parents utilise the car park to park while dropping their children at Lunsford and Brookfield schools. Introducing charges will mean that parents will park in the surrounding roads causing dangerous obstructions and potentially leading to an increase in RTA.

I propose that you introduce a system which enables the first 3 hours parking for free and thereafter charge from 3 hours onwards for residents only. Shop workers should be able to park for free. This would stop the “low turnover” which is caused primarily by residents in the flats around the square.

I have never had difficulty in finding a car parking space in the 20+ years I have lived in the local area.

Off-street response – Reference number 2502

I object to parking charges.

I'm sure this was recently proposed before and I spent time writing my reasons why I thought it a bad idea. Nothing has changed. Why waste my time making me have to do it again?

I see Martin's Square as an important little commercial centre for the area where there seems to be a selection of FULL retail units. I am sure that the fact there are no parking charges is a contributing factor to the success of the Square. I, for one, do use the facilities there for short visits and 'pop in' to various outlets because I can do so when just 'passing', without being charged. Why would I want to stop at the newsagents, for instance, to buy a £2 birthday card if it was going to cost me additional amounts just to stop there to do so?

There is also the significant matter of it helping to service the local doctors' and chemist. A most important factor for many other people in this area I believe.

Introducing parking charges here will cause immediate problems in the local residential roads and then just gradually 'suck the life' out of the Square and the area as you then will probably introduce wider parking restrictions.

Please just drop this idea now and don't then keep bringing it up in the future either. If you introduce parking charges, I just won't park there which will undoubtedly mean I will go there less and go elsewhere instead.

Off-street response – Reference number 2503

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2504

I object to parking charges.

I live behind Brookfield and Lunsford Park School. Currently, a lot of parents use our close as their own private car park, many arriving at 8am, and not leaving until after 9am. Then again between 2pm and 3.30pm making it almost impossible for the residents to leave or return to our premises during school arriving and leaving time. I know a lot of parents also park in Martins Square during these times, by introducing charges in Martins Square you will also force these parents to seek parking places on the roads around the Birds estate. These thoughtless people are already making our lives a misery without you adding to it. You have already placed double yellow lines on some of

the corners, however as these are never policed people just ignore them. We cannot turn out of our road due to the cars parked on the corners, it is positively dangerous. What a waste of time.

Also you are discriminating against people, like myself, who have to visit Thornhills surgery on a regular basis. My health does not allow me to walk to the surgery, and I therefore need to be driven. Charging a minimum of 60p each time is beyond many peoples pockets as it soon adds up.

Have you taken into account the small business in the square who will lose customers. Morrisons supermarket has a carpark which is well used by it's customers. If you introduce parking charges in Martins square this will have a knock on effect, leaving less parking spaces for genuine customers at the supermarket. Many will take their business out of town to large shopping areas where parking is free more often than not. This is not the way to support small businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 2505

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2506

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2507

I object to parking charges.

There is a cost of living crisis it is very unfair to put a charge on this car park where there was none before. ESPECIALLY as it's right near a doctors surgery with its own tiny and often full car park. Leave it as it is!

Off-street response – Reference number 2508

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2509

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2510

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2511

I object to parking charges.

There has ever been an issue with finding a car parking space as local residents who mainly use the car park are not parking there for extended periods.

Off-street response – Reference number 2512

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

In the current climate it is hard for businesses & shops to survive. Parking charges will deter people from using current facilities. Plus this also discriminates against those on tight budgets, those with children or disabilities not able to claim for the blue badge.

Off-street response – Reference number 2513

I object to parking charges.

The local shops will suffer. I also park there when going to Thornhills surgery as their car park gets full.

Off-street response – Reference number 2514

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2517

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2518

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2519

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2520

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I go to Martin Square to use, Payden, and the small Morisions in the square. I can be in these for an hour or more because of queuing. I am also a wheelchair user and with other medical issues, so often have to park in the square when all the disabled bays by the surgery are taken. Because of all these reasons I feel that the first hour should be free. The introduction of these parking regulations will affect the small businesses in the square due to loss of customers who will go the larger local supermarkets where they do not have to pay. A lot of elderly people go to the square to the shops, Payden and the doctors. They do not drive and are already on a tight budget due to the cost of living. You will be adding to this.

Off-street response – Reference number 2522

I object to parking charges.

1. With no free parking for, say, 20 minutes it will act as a barrier to residents visiting the Health Centre or Chemists for short times, eg to drop off or collect a prescription. It will also disincentivise visits to shops, eg the family butchers or the post office.
2. Effect on bus services: forcing longer term parking out onto Kingfisher Road and other neighbouring roads will make it even more difficult for buses to travel along Kingfisher Road than it is at present, and there is a risk of bus services having to be discontinued along this route. Greater use of double yellow lines could be unfair on residents who rely on their cars and who have to park on the road.

Off-street response – Reference number 2523

I object to parking charges.

Local businesses will suffer including the library, but more importantly is the effect on people visiting the doctors. Are they really going to be charged? I expect visitors to the care home also park there. I would suggest that a one hour free would be more beneficial to us locals.

Off-street response – Reference number 2524

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2525

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I need to attend the doctors regularly and I am registered disabled and a pensioner and as I don't know how long I will need to be in the doctors and chemist it will affect me a lot. It will affect the shops as people won't use them due to paying parking charges, we all fought to get the butchers but who will want to pay extra on top! The new morrisons will be affected some people only pop in for a paper but they won't pay for parking as well. It will affect all the local businesses, parking for local residents ,it will therefore congest the roads around the square, who's idea was this!!

Off-street response – Reference number 2527

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will hamper local

Businesses in the area who rely on customers coming to them by car. Make other charging areas free to align with these areas. Council tax and road tax is already paid and responsible for upkeep.

Off-street response – Reference number 2528

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2531

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2532

I object to parking charges.

This will mean people go elsewhere instead of using local services to avoid paying for parking or blocking of the already busy roads adjoining the carpark to pop to the shops

Off-street response – Reference number 2534

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(REDACTED) I know the traders and customers well and how fragile business models are susceptible to such change. I am very concerned that to introduce parking charges to MS will influence the continued viability of the shops: act as a barrier to employee recruitment and retention: and will damage the well-being of the local community. Parking charges will act as a barrier to accessing medical services at the health centre and accessing education at the library: creating increased congestion on the local roads and taking away a safe dropping off point for our children attending the local primary schools.

Living within the Borough and so a council tax payer I object that to introduce charges to a car park that has always been free, will involve spending taxpayers money putting in infrastructure and increasing enforcement capacity.

Martin Square was built in 1960's with a car park to serve the 20 council owned shop units and the residents in the council maisonettes above the shops. These are local shops that serve local people. Local shops do not normally have charging put on car parking. Our existing customers will be able to travel to competing traders eg Mid Kent Shopping Centre, Aylesford RP, Morrisons, Tesco, Lidl, Kings Hill all who currently offer free parking.

Rent is paid by traders to the council estimated at £10,000 per unit giving an income to the council of over £200,000. The maisonettes also bring in income to the council. Empty shops bring in no income to the council.

The car park is popular, but as a recent survey showed rarely completely full.

MS is successful, represents the heart of the community having a post office, pharmacy, large medical centre and library.

Traders in Martin Square are large employers, whose employees require the use of the car park. The pharmacy alone has over twenty employees. The car park is also extensively use by health care professionals working at the health centre and Primary Care Network. They can choose to work elsewhere!

The charity shop relies on volunteers, many of whom are elderly with restricted mobility requiring parking facilities, services valuable for the community but also for the volunteers well-being.

MS has attracted a butcher to open in January 23, after an absence of 15 years 'bucking the trend' of local shops closing.

MS is adjacent to Brookfield Primary School, Brookfield Junior School and Lunsford Primary School collectively with a capacity of 646 pupils and is frequently used by parents on the school run, to safely cross a busy road.

Parking charges will in inevitability displace vehicles placing strain onto local roads. The majority of terraced houses on the main Kingfisher Road do not have access to off road parking,

Data collected/observations

1. A poll conducted on Larkfield community facebook page demonstrated
 - 1627 against charging; 376 say they would no longer use Martin Square shops

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/261860914260272/search/?q=poll>
2. A survey of the car park 15th -24th October 23 (data already submitted to TMBC) showed the car park to be popular, well used but rarely full
3. A survey of 19 employees at the pharmacy show :
 - 13 currently drive, 6 walk
 - If parking charges introduced 12 would use street parking; 1 would walk; 2 might leave employment
 - 11 say they would not have applied for the job had parking charges been introduced
4. The demise of the retail sector is well reported. For example in the last six years the number of operating pharmacies in England fell by 914 from 11,723 to 10,809.
5. Public transport is not as accessible to Martin Square as is the case to a town centre eg Tonbridge. To reduce support for local shopping would increase internet shopping habits and so increase the carbon footprint.
6. Martin Square doesn't have a parking problem, don't create one!

Off-street response – Reference number 2535

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Parents of local schools park there for school runs, in the current climate I'm sure that will cause more money worries for them, amongst others people using it. Also it will push cars into side roads reducing visibility to dangerous levels and causing jams and traffic stand stills! Having lived opposite the two main schools (Brookfield & Lunsford) for 13 years I've seen it get progressively worse, and sometimes nothing moves for over 20 minutes and it takes someone to organise and stop traffic to get it flowing again. No one monitors the zig zag lines or takes notice of the law regarding no parking.

A doctors appointment takes more than 30 minutes and will cause issues the those that need to use their car due to Mobility issues, its just all round a disgusting idea let alone not allowing residents to park, give them a permit so no unauthorised people can use it overnight and, at bare minimum give 1hr free parking to visitors and also permits for free parking for those that work there.

It's obvious that it will cause massive upheaval in many lives if it goes ahead!! PURE GREED it what it is!

Off-street response – Reference number 2536

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2537

I object to parking charges.

I use the car park to visit the shops and cafe here. I never stay longer than an hour or so and I always manage to find a parking space. I will no longer use the facilities if a parking charge is introduced for short stays here, and I'm sure others will do the same, which will negatively impact the businesses.

A more sensible solution to prevent long term parking without impacting local businesses would be to introduce a charge for stays longer than 1-2 hours.

Off-street response – Reference number 2538

I object to parking charges.

Make it free for the first 2 hours then charge. Otherwise you will drive business away from the square to places where it's free. It's not the charges, it's messing around paying and the disproportionate fine when the system doesn't work/ you get held up and over run. It's not worth the risk people just go elsewhere.

Off-street response – Reference number 2540

I support Season Tickets.

I feel that residents should be able to get season tickets at a reduced price, as they live around the area and already pay council tax

Off-street response – Reference number 2541

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Until roads are without pot holes and the general up keep of roads improves it would theft to extract even more money from shoppers or residents

Off-street response – Reference number 2542

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Cost of living crisis. Already pay so much in council tax and residential parking Already. Further to this, upping parking and adding more restrictions will discourage people coming into the town. Which will have a detrimental effect on the local towns economy

Off-street response – Reference number 2545

(no comment supplied)

It is not appropriate for a Tonbridge resident to comment on Larkfield matters

Off-street response – Reference number 2547

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2549

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2552

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will impact the likelihood of me visiting the shops and library here.

Off-street response – Reference number 2555

I object to parking charges.

This will likely move the problem to local roads. I am not able to park on my own road due to restrictions. The limited space I can find will become reduced as others seek alternative places for long term parking. Consult those who stay long term but are not residents and solve their problem. My neighbours agree.

Off-street response – Reference number 2556

I support parking charges.

Can I suggest the following:

- 1) allow say 30 minutes free parking before starting to charge.
- 2) make reasonable charge for next hour (say £1.00)
- 3) then charge say £5.00 per hour after that time.

All this to happen between say 06:00 and 18:00 EVERY day.

Off-street response – Reference number 2558

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The cost of living crisis has already made things extremely difficult for families these chsnge would impact many of the local team sporting activities

Off-street response – Reference number 2560

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2562

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2563

I object to parking charges.

I agree parking for over an hour should be charged (unless residential parking which should be free) but for those of who wish to pop to the local shop at least the 1st 30-60 minutes should be free. That way you'll support the residents and local shops but deter the cars parking for longer periods. Surely most people would agree to that?

Off-street response – Reference number 2565

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

When I use the car park, I've never had a problem in finding a space. I also park for 4h at a time when attending the hair salon, Tapers, as a paying customer.

Making parking in the only local carpark for car users a costly option will push more people to park on nearby roads. At peak times in particular, this will make the roads more hazardous to road users and pedestrians alike. The local council does ABSOLUTELY NOTHING to improve road safety for the residents plagued by irresponsible parents who park on double yellow lines, zig zag areas, or in front of driveways, and now, yet again, they're prioritising their pockets and bonuses over people's lives and the conditions of the area people have to live in. The convenience of local and independent shops will be made less convenient for those who are less mobile and will, in turn, have a detrimental effect to trade. I highly suspect it's a 'done-deal' anyway with back-handers already transacted, therefore any opinions of those who actually use the facility or of those who the introduction of the charges will affect aren't actually wanted, it's just a tick box exercise and anything we have to say will be entirely ignored. I'm disgusted with this entire process and with every other one which KCC & TMBC force through regardless and without any forethought.

Off-street response – Reference number 2566

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Drs and prescriptions - should we really have to pay to park to see a dr or get a prescription?

Off-street response – Reference number 2567

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2570

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

I see no reason why this car park should not be charged as every other in the Borough is.

Off-street response – Reference number 2573

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2574

I object to parking charges.

This will lead to more on-street parking ,especially at school times, around the surrounding area. And we feel will have a adverse effect on the local shops, doctor surgery and library.

Off-street response – Reference number 2575

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2576

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2577

I object to parking charges.

I have never had an issue with getting a parking space in this car park. This seems to be more a money grabbing exercise from TMBC than trying to stop long term parking

Off-street response – Reference number 2578

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2579

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2580

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2581

I object to parking charges.

The local Brookfield School has a Travel Plan, which encourages parents/carers to park in Martin Square car park, and walk with their child(ren) to school for healthy exercise. In view of this, IF charges HAVE to be introduced, I would like the first hour, or at least the first half an hour TO BE FREE. A FREE hour would also allow shoppers to support the local shops, but sometimes longer is needed to await a prescription or to have a hair cut. IF charges after an hour, are introduced, a round amount should be charged eg. a whole pound or a 50p, NOT a price which includes eg. a 90p amount, as people do not have small change much these days.

Off-street response – Reference number 2582

I object to parking charges.

Stop charging us for everything!

Off-street response – Reference number 2583

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2584

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Increased charges will destroy businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 2585

I object to parking charges.

This will severely affect trade

Off-street response – Reference number 2586

I object to parking charges.

I use larkfield cycles and the application of parking charges will put an additional cost burden on using the service they provide and may prevent me from using in the future. There are no charges at their competition I.e. Halfords and Senacre cycles to name a few.

Off-street response – Reference number 2588

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2589

I object to parking charges.

I WORK AT THORNHILLS SURGERY AND CANNOT AFFORD TO HAVE TO PAY FOR PARKING OUT OF MY WAGES. THIS WOULD FORCE ME TO LOOK FOR EMPLOYMENT ELSEWHERE!

Off-street response – Reference number 2590

I object to parking charges.

I use the car park to collect my grandson from Brookfield Infants School, charging for this car park will impact on the area with cars parking on the roads leading to the school causing dangerous crossing for children that walk to school and home from school on their own.

It will also add to costs for people shopping in the square we need small businesses to survive, not everyone can conduct their business in 30 minutes, there are often queues at the post office, pharmacy and butchers which take longer to be served.

Also the doctors surgery appointment waiting times are usually longer than 30 minutes.

People parking in the car park are not parking and leaving their cars all day whilst they travel on trains etc., to work, it is people living in the area and using local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 2591

I object to parking charges.

This will have an extremely negative to all the local Business, local residents and obviously everyone employed locally who work within Martin Square

Off-street response – Reference number 2592

I object to parking charges.

This square of local shops is well supported by the community. Personally I use it twice per week and stay on average 30 mins to 1 hour. Introducing parking charges will add an unreasonable cost in terms of percentage to purchased items such as newspapers, cards, and prescriptions as well as adding unnecessary cost to the collection/drop off of parcels, dry cleaning etc. I wholeheartedly disagree with the introduction of fees. Unless the fees do not kick in until 3 hours (as in motorway service stations for example). This would allow plenty of time for people shopping locally and dining in the cafe whilst still giving the council an income for those “long term over-stayers”

Off-street response – Reference number 2593

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2594

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2595

I object to parking charges.

One hour free would stop long stay parking but still support shoppers

Off-street response – Reference number 2597

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2598

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2599

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2600

(no comment supplied)

N/A

Off-street response – Reference number 2601

I object to parking charges.

For the benefit of local businesses, do not apply parking charges for less than three hours. If long term parking is a problem then charge heavily over three hours.

Off-street response – Reference number 2602

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2603

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2604

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2605

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The charging of parking will hit the businesses hard, just popping to the local shops but having to also pay will stop locals shopping there. Older people will prob use bus passes and go further afield. People requiring appointments and treatments at the medical centre will not afford the charges, some patients visit the surgery two or three times weekly.

I collect medication from the chemist for family members, I never know how long I will wait or even if the prescription had been processed in the system.

I appreciate the cost of the upkeep of the car park but look elsewhere. Have a parking attendant issuing tickets on the yellow lines, at the top of bell lane Ditton outside the fish shop, they'd make plenty of income and in doing so stop potential accidents just waiting to happen.

Off-street response – Reference number 2606

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I've been a local resident for 35 years & have always used the parking facilities in Martin Sq & never had a problem finding a space to park.

Today 2/1/24 in stormy weather, I had to drive (as was unable to walk) to Larkfield P.O. in Martin Sq. There were spaces available & I was in & out of there in 5 mins.

How can TMBC justify the introduction of these parking charges. You can't. And why no free parking period? 60p for the first 30 mins, knowing many people use the car park for a quick trip to the shops & chemist there, is extortionate.

Pure greed.

Why does this car park HAVE to be in line with others? No reason at all. You are NOT introducing these charges to benefit the local residents. In fact, it's the total opposite.

If you're so worried about long term parking, then deal with that specific issue & retain free short term parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 2607

I object to parking charges.

I often use the parking in Martin Square. The introduction of charges would deter me from doing so. This would be damaging to local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 2608

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I work at Larkfield Health Centre, where we have very limited parking. Clinical staff (nurses and drs) and patients regularly have to use the main Larkfield Martin Square carpark to visit the health centre.

We should NOT have to pay to park to work at/receive care at a health centre. This is a ridiculous idea that is just trying to create a cash cow for the council.

Off-street response – Reference number 2610

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2611

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Because there is always places to park and it's bad enough with the wait for Doctors that it could cost over £5 on top with the wait for a prescription too. The cost of living is high and with this on top its just being greedy. Councils should learn to manage there money better not use this as an excuse to get more money.

Off-street response – Reference number 2612

I object to Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2613

I object to parking charges.

Small businesses rely on customers who can drop by

Off-street response – Reference number 2614

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2615

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2616

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2617

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will cause a lot of disruption to business in this area, especially the likes of the takeaways as even a small charge for 30 mins would stop people visiting. It would also cause more congestion in Morrisons car park as this is just round the corner and people would park here rather than paying. Subsequently also causing issues for Morrisons.

Off-street response – Reference number 2618

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

A parking charge will stop many many people from using the businesses in Martin Square. It will also increase vehicles parking in Morrison's car park, causing congestion at the a20 junction. The loss of business to businesses within Martin Square will ultimately reduce income to the council when they close and pay no business rates. It will also cause congestion in the roads around the location as people will park on these streets instead

Off-street response – Reference number 2619

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2620

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2622

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

this will destroy the shops as people will not put up with the cost of a short stay particuly the chemist for perscriptions , you councillors are not for your local people any more

Off-street response – Reference number 2623

I object to Season Tickets.

This will reduce people coming into down and will not be good for already suffering high street.

Off-street response – Reference number 2626

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2627

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2628

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2630

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2631

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2632

I object to parking charges.

This car park is used for sick patients visiting Thornhills Medical Practice as the surgery has limited parking. It is also used when picking up medications at Paydens. This pharmacy is always so busy and can wait a very long time. It's unfair (mainly the elderly) on risking fines for over stay due to the service provided in the area. Plus all you will be doing is sending more people parking in Morrisons car park which would affect their business let along other businesses in the square (hairdressers).

Off-street response – Reference number 2633

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I believe that the community shouldn't be discriminated by those who abuse the car parks in this area I believe that residents should have access to their own spaces / areas to park without being charged to do so as long as they are abusing that privilege (not leaving car on the road / in car parks without tax and MOT) .

Off-street response – Reference number 2634

I both support and object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2635

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2636

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Most people that use the car park do so for the doctor surgery and the local businesses.

Perhaps remove the Porta cabins that take up parking space in the doctor surgery and add height barriers to stop vans long term parking, however do not penalise shop owners and locals that have genuine use of the spaces.

Alternatively make it free for 60 mins and chargeable after that.

And free season tickets for shop owners and their staff.

Off-street response – Reference number 2637

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I think there should be free short stay parking for people visiting the shops or library

Off-street response – Reference number 2638

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It is absolutely non-sense to start charging at Martin square. It will definitely affect the small businesses of Martin square, which are already struggling to thrive. For example, no one would like to pay 60p to just go into the post office for a 5 minute visit. This MUST be abolished and parking should remain FREE in Martin Square.

Off-street response – Reference number 2639

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2640

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I use the dry cleaners / post office / hair dressers / chemist and cafe , all of which when used I can be anywhere from 5 mins to 45 mins , so the first 60 mins should be free and then charges applied thereafter for persons who are using for known parking and extended hours .

Off-street response – Reference number 2642

(no comment supplied)

See QUESTS 12 TO 17

Off-street response – Reference number 2643

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Disgusting! What do you exp3ct local businesses to do when times are tough enough

Off-street response – Reference number 2644

I object to parking charges.

These shops will be doomed to fail if you introduce parking charges. I (and lots of others) will just choose to go to a supermarket instead of popping to these shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 2645

I object to parking charges.

Please could there be a minimum free stay of roughly 30 minutes, to allow local residents to stop off and visit a shop . If not these local businesses will suffer, as people will not visit

Off-street response – Reference number 2646

I object to parking charges.

Completely unnecessary. I often pop round to the shops and always find a space. Please fund your budget shortfalls via other means

Off-street response – Reference number 2647

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I need to use the car park for the post office and other local shops quite frequently, I bring large items to the post office which if charges were introduced would impact my small business and would probably force me to use an alternate post office where there is free parking, thus this not only would impact my business but also the revenues of the PO and shops in Martin Square, i believe if charges are introduced it will drive away customers from this essential business and community hub.

Off-street response – Reference number 2648

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2649

I object to parking charges.

I use Martin Square frequently and never have problems with finding a parking space. The justifications given by the council are invalid that there is a need to release spaces. This policy will unfairly impact lower income families and will affect trade to business in the square. Users of go services will also be impacted as there are insufficient spaces at Thornhills surgery .

Off-street response – Reference number 2650

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2651

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2653

I object to parking charges.

By making people pay for parking in this car park it will lead to cars being parked on the neighbouring streets, one of which is a bus route. This will likely lead to more double yellow lines which in turn will push the problem even further into residential streets that are already too crowded as most homes have at least two cars plus work vehicles. It will put people off using the local businesses based in the square, it will also put off people attending the doctors surgery and chemist for vital medical care and supplies.

Off-street response – Reference number 2654

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2656

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

i think this would put more pressure on the elderly especially their visit to the doctors i and others think they would turn up to appointment due to worry of parking cost its already tight spaced for locals never mind paying for the already inconvenient spaced car park this is a terrible idea

Off-street response – Reference number 2657

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

I would suggest a first hour free for people who just have a prescription to pick up but then charges to put off long term parking to allow other shoppers spaces. Permits for business users are a good idea - perhaps even a bit of the car park cordoned off?

Off-street response – Reference number 2658

I object to parking charges.

Parking charges will act in direct contravention to everything connected to growth of small businesses in the borough which should be the aim of the Council. Charging immediately on entering the car park will keep customers away and this will reflect on the rates etc. which come in. Supporting such businesses should be a first priority both for this reason and care for the community.

Off-street response – Reference number 2659

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2660

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2661

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2663

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2664

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Why should I pay to access the doctors surgery. As usual you greedy grasping politicians have yourselves become the greatest grievance.

Off-street response – Reference number 2667

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2669

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2670

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Like many people I only use the car park to pop into shops or collect prescriptions at the chemist. I think it is very mean of the council to charge parking for short visits It will lead to more street parking and more traffic problems on the A20 and New Hythe Lane because people will use the Morrisons car park and walk through.

Off-street response – Reference number 2671

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2672

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I feel it is very inappropriate to charge for parking. Our patients shouldn't have to pay to visit a medical practice and the staff should not have to pay to park at work!

Off-street response – Reference number 2674

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I do understand that all councils are under pressure for funds, but this proposal will just block up the surrounding roads and lead to more dangerous parking on Kingfisher Rd, especially for buses and emergency vehicles. This car park is really only used by local people (there are no tourist spots around it), many of whom are elderly and need to visit the doctors, pharmacy and convenience store.

It took ages to re-let the shop which is now the butchers, making locals pay will only put more pressure on traders, some of whom may not be able to survive the evenatable drop in trade.

But if you have to introduce charges, at least make the first hour free in order to give locals a chance to spend their money locally and help support local traders.

Off-street response – Reference number 2675

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2676

I object to parking charges.

There's always spaces and where are the people that live a pice the shops meant to park it's survived this long with no parking charges so why introduce it now (apart from the fact the council are trying to profit from it as per usual)

Off-street response – Reference number 2677

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2678

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I believe it is my Right to park my car where I live, and not be charged for this. It is not a privilege, it is a Right.

We need our vehicles as there is no reliable public transport, and it is extremely difficult for folk who have disabilities to get around without their own vehicle.

Parking at shopping centres like Martin Square should also be free of charge, as it is at other parking areas where people do their shopping.

With the cost of living rising and rising, how can motorists be required to bear yet another charge, on top of the charges and taxes already being paid.

Off-street response – Reference number 2680

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2681

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2682

I object to Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2683

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

the problem is long term parking charge those who dont work or live in martin square but park long term it should be free to shoppers workers and those that live there

Off-street response – Reference number 2685

I object to parking charges.

I think free parking should be available for a minimum of 1hr to allow use of the facilities, but also avoid long term parking, this would increase availability through turnover.

Off-street response – Reference number 2686

I object to parking charges.

Would definitely deter me from popping into shops or collecting from take aways I feel first hour free and then a fee if needed to deter people from parking too long Also Morrisons car park and congestion on new hythe lane as a result could get much worse than it already is

Off-street response – Reference number 2687

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

We have local businesses which will not survive if customers have to pay to park

Off-street response – Reference number 2688

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2689

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

the square is a vibrant business centre and always busy. If we are to encourage people to support local businesses then it needs to remain free parking. Implementing charges will drive (pun intended) people away

Off-street response – Reference number 2690

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

U are killing business with yr policies.

Restricting parking is unnecessary.

Off-street response – Reference number 2691

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Although I rarely park in the Square as I tend to walk, there are times when on the way home I call in to collect a takeaway when I don't have time to cook.

I think there should be a grace period before the charges start to allow for people to make quick trips to the shops as I can see people going elsewhere and hurting these businesses. If there is no grace period then it shows the real reason is the money and not about stopping long term parking by people who are not actually using the Square businesses.

Also the car park is used by parents collecting their children from the nearby schools. If they are charged then I can see traffic chaos in the area as they will all try and park in the surrounding roads.

Off-street response – Reference number 2696

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This car park serves the shops, library and doctors' surgery. In most cases parking is required for short stays. There is little or no parking on the surrounding streets. Another unfair tax on motorists.

Off-street response – Reference number 2697

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2700

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

In a cost of living crisis, this is something that residents and local business cannot afford.

Off-street response – Reference number 2701

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2704

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2705

I object to parking charges.

Council tax is high enough and will no doubt go up again 2024. About time council started saving money, make a start by getting rid of diversity staff and cancel all woke crap.

Off-street response – Reference number 2707

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2708

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2709

I object to parking charges.

AT A TIME WHEN COUNCILS SHOULD BE ENCOURAGING USE OF LOCAL SHOPS, PARKING CHARGES WILL ONLY SEE A DECLINE IN THEIR USE.

Off-street response – Reference number 2710

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I visit Martin square quite frequently for the pharmacy, butchers and take aways. If the parking charges come in then I will shop elsewhere. There is a good butchers, pharmacy and take always on the Delce in Rochester which is a 10 minute drive and does not have parking charges along with other businesses dotted around the outskirts of Maidstone with no parking charges like the businesses at the Waitrose precinct at Alington. The small businesses which pay business rates to TMBC will be at a significant disadvantage to the businesses in Rochester and other Maidstone locations, potentially they will close losing TMBC revenue unless the plan is to close the car park and sell it for housing in the medium term.

If you have to introduce charges make the first hour or two free then make it pay to park if you want to reduce the number of long stay car parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 2711

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2712

I object to parking charges.

By starting to charge for the use of this carpark it will encourage people to start using on street parking which will create more issues for local residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 2713

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2714

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2716

I object to parking charges.

Just more money grabbing again.

Have to drive and park there, as unable to use the overgrown, soil & root covered footpath between The Heath and East Malling Village

Off-street response – Reference number 2719

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2721

I object to parking charges.

I agree that long term parking is a nuisance.

But I shall not pay to 'pop to the shops'. I do not live in larkfield but will drive over now and again especially now the butchers is there. There should remain free parking for short term users, even if it's for an hour or two, otherwise local businesses will loose out.

Off-street response – Reference number 2723

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will destroy the local businesses in Martin Square which I try to support. However if parking charges are put in motion I will no doubt use Tesco at Lunsford Park in future as I mostly go to Martin Square to support the chemist but usually use the convenience store and often the butchers. It is not only the cost but the inconvenience of operating parking payment machine which adds time to my trip. I am elderly and find parking apps and paying by card etc confusing. I very seldom go to West Malling anymore for the same reason. Please think again !!!

Off-street response – Reference number 2724

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2725

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2726

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I would propose that the first hour is free as many people park here to go to the local shops and also the Thornhills medical practice [quite often the medical practice car park is full]. For longer term parking suggest the parking fees advised would be sufficient to start after the first hour, thereby relieving the congestion in the car park during the working day

Off-street response – Reference number 2727

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If you want people to use the shops, don't charge for parking. I also object to having to pay to park just so that I can collect a prescription (which I have to pay for!).

Off-street response – Reference number 2728

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2729

I support parking charges.

There is no mention of motorcycle parking, new or existing.

Off-street response – Reference number 2731

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2732

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2733

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2734

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2735

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2736

I object to parking charges.

We all have to use the parking for the doctors. And then go and get ourselves tablets. Both places we have to queue. That will take time and my money that if that goes though. You are pushing more cars parking on the road.

Off-street response – Reference number 2737

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2738

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2739

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2740

I object to parking charges.

Will kill all the small business off

Off-street response – Reference number 2741

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2742

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

These fees will affect the businesses which are already finding it tough. You will also affect people who are ill when they visit the surgery, the relatives of the deceased who are registering deaths and mums and dads when registering births and still births. The library will also be affected.

Off-street response – Reference number 2743

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2744

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2746

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If charges are introduced, it will deter me from visiting

Off-street response – Reference number 2747

I object to parking charges.

This parking is the closest to larkfield library. I strongly object to having to pay to take my children to the library.

Off-street response – Reference number 2749

I object to parking charges.

Stop squeezing motorists and motorcyclists

Off-street response – Reference number 2750

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2751

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2754

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The car park has been provided to facilitate customers and staff of the local shops, as well as those visiting the doctors surgery. No parking charges should be introduced, as these will deter customers and penalise those who have to spend longer than anticipated in the doctors or other facilities. Also penalised will be those who do not use smart phones, who will be unable to use the parking apps to

pay. With people struggling to meet financial demands, charging to park here will send people elsewhere with free parking and/or penalise people still trying to support local business.

Off-street response – Reference number 2755

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I don't believe the reason of 'low turnover long stay parking' to be true. I frequent this car park at different times on different days and don't see this as a problem. I always find a space.

Off-street response – Reference number 2756

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2758

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2759

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2760

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2763

I object to parking charges.

This will cause more issues with pavement parking (as a mother with a child in a pram this is already a huge issue around Ditton and Aylesford) as residents will not pay the charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 2767

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2768

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2769

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2771

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

There are very few vehicles parked here for long periods but many reasons why the parking should remain free for all to come & go and use as they please.

Parents should be able to park safely & take their children to school or relevant clubs and then have the ability to run errands post office, library, morrisons etc without having to move their car. With a baby in tow its very inconvenient to be in and out.

The businesses on the square struggle enough, they need their customers to spend the money with them directly, not on parking. The fee is a hairdressers tip, a childs weekly chippy treat afterschool or a cuppa for a pensioner who needs to socialise with an old friend in the cafe

Off-street response – Reference number 2774

I object to parking charges.

Shops and businesses will suffer

Off-street response – Reference number 2775

I object to Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2776

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2777

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2778

I object to parking charges.

This is so ideal for local amenities and the doctors surgery. Also for the school run at Brookfield school. If the charges are introduced there is going to be so much congestion around this area at school run times. Also I feel the shops in martin Square will suffer because of these charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 2779

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This is atrocious and not practical

The car park is not misused by residents and needs to be easily accessible for residents of

All ages to access the pharmacy and doctors without being charged or potentially fined.

Off-street response – Reference number 2781

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2783

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Surely if there is only a 'low long term parkers issue' it makes no sense to charge everyone, especially short term parkers.

If this really is a genuine proposal to prevent 'long term parkers', and not just another income generation scheme, you should allow free short term parking for say one hour, and only charge for longer stays?

I use this car park a couple of times a week when I pop to the shops and takeaways (and Doctors surgery, which has hardly any parking). If you start charging for short stays people will stop using these facilities (if my conversations with other locals are anything to go by), which can only ultimately have a negative outcome for the local businesses and residents.

Please use your common sense on this matter.

Thank you

Off-street response – Reference number 2784

I object to parking charges.

Introduction of parking charges at Martin Square would, in my view, be counter-productive for the local shops and surrounding area. It would either have the effect of moving the stationary traffic onto the local residential roads (which are ill-equipped to deal with it), into the Morrisons which can be easily accessed (thereby forcing them to introduce measures to enforce parking in their store) or drive traffic away from the shops (which is detrimental to the local economy).

What is more, the costs to enforce it through additional traffic wardens or other such measures would probably outweigh the revenue generated.

Having used the car park regularly over the last 13 years when accessing the shops/services (including the Library), I see no evidence for the claim that it "suffers from low turnover long-stay parking which reduces the availability of spaces". I have, at all times of the day and week, managed to find a space without too much of a challenge.

Off-street response – Reference number 2785

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I live in kingfisher rd, this is going to cause more traffic problems as people will park up side roads and on main roads to avoid paying. This will kill local business and cause mayhem for parents picking up and dropping off kids from school. My wife is disabled and frequently has to go to the doctors in a wheel chair, i have to drive as the pavements are to uneven and throw her chair into the road. driving up this road is like a slalom now . there will be no where to park at the doctors. I believe if you NEED to charge to maintain the grounds then how about first hour free and no return for 2 hours and residents have 1 car free yearly permit. lets make it fair!!!! people will not want to pay and have that rigmarole getting a ticket to buy a newspaper. it's all about compramise!! not greed

Off-street response – Reference number 2786

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2787

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Introduction of parking charges would immediately reduce footfall to all the shops, & would be commercially catastrophic.

Off-street response – Reference number 2788

I object to parking charges.

This car park has been free for over 50 years. It serves local shops, most of which require short visits (Chemist, Post Office, takeaways) to charge people for a half-hour or hour minimum for a 5 minute stop is grossly unfair. The local residents must be dreading the fall-out from this, with people parking in adjacent roads to avoid the fee.

Off-street response – Reference number 2789

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2791

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2792

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I believe this will negatively impact the local shops-eg will people still go to the cafe as well as doing their shopping if they have to pay? Many people will only be parking for a short time to collect a prescription or go to the post office etc . This penalises those who have mobility issues which make walking to the shops difficult.

Off-street response – Reference number 2793

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2794

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Having lived in Larkfield for most of my life one of the most consistent things has been the accessibility of the local shops and facilities in Martin Square. One of its successes has been the ability to park nearby and use what you need. As a parent with a child I used this to be able to take my child to and from school and walk down the road to do so when they attended those in Swallow Road. As in previous consultations my time taken in doing this could range depending on whether I needed to speak to staff or not. It will be impossible for parents to be able to afford to do this if the proposed charges come into play. With a child with SEN this process could be 10 minutes or half hour. Nightmare to predict costs. Parking in streets is bad enough around Larkfield without pushing all those who would use Martin Square previously onto them. What about the safety of the children in our schools? Similarly for patients visiting the Doctors. There is limited parking available in their designated car park so naturally you use the main one. Even with queuing at the chemist you are not going to know how much parking is going to cost. My elderly Mum with mobility issues is going to find it very difficult and expensive to be able to do either of those visits. I get that some folk may misuse the longer stay facility but why not extend the limit for free parking? What happens for those who live and work in the Square? A sudden penalty for doing so. If every one has to consider the cost of parking on top of what they were planning to spend in their shopping it is going to be easy for them not to bother. I would certainly think twice now about going so often if it's almost a surcharge on my takeout for example. Some of those businesses have served this area for a long time and it would be a great shame for them to suffer in an already difficult climate. What about the butcher's as a new enterprise, now wondering what the future holds? Larkfield is very blessed to still have a library and whilst it still has its own car park, there isn't often space for more than 4 cars in there. No parking there means using the main car park, at a proposed cost. We use the Library on a very regular basis and would hate to see that change due to the proposed charges. Not only will shops suffer but the ability for people to access books and computers etc will have a knock on effect. The Larkfield Community Group have successfully used the car park for their Christmas light up Larkfield event and how sad to hear them say that it could end due to the changes. In this current climate we should be supporting local communities, businesses and livelihoods, not destroying them with decisions made by those not living in and with them on a daily basis. If changes have to come into play and/or charges have a proper look at what is happening here. Sadly most will feel our voices are not worth raising for such issues nor possibly have the ability to complete forms like this online.

Off-street response – Reference number 2795

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Martin Square is the centre of the Larkfield community and as such is the location for critical local services - doctors' surgery, library, post office and chemist. There are businesses which depend on this key location, near many homes, in order to survive - hairdressers, take away outlets, butchers, charity shop and cafe. In addition, nearby there are primary schools and a nursery. Visits to most of these services are brief and parking needs of limited duration.

The parking area is high turnover, with the exception of residents and business employees, and is seldom full. The proposal to introduce parking charges states 'the car park suffers from low turnover long-stay parking', therefore a better alternative to eradicate this and still meet local needs is to introduce parking charges after an hour and allow the first hour as free.

Residents and local business employees should be granted a free parking permit. Season tickets can be made available to those, not associated with local homes or businesses, who need long term parking in Martin Square. This would allow most visits to be charge free and particularly help those who are older or less mobile. The charge free period will preserve the easy access to local services and enable local businesses to survive.

The proposal to introduce charges on entry fails to take account of the impact of additional parking on local streets - already congested - and on alternatives such as the areas outside the health centre and library and in Morrisons nearby. The buses struggle to negotiate Kingfisher Road currently and the situation will only be aggravated by the implementation of the proposal as short term visitors to the Square will look to avoid paying 60p.

There is little dispute of the need for local councils to raise income in these difficult times but to achieve the stated aim of the proposal of reducing low turnover long stay parking and maintain the strength and purpose of the centre of Larkfield, the sensible option is an initial charge free period.

Off-street response – Reference number 2796

(no comment supplied)

No comment on this

Off-street response – Reference number 2797

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

My gp surgery is here, their carpark is to small and I rely on the bigger carpark. I also use the library and this will deter me from doing this and popping into the local shops if I need something whilst there. It's ridiculous to charge for parking here.

Off-street response – Reference number 2798

I object to parking charges.

There are several reasons for not supporting the charges.

1. People will stop using the local shops & they will go out of business, so no business rates for TMBC.
2. I suggest you take a look at parking during school pick up time, many mum's park in Martin Sq so they don't cause congestion around the 2 schools, if you come along at 3pm you will see a lot of parents aren't so considerate and park on double yellow lines and across residents driveways.
3. Visiting the doctors, will cause problems. If you are unwell & need to drive to your appointment, the appointment time isn't always kept, the other day I was 45 minutes late going into my appointment & a further 30 minutes waiting at the Pharmacy for my prescription. A total of 90 minutes for a 5 minutes visit to the doctors.

4. Many of the visitor to the Library are elderly & need to drive, this will mean less people visiting the library & you will of course use this as another reason to close a local library, which is a lifeline for the elderly.

5. Finally, your councillor's should look at their wage bill, maybe we are paying ourselves too much & they should consider taking a wage cut rather than hitting the general public again!

Off-street response – Reference number 2802

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2803

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2805

I object to parking charges.

There should be free parking for at least either 30 minutes or 1 hour. Without this, there will be increased parking on nearby residential roads. I only use the Martin Square car park every month simply to pay my paper bill. If charging is proposed, the rates for over 1 hour to be increased to give the same financial outcome. No data is given to support the need to charge on Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays, nor is any survey data quoted to demonstrate the claimed low turnover, which is not my experience.

Off-street response – Reference number 2806

I object to parking charges.

I do not think that people should have to pay for picking up a few items from one of the shops. I also do not think that people should have to pay to park whilst visiting the doctor when unwell.

Off-street response – Reference number 2807

I object to parking charges.

It should be kept free

Off-street response – Reference number 2808

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2809

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I work full time at Thornhills Medical Practice and park at the back of Martin Square car park so as not to interfere with shop or residential access. There is a small car park for the Health Centre but feel this should be priority parking for patients.

Working full time I would be a long stay user meaning I would incur extra costs to my existing work commute budget - if I have to purchase a parking permit I will have to consider working elsewhere. There is limited residential parking in this area which means potentially upsetting residents too.

Off-street response – Reference number 2810

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

We use the shop to pay our papers,takes 5mins.60pence excessive.

Charges will discourage shoppers and affect business.

Off-street response – Reference number 2811

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If parking charges are introduced I will be shopping elsewhere. Thus harming local businesses.

If the local schools don't allow parking on site for drop off the local roads will become overrun with cars just needing 20 minutes to get children to school.

Why not leave the 1st hour free. This way local trade will not suffer so much but the council could earn some money.

Overall I strongly object and will be taking my business elsewhere and will be changing doctors surgery to get free parking.

Making money off the back of the sick, despicable.

Morrison's offer free parking, they will be overwhelmed with people not wanting to fill the council coffers.

Off-street response – Reference number 2813

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2814

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2815

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2816

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2820

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2822

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2823

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2824

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2825

I object to parking charges.

I only use the car park now and again to visit the library butchers or bike shop but not for long if I had to pay for parking I'd use other outlets

Off-street response – Reference number 2828

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2829

I object to parking charges.

I do not think bringing parking charges to Martin square will do any good . It's not fair on the local businesses who will suffer and how bad the roads around the area will get with everyone trying to park there to avoid paying for parking. I think it will have a massive negative impact on the whole area

Off-street response – Reference number 2830

I object to parking charges.

I am a regular user of the car park to visit shops and doctors/ chemist. This will have a big impact on my finances in a cost of living crisis. Local business' need our support and I fear they may be forced to close when users go to the big supermarkets nearby with free parking

Off-street response – Reference number 2831

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2832

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2833

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2834

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It will affect local businesses which have to compete with Morrisons nearby

Off-street response – Reference number 2836

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2837

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2838

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2839

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I feel this will have a detrimental impact on local businesses whom already are struggling with ever increasing costs. This in turn affects the public who rely on these businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 2841

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2842

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2844

I object to parking charges.

I feel an alternative of having free parking for 2 hours and then needing a ticket or pass for longer periods would be more useful. Like swale council use on the residential roads in faversham

Off-street response – Reference number 2845

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Martin Square has many small businesses that are used by many local people any charges imposed by TMBC will have a very determined effect on them. We need our local Shops etc and these charges will force them out of business.

Off-street response – Reference number 2846

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2847

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Charges will affect people using the businesses in the area. They will lose customers and people can't afford much right now.

Off-street response – Reference number 2853

(no comment supplied)

This is outside my Division and I make no comment

Off-street response – Reference number 2854

I object to parking charges.

I think this will have a significant negative impact on the local businesses in the square. I don't think it is right to have to pay to visit the doctor surgery.

Off-street response – Reference number 2857

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Not good. I suspect people will try to park at Morrisons and cause further issues.

Having to pay to visit the doctor is especially poor.

Off-street response – Reference number 2859

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I object to a charge for 30 minutes of parking. I support charges for longer periods (suggest greater than 60 minutes). This would dissuade long stay parking users without penalising users who are parking to visit the shops around the square. Short term visitors would benefit from the greater availability of parking and this will have a knock on effect of improving trade for the local shops around the square.

Off-street response – Reference number 2861

I object to parking charges.

Very few can avoid using essential services in Martin Square (doctors and chemist), it isn't a choice and yet we will have to pay for the privilege. The already busy side roads will become impossible and it is a bus route.

At the least there should be a free period, like at Maidstone Hospital, of 30 minutes.

Off-street response – Reference number 2862

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2863

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Free parking for locals in their local shopping area should be a given. The introduction of charges benefits nobody. If locals want to pop to a post office, drop off laundry at their local business, why should they have to pay for this?

Off-street response – Reference number 2864

I object to parking charges.

I use this car park to visit the medical surgery and pharmacy in Martin Square and optician on London Road. If charges are introduced there will be an additional cost for medical attention. There has never been a problem finding a space to park so your argument that there are many cars parking long term and preventing others parking doesn't ring true. To avoid paying the charge drivers will park at other locations and cause congestion in local areas.

Off-street response – Reference number 2865

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2866

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Will lose business for pharmacy and shops

Off-street response – Reference number 2867

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2870

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2872

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2873

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The shopping area is used by a large number of people and introducing the parking charges will impact on them due to customers no longer using them due to having to park. A lot of customers only pop in for a quick 30 min and having to pay 60p will stop people doing this and going else where. It will also make the surrounding roads busy with parked cars as people will just park there causing traffic near the local school.

Off-street response – Reference number 2874

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2875

I object to parking charges.

I appreciate the issue around costs for upkeep/maintenance etc. but as a frequent user of Martin Square and a car driver since 1991 this parade of shops and small car park has become essential to locals and helps maintain a thriving community supporting local businesses.

I do often walk to the shops but being able to 'pop in' for 30 mins using the car for the chemist, post office etc. has become a helpful and essential part of my life and no doubt much of the local community.

I was frankly appalled to find out that T&M were proposing to start adding blanket charges for use of the car park and find this unbelievably short sighted on your part.

Firstly if there is an issue with charges, why not just add to our yearly Council Tax charge? This would seem a far better option to cover the costs across the community.

Many of these local businesses absolutely rely on the footfall via car drivers to survive. If charges are added, people will stop going. They will just start going to the big supermarkets where you don't have to pay.

This will stop use of the local butcher's, the small Morrisons and then possibly the hair and beauty salons etc. very likely we will be seeing boarded up shops in a couple of years. Surely that's not what T&M want here?

Let's embrace the community and try to support our businesses and not completely ruin the area.

Has anyone thought of introducing a receipt scheme where if there are charges, shoppers can use their shop receipt as proof of purchase for access in and out of the car park? A QR code or whatever? This system is used widely in other places across the UK. If charges are going to be introduced surely this would be the best and fairest way to ensure that actual business users are parking their cars in the car park for the correct use.

There are a lot of shoppers that only park for 30-60mins (say a maximum of 60mins) for the post office and the butchers.

Then there are some parking longer to use the hair salon for example.

But these are all there to justifiably use the businesses.

Perhaps there could be a maximum stay of 60mins via vehicle number plate recognition and for the businesses such as the hair and beauty salon which may require longer, they have the receipt/proof of purchase system for just them?

I agree that individuals using it to park all day is not correct. However business owners and residents should obviously be able to park free of charge.

Why not introduce a free residents and business parking permit system where permits are clearly displayed on their vehicles? This will remove issues with unauthorised parking all day.

I feel that this has not been thought through properly at all. I've provided some feasible options around charging (council tax), correct use of the car park and control through shopper's receipts (possible vehicle number plate recognition for up to 60mins, proof of purchase/QR codes using receipts) and a resident and business permit scheme.

This could be embraced by the community and businesses and I am sure you would receive positive support but a 'blanket' charge is just a very short sighted and frankly lazy option.

Standard charging and a money making exercise will ruin this local retail hub.

I don't expect that any of this to be considered but I thought I'd send this since it will be a travesty in a couple of years when we start seeing our local businesses closing.

Kind regards

(REDACTED)

Off-street response – Reference number 2876

I support Season Tickets.

I feel this measure along with a balanced policing of the car park and ticketing and fining those who overstay would eliminate the need to introduce parking charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 2877

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I object to the introduction of charges at Martin Square car park.

This car park does not suffer adversely from people's cars overstaying. We can always find spaces and my elderly parents also regularly use the car park with no issue.

My parents are not very mobile and they take their time visiting the library and browsing the shops in Martin Square.

If the charges are introduced, they will stop going there and this would affect their quality of life.

If the true reason is to raise funds why not aim the charges to long stayers - say giving 3 hours free so that people can still use all stores including cafes.

A ticket system will cost to instal and monitor so it will surely take quite some time to recoup this outlay and ongoing maintenance.

Finally the small businesses and charity shops on the store may disappear if the footfall reduces due to these costs and then empty units will stop bringing in revenue.

Maybe this is the council's aim so that they can sell the land and build more homes?

Off-street response – Reference number 2879

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This is going to have such a big impact to businesses and residents. It's not fair that these charges are coming into effect to fill your pocket and empty everyone else's.

Off-street response – Reference number 2880

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2881

I object to parking charges.

This will put many people of stopping and using the business here

Off-street response – Reference number 2882

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I object to the introduction of charges to park in Martins Square. It will be detrimental to the shopkeepers in Martins Square and the surrounding area. Having free parking encourages people to use the shops and facilities in the area. There is a much used chemist in the square and people should not have to pay parking fees to collect their prescriptions. I use the shops on a regular basis and have not experienced problems due to lack of space with long term

parking. Thank you.

Off-street response – Reference number 2884

I object to parking charges.

I object to there being short term parking charges here. The car park is perfect to enable people to use the local shops, doctors and pharmacy without impeding traffic with on road parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 2885

I object to parking charges.

The shops and businesses are bound to suffer if people have to pay to visit the shops in Martin Square. I like to visit the very valuable hospice shop in the square but if I have to pay to park outside then I'll go somewhere else. Many others will do the same if parking charges are brought in.

Off-street response – Reference number 2886

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It will have a detrimental impact to the people who live around here as people may not want to pay so they will decide to park in areas where they block of residents

Off-street response – Reference number 2887

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2889

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2890

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2891

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2894

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2895

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

People will park for free on the surrounding roads or in Morrisons car park which will cause more disruption around Martin Square. There should be some free parking - maybe an hour, so that people can use the post office, collect prescriptions, collect fish & chips or visit the charity shop. If people want to stay for longer than a charge would be reasonable

Off-street response – Reference number 2897

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2900

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2901

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2903

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2904

I object to parking charges.

I think it is unfair for everyone as this is one of the main chemists and doctors that people use and also use it for schools. It's just another way for the council to get money out of people during the cost of living crisis. You will also be affecting businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 2905

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2906

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I have grown up in this area and have never had an issue with the car park being full and not being able to park. The free parking makes it easy to visit the doctors and support local businesses. I will not be popping to the takeaways or shops and paying to park for barely 10 minutes. Charging for parking here will kill the businesses, some of which have been there for decades. Martin Square is the hub of the village and this sense of community will be diminished with this proposal.

Off-street response – Reference number 2907

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The majority of visitors park for a short period. If parking charges are introduced, Martin Square will suffer from reduced footfall, similar to that of West Malling high street since charges were introduced there. Since the changes were introduced, I rarely visit West Malling High Street, I now visit the large Tesco, Lundsford, for my newspaper and other small items.

Off-street response – Reference number 2908

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Shops and restaurants are going to take a huge cut of earnings because it will stop people like myself coming that way and having to pay to park. There's no need. Times are hard enough without added costs unnecessarily.

Off-street response – Reference number 2912

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2913

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2914

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Introducing parking charges for all will drastically impact the local businesses, driving customers to larger retail parks

Off-street response – Reference number 2916

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

Cheap parking charges forever and now about time they went up

Off-street response – Reference number 2917

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I regularly park at Martin Square to attend Thornhills Medical Practice, collect my monthly repeat prescription from the pharmacy and to pay our weekly paper bill at Morrison Local and to use the Post Office there. I also make regular visits to the charity shop to drop off and purchase items, to the hairdresser and have been known to purchase takeaway meals from Best Wok etc.

Should the introduction of parking charges go ahead, I would look to make changes which would mean that I would not be supporting local businesses in the same way as I do now. I would not be in a position to frequent Martin Square in the same way that I do now.

Traffic in Larkfield has increased year on year with the roads local to Martin Square now being very congested. If the parking charges go ahead people will look to park on the local roads to avoid having to make a payment which will only make things worse for all.

Martin Square is the recognised centre of Larkfield locally and is at the heart of the community but that would change if parking charges were introduced as proposed. I strongly object to the introduction of parking charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 2918

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2919

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2921

I object to parking charges.

For short trips to drop off a parcel or pick up a pint of milk - this will kill those trips and affect the local business. It's a joke

Off-street response – Reference number 2924

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I oppose all of the councils proposals. Putting parking charges in this car park will have a negative affect on the businesses in Martins Square. A majority of which as small business owners. I use the car park at least twice a week and only rarely have I ever had to drive round looking for a space and that was when work was being carried out at the care home opposite and so large vans belonging to contractors were parked there. There are ALWAYS spaces available and so this so-called issue of long term parking filling the car park up is preposterous. If people have to pay and use the doctors surgery it is difficult to judge waiting time as you could wait over an hour to see the doctor or you could get called straight in. This is just another money making scheme for the council and they allow more and

more homes to be built and not put infrastructure in to support it but instead pick on the small business owners struggling as it is in our community.

Off-street response – Reference number 2925

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2931

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2932

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I think parking should be free for at least the first hour. People shouldn't have to pay to park for the doctors or to pop into the shops. This would cause a loss of business for these shops which we are very lucky to have a full set of shops, not many places do. There are a lot of old/disabled people in larkfield who have to drive to the shops so walking is not an option. Even to pay to use the pharmacy and library would be detrimental to business. What a shame if the wonderfully library has to shut due to lack of park facilities.

Also the school parents park here in the mornings and afternoons to pick up their children and if they have to park on the roads it would be incredibly dangerous for the children. Its bad enough already at school times let alone if there was no where for them to park.

Yes if residents want to park then they should have to get a yearly permit to stop taking up spaces of the public who need to use it.

Off-street response – Reference number 2935

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2940

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2943

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2945

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I feel this will have a negative outcome for local business in Martin Square especially the excellent charity shop. Fewer people will visit to donate.

Off-street response – Reference number 2950

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2955

I support parking charges.

This car park has been subsidised long enough by Tonbridge residents, and the charges you are proposing seem fair.

Off-street response – Reference number 2956

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

Why should drivers in Tonbridge have to pay to park. But you do not have to if you live in Larkfield.

Off-street response – Reference number 2957

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2958

I both support and object to parking charges.

It is the local shops put a time restriction but not a charge.

Off-street response – Reference number 2959

I object to parking charges.

Have parked in the car park for years for school run and used the local shops. School drop off and pick up will be horrendous on local roads without being able to park for free in the car park

Off-street response – Reference number 2961

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2963

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2964

I object to parking charges.

This would result in loss of business for local shops as people wouldn't pop by, danger to parents who use it when dropping children at school so they will have to use road causing obstructions , chaos for people trying to access medical centre as people will use this instead and cause issues for Morrisons as people will use this and walk through. It working at present don't cause a major issue to businesses that are already struggling. And also if payment is via app mobile signal very poor

Off-street response – Reference number 2965

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2966

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2968

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2974

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Charging people that pop to the shops is not in anyone's thinking the way to combat people taking advantage and leaving cars just parked up.

Off-street response – Reference number 2975

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2977

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I object to the introduction of parking charges to Martin Square, Larkfield. I am concerned that the local shops will lose business. This is also close to a residential area and people will park outside of the car park within the surrounding residential areas. I have always been able to park whether to use the Library or the shops. The longest I may park is a couple of hours if I am using the Library and if the Library is not used, I suppose the council will shut that too!!!

Off-street response – Reference number 2978

I object to parking charges.

My objection is the part of Larkfield I live have NO bus service so I drive to Martin Square went needs to also its a MONEY MAKING MACHINE FOR THE COUNCIL.

Off-street response – Reference number 2979

I support parking charges.

I think parking charges should be consistent throughout the borough

Off-street response – Reference number 2980

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2981

I object to parking charges.

I think the introduction of charges will have a negative impact on the businesses on the square. These shops and cafe have a difficult enough time of it with rates and the present economic downturn without imposing extra problems for them and their loyal customers. Nobody will pay to drop off donations to the Charity Shop. Equally people will not pay to wait in a sometimes long queue at the chemist to collect prescriptions. New businesses such as the excellent butchers will I suspect have a look at moving away and the very popular cafe will limp along. Just look at what has happened in Maidstone after some very bad policy introductions. It is a ghost town during the day with ever growing shop closures.

Off-street response – Reference number 2983

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2984

I object to parking charges.

Charging to park a vehicle in Martin Square will create havoc in nearby streets, many of which are already painted with double yellow lines. Does TMBC really want the shops in Martin Square to go out of business? The surgery in Martin Square will no doubt be used by other drivers who are not at the surgery as they will not be able to afford the cost of anyone monitoring those parking in their spaces. How will TMBC be monitoring those who don't pay or overstay? TMBC say they cannot meet the cost of CCTV coverage for antisocial behaviour in Martin Square, nor do they fine those who park illegally on double yellow lines or zig zag lines outside nearby schools but somehow they CAN afford to monitor those who have to visit Martin Square for even a short period. I have to use my vehicle even to those shops as I have difficulty in walking but cannot claim a Blue Badge as I am not permanently 'disabled' as I can have knees replaced but in doing that I risk having a 3rd stroke. Is there anyone in TMBC who really cares about those of us that have problems or is it merely a 'cash cow'?

Off-street response – Reference number 2985

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2987

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2988

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2989

I support parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2995

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2998

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3000

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3001

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3003

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3004

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This idea along with others similar put forward by TMWC is uncaring unhelpful and has the only motive to collect fines and charges.... Stop it and look to the hood of serving the community which is your job!!

Off-street response – Reference number 3005

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3006

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If the carpark is busy to support local businesses then it seems these are likely to suffer from the introduction of parking charges. If the issues are to do with long-term parking then it would seem far more pertinent to NOT charge for the first 2 hours and then introduce parking charges to park longer than that.

Off-street response – Reference number 3009

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

This would completely put us off visiting the square. The majority of the visits are short quick visits, would take longer to sort the parking payment out.

Off-street response – Reference number 3010

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3011

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3014

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3015

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3016

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

There should be a free charge of 45 to 60 minutes for people to be able to visit the local shops. Especially the chemist and the Doctors. Also it should only be from 9 to 6 and free on Saturdays and Sunday and bankholidays.

Off-street response – Reference number 3017

I object to parking charges.

This will finish shops off

Off-street response – Reference number 3019

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3021

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3022

I object to parking charges.

This will have a massive impact on the shops. I frequently park in Martin Square to pop into the post office or the butchers, if I now have to find and pay 60p for a visit that takes 15mins at most, I will take my custom elsewhere.

If charges are needed to prevent over stayers, why can't up to 30mins be free, to still allow people to pop to the shops and therefore avoid all the businesses losing vital trade.

Off-street response – Reference number 3023

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

It will drive trade away from the shops

Off-street response – Reference number 3024

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3025

I object to parking charges.

I object because local businesses (including the charity shop) rely on customers who are able to "pop in", and local residents should not be penalised for doing so.

Off-street response – Reference number 3026

I object to parking charges.

How about introducing simply a 'ticket display' system instead? For example, you have to get a ticket to display in your car, which lasts 2 hours, but is still free. That way, it stops people misusing the short-term parking, without penalising the local businesses and their customers. Alternatively, if charges are introduced, then could there perhaps be a means for customers and staff of these business to claim back their parking costs?

Off-street response – Reference number 3027

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3028

I object to parking charges.

I use this car park regularly for over 30 years there has never been a problem parking always plenty of spaces.

I go to the chemist, I never know if I will be 10mins or upto 1hr when they busy.

I think if introduced it will be end of shops the square as they will not get hardly any customers if they have to pay to park

Off-street response – Reference number 3030

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3033

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3035

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3037

I object to parking charges.

This is a small local car park serving shops and the health centre and the introduction of charges would not be in the best interests of users

Off-street response – Reference number 3040

(no comment supplied)

No comment

Off-street response – Reference number 3043

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3044

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3047

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3048

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3049

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3050

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3057

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3059

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will destroy the local area, local shops and business and your actions will have knock on affects to other business car parks. I will simply stop using the local shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 3060

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3061

I support parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3062

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3063

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3064

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

At the moment Tonbridge is incurring parking charges but not the other towns in the Borough which is unfair

Off-street response – Reference number 3065

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3068

I object to Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3069

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3070

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I object to the introduction of parking charges as that area is not well serviced by public transport and therefore parking is necessary. However if charges do have to be applied , residents will definitely need to be given season tickets.

Off-street response – Reference number 3071

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3072

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3073

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3074

I object to parking charges.

I object to the introduction of parking charges at Martin square. This will affect my use of the local shops and amenities such as the local library and will be detrimental to the local area as a whole.

If the council wants to impose a charge here, I would suggest that it charges for extended stays only, ie those over 2 hours...Free parking for all for 2 hours.

Again it is just another money grabbing exercise, using another cutthroat external parking company to apply charges and fines. Poor show council.

Off-street response – Reference number 3075

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will cause chaos as people will simply park along the housing roads in Larkfield instead of paying for parking. This is not an issue in Martin square if people do park there longer as there are always ample parking spaces for customers. This will stop people coming to use and support the smaller shops and will encourage them to shop elsewhere at the larger supermarkets with large car parks. It is a ludicrous idea as far as i am concerned.

Off-street response – Reference number 3076

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3077

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3078

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3079

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3080

I support parking charges.

I support the charges if they are kept to a minimum charge simply so people can't overstay and affect spaces for others. Disabled should remain free

Off-street response – Reference number 3082

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3083

I object to Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3085

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I have never found parking to be a problem because of long stay parkers. Locals will be discouraged from using shops and businesses. The current system works well.

Community events could be affected.

Off-street response – Reference number 3088

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

We have no busses from Ryarsh and therefore need a car to go out I will end up a recluse being of a. Certain age

Off-street response – Reference number 3090

I object to parking charges.

I do not feel the selection of shops and facilities available at Martin Square warrants parking charges. Most people are just popping to the post office, collecting prescriptions or buying a few essentials and do not stay that long. I use the post office a lot for my small business. I think a better idea would be to make it a 1 hour maximum stay with permits for residents and shop workers.

Off-street response – Reference number 3091

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3093

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3094

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3096

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3097

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3098

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3101

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Crazy idea, there are always spaces available so why is there a need to charge people. It will put people off visiting and using the library and the shops. Parking will be a nightmare in Larkfield near the houses.

Off-street response – Reference number 3102

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3103

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This is totally unnecessary and will affect the businesses, I will not be visiting Martin Square if I have to pay for parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 3104

I object to parking charges.

The type of business and shops in St Martin's square are not places which people visit for long periods of time. You don't go to St Martin's to shop for several hours - you pop in and pop out. Even if you are using the Square to park for a visit to the Doctors surgery, you are not going to be there for very long. Charging for short stay will stop people wanting to pop in and pop out and the local businesses will suffer - it will just be easier to go to one of the large supermarkets.

Off-street response – Reference number 3105

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I think it would be reasonable to offer the first 1/2 hour free for users of the newsagent and post office.

Off-street response – Reference number 3106

I object to parking charges.

There is always a space when I go to use the shops/doctors surgery. Introducing payments will deter people from using the shops and create lots of hassle when waiting for long periods of time at the doctors surgery.

Off-street response – Reference number 3107

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Even at school pick up and drop off, the car park is busy but there are still spaces to be found. I think the detriment to the businesses will be profound if customers have to start to pay to shop there.

Off-street response – Reference number 3109

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3110

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3111

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3112

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3114

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3115

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3117

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Charging for parking in Martin square will greatly affect local business as I for one will not be parking there.

Off-street response – Reference number 3118

I object to parking charges.

This will be a disaster for local shops and cause parking problems outside the car park and further danger to pedestrians especially at school times.

Off-street response – Reference number 3119

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3120

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

Again, the car park is usually full of parked cars of people not using the shops, I've seen cars parked all day and the user has gone to work for the day getting a lift from someone else. Introduce charges but make it free for 60 minutes so people can visit chemist/ post office etc but for longer, bring in a realistic fee. If too expensive, it will be counter productive and cars will park in residential streets.

Off-street response – Reference number 3121

I object to parking charges.

If a charge has to be made it would help the local shops if a period of free parking was allowed as used in Paddock Wood.

Off-street response – Reference number 3122

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3124

I object to parking charges.

It will stop people using the shops and businesses. If it necessary to stop then cars will use the surrounding streets. If charges are needed for long stayers then please have the first half hour free to allow people to visit quickly.

Off-street response – Reference number 3125

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Parking charges will force cars out of the car park and on to the surrounding roads such as Kingfisher Road where on street parking is already at capacity. Parking charges wil discourage customers from using the local shops and services if they now have pay to park. Charges if applied should only be applicable after at least an hour and half. And not apply after 6pm.

Off-street response – Reference number 3127

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Doctors Surgery, post office, chemists

These and food providers like butchers, fish chip shop and the new Morrisons which are all short term but not always. People being charged will be affected and Road access to the schools etc. will be worse than they are now as people will park on local roads and walk. Less active and elderly people will be unable to access these facilities essential to our daily living.

Off-street response – Reference number 3129

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I do appreciate that there is little to persuade the council to keep Martin Square parking free. I am fully aware that you need more money and soaking the motorist (more) is one way that you can do it and there will be no stopping you. Even this consultation has little value and you are only holding it because you have to. You have no doubt made up your minds to charge anyway so this consultation is simply 'going through the motions' so to speak.

We know it, you know it. I am aware that you mostly hold your residents in contempt and that of course is the way that people pretty much regard you too. How refreshing to tell it like it is.

Can I suggest that you mitigate the Martin Square charges as best you can by introducing a first half hour or first hour free policy. This would discourage long term parking - no doubt people park in Martin Square all day, then go to London on the coach - and it would prevent you killing off the shops on the square, something which will surely happen if a shopper has to pay immediately he or she parks. The half hour free policy or the first hour free policy would help those people who use the cafe to eat (although just the first half hour only might give them indigestion). The first hour policy would also especially help patients to Thornhills Doctors Surgery as the parking spaces provided for the surgery are inadequate and often patients have to park on the Square itself. The free period would also be helpful to those who need to join the usual long time consuming queue to pick up prescription medicine from Paydens Chemists, often after an inordiatly long wait at the Surgery.

You might also consider providing more spaces for disabled driver parking. Not necessarily totally free but a better provision. By adopting these measures you could:

1. Raise some money.
2. Help keep Martin Square shops in business by not scaring away the shoppers.
3. Prevent much long term parking thereby stimulating vehicle movement and revenue from those who do need to park for longer periods.
4. Help to make local people think that you are not always totally against them and thus gain a bit of kudos for a change.
5. Consider recovering any revenue lost by this mitigation of charges by putting up the Council Tax so sharing the financial burden. After all, you are going to do that anyway, are you not?

Off-street response – Reference number 3131

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3134

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3135

I both support and object to parking charges.

I believe there should be parity across the borough for the carparks. This would bring it in line with the carparks in Tonbridge. If the problem is lack of availability of spaces, then season tickets are unlikely to help with this.

Off-street response – Reference number 3138

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

If parking charges are to be introduced I believe there should be an initial free period of 2 hours. There are never enough parking spaces in the Health Centre and the length of time spent there is very unpredictable, especially if a visit to the pharmacy is required afterwards. Also it would encourage people to still use the local shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 3139

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3140

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

When I want to pop to pay papers use post office or chemist I do not want hassle of parking meters!!
I don't often carry cash or know how long these visits will take, queue dependant

Off-street response – Reference number 3141

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3142

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3143

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

This scheme looks to be madness. I believe it will further drive people away from small local business and to supermarkets, Amazon and shopping centres with free parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 3144

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

I do not agree that cars stay longer than necessary. I visited the cafe in the Square a few days ago and could see out of the window that cars were parking up for 5 or so and then going. I would suggest any cars parking there longer are either staff working at the shops at Martin Square or residents. The proposal of car parking charges will be extremely detrimental to the businesses in the Square as people will be put off parking there especially the older generation who do not like the "Ring Go" apps. My 80 year old mother is horrified at the prospect of having to use a parking app as she regularly goes to the pharmacy in Martin Square and I am sure she is not alone.

The only reason the council want to charge people is as a way of generating revenue, despite us locals paying high Council Tax bills.

Off-street response – Reference number 3146

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

My main concern is for patients of the surgery. The doctors car park is inadequate and, therefore, patients use the Martin Sq car park. If there is no 1 hour free then patients will have to pay an additional burden on residents who are unwell. If a one hour free is continued patients will at least have a chance of not having that addition. My second concern is the potential serious affect to turnover amounts for businesses in Martin Sq. A fee introduction will also change the nature of the Sq as a community hub even library users will have to pay and that may be the nail in the coffin for that branch!

Off-street response – Reference number 3147

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This will just push people into the roads or the doctors car park (which isn't big enough). It's not going to help the shops that are in the square or packing in the area. Even when busy I have never had an issue parking there.

Off-street response – Reference number 3148

I object to parking charges.

I frequently use Martin Square as I use the pharmacy, beauticians, butchers and doctors as I hardly use West Malling for shopping since parking charges were introduced there. There should be a one hour free parking. As someone who receives Pension credit and the cost of living is SO high I'm wondering when all these increases will end.

Off-street response – Reference number 3149

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3151

I object to parking charges.

I would support the introduction of a time limit on free parking, say 2 hours. This would mean local shops can still be accessed by those who use them but it would restrict long term parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 3152

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

The car park does work well at the moment and I have never had a problem parking in Martin Square. If charges are introduced it would have a bad effect on the square's businesses, the doctors and some local residents.

Many pensioners going to the chemists will then affectively have to pay to get their prescriptions, especially so since at times there is a very long wait to be served. The same is true for people going to the doctors as this car park acts as an over car park for the doctors. In addition these proposals will obviously create another problem for the doctors as people will use their car park.

The proposals will also create problems by diverting parking to nearby streets. Many parents use Martin Square to park when taking their children to and from the two schools. At present we have a problem where I live where there is a back entrance to the schools. Parents park on the junction completely blocking sight lines, occasionally fully on the footway, and once on my neighbour's front garden. This will definitely get much worse. The proposals will also cause problems at the school's main entrance where more parents will be looking for a parking space, which means they will start parking on the bend in Swallow Road that already has very poor sight lines. Besides exacerbating problems for residents, it is not a good idea to introduce a scheme that will increase the number of cars in areas where children are walking.

Off-street response – Reference number 3154

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Will prohibit me being able to attend a medical facility.

Off-street response – Reference number 3155

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3156

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I don't think the business will survive with these charges being introduced! I pay a lot of money already to have my hair done and I am parked for at least 2.5 hours. So I couldn't afford to pay extra for parking aswell!. My husband also has his hair cut at Tapers and he is only there for half an hour!. With the cost of Living crisis and rise in poll tax this should be included in this community payment not extra!!!.

Off-street response – Reference number 3157

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I am a disabled person who drives to appointments etc it will cost me a lot of money weekly !! Especially when I can wait up to an hour in the chemist which is always understaffed !!!

Off-street response – Reference number 3159

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

The first hour should be free. This will ensure local businesses are protected.

Longer term parking does need to be controlled so charge for 2 to 4 hours. Beyond that for business uses and their staff and residents should be able to purchase realistically priced session tickets this, I believe, will protect businesses and raise more income than the current proposals, it would also discourage short term parkers from parking on residential streets or worse still doing business elsewhere = inevitably business closure's

Off-street response – Reference number 3160

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3161

I object to parking charges.

It will deter shoppers and people will have to pay to make donations to the Heart of Kent Hospice shop.

Off-street response – Reference number 3165

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I use library there

At moment I can park in their car park if I have to ..but that will fill up if u charge in big car park

Side streets will be used

People will not pay and the local stores will lose out

Off-street response – Reference number 3166

I object to parking charges.

This would heavily discourage me from using the Library and business there. I would seek alternatives that offer free parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 3168

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

It is fair that every car park in the borough contributes towards the cost of maintenance and that there is a fair charging policy for all communities rather than some paying to park while others park for free.

Charging to park will prevent some motorists from hogging parking spaces and allow a greater turnover so visitors can easily access shops and support the local economy.

Off-street response – Reference number 3169

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3170

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Residents & local community should be able to park without charge. We are trying to encourage the use of local shops & services.

Off-street response – Reference number 3171

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3172

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3173

I support parking charges.

I accept that a number of vehicles are parked for long periods in Martin Square car park, but, as a frequent short stay visitor to this car park, I usually have no difficulty in finding a parking space. My support for introducing charges is qualified, however. To encourage continued custom for the privately owned shops and businesses in Martin Square, there must be a period of free parking. The first one hour would be appropriate. 30 minutes is not long enough, e.g. for customers using the cafe. Residents of Martin Square, who have no parking, need to be able to park overnight without charge, so charging should end at either 6:00 p.m. or 6:30 p.m. These proposals need very careful consideration of all the potential impact on displaced vehicles being parked on nearby roads, thereby causing worse obstructions than those that already apply to Kingfisher Road and other nearby roads.

Off-street response – Reference number 3177

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I do not agree with introducing parking charges at Martin Square Car park as I feel it will have an adverse affect on the local shops, library, Thornhills Medical Centre and the surrounding residents. The local shops are already struggling and to introduce parking charges will increase this further. It will lessen the footfall which will then mean fewer patrons. The charges will also affect those working in the said shops, even with the proposed introduction of season tickets. The charity shop is run by volunteers and they will definately not be able to afford to pay parking fees, so will no longer be able to volunteer there, which would mean keeping the shop open would not be viable. People who currently use the post office in the Morrison's local, but will be less likely to if charges are introduced. They will then go to others with no parking charges, which will also lessen the footfall to visit this shop and then any others in the square. At a time when we should be supporting our local shops and libraries it would be madness to introduce something that can only put them under more pressure and possibly result in their closure.

I totally disagree with the statement 'the car park suffers from low turnover long-stay parking which reduces the availability of spaces for all.' I visit regularly and have done for years and this is never the case, I would like to see the evidence this statement is based on.

Introducing charges will deter visitors to the plaza cafe which currently has good custom and those patrons never struggle to park.

Charges will also lead to less people visiting the library as that has very limited parking. If charges are introduced in Martin Square car park, more people will then park in the Thornhills Medical Centre car park therefore putting a strain on that car park thus making parking for those visiting it more difficult. Not to mention that more people will park in the surrounding roads to avoid the charges thus affecting the local residents. When there are evening events at the local school, people park in this car park to avoid parking on the streets and to prevent disturbing local residents, to introduce parking charges will totally undo this.

There is no issue with car park and the ability to park so I feel very strongly that no changes need to be made and no charges introduced. To do so would not benefit the area but instead have an adverse and negative impact on all in the local vicinity.

TMBC duty is to serve the residents of it's area and help to improve their quality of life. Introducing Parking Charges in Martin Square will not best serve their residents, in fact it would be the direct opposite.

Off-street response – Reference number 3179

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3180

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3181

I object to parking charges, but support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3182

I object to parking charges.

The Doctors car park is full of cars from the practice employees, this means the main car park is used by me and others when attending surgery. It is not possible to predict the time needed for this purpose.

The shops in Martin square need TMBC's and local people's support, this measure actively encourages shoppers to go elsewhere.

I use the car park 2..3 times/week and have always found a space.

It is used as a safe pick up area for 3 local schools, this will result in more congestion and safety issues on local roads.

It will result in more parking on local roads.

If charges or penalties to deter long term parking are really needed then up to 2 should be free.

Off-street response – Reference number 3184

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3185

I object to parking charges.

I have never had a problem parking in Martin square. Why would I pay to park there when Tesco and Morrisons are free. If parking charges are introduced I will shop where it is free. You will destroy local communities. Well done....

Off-street response – Reference number 3186

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

Personally I have experienced the introduction of parking charges in West Malling which has kept people away from the village. Where I used to go into the town 2 or 3 times a week, I now only go at

the most once a month. I feel that if charges are introduced in Martin Square, the businesses and the library there would lose a lot of custom. Although I live in walking distance of the square, I know that parents of schoolchildren in the local area are already clogging up the roads at pick up and drop off times and so will make it worse if some cannot park in the square. They sit in their cars running their engines and polluting the atmosphere around our homes. I have never been to Martin Square and not been able to park anywhere when I have been on my way to somewhere else and dropped in to pick up something from the shops. Whenever I walk past or through the square there is always parking available. The whole idea is ludicrous and would be detrimental to the survival of the community.

Off-street response – Reference number 3187

I object to parking charges.

Any proposal should allow 30 mins free charges to allow people to collect prescriptions ,and quick jobs eg collect takeaway food or else all these business will lose custom and be forced to close

Off-street response – Reference number 3191

I object to parking charges.

It will take custom away from the shops. Why change it now..., it is not fair to the residents, especially in these difficult times

Off-street response – Reference number 3194

I object to parking charges.

You absolutely should not introduce charging here, you will just drive people away from these businesses and on to places where parking is free like Tesco in Lunsfield

Off-street response – Reference number 3196

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

This is making people poorer , it is a stealth charge , those who park illegally should be punished through fines , people want to go to work and live not pay fees to live , council tax is already at an extortionate rate , nobody asked or wants parking charges .

Off-street response – Reference number 3200

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3201

I object to parking charges.

I will stop using the Butchers and dry cleaners in Martins Square if I cannot park free for 30mins

Off-street response – Reference number 3203

I object to Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3214

I object to parking charges.

I think bringing in charges to Martin Square is a joke we pay enough council tax for this.

I don't see why I should pay parking charges to visit a friend that lives in one of the flats above the shops also the doctors surgery.

It was rejected 2 years ago. The Council also tried to close toilets in Martin Sq

Off-street response – Reference number 3217

I object to parking charges.

we strongly object to the proposal to impose parking charges for Martin Square, Larkfield.

The present arrangements just about work despite the parking at the Thornhills Medical Centre having been reduced to accommodate PortaCabins on part of it's parking area. The proposals are purely a revenue raising plan and should be refused.

There is a suspicion that with Parish Councils, Borough Councilors, and County Councilor for these two areas being Liberal that the Conservative controlled tmbc is playing a political game !!

Off-street response – Reference number 3219

I object to parking charges.

My objections to the proposed introduction of car parking charges in Martin Square are a

follows. The car park, as you are aware is a free car park, with parking for 23 hours within 24 hours.

It is used by the residents of the properties surrounding Martin Square who have no other options but to park in this car park; for those who work in the businesses in Martin Square; also those visiting the shops and facilities in Martin Square have no option but to park there. The businesses in the square contain not only hairdressers, charity shop, butchers, various take away food shops and betting shop which are well used by local people. It includes Post office/newsagents, Pharmacy, Doctors Surgery, and Library, these being used not only by Larkfield residents but by a much wider community, as they are their nearest facility for these needs.

The introduction of parking charges would have a great effect on all those working in and customers of the facilities provided, and causing hardship to many. Those that have no alternative to using the facilities provided or who wish to still support these facilities will be penalised and those that have an alternative would stop coming to use these facilities. Also how to know how long you will need to park to attend the doctors surgery or the pharmacy and post office, at which there are frequently long ques. The Library is also well used and has not only its books but computer facilities, how long to judge the time for this use - the KCC is always looking to close this facility, you will be helping them to do this. Some of the businesses in the Square may have to close because staff cannot afford to pay for parking, what about the Heart of Kent Hospice shop where people give their time free but will now be required to pay for parking?

Please re-consider and do not bring in parking charges for this car park.

Off-street response – Reference number 3223

I support parking charges.

Once again, I've reviewed your intention of introducing Parking Charges at the Martin Square Car Park.

Although I support the proposal, I don't support the proposed Scale of Charges. As a Larkfield resident for over 35 years let me explain why.

As residents of Larkfield, living between the M20 and Leybourne Lakes, when we moved to this area in the 1980's we enjoyed having a local Post Office/Newsagent in the Tesco precinct. Sadly, this facility was closed shortly afterwards and since then we have all had to go to Martin's Square for our Post Office requirements.

Regrettably (annoyingly!), in the last few years, when visiting the Post Office, it has become more and more difficult to find a parking space. Almost certainly, more and more people are parking here during the day, because it's "free". I'm a frequent visitor and some days I'm waiting more than 10 minutes for a space to become available. My neighbours have also expressed their constant frustration of trying to park in Martin's Square. Hence, the reason I support the proposed change.

What I am strongly against, however, is your proposed Scale of Charges. This is an extremely busy Post Office, serving all the residents of Larkfield (especially with the increased number queuing with parcels to send!!) and, many times, the waiting time to be served is in excess of 20 to 30 minutes. Hence, my proposal is you apply your Scale of Charges but with the 1st Hour "free". As well as going to the Post Office, this will then also enable other shops in the precinct to be visited (such as the Pharmacy) within the one hour free time slot. After the 1st Hour "free" you could then charge £1.50 from 1 to 2 hours to recover your lost revenue. Am sure this proposal would also be welcomed by Shop owners in the Square, as well as visitors/patients to the Medical Centre.

Finally, but just as importantly, what you must also consider is if Parking Charges are introduced from "time of arrival" in Martin Square, then more and more visitors will go and park next door in Morrisons "free" Car Park.

Am sure Morrisons will then quickly get upset and would also need to take corrective action.

Off-street response – Reference number 3231

I object to parking charges.

Parking charges in Martin Square Larkfield? It's outrageous!! I've never had a problem finding a parking space there. Most people go there to access the medical centre, the pharmacy and the post office. Why are you going to charge them for that? If you don't want people to park there all day, limit the parking time, but please don't charge people. We are all having a bad enough time of it as it is with the cost of living and just about managing to get by without you adding more costs on top.

I do not agree with your proposal. Of course you won't listen to the likes of us, it will go ahead anyway but I thought you might as well know how we feel about it.

Off-street response – Reference number 3233

I object to parking charges and I object to season tickets.

I'm writing to say that both my wife and myself are against the introduction of charges in West Malling high street and Martin Square. We believe that both will cause a significant drop in the footfall in both areas as there are plenty of alternative options (why use Tesco WM if the addition charge would mean it's cheaper to use Tesco Lunsford Park, why use the chemist if it's more economic to use the pharmacy in Tesco Lunsford Park etc?).

If ultimately a charge is introduced it would be beneficial to local businesses if the first 30 or 60 minutes were to be free. There are plenty of examples across the country where the introduction of charges has resulted in the loss of "high street" businesses.

The likely short term gain will result in long term pain ultimately reducing parking charge revenue and, in all likelihood, less business rate income for the council.

Similar arguments apply to the situation in Martin Square.

Off-street response – Reference number 3234

I object to parking charges.

I am strongly opposed to these charges for the following reasons:

1) I have lived in Lunsford Lane for 40 years and am a frequent user of the shops and other facilities in Martin Square, in particular the chemist, newsagent, post office, Tapers Beauty, the dry cleaners and the fish and chip shop.

My visits are usually the "pop in type" lasting less than half an hour to an hour but often at least three times per week. I believe that to impose parking charges will have a huge impact on these small businesses.

2) Parents call in to the Square shops after dropping children off to the primary schools nearby or after school but would not want the burden and hassle of paying every time.

3) The chemist and doctors surgery are a vital facility and a lot of people just pop into the library.

4) The charity shop which supports the local hospice needs people to be able to drop off donations and parking for its unpaid volunteers.

If the council wants to stop all day parking perhaps they should impose charges after 3 hours. I don't think you can compare a small local access facility with a town like West Malling.

I know there is a lot of opposition to these proposals and I hope people's views will be taken into account.

Off-street response – Reference number 3241

I object to parking charges.

It is disgusting that after reaching the age of eighty six I should have to pay parking charges just to use Martin Squares' Post Office.

It was only two years ago that migrants were sitting outside a hotel in Kent eating their breakfast!

I worked until I was eighty as a carer.

We need a Government who has some brains and who puts hard working British people first.

Off-street response – Reference number 3242

I object to parking charges.

This hideous idea of charging people for parking to visit their local Shops, Schools, Doctors, Cafe, Chemist, Toilet, Hairdresser etc. is such a ludicrous hare-brained scheme of not only blocking up the local roads including putting the public's life at risk but killing off the Square's local businesses

Although I guess you will say it's only 60p for half an hour, you don't understand that a lot of people cannot afford it and don't know how long a doctor's appointment etc. will take.

You are simply pushing the trade to the local Superstores and upsetting all the decent tax paying folk and businesses of this community, you should be ashamed to be considering this money-making cash cow.

As you can probably tell we are absolutely seething and totally against this stupid proposal and strongly object, I request you axe it immediately.

Off-street response – Reference number 2

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 6

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 7

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 10

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

As above, keep cost inline with elsewhere to avoid increased hrs elsewhere.

Off-street response – Reference number 16

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 19

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

Parking charges should be equitable across borough. One area should not be subsidising another.

Off-street response – Reference number 20

I support parking charges.

Parking charges should be in place 24*7*365 to encourage shoppers to look out for alternate transportation modes and to help environment. Also, parking charges should be increased every 6 months.

Off-street response – Reference number 22

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 25

I object to parking charges.

Again allow free parking for 2 hours with exemptions if you are having a meal at the Hengist or a local pub.

Off-street response – Reference number 27

I object to parking charges.

The only time this is really busy is when football is on

Off-street response – Reference number 28

I object to parking charges.

Unnecessary; people won't pay to use the shops and shops/businesses will lose money. Don't take business away from our beautiful village we need it to survive!

Off-street response – Reference number 33

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 34

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 35

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Short sighted - residents yes but business, no.

You will prevent visitors

Off-street response – Reference number 36

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 38

I object to parking charges.

Free for two hours then charge

Off-street response – Reference number 39

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 41

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 45

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 48

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 54

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Those will be detrimental to local business who are already struggling in the current climate. Their staff will struggle to afford to pay the season ticket charges and their customers will be less likely to visit the village. In addition the school parents who use the car park for drop offs and pick ups will no doubt end up parking in other roads causing more congestion in an already congested village. This village is unique in terms of its age and property types and so many residents do not have private parking. This is an unreasonable financial burden.

Off-street response – Reference number 57

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

As above

Off-street response – Reference number 59

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 60

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

This would make it unaffordable to come to work .

Off-street response – Reference number 61

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 66

I object to parking charges.

I work part time at the Aylesford Osteopathic practice in Aylesford village. If the parking charges are introduced I will be paying £85-£100 a month just to park for work which I just can't afford. We have

patients coming into the practice on a regular basis who this will also impact too. This will impact all local small businesses within the village who are already struggling during a cost of living crisis.

Off-street response – Reference number 72

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 73

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 79

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 81

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 82

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 83

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

All car parks in the borough should be charged to users. Parking should not be free on council property.

Off-street response – Reference number 87

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 88

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

As above

Off-street response – Reference number 92

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 93

I object to parking charges.

I feel strongly that the first 30 mins should be FREE. So many people park there to drop/collect children from St Peter's, myself included. There is NOWHERE else in the village to park. We are no longer allowed to park in the community centre, not allowed to park alongside the church? How are we supposed to do this and then go to work? We should not be charged to take our kids to school. This is not the 1950s with mums not working and having time to walk children to school. Additionally many of the children live outside Aylesford. Further to this it should be considered an issue for the church. Many weddings and funerals take place and again no other parking available in Aylesford. The church car park holds about 8 cars and most of the school staff park there (as they too have no parking!!!) This will be outrageous if it is allowed to pass as proposed. If it has to go ahead please consider allowances for the school, church and local residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 98

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 99

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 101

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 103

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 104

I support parking charges.

I think parking should be free for all or all should pay across the borough. I think it is unfair on local businesses where customers and staff have to pay to park.

Off-street response – Reference number 107

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Manage how long people are parking there, and issue fines if required. There is not alot of free stuff in this world any more, what real harm does a bit of free parking do. It will turn into yet another

money making scheme for the Council.

Off-street response – Reference number 108

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 112

I support parking charges.

Only as a deterrent to long stay parking. Max free 3hrs parking should be provided allowing people to exercise/walk.

Off-street response – Reference number 114

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 116

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 117

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

You should allow 1h free

Off-street response – Reference number 119

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 120

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 121

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 122

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 125

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 126

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Totally opposed to Season Tickets. On my meagre pensions I simply cannot find nearly £30 a month to park my car when I have no alternative to parking there and also there will be no guarantee of a space.

Carers have to use the car parks and visiting friends and relatives- some of whom may stay over for a day or two.

And what about the school. A vital part of our village life. It's disgraceful.

Off-street response – Reference number 128

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Won't be affordable every day when working in the village at these difficult times and will be bad for business.

Off-street response – Reference number 129

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 130

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 134

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 136

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 140

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 142

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 144

I support parking charges.

Suitable provision must also be made for the local workers who need long term parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 146

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

People will shop online more & NOT use small local businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 150

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I use the car park regularly to visit the Osteopath and restaurants. Also residents who have no parking at their homes should not be penalised

Off-street response – Reference number 152

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 156

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 157

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Support Business, keep parking free

Off-street response – Reference number 159

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 160

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Why Why just another cash making cow.

Off-street response – Reference number 162

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 163

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 164

I object to parking charges.

I firmly reject any further charges for motorists

Off-street response – Reference number 165

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 166

I object to parking charges.

Come to the village regularly to support local businesses, particularly the Osteopath and Tea rooms.
Bring my disabled brother for appointments.

Off-street response – Reference number 169

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 170

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 174

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 175

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 177

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 178

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 179

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

It is manifestly unjust that you charge for parking in some locations such as Tonbridge but not in others. Since you view parking charges as a legitimate fundraising source then you should apply this consistently across the whole borough. My alternative suggestion is that you are honest and raise the council tax, rather than applying stealth charges on motorists in this way.

Off-street response – Reference number 183

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 184

I object to parking charges.

Work in this village on min wage. This would mean not worth going to work. Plus means the local businesses who are already struggling will fail.

Off-street response – Reference number 186

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 191

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 192

I object to parking charges.

I regularly use these car parks for businesses in the high street every month , I probably won't use them if charges apply

Off-street response – Reference number 196

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 200

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

Another money making scheme by the council who are unable to control their finances.

I support charges after a period of 2 hours

This will affect local businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 202

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Local people should be able to use their local amenities without being penalised. In the current climate it is another nail in the coffin for the small independents and the elderly and those with young children..... also, don't we pay council and road tax already?

Off-street response – Reference number 203

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

As above

Off-street response – Reference number 204

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 206

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

With TMBC all parking should be charged or it all ought to be free. No some pay, some don't, fair for all please.

Off-street response – Reference number 207

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 208

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 210

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 211

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 213

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I would have to pay to park in order to work, and if clients came to collect keys for properties it makes it difficult and likely to affect business.

Off-street response – Reference number 216

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 217

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 220

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

The residents of High Street have no access to on street parking and have no choice but to park in the car park. The introduction of parking charges/season tickets doesn't come with a guarantee of a space either.

My fear is that this will push residents and visitors to the village in to parking along Forstal Road which is already very congested with cars making it more hazardous. And the introduction of these charges will be detrimental to the businesses, not to mention house prices, in the area. Who is going to want to pay an extra £290 a year with no guarantee of a space?!

Off-street response – Reference number 222

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 224

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 225

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 229

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 231

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

As someone who uses the service of a business in Aylesford this would severely put me off of keeping my business. Finances are extremely tight and I would be better taking my business elsewhere where there are no parking charges.

With regards to the businesses having to pay to park - if they lose customers over this parking charge then how are the going to afford to pay for the parking.

It seems like you'll end up with a business free Aylesford so you can bulldoze it and sell off the land for flats.

Maybe you could consider adding a time limit for cars which do not display a working permit (a permit which is free for those who work in the businesses)

Off-street response – Reference number 236

I object to parking charges.

I use this car park to visit a number of business's in the high street, I have never had a problem with finding a parking place, which goes against your reason for bringing in charges. If the issue as stated is long term parking why not only charge for parking over 3 hours. By charging for all parking you will significantly impact people using the local shops and therefore in turn impact the viability of the businesses in the high street. These charges will make me think twice about using these businesses when I can go elsewhere and not have to pay extra. There is no alternative parking so people will simply not use the businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 237

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 238

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 239

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 242

I object to parking charges.

I park there when I have appointments with the Osteopaths.

Off-street response – Reference number 245

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 248

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 252

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 255

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 256

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 257

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 260

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 263

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

More effort should be made to stop the long term parking in this car park. Local residents do not have anywhere else to park.

Off-street response – Reference number 266

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 269

I support parking charges, but object to Season Tickets

If the intention is to prevent long-stay parking, providing season tickets is counterproductive and contrary to the stated aims.

Off-street response – Reference number 270

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

This is not an area that I use but I object on grounds of fairness.

Off-street response – Reference number 274

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Just another tax on the local people, you've closed aylesford public toilets to save money and now you want to charge for parking. Stop ruining everything for local people.

Off-street response – Reference number 276

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 278

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I think this we detrimentally affect small local business and a some residents need this car park. It till result in more parking on Forstal road and Rochester road and will cause more congestion

Off-street response – Reference number 280

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Walkers use these car parks and as we should be encouraging outdoor pursuits I object to any charges I these car parks

Off-street response – Reference number 281

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 284

I object to parking charges.

There is no where else to park if you live in Aylesford so will have to pay with no choice

Off-street response – Reference number 285

I object to parking charges.

Kill off Aylesford village

Off-street response – Reference number 286

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

Why not have charges at the more popular West car park and leave the East car park free? The east car park mainly has those using the playing field which reduces the dangerous parking along the road.

Off-street response – Reference number 291

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 292

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 298

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 300

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 301

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 302

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 304

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 306

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Most of the village residents rely on this car park being free in order to live in the village. Most bought their houses knowing they had this option for parking as most of the village doesn't have the option of their own drive. We have two cars which would work out so expensive just to park somewhere that for the past 9 years living here have been free. We have no choice but to park there, and it is incredibly unfair to group this car park in with others in the area that aren't used mainly by residents. If residents could apply for a free parking permit and the rest of the car park was pay and display for visitors this would be fair. But it is unfair to charge residents out of the blue. Especially in a cost of living crisis where we are all already feeling the pressure financially. It would also make selling houses in the village even more challenging as the free car park currently is the only way to sell a house without a drive or on street parking. This change would have a much greater impact than just the initial parking issue.

Off-street response – Reference number 308

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 311

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 312

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 318

I object to parking charges.

Needs to be free to access Aylesford Village and for walkers

Off-street response – Reference number 319

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I think it's a bad idea to introduce parking charges. A lot of parents and grandparents use this carpark for the children's playground this would stop children going to the playground

Off-street response – Reference number 320

I support parking charges.

All car parks across the Borough should have the SAME parking charge system - not a higher rate in Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 321

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 323

I support parking charges.

Limited local shops, no doctors etc, more tourist area, so cannot see the harm in charging

Off-street response – Reference number 329

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 330

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 331

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 332

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 341

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 343

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 344

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 346

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 347

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Once again you're hitting motorists. You will find that people just won't bother visiting the village

Off-street response – Reference number 350

I support parking charges, but object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 351

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 353

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 358

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 359

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 361

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 367

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 368

I support Season Tickets.

Allow residents to park and visitors a charge

Off-street response – Reference number 370

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 373

I object to parking charges.

People who live in the high street have no where to park other than the car park , how can you charge people to park where they live , this is not London it's kent.

Off-street response – Reference number 378

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 382

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 385

I object to parking charges.

Killing retail and leisure - it will only benefit Amazon, as eventually you will lose rates from buildings also, and will just have more flats in place of shops

Off-street response – Reference number 389

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 392

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 393

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 395

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Purely a cash grab no need for it.

Off-street response – Reference number 396

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

There is always parking available, although there are clearly busier times (Friday evening and weekends) it is a well parking which aids the footfall on local businesses. There are people who do not live directly in aylesford/walking distance that park there to use the local businesses. It will put people off going there who have to pay to park, especially if they are just popping for a drink/meal/shop. It is a great addition to the village and means people can park and walk down the river, watch their kids play football, go for a drink. By paying for parking you force people to go elsewhere and in a cost of living making a trip out more expensive is unnecessary and unfair. We meet friends and family in aylesford as it is a mid point for us. If this was to cost to park there are other places we could go with free parking. It would be a shame and would penalise the local businesses that are not at fault for being based in an old village that does not have parking in their establishments.

Off-street response – Reference number 397

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 401

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I am not a local resident or a business owner but a patron of the Little Gem, a wonderful pub and an endorsement to the village. I am also a life-long member of Aylesford Bulls Rugby Club, play for them every weekend and use their facilities three times a week. If these charges are introduced I would find it hard to justify my regular trips to the village and neither could many of my fellow drinkers, many of whom are not local. I am sure that this would have a negative impact on the Little Gem's business, in fact I see no scenario where it would not. At a time when pubs are closing at an alarming rate and community hotspots are hard to come by the Little Gem swims against the tide. It is my very

real fear that parking charges would put off custom and damage the pub massively.

Off-street response – Reference number 402

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 404

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 405

I object to parking charges.

As above

Off-street response – Reference number 406

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 407

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 408

(no comment supplied)

Not my area

Off-street response – Reference number 414

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Stop trying to find ways of stealing off the public.

Off-street response – Reference number 418

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 421

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

Whilst I object to the current proposal I do agree that there should be a charge for extended parking. The current proposal of charging from minute 1 is not reasonable there should be a 30 or 60 minute grace period especially to support the local businesses as there are too many independents being squashed out the market by high rates/rents and multinational companies. As a council you should be supporting local business not putting additional barriers in their way my proposal would enable people to park and attend the local businesses, or for weekend football tournaments and in my case be able to drop an infirm relative off without having to pay a charge. I was going to also suggest a no return policy but not sure how this would work unless you do provide a dedicated drop off and pick up location

Residents and workers should be able to purchase an annual ticket but not at inflated rates but at the cost of administrative expenses which can be no more than £50 per year. Obviously they will have to prove residency and businesses would have to evidence employment eg wage slip

Off-street response – Reference number 422

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 424

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I am a local resident in Aylesford village who only has on street parking by and outside my property. Due to this being by a pub and very limited I often can't park outside or by my property already to date. I therefore park in these local public car parks over night or during the daytime 3/4 times a week. The cost of having to do this and pay would push me to park on street elsewhere within the village. I'm am sure others will the the same. The knock on of parking charges in these car parks will be local residents completely filling all spaces on the road and surrounding areas and will make many times of day insufferable to drive around the village.

Off-street response – Reference number 426

I object to parking charges.

This is the only car park area in Aylesford and is needed by residents and visitors otherwise pavements will be affected with parking. Charging fees will adversely affect local businesses and residents who have no where to park and will experience another financial burden during a financial crisis it will affect the elderly, disable and young families along with tourists to village

Off-street response – Reference number 427

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 430

(no comment supplied)

I don't live close to, or use, this car park

Off-street response – Reference number 436

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

The rationale for the charges are ridiculous, there are very few shops in the village and equally the shop owners themselves believe this will destroy business not enhance it. These car parks are mainly used by residents in a village with historical buildings and homes that did not cater for cars when they were built. You will be penalising an entire community for not having their own parking space at home, this includes key low paid workers, single parents and very much the case with this village the elderly. I see no justification for the charges, particularly when there have also been so many vehicle thefts and crimes in the main car park.

Off-street response – Reference number 437

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 446

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 449

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 452

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 453

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 458

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 459

I object to parking charges.

There is no reasonable public transport alternative, we are in a cost of living crisis, it will discourage people from coming into the area to visit local businesses and penalise the people that work and live here. The cost of maintaining a car park is surely lower than running a functional, consistent, and frequent bus service which you do not. Also, this is going to cause people to find other places to park, potentially blocking roads and views of junction, leading to increased congestion and a safety risk in an area that is severely lacking in on street parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 463

I support Season Tickets.

In this day and age we have to accept that parking charges are inevitable as councils struggle for cash. I think residents and businesses should have preferential terms though.

Off-street response – Reference number 464

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 465

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

As mentioned in reply to Question 5.

Off-street response – Reference number 469

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 470

I object to parking charges.

In theory I do not object to bringing in charges to the car park. However, I think the season ticket costs for residents are exorbitant. £290 per year seems excessive. In other areas of TMBC residents parking permits are £52 per year. Your proposed costs are almost 6 times more which seems grossly unfair. There are very few houses in the village which have their own parking and therefore to hold residents captive to these inflated prices is bordering on criminal. If you are going to bring in this charging it should be in line with other residential parking charges in the borough.

Off-street response – Reference number 471

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 475

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 478

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 482

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

All surrounding free parking in supporting residential areas will be overrun with more cars trying to park for free when we're already suffering from dangerous road parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 485

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 486

I object to Season Tickets.

Will push car into Medway Court who already have parking issues which are dangerous and utterly ridiculous. Fire engines would struggle now to access the road without more cars parked on pavements which are pushing us to walk in the road

Off-street response – Reference number 488

(no comment supplied)

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Off-street response – Reference number 489

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 490

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 492

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 495

I object to parking charges.

Parking is already ridiculous on the entrance to Medway court. This will make it much worse

Off-street response – Reference number 496

I support parking charges, but object to Season Tickets

See above

Off-street response – Reference number 497

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 498

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

The existence of the free car parking for Aylesford village is the only thing that makes the high street businesses and residences without their own parking viable. Do not introduce charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 504

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 505

I object to parking charges.

I think it will destroy the pubs and restaurants in Aylesford village

Off-street response – Reference number 506

I object to parking charges.

It is disappointing to see the council trying to squeeze more money out of local people for parking when it has singularly failed to restore the river path to the north which has been blocked awaiting repair for 3 years. I would be more sympathetic to the parking costs if the council was maintaining the river path which many of us want to use after parking. (eg walkers, runners) Currently we are forced onto the main road for the stretch which needs repair, which diminishes the enjoyment and benefit of having a river path considerably.

Off-street response – Reference number 508

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 509

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 515

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 516

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 519

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 520

I object to parking charges.

Will stop people enjoying the village and waterside walks

Local business will suffer

Off-street response – Reference number 521

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 523

I support parking charges, but object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 524

I object to parking charges.

The Aylesford car parks are the only places many residents can park due to limited on-street parking available in the village. I consider that these should still have free parking. Also the businesses in the village would probably lose customers and therefore become unviable if charging

was to be introduced.

Off-street response – Reference number 525

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 528

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 531

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 536

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 539

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 540

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 541

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 547

I object to parking charges.

Same reasons as point 4.

Off-street response – Reference number 549

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 551

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 552

I object to parking charges.

This is just another step to the War on drivers, If you wish to raise capital without increasing Residents Council Tax, I suggest the council takes a strategic look at the corporate directors team who really run the council, Highly paid unelected individuals

Off-street response – Reference number 554

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 555

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

This is daylight robbery which only serves to line the pockets of the council and will end businesses and create charges for residents who are already struggling to get by. Use the money from the excessive council tax rates you charge to maintain the car parks.

Off-street response – Reference number 558

I object to parking charges.

It will discourage people from visiting the town, and businesses and restaurants will lose out as people will go elsewhere and park for free.

Off-street response – Reference number 561

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

The same again all local businesses would lose out as I would take my business elsewhere. Local businesses are already struggling to attract customers as they do not have their own parking in the village

Off-street response – Reference number 563

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 565

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 566

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 569

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

There are few shops and very few local businesses that people need to park in the Bailey car parks to visit. The majority of the people that use this car park are local residents who, due to the nature of this ancient mediaeval village, do not have parking spaces at their homes. Lots of parents park there to take their children to the school, many live further than walking distance.

Looking at your proposal of £290 a year for a season ticket for a resident or business, this seems excessive when compared to other parking permits issued by yourselves which are only £52. If you insist on bringing in parking charges for these car parks then this same parking permit price should be offered for the residents and also for the school parents who are the greatest users of these car parking spaces.

I think the Aylesford village car parks should be treated as an exception to your blanket rule that you appear to be applying.

Off-street response – Reference number 571

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 572

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 575

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 577

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Agreed not as many shops but all other comments above apply.

Off-street response – Reference number 583

I object to parking charges.

As above

Off-street response – Reference number 584

I support parking charges, but object to Season Tickets

1 hour free parking in ALL TMBC carparks to encourage use of local businesses and facilities

Off-street response – Reference number 585

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 586

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 587

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 588

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 590

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

The businesses in Aylesford are the reason most people visit the village so why would you penalise the businesses by charging for a season ticket?

As a full time employee of a business in the village, I need to bring my car to work as this is needed for appointments during the day. The additional cost of a season ticket will be a big strain on my family.

If a cost is charged, this will make many visitors/employees park on the already overloaded side roads in the village, creating even more parking issues for local residents.

With the lack of buses in the village the importance of having a car is even more significant and many of the houses do not have any parking, due to the era they were built.

If charges have to be made an annual permit for businesses at a low cost such as £30 would be easier to swallow. This should be free for residents.

If local residents and businesses are able to display a permit and a reasonable charge was made for visitors, this could deter people leaving their vehicles all day, everyday whilst they car share etc.

There is inconsiderate parking in the car parks on a daily basis meaning spaces are too small to fit into, leaving them unoccupied. Is this something the parking attendants could address?

Off-street response – Reference number 592

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 597

I support parking charges.

Machines in car parks MUST accept cash

Off-street response – Reference number 598

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I am speechless in my condemnation of this petty act you are inflicting on good people

Off-street response – Reference number 599

I object to parking charges.

Where are residents supposed to park. There is no parking in the village as you well know and this facility gives it to them.

Off-street response – Reference number 601

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

charging will deter shoppers/diners to local shops pubs restaurants

where do the parents who bring kids to school park/drop off ? all traffic will move to mount pleasant for dropping off and pick up which has traffic restrictions (which council dont enforce.)

on street parking will become problematic and move up Rochester road and forstal road and side streets thus making more obstructions to traffic flow.

most businesses will suffer and possibly close due to the charging deterrent and money gained will be offset in loss of business rates.

The solution would be 1st hour free and residents permits at a much reduced price than the quoted £300 for a season ticket.

when will the council stop using the motorist as a cash cow?

are you going to fix the flooding around the proposed P&D machine in Bailey Bridge (West)

car park as i believe the cost of repair will negate any profit

Off-street response – Reference number 603

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 606

I object to parking charges.

There should be free parking for those attending Aylesford church events, especially for Sunday services.

The Brassey car park would become an illegal parking place for many trying to avoid parking fees.

Off-street response – Reference number 607

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I am a District nurse and use this car park when visiting patients in Aylesford village

Off-street response – Reference number 609

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 612

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

As above

Off-street response – Reference number 615

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 617

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 618

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 619

I object to parking charges.

Not fair on local residents and those visiting local shops and church

Off-street response – Reference number 620

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 621

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 622

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

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Off-street response – Reference number 623

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 624

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 627

I support and object to parking charges.

This is going to cause so much anger with so many of the local primary school parents dropping off and collecting twice a day. Not even having your first 30 mins free is not good . I am a school parent that drops off and have a disability and use my badge . Already some ignorant parents will still disrespectfully park on double yellows and means I have no where close to park . Putting these charges in there will be so many more doing this. Also lots others elderly and disabled that will affect .they will end up blocking the busy road on aylesford high street and potentially cause accidents there too. Not in support of this at all unless it's free for first 30 mins or charges evenings and weekends only .

Off-street response – Reference number 629

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I have worked for Bluebell Estates for 13 1/2 years and have never had to pay for parking during this time. In the current squeeze on finances and everything going up, I am finding it harder and harder to make ends meet. This daily charge would just add to the daily struggle and would make finances so hard i will be working for nothing, especially being part time where it wouldn't be worth it. It has also been a very difficult year for the business and this charge would just add to us losing business due to customers having to pay to park. It is just not viable for any of us.

Off-street response – Reference number 630

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

The only concern I have is what effect this step will have on the town's retail shops and businesses . If shops close or businesses this reduces the ability of the council to collect business rates and creates more unemployment

Off-street response – Reference number 631

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 632

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 633

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 635

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 636

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 640

I object to parking charges.

This is mainly residents of aylesford. If you did this then please give them permits

Off-street response – Reference number 641

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 642

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 643

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 644

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 645

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 646

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 647

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 648

I object to parking charges.

Introduce a free parking time period for those who wish to shop. Free parking for an hr maybe. Anyone using it for longterm parking could be charged.

Off-street response – Reference number 649

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 650

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 651

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 652

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 653

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 655

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 656

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 661

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

As above

Off-street response – Reference number 664

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 667

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 668

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 669

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 672

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

We pay enough the local shops will be out of business!

Off-street response – Reference number 673

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 674

I object to parking charges.

If I have to pay for a season ticket, I am paying for a service ie a guaranteed space any time of the day, anyday of the week. You cannot guarantee this so why should I pay for something I may not get!

Off-street response – Reference number 675

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 677

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 678

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 682

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 683

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 684

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 686

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 689

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 691

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 692

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 693

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 694

(no comment supplied)

I object to the parking charge which is being introduced to use the Martin square car park. The shops are mainly nip in and out style shops, to have to pay to only use the car park around 15 minutes. I feel myself and others will no longer use the car park and go to the shops, which will impact on the businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 695

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

As above small business will close down. You will stop people from getting fresh air while walking along the canal.....

Off-street response – Reference number 696

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 698

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Parking charges are unnecessary in small village shops. It is creating barriers to shop locally and is unfair to shop owners. This drives people to shop online and this is why we have empty shops and half the high streets have charity shops and pubs that have been there for years as there is no incentive for businesses to open. If it is necessary to reduce non shoppers parking then introduce ANPR and have at least 1-2hrs free.

Off-street response – Reference number 699

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 701

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 702

I support parking charges.

There needs to be a 30 mins free parking for quick drop offs/ pick ups in the village

Off-street response – Reference number 703

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 705

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 706

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 708

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Why should the people that travel to support business pay for parking when we only their hour max

Off-street response – Reference number 709

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 711

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 716

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 719

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 722

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 726

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 732

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 733

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 736

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 737

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 738

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 740

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 741

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 742

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 743

I object to parking charges.

Please consider a short free period for parents dropping off/collecting children from the school and carers making short daily visits to residents. There is nowhere else to park safely and charges will just lead to chaos twice a day

Off-street response – Reference number 746

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

People won't bother visiting if they have to pay. Just introduce a time limit.

Off-street response – Reference number 747

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 749

I object to parking charges.

The cars are parked for a variety of reasons, restaurant clients, sport spectators, rambles church goers . I have never had a problem parking there and it will encourage people to park on Forstal Rd if charges are introduced.

Off-street response – Reference number 750

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 751

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 752

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 754

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 755

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 757

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 760

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 761

I object to parking charges.

There should be a free time to allow for school pick up

Off-street response – Reference number 764

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 765

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 767

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 769

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 770

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 772

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 773

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 774

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 775

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 776

I object to parking charges.

The local area will become congested the village will loose vital business

Off-street response – Reference number 777

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Absolutely no

Off-street response – Reference number 778

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 779

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 780

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 782

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 783

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 784

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 785

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 786

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 788

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 790

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 791

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

See above comments

Off-street response – Reference number 793

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 794

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 795

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 796

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 798

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 799

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 800

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 801

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 802

I object to parking charges.

My Grandson supports and plays football on the sports area and we often visit the village and walk in the area again this would make us think again about doing this.

Off-street response – Reference number 803

I object to parking charges.

Villages and town centres doomed for the sake of a few pence.

Off-street response – Reference number 805

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 809

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 810

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 811

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 813

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 814

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 815

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 818

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 820

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 823

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 828

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 829

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 830

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

People visit for a walk around the quaint village this will impact greatly if charges are introduced

Off-street response – Reference number 831

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 832

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 833

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 834

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 838

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

It would be the end for any small businesses in the village

Off-street response – Reference number 841

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 842

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

This will Affect all the business in Aylesford.

Off-street response – Reference number 850

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 852

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 853

I object to parking charges.

There are always spaces. Local businesses would be affected detrimentally if parking charges introduced.

Off-street response – Reference number 854

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 855

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 859

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 860

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 861

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 865

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 866

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 867

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Introduction of parking charges affects local businesses and the primary school

Off-street response – Reference number 868

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

Surely if the rationale for introducing fees for vehicles parking for an extended period, the answer would be to charge the vehicles parking there for longer than say 2 hours. Make it a huge amount eg £80 to park over 2 hours. Leave the first two hours free for those popping in to the shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 870

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 871

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 872

I object to parking charges.

Residence and those visiting family and businesses need free parking. We are lucky to have a vibrant village that can still support more than 1 pub and restaurant parking charges will kill off trade

Off-street response – Reference number 873

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 874

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 875

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 878

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 880

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 881

I object to parking charges.

Yet again this would impact local people who may only need to park for a short time - which would only serve as a money making scheme - first hour should be free

Off-street response – Reference number 882

I object to parking charges.

It will stop people shopping in village and they are all suffering at the moment. It use to be easy to park there but because of people commuting to London park there all day also people who work on industrial site park there it's always full. Stop them but don't stop people just popping to the small village shops. Also people who park there for a funeral should not have to pay, it's a tough time for them without having to pay for parking

Off-street response – Reference number 883

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 884

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I object for the same reasons noted above.

Off-street response – Reference number 886

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 887

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 888

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 889

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 890

I object to parking charges.

Free parking up to 1 hour or 90 minutes, that means people will still use the local shops, otherwise, if you have to pay for parking, you'll get people going elsewhere or to major supermarkets.

Off-street response – Reference number 893

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 895

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 896

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Again I support the local trade and you will put the local businesses out of trade especially the pubs and restaurants.

Off-street response – Reference number 898

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 901

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 902

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 904

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 905

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 908

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

These are used by local residents and visitors to local residents. Especially residents that do not have accessible parking to their property. As well as school drop off and pick up. This again has available parking at all times. It's just unnecessary to put in charges to local residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 909

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 912

I support parking charges.

Happy for charges for lobster stays to stop people blocking spaces but think a 20/30 min grace period would be beneficial for anyone who just needs to nip into the village

Off-street response – Reference number 914

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 920

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 922

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

No where else to park locally to visit the restaurants!

Off-street response – Reference number 925

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 926

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 927

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 928

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 929

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 930

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 931

I object to parking charges.

As above.

Off-street response – Reference number 932

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 933

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 934

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 935

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 938

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 939

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 940

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 945

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 946

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 947

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 949

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

People will end up parking on the main road causing issues for traffic. People live there they shouldn't be expected to pay parking. Things are expensive enough without putting this on people, we know people who live there. This will cause them hardship!

Off-street response – Reference number 950

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 951

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Will kill trade and family time

Off-street response – Reference number 954

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 955

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 956

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 957

I object to parking charges.

These car parks are used by the parents taking and picking up children from school, there is no other parking in the village, so you will be Charging single mums, low income family's to take their children to school it's wrong

Off-street response – Reference number 958

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 959

I object to parking charges.

There are football pitches and parks along with shops and restaurants that will be affected by not allowing parking free

Off-street response – Reference number 960

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 962

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 963

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 965

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 968

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 969

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 970

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 972

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 973

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 974

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 975

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 977

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 979

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 980

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 981

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 983

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 985

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 986

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 987

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 988

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 991

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 993

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 995

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 996

I support and object to Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1001

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1004

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1005

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1007

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1012

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Period of free parking for people to use local shops and facilities

Off-street response – Reference number 1013

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1014

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1016

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1017

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1018

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1019

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1020

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1021

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1024

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1026

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1027

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1028

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1029

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1030

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

This is a well used community car park and should not be changed to a paying one.

Off-street response – Reference number 1031

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1033

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

The village needs free parking

Off-street response – Reference number 1034

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1035

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1037

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1038

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1039

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1040

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1042

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

As a Resident of over 37 years I strongly object to a charge of £290 yearly. We have nowhere else to park . There is one Shop in the Village so your reasons are not Valid . Parents drop children into school which takes around 15 minutes. This will cause chaos around 8-30 and 3pm as they will obviously try to park elsewhere. We have Weddings, Funerals, Football , Family visits etc . If you are trying to stop long stays then you should charge people who park and do not reside her, especially if they stay over 3 hours to an amount they would not want to pay to free up Spaces . Residents should get a free Permit if you bring in Charges . The only real Maintenance of the Car park includes trimming the hedges and an occasional blob of Tarmac Surely our Council Tax can cover that ? . We now have no Buses through the Village either so a Car is a necessity , the CCTV in the Car Park doesn't work either . Aylesford may be called a Village but it's more like a Hamlet with more Residents than Amenities Therefore you cannot & Should not compare our Parking needs with Tonbridge , West Malling etc. Completely different Parking Situations .

Off-street response – Reference number 1046

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1047

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1049

(no comment supplied)

I have never needed to use these car parks

Off-street response – Reference number 1050

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1051

I object to parking charges.

This car park is majority used by residents and people who work within the village

Off-street response – Reference number 1054

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1055

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1056

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1057

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1058

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1062

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1064

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1066

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Stop robbing people at every opportunity!

Off-street response – Reference number 1067

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1070

I object to parking charges.

It's the only place to park if you want to visit a pub or cafe in Aylesford. You'll force customers away and create another dead high street!

Off-street response – Reference number 1073

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1074

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1075

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1076

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1078

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1089

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1090

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1091

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1095

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1096

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1099

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1100

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1102

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1103

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1104

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1106

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1107

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1108

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1109

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1112

I object to parking charges.

Will kill local business

Off-street response – Reference number 1117

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1118

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

Above reasons. Poor businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 1119

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1120

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

If you want to sort out the car park then make it 2 hours maximum stay for free and free for businenses and people who live in the area

Off-street response – Reference number 1121

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1123

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1124

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1125

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1127

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1128

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

It will stop people visiting Aylesford . Being a lovely historic village they rely on visitors.

Off-street response – Reference number 1129

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Just leave our local areas alone

Why should we have to pay to park in our own areas

Off-street response – Reference number 1131

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1134

I object to Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1135

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1137

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1138

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1140

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1141

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1142

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1143

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1144

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1145

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1147

I object to parking charges.

This will impact heavily on local businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 1149

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

This will not work in this area we do not have tourism in the area which means the people parking in the car park are residents to the area.

Off-street response – Reference number 1150

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

This is terrible for the residents who live in the village also for those visiting the church to worship obviously there is no alternatives the poor village is surrounded by industrial sites warehousing etc.

The council needs to think about the residents and people visiting the area.

Off-street response – Reference number 1152

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1153

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1154

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1156

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1157

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

The village exists for the future and these charges will make people question whether it's worth visiting. The park was a favourite of my grandsons when they were younger but would I have paid for the sake of an hour or two there? Not sure as Cobtree offers more. The local football teams may have to rethink the use of the grounds there too

Off-street response – Reference number 1159

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1161

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1162

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1164

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1167

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

More cars will be parking along the main roads. I can see there will be alot more accidents. X

Off-street response – Reference number 1168

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1170

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1172

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1173

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1176

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1177

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1180

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1181

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1182

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1184

I object to parking charges.

Visit family in Aylesford.

Off-street response – Reference number 1187

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1189

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1195

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1196

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1197

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Absolutely ridiculous in my opinion it's just another way to make money especially as there is no free time ect 30mins the fact you're happy to charge people already struggling for the first 30min proves it all about making money!!! Nothing to do with lack of spaces never had a problem parking all this does is stop people using shops already struggling

Off-street response – Reference number 1198

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

As above.

Off-street response – Reference number 1205

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

There isn't any alternative parking for residents and visitors to Aylesford. What businesses there are would be severely affected. Bad idea just money grabbing killing village life in Kent.

Off-street response – Reference number 1206

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1208

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1209

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1214

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

Please refer to comments with regards to St Martins car park . My views are the same for both car parks.

Off-street response – Reference number 1217

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1220

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1222

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1223

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1224

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1227

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1229

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

See the comments above

Off-street response – Reference number 1230

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1234

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1235

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1236

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1239

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1240

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1242

I object to parking charges.

there is no other option but to park in these car parks so parking should be free of charge

Off-street response – Reference number 1244

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1245

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1249

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1250

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1253

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1254

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1255

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1256

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Same reasons as above!

Off-street response – Reference number 1257

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1258

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1260

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1266

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

Aylesford high street will suffer and it will become a ghost town. I use the hairdresser on the high street and use Bailey bridge carpark. I will look for another hairdresser elsewhere if charges

enforced. You cannot always predict how long you will be if you visit a tea room or restaurant etc so places like the hengist will suffer.

Off-street response – Reference number 1267

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Don't agree with paying parking charges

Off-street response – Reference number 1268

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

As a resident of Aylesford village we should not be paying to park in this car park, it is our only option and we already struggle finding a space. Residents should be atleast offered a resident permit. We are already struggling with the cost of living and this just adds more pressure. If we were to take a season ticket we are still not guaranteed a space, will spaces be allocated for season ticket holders?

Off-street response – Reference number 1270

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1271

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1272

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1273

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1275

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1277

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1279

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1282

I object to parking charges.

Will deter us from visiting

Off-street response – Reference number 1283

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1284

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1285

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1286

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1287

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1288

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

If you must introduce parking charges, consider having: the 1 hour free; permit parking for residents; and no parking fees in the evening, weekends, public/bank holidays. Bear in mind this will affect local businesses in Aylesford in a negative way.

Off-street response – Reference number 1291

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1292

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1293

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1295

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1296

I object to parking charges.

This car park is used a lot by parents dropping children off at St Peter's school. Half hour free parking would allow this to continue without causing traffic congestion in and around the village which would happen if people are going to have to pay.

Off-street response – Reference number 1297

I object to parking charges.

If you want to stop people parking all day, but still be able to use the shops easily and be able to pop into them, make it free for the first 2 hours.

Off-street response – Reference number 1298

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1301

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1303

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1307

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1311

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1313

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1314

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1316

I object to parking charges.

If I have to pay to visit Aylesford Village Pubs Shops and other businesses then I will go somewhere else. Its the few shops and businesses that will loose out ultimately If you want to charge then two hours should be free and those that park longer term pay or get a permit. Those residents that live in the village need the car park to be free to them. As Larkfield, Why must we residents all suffer because of those that perhaps car share for London flaunt the facility? Do TMBC just want to tax us residents???

Off-street response – Reference number 1318

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1319

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1323

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1327

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

Many of the businesses in Aylesford village generally don't have customer car parks so people will go elsewhere, and the business's will suffer. These car parks are popular with walking groups who bring

their custom to the pubs and eateries in the village. However, experience shows that walker groups generally will not stomach a £5.80 car park charge and will go elsewhere. Also the wretched machines are often out of order creating further dilemmas.

Off-street response – Reference number 1330

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1332

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1334

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

Every car park should contribute towards its maintenance costs where practical.

Off-street response – Reference number 1335

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1336

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1337

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1338

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1339

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1340

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1344

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1345

I object to parking charges.

I think there should be 1 hour free and then charges. This would enable people to make a brief visit while stopping others using the car park for long term parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1348

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1349

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

As 5 above!

Off-street response – Reference number 1350

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1351

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1357

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1360

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

People who live in the village have relied on these car parks and to suddenly start charging for residents to park in them would be horrid. I do understand something has to be done but I'm surprised that having one car park for residents/business with allocated parking and the other for visitors hasn't been discussed. I can only imagine how bad the roads will be with everyone trying to park on streets so they can avoid these charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 1361

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1362

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1363

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1364

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1366

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1369

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I object as there is no where to park in Aylesford and this would affect the small number of businesses. I would not pay 3 hours parking to go to the cheques, I would likely find a different eatery with free parking

Off-street response – Reference number 1370

(no comment supplied)

Do not know this area

Off-street response – Reference number 1371

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1373

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1375

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1377

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1378

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1380

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1381

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1383

(no comment supplied)

I have no opinion on these proposals

Off-street response – Reference number 1387

I object to parking charges.

This will cause illegal parking in the village at detriment to the local community and is an area of small businesses which could be killed off .

Off-street response – Reference number 1390

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

Residents who have no parking outside their houses should be given a low cost permit with guaranteed space.

Off-street response – Reference number 1391

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1392

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I have never had any problems parking here. I use the car park so I can run along the river. It will be such a shame to introduce charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 1393

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1395

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1397

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1399

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1400

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1402

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

I believe that parking should be free for the first two hours after which parking charges should apply.

Off-street response – Reference number 1408

I object to parking charges.

Let's sting the motorists again. Please let us have somewhere to park without having to pay.

Off-street response – Reference number 1411

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

These car parks are busier with cars parked for longer, but as the only parking available in a village with housing without parking spaces, a school, pubs and a busy community facility with not enough parking of its own, I fear parking charges here will simply push people to park inconsiderately to avoid charges. It will certainly impact the pubs and restaurants as people will simply choose to go elsewhere.

Off-street response – Reference number 1412

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1415

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets
Increasing or introducing parking charges to towns that are already on the brink of dilapidation will only make things worse. If anything free parking should be increased to encourage shoppers to come into town more often.

Off-street response – Reference number 1422

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1425

I support parking charges.
Again first hour free to allow the few shops still there to be serviced. Then increased to catch long term parkers.

Off-street response – Reference number 1426

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1428

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1429

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1435

I support parking charges.

As my answer to question 5

Off-street response – Reference number 1436

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Many properties along the High Street do not have any parking. Charges for parking will impose an extra cost on local residents, many of whom live in smaller and cheaper housing. In addition there is no other free parking for the church and little free parking for local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 1437

(no comment supplied)

N/A

Off-street response – Reference number 1440

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

You have a busy Primary school, church and local businesses in the village. There is very little on-street parking for residents as it is. Idiotic parents will use and abuse the private parking spaces behind the High Street flats, as well as double-park on the roads, instead of paying. This is a really stupid idea.

Off-street response – Reference number 1441

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1444

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1445

I object to parking charges.

I do not understand why parking charges would be necessary when it has been free of charge for so long. Surely people will just park dangerously on the roads instead and with that sharp bend and the railway crossing this would just cause more traffic problems when not necessary.

Off-street response – Reference number 1446

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Again, TMBC is not analysing the root cause of the issue. Why is there so much low turnover parking?

Can this be addressed in other ways? Treat the cause not the symptom.

Off-street response – Reference number 1447

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1449

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1450

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1451

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1452

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1453

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1455

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1460

I object to parking charges.

It will stop me from visiting the area.

Off-street response – Reference number 1462

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1463

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1464

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1467

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1471

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1472

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1474

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1476

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1480

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1482

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1484

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1486

I support parking charges, but object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1488

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Same answer

Off-street response – Reference number 1489

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1491

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1494

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1495

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1496

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1497

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1498

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1500

I support Season Tickets.

In essence I have no objections to residents getting permits. However If you make these car parks more expensive for the general commuter more people will use the few roads around Tonbridge that are not permitted - mine being one. This is frustrating, annoying and unsafe on these roads and always feels like an anomaly. I would welcome residents permits on all roads to combat this and then make the formalised car parks cheaper to local nearby residents but more expensive to others.

Off-street response – Reference number 1501

I object to parking charges.

Firstly residents of this very pretty village use these car parks as a safe space and an additional vehicle car park .

Visitors to the area are going to be put off of stopping here if these charges are agreed, thus affecting local small businesses for eg the Chequers pub that has worked so hard and effectively to maintain custom during the pandemic -I hope that Councillors realise what a central hub for the community that this pub became during this time. Lots of lonely people were delivered dinners groceries and once permitted takeaway and delivery as a central hub for us locally.

In my opinion it's diabolical that the towpath is not open after all the residents money invested in the entire thing, that one section you are reluctant to either fund or help towards funding repair of;

if open would encourage visitors to our lovely little pocket of Aylesford and Allington.

Whilst this section was open just after the pandemic when we as humans were allowed out again this walk was the highlight of most of Aylesfords residents days. Giving them something to benefit their mental health and physically allowing rehabilitation following the isolation we had endured. To charge for the car park if all this was up and running effectively I could maybe understand as the income could help towards the upkeep of this lovely towpath walk however when it appears that the Council CBA to resore this i see no reason to pay for parking!!!

Residents and businesses should not be paying for the privellidge of parking within their residence - I think they should have free parking due to the fact that the state of the economy is so dire. I hope that Councillors will take this into consideration as if locals have to pay to park to go for a pint in their local pub or viisit the local shop or tea room hairdressers etc.again the Council will be aiding their liquidation in my mind; as I'm sure is the mind of other local residents too!

Off-street response – Reference number 1504

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1505

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1506

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1510

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1517

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1521

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1523

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

The very few businesses would be effected and residents, it's hard to park there anyway.

Off-street response – Reference number 1525

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1526

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1528

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1530

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1531

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1532

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1538

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I work and live in the village and believe this will just cause people to park in other areas such as residential side streets, Ferryfields Car Park or on the road.

Off-street response – Reference number 1546

I object to parking charges.

I live in the village and I can't believe there will soon be charges for the car parks. A lot of these houses as you know are very old and have no parking facilities as when they were built there were no cars. My car has its own space behind my property, but it will affect my friends coming to visit me if they have to keep paying. I already feel lonely and look forward to visits. It will put people off buying here and the poor businesses will be no more. People are struggling enough with money and this is so sad to hear.

Off-street response – Reference number 1553

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1554

I object to parking charges.

What does "Bailey Bridge (East) and (West) car parks are often full with parked cars – not all of which are shopping at the local businesses" mean in real terms. The description of the problem is vague. Do you have any data on occupancy?

Off-street response – Reference number 1558

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

Any parking charge should have one hour free (by collecting a ticket) here for those that 'pop' in to the shops. Retailers will be damaged if you don't do this.

Off-street response – Reference number 1562

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1564

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1568

I object to parking charges.

If the problem is turnover then introduce charges for long term parking only (eg more than 4 hours)

Off-street response – Reference number 1571

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1573

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

Again - local shops and businesses will be negatively impacted

Off-street response – Reference number 1575

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1580

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1583

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1589

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1591

I support parking charges.

I agree with parking charges to reduce the long term parking but feel the first hour/2 hours should be free in order for people to support the business'.

Off-street response – Reference number 1592

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

Same as answer in question 5

Off-street response – Reference number 1598

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1599

(no comment supplied)

N/a

Off-street response – Reference number 1605

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1606

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Answer to 5 applies here too.

Off-street response – Reference number 1608

I support parking charges, but object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1609

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1611

I object to Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1613

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

As with the previous area a small number of local businesses that are struggling with the increase costs of operating their businesses. The introduction of parking charges will lead to a reduction in footfall which will further impact on their ability to keep operating. Consequently some businesses will close leaving empty spaces as per most high streets.

Off-street response – Reference number 1614

I object to parking charges.

It will put people off visiting local businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 1617

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1627

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

first hour free for local shopping

Off-street response – Reference number 1631

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1634

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

This is the main parking for the village. If there is a charge there will be a lot of people parking in the roads and other places to avoid those charges. This will cause so much congestion around and in the village.

Off-street response – Reference number 1635

I support parking charges.

Again, long-stay parking makes it difficult for others.

Off-street response – Reference number 1636

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1637

I support parking charges.

Charges should only apply up to 6pm

Off-street response – Reference number 1644

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1645

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1646

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1648

I object to parking charges.

Same as above

Off-street response – Reference number 1650

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1651

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

For fairness across the borough, it's right that there are charges at all car parks (especially if it helps limit price increases at other car parks).

Off-street response – Reference number 1652

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1653

I object to Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1654

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1656

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1657

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1661

I object to parking charges.

This is a money making scheme for the council. Targeting the residents with another stealth tax because they can't budget the taxes efficiently and shifting the burden on to the residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 1664

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1666

(no comment supplied)

I have no comment on this issue.

Off-street response – Reference number 1669

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1670

I object to parking charges.

I object to any additional charges and costs on motorists , motorists already have heavy financial burdens and we are not just here as a cash cow to milk.

Off-street response – Reference number 1672

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1674

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1677

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1682

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

This proposal sounds sensible and would ensure that more people can benefit from short term parking by freeing up spaces previously used by long term parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1684

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1685

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1686

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1690

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1691

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1692

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1694

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1696

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1697

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1698

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1700

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1702

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

I visit the car park to use the local businesses: the village shop, hairdresser and the hengist. Also to go to church and to use the recycling facilities. All of these would be much less possible if I had to pay to park. These charges will just drive people onto the surrounding roads to park. If there have to be charges, then the first couple of hours should be free to allow customers to continue to support local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 1709

I object to parking charges.

Parking charges will mean visitors will turn to residential areas for free parking (like Medway Court) and this would be unacceptable

Off-street response – Reference number 1710

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

We are a small beauty salon in Aylesford village. There is no where to park except these car parks.

Making people pay to come to our business and for the staff that work for me will be a negative result.

There is guarantee if we pay for a season ticket that we get a space. It's such a small village please do not put this in place as it will have a detrimental impact on our business.

Off-street response – Reference number 1711

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Again, hitting the motorist. Its never difficult finding a space to park in these car parks.

Off-street response – Reference number 1712

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1714

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

Always surprised the are not chargeable, would except to pay parking at this location.

Off-street response – Reference number 1716

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

If you must charge please ensure card payment is possible to allow access for all not just smart phone owners.

Off-street response – Reference number 1718

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1720

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

I would support this, so long as the short term charges (2-3hrs) are low (in the order of £1 per hour) to still support the local shops and high street. Otherwise, TMBC will be killing off our High Streets and reducing their (our) revenue in the longer term with reduced business income and higher crime rates /cost. Once the high street has deteriorated, then it will be impossible to recover. Parking charges are a very important part of one's choice of shopping destination.

Off-street response – Reference number 1722

I object to parking charges.

As above

Off-street response – Reference number 1724

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1726

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1730

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1731

I object to parking charges.

What little footfall of visitors to the village will be impacted greatly

Off-street response – Reference number 1732

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1736

(no comment supplied)

This does not have an impact on Thornhills Medical Practice

Off-street response – Reference number 1737

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1738

I object to parking charges.

It will discourage visitors from coming to the T&MBC area and drive locals to do their business outside the T&MBC area.

Off-street response – Reference number 1740

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1745

I object to parking charges.

Residents have no choice but to park here due restrictions in the village.

Off-street response – Reference number 1750

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1758

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1766

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1767

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1768

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1772

I object to parking charges.

This will also affect local businesses and there is no other parking in Aylesford and will increase on road parking on Forstal Lane which is dangerous and causes more traffic

Off-street response – Reference number 1773

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1776

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1777

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1779

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1780

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1781

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1783

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1784

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1786

(no comment supplied)

N/A

Off-street response – Reference number 1791

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Aylesford Village is a residential area and the majority of residents do not have access to any other parking other than Bailey Bridge car parks. Residents have chosen to live here, and those with cars or with relatives and friends who visit them and have cars, will now be impacted by having to pay for a season ticket. This is an additional cost they have not planned for. We are at the moment in the midst of a cost of living crisis and in effect TMBC will be imposing a parking 'tax' on residents in order to recover money to bolster their budget. This is no fault of TMBC, but the Council should be lobbying national Government for additional funding - not charging its own residents in order to increase lost finances.

The car park is also used by those wishing to travel by train from Aylesford train station, as the station has extremely limited parking available. This would be an additional cost to those train customers, and the charge of £5.80 per day is far higher than station car parking at comparable stations (ie Snodland).

An improved way to prevent long-term parking would be to provide parking permits to residents and local businesses, and to allow free short-term parking of up to 3 hours, charges applying thereafter - but those charges being reasonable, for example max £3.50 per day. This would allow occasional use of the car park (for example people visiting shops and businesses and accessing the allotments), it

would be a minimal cost to those who have no choice but to park here (ie residents) but would deter other long term parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1793

I object to parking charges.

If you introduce season tickets visitors will be unable to park as it will be filled with residents/business workers.

You could always do one ca park for season tickets only.

You could also give first 3 hours free so visitors to pubs/restaurants can visit and be able to park.

Off-street response – Reference number 1794

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1795

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1796

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1798

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1801

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1804

I object to parking charges.

I feel this is another blow to local businesses and more cost to local residents. I regularly go to Aylesford and use Beauty Bank, Moments of Calm, Hengist and The Chequers and recycling. I generally have not had an issue in parking in the day or evening. I will be more reluctant to use local services if there are additional parking charges.

If parking charges are to go ahead, at least consider first 2 hours as free parking. This would usually allow time to use local businesses and support the community without additional charges.

That way short term users are not affected but it will discourage longer term parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1805

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1807

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1810

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1812

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Looking at the three factors that have prompted these changes;

1.The increases in costs of operating car parks. This includes business rates, security and maintenance.

A: Local businesses are experiencing increased business rates as well. they are also experiencing higher wages and utility costs, which car parks do not. To introduce charges will penalise staff and will reduce visitor numbers

2. Evidence that some car parks are frequently full with cars parked for long periods which makes it harder for shoppers and visitors to find spaces.

A: Aylesford is different to other areas. Those parking for long periods either live there and have nowhere else to park or work there and have nowhere else to park. There is not the need for high turnover of spaces as exists at other sites.

3. Current inconsistencies in charging with some car parks operating charges and others providing parking for free.

A: The Bailey Bridge car parks are not an alternative to other car parks. They do not serve as an alternative to town centre car parks and should not be consistent with such sites.

Off-street response – Reference number 1814

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Same as my previous comment

Off-street response – Reference number 1815

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1818

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1819

I object to parking charges.

Free parking for at least a limited period improves accessibility to the small businesses here and improves consumer choice of where to shop. The introduction of charges will cause many to use alternative suppliers with the associated extra travelling and the consequent reduction in care of the environment (more fossil fuels burnt).

Off-street response – Reference number 1822

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I Object to paying for a parking space. The residents of the high street and Forstal Road, have no parking expect the Bridge car parks, this is enforcing a charge to them

Off-street response – Reference number 1828

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1829

I object to parking charges.

I use this car park to support local restaurants and this will have an effect on my local spend

Off-street response – Reference number 1830

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

To apply charges for visits of less than an hour just smacks of 'money grabbing' in my humble opinion. There is no alternative parking for the large majority of residents and businesses in the village so any form of charging in Aylesford Village is, in my humble opinion, totally and utterly unfair and unworkable. If there is a charge for the first hour how are the parents that use the car park to access the village primary school going to manage the school run? They can no longer use the Community Centre car park (that facility was withdrawn by the Community Centre/Aylesford Parish Council) so it will inevitably lead to more 'drop & run' activity in Mount Pleasant and the High Street and/or illegal parking, which will increase the already heavy traffic flow in the village and also increase the danger to the children attending the school. There are also the few remaining local businesses that will suffer if charges are introduced and of course the Church users (who are already few & far between) who will not be able to park if charges are introduced over the weekend. Yes,

there are a few cars that abuse the car park but these are not residents, these are commuters who abuse the car park. The village residents have absolutely nowhere else to park, so if they are to be charged for any permits for themselves, family members and/or visitors, this will be a totally unfair extra cost to them which just is not acceptable or workable. There is no local bus service, so those that need transport have no choice but to have a car. I personally believe that the whole scheme should be scrapped. Yes, it can be a problem finding a space occasionally, but this seems like a real over-reaction and the residents of the village, including our local MP, should not be made to pay in any way shape or form and visitors to the village should not be put off visiting by these charges. Please reconsider!

Off-street response – Reference number 1832

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

Costs should be low

Off-street response – Reference number 1837

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1840

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1842

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1844

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1845

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1846

I object to Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1850

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1853

I object to parking charges.

Local businesses and residents rely on free parking. Council taxes should cover these small but vital parking spaces

Off-street response – Reference number 1856

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1857

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1858

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1859

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1869

(no comment supplied)

I have no opinion on this as I don't know the car park

Off-street response – Reference number 1871

I object to parking charges.

Why introduce charges which will reduce people's use of the shops which are already struggling? If long stay is the problem then introduce something like 4 hours free parking. It will still entice people into use the shops and prevent people taking up spaces for too long. The current suggestion is just a way to introduce charges it's not actually prioritising shoppers or shop owners.

Off-street response – Reference number 1872

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1873

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1875

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1877

I object to parking charges.

2 hours free parking to visit local businesses or go walking then charge for long stay. No charges in the evening as people visit the community centre and local pubs for events during the evening and these are good overflow car parks

Off-street response – Reference number 1884

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1889

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1893

I object to parking charges.

Charging for parking puts off people who want to use small local business, many of which are already struggling. If there is a problem with long stay parking, restrict the parking to a number of hours, no need to charge.

Off-street response – Reference number 1896

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

As above

Off-street response – Reference number 1899

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1901

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1902

I object to parking charges.

Restrict free parking to 2 hours or restrict parking times between 1-2 Pm Issue residents parking permits.

Off-street response – Reference number 1904

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1905

(no comment supplied)

Not my area so cannot say

Off-street response – Reference number 1906

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

Here, it is not so much about supporting businesses but, presumably, parking for leisure activities. As the Council seems to need to increase its revenue, this proposal is not unreasonable.

Off-street response – Reference number 1913

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Businesses rely on customers visiting their restaurants and the Church. If people have to pay than they will find somewhere else and take custom away. Aylesford would be a ghost village. People pay enough for driving so just leave this car park alone.

Off-street response – Reference number 1914

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Residents in the village should be able to access free parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1915

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1918

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1919

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1920

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1926

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1928

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1929

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

You want to charge people to park where they live because there's nowhere to park outside their homes, so you gracefully provided a car park, and want to cash in? Crazy idea. Unless you really want everyone to squeeze in where they can, on the narrow streets? It's a recipe for congestion armageddon. If you really must charge, make it the car park between the high street and the Bailey Bridge Road. Charge the visitors to the village. But make the larger car park opposite, free for residents only, with a barrier, to stop others. You need to look after the people of the Borough, not alienate them.

Off-street response – Reference number 1932

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1936

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1937

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Parking in the village is almost nonexistent, and the introduction of charges will no doubt mean that a great many more parents for them local schools will park in side streets during drop off and collection.

Off-street response – Reference number 1938

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

Charging for parking will increase illegal parking in and around the primary school putting lives at risk. It will also kill local business that I'm sure already struggle with the cost of living crisis affecting their businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 1939

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

For the same reason as Aylesford, schools close by and introduction of charges mean increase of cost to parents just taking and picking up child from school. If charges are to apply it should just be post 9am to pre 2:30pm allowing reduction in long stay parking abuse but no increased cost to parents and problematic parking in side streets for residents around these times.

Off-street response – Reference number 1940

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

We feel introducing charges will actually put the lives of children at the primary school. Parking is already dangerous and introducing charges when there is nowhere else safe to park is negligent of the council.

Off-street response – Reference number 1941

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1942

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

If charges are implemented, businesses and residents who have no alternative options for parking should be given season tickets for free and not have to pay for them. Charges should also be suspended during school run periods on weekdays otherwise local roads will become gridlocked by people parking on the street

Off-street response – Reference number 1943

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1944

I object to parking charges.

I use the car parks as do many parents to drop off and pick up the children to St Peter's school in the village every morning and afternoon. The charges would put pressure on many families having to pay to drop your children to school.

Off-street response – Reference number 1945

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

This area is already difficult enough to find spaces to park, introducing parking charges will just push more people to park in the surrounding roads leading to disruption for local residents

Off-street response – Reference number 1946

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Aylesford is already a village with restricted parking, and the local school doesn't have parking facilities for parents during drop off and collection so the two car parks although small assist with parents during drop off and collection. The parking charges, would force parents to try and find free parking on local streets and potentially in hazardous places as money is tough for the low income earners, and the added charge twice a day for many families would cause an issue. Not only a struggle financially, but children's safety is put at risk with increased traffic volume forced as people try to look for free parking.

In addition to the local school the church only has space for 6 cars, and due to location it the surrounding roads are all double yellow lines, so at funerals and other events the car park aids guests for these.

Alongside the school and church, local business would see an impact on trade and causing a downturn in income and potentially further closed businesses. The village has already lost the little cafe as guests visiting expressed parking difficulties stopped them going on a regular basis and if a cost for the car parks had been added the business would have had to close much sooner and local residents are already feeling the pinch.

An increase in parking would have a huge benefit to the local area, but added parking charges would be detrimental to the school, church and local business!

Off-street response – Reference number 1947

I object to parking charges.

As an employee at St Peter's Primary School there is already very limited parking around the school so a lot of parents use these car parks. Parent parking at drop-off and pick up is already causing major issues with local residents. If parents have to pay this will only get worse. It doesn't help that Aylesford Village Hall refuse to open their over-flow car park to accommodate this short period at the end of the day.

Off-street response – Reference number 1949

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1950

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1951

I object and support parking charges and I object and support Season Tickets

I understand the councils are under increased cost burdens every year however this also translates to the public they serve. Maybe some middle ground can be reached here with the introduction of a period of up to 1 hour free parking to reduce the burden to individuals just needing the essential pick up

and drop off type use of such car parks, this will allow for increased availability throughout the day, and prevent peak time disruption to traffic flow and businesses from individuals avoiding paid car park use.

Off-street response – Reference number 1953

I object to parking charges.

In the absence of suitable car parking at for St Peter's Primary school, or generally in the village, making this pay per use will drive people to park on side streets and illegally

Off-street response – Reference number 1954

I object to parking charges.

A lot of people use these car parks when dropping their children to school. Parking is already a problem in Aylesford with many people having to park on side streets. Having to pay every day will run a cost that they cannot afford meaning more people will park on residential streets for free. Plus having to queue for machines is not great when on a time schedule!!

Off-street response – Reference number 1955

I object to parking charges.

School drop offs with no parking free parking with the village would be carnage. People would park on residential streets

Off-street response – Reference number 1956

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

This is the only form of parking for all at st peters C of E primary school parents to ensure the children get to and from school safely, having the extra charges will most likely make parking in the village and side streets worse than it is today.

Off-street response – Reference number 1957

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Being able to use these car parks for school pickup and drop off is essential. The little village simply can't handle the extra volume of traffic should these charges be introduced. You will end up with road safety issues and possibly children being hurt due to the influx of parents who won't want to pay for parking.

Maybe consider the first hour for free to assist with school pickups and drop offs.

Off-street response – Reference number 1958

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

it's a Tudor village; narrow roads, limited parking, busy residents, tourist and visitors frequently in and out. Charging might be considered necessary by some, but it's a blinkered approach and will cause more issues than problems it solves. Honestly, just leave it be. Let's keep something which is free for once

Off-street response – Reference number 1959

I object to parking charges.

The roads around Aylesford village would be horrendous at school drop off and pick up times .

Off-street response – Reference number 1960

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

My children attend St Peters School in the village. There is no other parking so we have to use these car parks to take our children to and from school. It is not ok that we would have to pay to take our children to school. The community centre and residents already regularly complain to the school about parents parking and this situation would only become worse. Often, the children go to the park after school, possibly stopping at the sweet shop in the village. If people are rushing off because of parking, it will affect the community feel and businesses in the village too.

Off-street response – Reference number 1961

I object to parking charges.

Parking for parents dropping and collecting their children at school is vital. Parents will struggle to pay an extra £25 bill every month to get their children to school. This will increase truanting and put parents into debt if they have to make the choice between paying for parking or getting kids to school and then receiving a fine or parking ticket. Parents will park on roads surrounding the school instead of the car park to avoid these unreasonable charges causing chaos for local residents. There is no need to increase parking to benefit local shops as there are no local shops in aylesford village with the exception of the village newsagent which serves the village so no parking needed.

Off-street response – Reference number 1962

I object to parking charges.

I moved to Aylesford because of the schools for my daughter. I wasn't able to get my first choice school where there is a lot of parking on the side roads so I had to put her in St Peters school in the

village and I was concerned about the drop offs in the morning. Luckily I learnt that the car parks are free and that gave me peace of mind. There is very little other places to do school pick up and drop offs from. We get emails all the time as parents asking us not to park in the community centre car park, not to park on the vicarage road or at the church, not to clog up the road by the school which wouldn't fit us all in anyway about 10 cars can park there. There are a few spaces in the village and that is it. Parents will be forced to pay to park in the car parks twice a day to do the school run or they will need to move their children from the school or walk every day. I work and I don't have time to walk to and from the school every day, there and back with the drop off is a 45 minute walk. Doing that twice a day would take 1.5 a day or I would need to pay twice for parking.

I think having a fee for the car park should therefore only apply for people parking for more than 30 minutes to allow school drop offs or to have a fee that is only payable between 9.30am and 2.30pm or you'd need to give a permit to everyone who has children in that school. There is literally nowhere else to park for the school run.

Off-street response – Reference number 1963

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

This proposal will have massive implications on our village. I live on Mount Pleasant where there is limited on-road parking, and I'm extremely concerned that the introduction of parking charges/season tickets will force parents of St Peters school to try and park on our lane, which already becomes congested and dangerous at school drop off/pick up times.

It will also have a negative affect on local businesses and visitors to our village.

Off-street response – Reference number 1964

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I do not use these car parks on a regular basis but know it will cause hardship for those who do not have a driveway or garage and deter those wishing to visit the local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 1965

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1966

I object to Season Tickets.

both my children go to St Peters and if the car park becomes fee paying the village will become gridlocked at drop off and collection time. there is limited off street parking for residents and this will only cause more congestion down the Rochester road. The businesses in the village will also suffer as people will not want to pay for parking to visit them.

Off-street response – Reference number 1967

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1968

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

St Peter's Primary school parents rely on the use of these car parks to allow drop off and collection in term time. There is extremely limited parking availability in the village and there is not an alternative location that would allow safe parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1969

I object to parking charges.

Restrict parking for 3 hours and send a traffic warden once in the morning and once in the afternoon anyone there longer than 3 hours slap a ticket on them. Could put up ANPR cameras there.

Off-street response – Reference number 1970

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

There is a primary school and pre school in the village and parents need to be able to park safely when taking young vulnerable children to school.

Parking charges will push these vehicles to park on side streets and in dangerous positions, this will mean children that walk to school are then placed in danger as roads become congested and visibility is greatly reduced. Make the first hour free then charge if you have to. In relation to season tickets, I support these but would only recommend a very limited amount. Unfortunately many local residents use the car parks as an extension of their house and park there long term. The car parks should not be filled with these vehicles as this stops people visiting being able to park.

Unfortunately the village should not suffer because people live in properties with no parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1971

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

This will intensify an already fraught situation between local school parents and resident's. It is already a battle for parking. This would also mean parents who have to travel by car would have to pay twice a day, just to get their children to and from school. My belief is that this will lead to unnecessary stress on parents and in turn provoke inconsiderate and antisocial parking in the surrounding residential area.

Off-street response – Reference number 1972

I object to parking charges.

As a resident of Mount Pleasant I am deeply concerned about the impact that the charges will have on our street. The primary school is on our road and already causes issues twice a day at drop off and pick up times with parents (despite the school asking them not to) parking there to collect their

children. They often arrive as early as 2pm and sit for an hour before they eventually get their children.

Charges in the car parks will mean that even more of the parents as well as shoppers, and users of the pubs and restaurants will park on residential roads around the school and the village and make it unmanageable for those of us that live here.

I understand that it is frustrating if the parents park in the car parks at these times and may inconvenience a few people that use the community centre etc. but this impact is minimal compared to the problems it will cause if they can no longer park there for free.

The impact on those of us that live in the village will be severe every single day in the morning and the afternoon.

The car parks are there to be used and so I don't really see the issue with people using them.

Many of the people who work in the village use the car parks daily - if they had to pay to park there, they'll start parking on our road instead.

A couple of times recently there have been events that have meant that the car parks have been either not available or full up and people have started parking in Mount Pleasant, despite it being officially 'access only.' If this is because of a one-off event, we can deal with it - on a daily basis would not be acceptable for us.

Season tickets for residents would only be an acceptable solution if they are free to us. I'm not happy about the idea of paying for the privilege of using a car park because my road is full of motorists who are avoiding paying to park.

Keep them free of charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 1973

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1974

I object to parking charges.

I drop my children and pickup from St Peter's primary school in Aylesford - the introduction of a parking charge will both push parents into parking illegally throughout the village and overuse the free parking available in the community centre. A charge for half an hour is then prohibitive and may be detrimental to the school future intake

Off-street response – Reference number 1975

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1976

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1977

I object to parking charges.

St Peter's school is located across from the car parks, along with shops and the Chequers. School pickup and drop off is already congested, with no availability for roadside drop offs or pickups due to the location of the school. Given that it is a primary school, parents need to physically take their child into the school, which is heavily supported by the availability of the car parks. Likewise, local businesses including the chequers and the hengeist are serviced by the car parks. Given that we are such a small villiage with very limited businesses and restaurants, introducing charges will drive customers to nearby towns with a greater option of businesses. Small villages rely on the free parking to enable the residents to access facilities, and is essential for keeping businesses open. School drop off will also be hugely affected, with people parking elsewhere and blocking the already very small and very congested roads.

Off-street response – Reference number 1978

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I use this carpark regularly to access the community centre and restaurants in the village, I know it is also used by parents for school pick up, it is much safer for parents to park here than on side streets, I have to drive 80% of the time as there is no safe path from

Eccles to St Peter's school apart from through the fields which is not feasible in the winter months so I drive and need somewhere safe to park to get the children in and out safely

Off-street response – Reference number 1979

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1980

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Charging people to park who have to pick their kids up in a tiny village that has no other parking is beyond comprehension. While some people can walk to pick up their kids, this is not the case for everyone.

Off-street response – Reference number 1981

I object to parking charges.

My children attend St Peter's Primary School and I often park at Bailey Bridge East or West to drop them off and pick them up. I cannot afford to pay to park twice a day for my children to go to school. This is extremely upsetting.

Off-street response – Reference number 1982

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

It is a nightmare to find anywhere to park on school runs as it is then to have to pay to drop and pick up the children is gonna cost a fortune

Off-street response – Reference number 1983

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1984

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1985

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I use this parking for my children's school drop off to stop congestion in other areas near the school. I don't have the money to pay for car parks every day for the school run. I have to drive most days because I have clients in different areas

Off-street response – Reference number 1987

I object to parking charges.

The charges will affect parents on a daily basis when driving their children to and also from the village school. With the cost of living crisis, this is something that most parents can't afford when we are already struggling. Our council tax should cover any rising costs that are mentioned as it goes up quite a lot each year

Off-street response – Reference number 1989

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1990

I object to parking charges.

We use this Carpark to drop off and collect our child from school. It is the safest place to do so and it does not disrupt local residents. Charges should only be put in place for people parking for more than an hour. Short term charges are going to lead to parents parking on the surrounding roads causing further disruption and making the village unsafe for parents and children crossing the roads.

The council should be spending money to reopen the tow path from aylesford into Maidstone. It is scandalous that years later this remains closed.

Off-street response – Reference number 1992

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1993

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1995

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1996

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

It would be good if there was no charge for 30 mins parking allowing a quick trip to the shop or to collect from school

Off-street response – Reference number 1997

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2002

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2003

I object to parking charges.

The introduction of parking charges to these two car parks demonstrates the mis understanding by the council of their use. They are used by residence that live in the village that purchased their properties with no on road parking knowing they had a free car park to park safely and protect the environment of the beautiful village. The comment in the consultation around long stay cars is due to these people living in the village. This is not a high street full of daily visitors, it's a village for local residence.

Parents of children attending the school have no local roads to leave their cars when they have to commute directly to and from work around the school run. Charging every day will mean at busy times local roads that may accommodate some cars will become unsafe for children due to the volume of parking, encourage irresponsible parking by parents with no other options and cause distress for local residence. The business in the village that are mostly run by local residence currently benefit from their customers being able to access free parking. Those that use the local shops and services allow a constant flow of people coming and going. Introducing charges to these car parks does not capitalise on a thriving area - it financially punishes local people who live in a

village and provide food banks, local voluntary litter collections and will affect a wonderful church community.

The iconic picture of aylesford village is shared far and wide due to its stunning surroundings, don't ruin it at the expense of our community.

If there is no option but to introduce charges then to protect the local residence and business's you should offer at least 1 hour FREE parking and allow residence and business owners of the village FREE parking. Staff such as teachers should not have to pay to park at work. This is not equitable to those working at all other schools.

Off-street response – Reference number 2004

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2007

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Same as 5

Off-street response – Reference number 2008

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2009

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2010

I object to parking charges.

For residents and shop owners, I see this as detrimental. The village already suffers from a lack of parking and charges will further congest the roads

Off-street response – Reference number 2011

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

If parking charges are introduced, it'll be absolute carnage in the village at school drop off and pick up time. Parents are not going to be able afford/ be willing to pay parking charges and will park where-ever else they can to avoid them. The small number of residential roads will be packed and all local residents will become extremely upset and annoyed. Parking charges will put people off using the local businesses and so this will have a negative impact and affect local economy.

I also feel that it'll put off potential parents selecting the school which will result in the school being under subscribed and have a detrimental impact on their financial situation.

Aylesford is full of houses without parking and I think it would be most unfair to enforce charges. The Community Centre are already preventing parents from parking there in the afternoons; if parking charges are implemented, parents will try and park in the community centre which will impact on the parish council. Overall, I feel the negative impact will be too great and the plans need to be abandoned.

Off-street response – Reference number 2014

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2017

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2018

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2019

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2020

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Although I object to parking charges being introduced, there is a problem in relation to vehicles being 'stored' in these car parks.

Parking in the village is very limited with many narrow streets and double yellow lines. A number of the older village homes do not have parking spaces so are left to parking on the limited street spaces and these car parks. There is also a significant influx of cars at drop off and pick up at St Peter's primary school.

A better proposal would be I suggest a free parking period maybe 3 hours to allow business use. Parking permits for affected homes with max stay and an enforced limit on parking over 23hrs. I suggest in order to ensure that the free parking isn't abused, the machine issues the ticket for free.

Off-street response – Reference number 2022

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2023

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2026

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

The same arguments apply as I have provided above relating to Martin Square. If the council wishes to support rather than penalise traders it needs to provide for free short term parking for legitimate users and impose charges and restrictions on long term users only whilst making allowances for allowing for residents and staff of the village's businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 2029

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2031

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2032

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2033

(no comment supplied)

N/A I do not know this area

Off-street response – Reference number 2035

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2036

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2038

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2040

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

If you want to increase parking turnover you could set up limits like in shopping centre car parks e.g. 3 hours unless you are a resident with a permit instead of charging people who see already struggling.

Off-street response – Reference number 2041

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2043

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2047

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2049

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Parking should be free to encourage use for small businesses in area,

Off-street response – Reference number 2051

(no comment supplied)

Again the same principle needs to apply. Free parking must be in place for residents, local businesses and customers. If charges are introduced they must NOT be only payable via an App.

Off-street response – Reference number 2053

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2054

I object to parking charges.

There is very limited parking in the village. There is a thriving infant & primary school & parents/ grandparents & child carers need access to parking to deliver & collect children from school. Increases to parking charges just adds pressure on families already struggling financially.

Off-street response – Reference number 2057

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2058

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2059

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2060

I object to parking charges.

I think It would be better to have free parking for the first 2 hours so people can use the local businesses without charge and a free permit for residents and people who work in the village

This way it only affects the people miss using the car parks for long term parking

As always it seems the few ruined it for the many !

Also a height restriction would also mean I could not park in My own village centre as my main vehicle is my own work van than will only fit under 2.1 m

Off-street response – Reference number 2061

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Charges will force more cars etc to park on the roads causing congestion and potential danger to pedestrians.

Off-street response – Reference number 2062

I object to parking charges.

I am a teacher working at St Peter's and if charges are introduced I will have to start paying for parking to go to work. Most other schools have designated parking, but in a small village school this is not possible. My sister also lives in the village and when I visit I use the car parks, it would not be possible for me to visit regularly if I had to pay to park.

Off-street response – Reference number 2064

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2068

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2070

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2071

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2072

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2073

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Just more money grabbing and stealth taxation.

Off-street response – Reference number 2074

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2077

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2078

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

If you introduce parking charges you will kill all the businesses there and people will be parking along Kingfisher Road and round by the library and the doctors!!!!

Off-street response – Reference number 2079

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2082

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I strongly object to the introduction of parking charges for the following reasons:

- I am not directly affected by the proposed charges but fear that there is bound to be a knock on effect to Medway Court where I live. Parking in Medway Court is already on a knife edge thanks to a previous Labour government who decided to carry out a program of social engineering in the form of forcing developers to provide the minimum amount of parking and it would force home owners out of cars. The result is too few parking spaces, as unless you live in London, not having a car or two, is not an option.
- The entrance to Medway Court is already often restricted due to people parking at the entrance as they are too lazy to use the village car parks which are currently free.
- The centre of Aylesford is as lovely, quaint, old village from a time when the motor vehicle wasn't even invented. Therefore space to park a car wasn't an issue. My personal view is that it is very unfair on current residents to now impose a parking fee, especially given that the knock on effect to the village is highly detrimental. Trade will be driven away as the car parks are already far enough away for some businesses e.g the Chequers PH, to add a fee to park and not even close by on top, would be rubbing salt into wounds. Most customers who park in the village to use the current businesses will probably drive somewhere else where the parking is free. That's my view about Maidstone town centre, when Bluewater isn't that far away and the parking is free.
- It's highly likely that residents in Aylesford with no parking won't want to pay for a permit. They will find the nearest space where parking is free: Medway Court and Forstal Road. Forstal Road is a nightmare when there is a sports tournament on at the weekend; do TMBC want to impose this on us 24/7? An opportunity was lost when the new floodlit football pitch was constructed which must have cost several hundred thousand pounds but only a handful of parking spaces were incorporated.
- Has anyone fully costed the installation of parking meters and almost 24/7 enforcement? Will TMBC actually make any money at the expense of destroying village life? It is highly likely that the village will die.
- Paid for parking in Aylesford is a totally unacceptable proposition and should be reserved for areas which have an existing parking problem – there isn't as far as I'm aware, any current parking problem in Aylesford village.
- I'd rather the cost was shared over the borough with modest increase in council tax than introduce parking charges in the village.
- Maybe another option as a compromise is to grant villagers from the centre free parking permits and just target visitors.
- I also understand that height barriers are going to be installed this could have the same effect and displace over height vehicles into surrounding roads such as Medway Court. All you are doing is shifting the problem around the village with one solution leading to another problem.

Off-street response – Reference number 2087

I object to parking charges.

This is a good walking area for groups to meet. Charges will stop people going to Aylesford and reduce the exercise and group activities people can do, as well as stop people going to the local pubs/restaurants.

Off-street response – Reference number 2088

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2089

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2092

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Aylesford is a small village and charging for parking would discourage people to visit. This would adversely affect local business in an already difficult economic climate.

Off-street response – Reference number 2093

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2095

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2097

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

With a child at St Peter's Primary school I am concerned that if parking charges were put into place it would make the roads more congested at drop off and pick up times posing a danger to children walking home/to a parked car. I feel you will end up with a tail back of parents using mount pleasant as a drop off/pick up point rather than park and/or walk, again making it dangerous for the children entering and exiting the school. The high street will end up congested with cars waiting for their children to walk down from mount pleasant and there will be more people turning around at the bottom of mount pleasant in order to get back into forstal road/station road once they have collected their child from the high street.

Off-street response – Reference number 2099

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2104

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2106

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2107

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

The same reason being that the first 30 minutes should be free.

Off-street response – Reference number 2110

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2111

I object to parking charges.

It will mean the village becomes gridlocked during busy hours with people parking on the roads and people will avoid using the shops and pubs/restaurants, meaning local businesses will suffer. How will parents pick up and drop off at school time without paying for parking

Off-street response – Reference number 2113

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2114

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2115

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2116

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2117

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2120

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2121

I object to parking charges.

1 hour free parking and thereafter charge a reasonable fee.

Off-street response – Reference number 2123

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2126

I object to parking charges.

If you want to encourage short stay visitors then make short stays of say up to say 1hr free and charge for longer stays.

Off-street response – Reference number 2128

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2129

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2130

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2132

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2133

I object to parking charges.

If parking charges are introduced the surrounding areas including Medway Court will be used to park cars which is already being seen when the car parks are full and when children are being dropped off and picked p from School

Off-street response – Reference number 2134

I object to parking charges.

This charge will affect everyone who lives in Aylesford

Off-street response – Reference number 2137

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2138

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2138

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2140

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2148

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2152

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

Only Monday to Saturday with an option of a free first 30 mins

Off-street response – Reference number 2154

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2160

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2163

I object to parking charges.

The car parks are used by people working in businesses in Aylesford as there is nowhere else for them to park whilst working. Car parks empty rapidly at 5.30pm. All that will happen if charges are introduced is these people will block residential streets near by

Off-street response – Reference number 2164

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2165

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2166

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2167

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2168

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2170

I object to parking charges.

If you introduce these charges you will kill the trade

Off-street response – Reference number 2172

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2173

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2174

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2176

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2177

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

See above objection regarding Martin Square parking charges and repeat them for Bailey Bridge Car Park

Off-street response – Reference number 2179

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2180

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2183

I object to parking charges.

Parents and staff of St Peter's church of England school, use these car parks on a daily basis. There is no parking at the school or in any local residential streets. Having no free parking will put parents off applying to this school for reception places. All small schools are facing untenable financial issues and rely solely on pupil numbers for income. Applying parking charges will significantly impact the school. Additionally, staff have to use these car parks and any costs that they incur which eats into their already poor pay, may dissuade them from remaining or indeed applying in the first instance.

Off-street response – Reference number 2188

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2190

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

This is such a small village parking charges will have a big impact

Off-street response – Reference number 2191

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2192

I object to and support parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

If the issue is long term parking then how about a free 2 hour slot to promote use of local shops but then charging beyond that to discourage long term parking. This has proved popular in many towns and villages to not deter shoppers and keep local shops in business

Off-street response – Reference number 2193

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2195

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2197

I support parking charges.

Parking charges should be fair across the area

Off-street response – Reference number 2202

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I think that an introduction to charge for parking in these locations will be catastrophic for the local communities. Particularly the local primary school and the knock on effect that would then have on local parking and disruption it would have on residents at school drop off and pick up times. I would suggest that if you aren't a permit holder, having a maximum stay of 3 hours for free would be fair. This is the case for a lot of local car parks and then it is reasonable for both residents and the local community that have children in local schools and want to use the local shopping and dining out

facilities.

Off-street response – Reference number 2203

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2204

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2209

I object to Season Tickets.

There is very limited resident parking available in Aylesford, and for those that live with no access to private parking will be penalised.

Off-street response – Reference number 2211

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2212

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2213

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

There are barely any shops nearby to justify the parking charges proposed. There was many houses nearby that require these for parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 2215

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

STRONGLY object. These car parks are vital for residents of roads that don't have on- or off-street parking. Introducing parking charges is putting even more of a burden on those in that position at the worst time. The cost of living crisis is hitting everyone very hard, and you're now wanting to add to that by charging for the only place they can safely and legally park their car in the area?! On top of VED they already pay, and insurance which isn't cheap. A lot of peoples' insurance has nearly doubled this year compared to last, even with no claims or changes to the policy. Adding yet another charge just to park their vehicles at home in the current circumstances is totally absurd and immoral. You should be helping the public, not squeezing every last penny out of them.

Not only are the car parks used by residents, they are also used by staff from local businesses. I believe many members of staff from places like the shops on the high street/forstal rd and the local bus depot use the car parks while they're working as the businesses themselves don't have their own places to park. This would mean that every employee of that local business would have to pay every single day just to go to work. Most people aren't willing to do that, and would lead to local businesses losing employees, making the local area worse off because of the greed of the council.

Parking charges would also discourage visitors to the village. People would find other places to visit and shop at that are free to park. Nobody wants to pay to park when they're spending money in the shops that are there.

Off-street response – Reference number 2216

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

People pay their council tax the council should budget and fund correctly.

Off-street response – Reference number 2220

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Living in the village I occasionally have needed to use the car parks, especially when the High Street is closed by the Water Board or Kent Highways, that is the only time I have experienced a full car park and had to use the spaces on Forstal Road.

I am lucky that my house has a car space and garage. The car park behind the house, that I believe is Parish owned, is used in the morning and evening by parents unwilling to walk from the village car parks this issue can only be made worse by charging them to drop their children, some days there are up to 6 cars gridlocking the open "turning area" with all of the designated bays full too preventing residents from leaving their homes for about half an hour.

Most of the guests to the Hengist, Chequers and Little Gem will need to pay for the pleasure of visiting, the hairdresser and five other businesses in the village centre will also have declining trade. Is it fair for the several offices to have their staff having to pay for parking?

Resident permits could be used instead of a season ticket. That way relatives visiting could place the permit in their car for the duration of the stay

Off-street response – Reference number 2223

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2224

(no comment supplied)

NO Comment

Off-street response – Reference number 2226

I object to parking charges.

Your assertion that the introduction of charging will lower the turnover of long-stay parking, which it will but it will also impact on many people who using the parking for access to shops and facilities and Aylesford village as well as access to walks along the Medway and other paths out the back of the village.

The introduction of parking charges and Season tickets will just move that parking issue to surrounding roads and as in previous comment above, will incur cost for the infrastructure and ongoing support. Once again TMBC looking to impact on local residents, business and visitors whilst imposing a Tax on people who using vehicles to access Aylesford as there is little or no public transport.

Off-street response – Reference number 2227

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2232

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2235

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2239

I object to parking charges.

Will make it harder to access local businesses and local residents will struggle to park.

Off-street response – Reference number 2241

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2245

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2246

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2247

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2251

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

With the local school this will cause major problems for drop and pick up times, the roads are always so busy and it's already difficult to park. With the car parks charging for use many mums won't use them as lost of families are already struggling with the current the financial situation. This will potentially increase the use of road parking causing blind spots for other drivers and putting child safety at risk.

Off-street response – Reference number 2252

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2254

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2259

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2263

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2264

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2265

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2266

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2267

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2268

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2269

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2271

I object to parking charges.

There is very little alternative parking in aylesford village. I attend the church there and by introducing parking charges I will no longer be able to attend, we cannot as a family afford any more increases in our cost of living. Please don't do this.

Off-street response – Reference number 2273

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Object to parking charges, however if they were introduced the first hour should be free.

Season Tickets would not necessarily guarantee you a space.

Understand the reason behind parking charges as this would free up spaces that are taken by residents who do not move their vehicle all day/night.

Off-street response – Reference number 2274

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Same here, just laziness and greed

Off-street response – Reference number 2275

I object to parking charges.

No public transport to or fro' Aylesford. Church attendance and parking is not just needed on Sundays.

Parking charges that are nominal (£1) May be acceptable but I suspect the parking will be at high cost.

Elderly cannot use mobile phones for parking or smart phones etc.

Paying as a resident does not ensure a space.

Many homes in Aylesford village have no space to park a car. They are being discriminated against.

Off-street response – Reference number 2276

I object to parking charges.

The local shops rely on pop-in customers, who will be there less than half an hour, and the church relies on local parking for services both mid-week (funerals etc) and on Sundays. Free parking up to two hours should be made available to all, without charges on Sundays or after 6pm (not 8pm) or to local residents parking, with charges levied only for non-residents parking for over two hours.

Off-street response – Reference number 2278

(no comment supplied)

If you must restrict parking why can't you apply a time limit for free parking ie 2 hours. Any time longer than that apply a charge. Otherwise trade will be severely affected. Also why is no maintenance being carried out on cleaning (roads and pavements all seriously worse since privatisation!)

Off-street response – Reference number 2280

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2281

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2286

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2287

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I also believe this is really about raising revenue.

Off-street response – Reference number 2291

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Aylesford is my home village and I was born there. If charges are introduced then all side streets and other parking areas will be used and people that need to use them will not be able to park ie church car park and Brassey Centre.

Off-street response – Reference number 2292

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2293

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2295

I object to parking charges.

I collect my grandchildren from St Peter's school and know that parking is at a premium at drop off/collection times. Aylesford is a village mostly built before universal car ownership and simply doesn't have the space to accommodate the number of cars which will try to park for free away from the car parks. If this charging does, however, proceed may I please plead for payment options to include cash/card payments and not solely payment via apps

Off-street response – Reference number 2299

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2301

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

Same as Martin's Square, the 1st hour should be free

Off-street response – Reference number 2302

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

Again local parking impacts local businesses, if the problem is longterm parking, address that, not the web supporting that local network. No charge 30mins, low charge 1 hr. charges appropriate to local provision. Pay and display advertises how long your car is unwatched/unattended - security is a must. Parking warden is not a popular job, nor nice job. It puts personnel in difficult situations. Automatic management of car parks plus spot checks would be better.

Off-street response – Reference number 2305

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2306

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2307

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2308

I object to parking charges.

I understand the council view but, why couldn't there be an hour free parking? That way you'll get no long term parking which is what they're trying to avoid & it allows local business's to keep their trade.

There must be some 'give & take' surely?

Off-street response – Reference number 2310

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2314

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2316

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2318

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2319

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2321

I object to parking charges.

I am concerned that charges will drive people away and small businesses will in particular, suffer. It will also drive people to park in residential areas causing congestion and potential danger to pedestrians.

Off-street response – Reference number 2322

I object to parking charges.

Stop charging people to use our community spaces!

Off-street response – Reference number 2323

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Wouldn't be guaranteed a space, Residents pay enough in council tax, without asking them for more money, bearing mind its about increase. Maybe before building new properties for housing and astro turf, the impact on the parking should have been considered, especially as it was already inadequate. Remove yellow lines in high street as well.

Off-street response – Reference number 2324

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

The reason I object to these proposals is not because I don't want TMBC to make more money but because the introduction of this has caused severe distress to local residents. Your proposals DID NOT include the provision of height restrictions that we can see which leaves many without anywhere to park their much needed work vehicles and, without this consultation yet concluded, the height barriers have been installed. Both the car parks provide parking to local residents as the roads cannot cope and it is these people who are using the local facilities along with visitors. They are now stuck parking their vans on the already narrow roads, obscuring views and taking up road space. What do the height restrictions achieve? We have already seen vans attempt to enter and have to reverse onto a narrow road causing traffic obstructions for what? This should have been a key point of the consultation to allow residents to include this at every discussion.

Off-street response – Reference number 2327

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

parents taking children to school will have to pay twice a day to park , residents will have a extra yearly cost. Laybys will be used for parking instead, for commuters using the station causing chaos on an already busy Station Road.

Off-street response – Reference number 2329

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2330

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2332

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2333

I object to parking charges.

This is a ridiculous suggestion. Parking in Aylesford should be free.

Off-street response – Reference number 2334

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

People don't have money what don't you get

Off-street response – Reference number 2335

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2337

(no comment supplied)

Not being a resident of this area I do not have a educated opinion on these proposals

Off-street response – Reference number 2341

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2342

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

This land was gifted to the village to be free parking

Off-street response – Reference number 2343

I object to parking charges.

Because it will affect all surrounding roads because all the vehicles will park elsewhere in the area.

Off-street response – Reference number 2344

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2345

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2346

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

My children attended the local school and preschool. The community centre has recently stopped parents using their car park and this has already led to parents parking in private residential carparks blocking in residents and on the surrounding roads in awful positions (double yellows, ect) making crossing the roads to the school more dangerous as less safe places you can see.

With the increase in living costs parents won't be able to afford parking charges to drop their children off and pick up daily, again this will make the surrounding roads much worse.

I walk most days, but it is essential on some pickups whoever is collecting them they drive and park either due to time or ill health. It should not cost money to send a child to school .

I support the introduction of residence permits as I can see that this may increase the availability of spaces for school times and visitors to the area.

Off-street response – Reference number 2350

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

As above. Same sentiment. Whoever thought of this wants the poor get poorer it seems.

Off-street response – Reference number 2351

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

It would appear that these changes are being implemented to ease up parking for local businesses (shopping) and residents however the main issue appears to be parking overnight of vehicles used for sleeping in. There are no "shops" at this location apart from a small village shop - the area has a few pubs and restaurants which do not have any parking of their own and rely on the car parks at Bailey Bridge east and west for their customers.

How will you guarantee that residents will be able to park given that they are paying for a season ticket?

Whilst not a resident of Aylesford, I do drive to Aylesford for various reasons. To visit the osteopath and the restaurants and use the car parks for this purpose. There is extremely limited on street parking in the high street and so often these are taken up. I do not object to paying for parking however I do believe this isn't going to resolve the issue.

Height barriers have been installed which don't form part of this consultation and what that has now done is restrict local residents in parking their work vans in the car parks...this will cause chaos on other roads which are already full to brim for parking.

Do these car parks currently have any restriction on parking? Perhaps a better restriction would be no overnight camping/sleeping rather than no overnight parking (as residents & visitors to the area - including those driving to a restaurant/pub and then walking home) need to use the car parks.

Off-street response – Reference number 2352

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2353

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2355

I object to parking charges.

Free parking is all that is keeping Aylesford going.

Off-street response – Reference number 2358

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2359

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Season tickets will reduce available parking supporting shopping. Objection to charges is based on no provision of 30 minutes free. If the issue is addressing low turnover then a period of free parking should be provided to support shop customers.

Off-street response – Reference number 2360

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2362

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

In the event that the charges are implemented i would like to suggest reducing the rates for local residents and businesses and their employees.

If the charges are implemented at such a rate, people will avoid using the Bailey Bridge car parks and instead result to parking on L.A highways which will have a direct impact on local residents on Rochester Road and Forstal Road.

Off-street response – Reference number 2365

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2366

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2371

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2372

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2373

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2377

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2380

I support parking charges.

These are free parking sites and it is reasonable to expect a small cost.

Off-street response – Reference number 2382

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2384

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

I do not believe people are misusing this car park. They are either residents parking or those visiting the village pubs. I believe this would negatively impact the restaurants and pubs in the area. There is limited parking in Aylesford and the nearby car parks promote responsible parking. The incidents of individuals parking on DYLS is low due to this facility. If you remove parking you only aid in reducing footfall, increasing residents frustrations and increasing the likelihood of dangerous parking. This will go a similar way to West Malling, which I note has more available parking anyway.

Off-street response – Reference number 2389

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2390

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2392

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2393

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2396

(no comment supplied)

N/A

Off-street response – Reference number 2397

I object to parking charges.

Walkers use this car park

Off-street response – Reference number 2398

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2399

I object to parking charges.

This is excessive. Making people pay Monday to Saturday is enough.

Off-street response – Reference number 2400

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2402

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2405

I object to parking charges.

Affect small businesses and customers

Off-street response – Reference number 2409

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2416

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2418

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2420

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2426

I object to parking charges.

There should be no charges at these car parks, they are used by residents and visitors to the river and village area. Maybe consider making charges after 3 hours stay.

Off-street response – Reference number 2427

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2429

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

The need to attract customers and visitors, in support of local businesses, outweighs any revenue growth or 'parking balancing' argument. Local authority budgets are threadbare as a result of central Government neglect. Given we're on the cusp of a recession, now's not the time to ask the public to plug the gap.

Off-street response – Reference number 2433

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Free parking is what encourages people to travel to Aylesford over out of town free parking shopping centres.

I propose a ticket providing 4hrs free parking to allow for shoppers to come and go but commuters and others will have to make other arrangements.

Off-street response – Reference number 2437

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2441

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Local residents should have safe off road parking and visitors could have a short time where they can park for free, for example two hours to visit shops etc. This will discourage long term parking except for local residents with permits.

Off-street response – Reference number 2444

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2445

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2447

I object to Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2448

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2451

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2452

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2453

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2454

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2456

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2457

I support Season Tickets.

Season tickets for commuters

Off-street response – Reference number 2459

I support parking charges.

Free short stay within 1-2 hours, charges for long stay

Off-street response – Reference number 2463

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2464

(no comment supplied)

No comment, never used the car park

Off-street response – Reference number 2465

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2468

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2469

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2471

I support parking charges, but object to Season Tickets

Unfortunately these car parks are close to the train station and obviously commuters are taking advantage. Although I am wary of parking charges being introduced as once they are added they are continually increased which will not benefit the small businesses so I would suggest free parking for two hours then charge.

Off-street response – Reference number 2472

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I would like to make known our OBJECTION to the TMBC borough councils proposals of new parking charges to the Bailey Bridge Car Parks, Aylesford.

County councils continue to allow developers planning permission to build new developments all over Kent, Extensive developments have been allowed in and around the Aylesford area and no thought has been given to the strain on Infrastructure and the impact this has on residents, Most of new developments allowed by council planning departments do not allow for adequate parking in the misbelief that this will discourage people from owning more cars, a misguided approach that leads to long term public misery.

County councils have also been selling off public car parks to housing developers that will also make parking resources less and long term revenue from these lost!

Given the limited parking currently available in Aylesford the last thing the village needs is parking charges, Some people may pay the charges but the majority will try to avoid the charges and exploit roads in the area where they can park free of charge, Medway court being one of these roads! Aylesford community centre already creates an influx of unwelcome cars when events are held there with no parking available so this therefore also impacts the immediate local community.

Medway court's residents already suffer from a high volume of cars parked in the road and we really do not need any extra volumes of cars parking in the road. I am certain that residents of the other roads in Aylesford feel the same way.

I would also like to add that further parking restrictions in these roads would not be a welcome addition as this would further add to the misery the council seems willing to inflict on residents.

Given the extra population created by the unwelcome developments in the area Aylesford Train Station would really benefit from a local car park close to the station, the council should also look at providing a solution to this,

But under no circumstance should these charges be implemented at the Bailey Bridge sites as this will be a further negative move for the area, the council should endeavour to improve our living environment not deteriorate it further.

Off-street response – Reference number 2474

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2477

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

My comments are as above ... residents and local businesses should be protected. I do not see how charging will actually encourage more visitors - on the basis of your argument - it might release spaces - yes but casual users are just as likely to stay away!

Off-street response – Reference number 2479

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2480

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2484

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2487

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2488

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

Parking fees should be set at a minimum and I would be against this if the introduction of parking fees incurred excessive costs that would lead to high fees being charged

Off-street response – Reference number 2495

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2496

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2502

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2503

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I am a regular user of these car parks as my son attends St Peters Primary school in Aylesford village. I feel the introduction of charges will see an increase in the amount of people who congest the village and park inconsiderately and unsafely. This is already an issue and i feel that it will only get worse with the introduction of charges as people will try to park in the village or park in residential areas (not that there are many of those!).

60p for half an hour may not seem like alot of money but twice a day, 5 days a week, will start to add up for those parents who have no choice but to drive and may already be suffering due to the cost of living crisis. I live in barming now and often have to continue my journey to work so have to drive. I know the school headteacher conducted a parking survey recently and it was established that most people using the car parks, actually need to do so for various reasons.

In terms of the businesses in the village, I feel that these will suffer with the introduction of charges as some people likely to go elsewhere which will have an impact on any elderly and vulnerable residents who rely on the local shops as are unable to travel out of the village. If the shops close, they will have no way of accessing basic necessities.

I feel it will be extremely unsafe for children and other pedestrians, cause more congestion in the village, potentially destroy the extremely small number of businesses that are in the village, thus effecting the older/vulnerable residents who rely on those small businesses because the bus options are limited to get anywhere else!

My sons also play football for Aylesford FC and the charges could impact match days and again cause congestion in the village and forstal road causing safety concerns for all.

Additionally, residents who live in the village have no choice but to use the car parks so would be nice for them to get a season ticket for free or much lower amount.

Could the proposal be amended to offer an hour for free?

Off-street response – Reference number 2504

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2506

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2507

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2508

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2509

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2510

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2511

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2512

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

In the current climate it is hard for businesses & shops to survive. Parking charges will deter people from using current facilities. Plus this also discriminates against those on tight budgets, those with children or disabilities not able to claim for the blue badge.

Off-street response – Reference number 2514

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2515

I object to parking charges.

I visit Aylesford twice a week to use the local businesses, spending several hours each visit. If parking charges are introduced, I will be forced to stop visiting.

Off-street response – Reference number 2517

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2518

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2519

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2523

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Most local residents have nowhere else to park and should not be penalised when they chose to live in a small village. Local businesses will suffer and what is stop people parking in the community hall, or will there be charges there as well? I use the hall but have to use the Bailey Bridge parks as the hall spaces are taken. If forced to pay to park, I will no longer use the facilities and will probably not visit the village at all sadly.

Off-street response – Reference number 2524

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2525

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

Today we learnt of the closing indefinitely of The Hengist one of the reasons being the proposed parking charges! It will ruin all businesses!! The little Gem has only recently reopened after years but for how long, how many local people will lose their jobs, as a local council not very supportive!

Off-street response – Reference number 2527

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I am strongly opposed to these charges. Changes to height barriers have already displaced larger vehicles and reduce the likelihood of getting trades people to service the area of Aylesford. It is already feared a new business owner won't be found for the Hengist with the threat of parking charges. Existing residents moved to the area on the basis of free parking in an area where so

Many houses do not have parking available. It is outrageous to suggest charging them now. The first option should be to add more parking spaces in the overflow area and see what impact that has. These changes are unwelcome and ill considered.

Off-street response – Reference number 2528

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2531

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2532

I object to parking charges.

Again will force people to park in already busy roads and take away from the local area, short term free parking would be more appropriate for visiting and walking

Off-street response – Reference number 2536

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2538

I object to parking charges.

People will stop using the local businesses, they will just go elsewhere where the risk of a fine is not present. Ultimately when the businesses shut you'll lose more money due to loss of business rates. Create more spaces and make them free.

Off-street response – Reference number 2540

I object to Season Tickets.

Aylesford is a small village with hardly any parking and it is getting worse day by day. Residents are generally older and all pay council tax. If needed issue residents permits but alot cheaper than what you are proposing.

Off-street response – Reference number 2541

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Until roads are without pot holes and the general up keep of roads improves it would theft to extract even more money from shoppers or residents

Off-street response – Reference number 2542

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Cost of living crisis. Already pay so much in council tax and residential parking Already. Further to this, upping parking and adding more restrictions will discourage people coming into the town. Which will have a detrimental effect on the local towns economy

Off-street response – Reference number 2545

(no comment supplied)

It is not appropriate for a Tonbridge resident to comment on Aylesford matters

Off-street response – Reference number 2547

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2549

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2552

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2558

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2560

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2562

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2565

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I don't use it, but fully expected it's another money making exercise for the local council.

Off-street response – Reference number 2566

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2568

I support and object to Season Tickets.

Although I support the option of a season ticket for residence the cost is far too high, residence will not be able to afford it, as the majority of residence do not have parking this will encourage dangerous parking on the roads around the village as there is simply not enough room for all the vehicles. The village gets extremely busy commuter times with people driving to work and schools - not enough busses so we all have to drive to senior schools. The residence in the historic village only should only have to pay a small nominal charge so the roads stay as safe as possible.

Off-street response – Reference number 2570

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

Same answer as above

Off-street response – Reference number 2572

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

There aren't enough spaces to accommodate all residents, are you going to guarantee a space for season ticket holders? People will start parking in other roads in the local area which will be dangerous and a risk to children at school run time. It will prevent people visiting the village which will impact local businesses and the heart & soul of the village. Where will the carers for those living in the Almes Houses Park? There is already an issue with parking on Rochester Road in the village which hinders emergency service access.

Off-street response – Reference number 2573

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2574

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2575

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2576

I object to parking charges.

The village is hard to get parking at the best of times, this will seriously impact local businesses, cause more mayhem to the streets nearby.

Off-street response – Reference number 2577

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2578

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2579

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

As a regular visitor to Aylesford village, and regularly parking here. It's extremely frustrating to hear that the council have firstly installed height limitations to now planning to pay for parking. You've already lost a business in the Hengist as a result of this change, what next. Your role is to drive communities forward not to bring them down and this is a stepping stone, in the wrong direction.

Off-street response – Reference number 2580

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I object to paying to park

Off-street response – Reference number 2581

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

These two car parks are often used by those walking up the hill to Aylesford Church, or to eat at a cafe, pub or restaurant in Aylesford Village.

Off-street response – Reference number 2582

I object to parking charges.

Charging people is not the solution! Stop punishing us!!

Off-street response – Reference number 2583

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2584

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Parking charges will destroy businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 2585

I object to parking charges.

Aylesford is a small village which relies on tourists and visitors, this will have a negative affect

Off-street response – Reference number 2586

I object to parking charges.

I visit the church for services, other functions, but also to visit family graves. Charges will not only make visiting the church services more costly, will divert village parking to the few spaces at the church which are handy for short visits to family graves.

Off-street response – Reference number 2588

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2590

I object to parking charges.

I have always lived in Aylesford, charging for parking will have a detrimental effect on the pubs and shops in the village, residents will park on the road and cause build up of traffic and danger to other road users, vehicles will be damaged when parked on the road and livelihoods will be affected.

The football pitches are in use regularly and there are more people using the facilities, parents collecting children from the school will park on nearby roads instead of paying a parking fee and residents will be affected by the disruption.

The pubs will lose custom if people have to pay to park, more of the small businesses such as hairdressers and village shop will lose trade.

Off-street response – Reference number 2591

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2593

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2594

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2597

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2598

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2599

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2600

(no comment supplied)

N/a

Off-street response – Reference number 2601

I object to parking charges.

For the benefit of local businesses, do not apply parking charges for less than three hours. If long term parking is a problem then charge heavily over three hours.

Off-street response – Reference number 2602

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Aylesford Village relies on local residents and those are aware of such a small village's existence. Parking charges will naturally decrease the flow of those visiting the village and shop owners will undoubtedly be those worst hit

Off-street response – Reference number 2610

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2611

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

As above

Off-street response – Reference number 2612

I object to Season Tickets.

You are blatantly trying to destroy the village by your money grabbing proposal.

Off-street response – Reference number 2613

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

There is no reason to introduce parking charges for an already tiny community of houses and businesses. It is hardly a busy shopping area and all this will do is make already difficult trading conditions even worse if customers have to pay for parking. The businesses in the village don't require long parking times so you will be making it too expensive to visit the traders here. Parking for residents is hardly plentiful so again you are penalising people who live in the village and are already paying taxes on everything to park a car safely.

Off-street response – Reference number 2615

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2616

I object to parking charges.

will cause parking chaos around the village.

school drop offs will be done outside the school gates in mount pleasant (a 30 minute free period would stop this)

shops/pubs will lose custom and thus will probably close and the council will lose business rates.

workers in the village will be trying to park in the streets and cause problems for residents.

residents of high street should get a free pass as no alternative parking available.

again the motorist is being used as a cash cow for inefficient council with woke ideology

Off-street response – Reference number 2617

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Placing charges on these car parks will stop people using the nearby business. I often come here to visit local business & would think twice about visiting if I had to pay for parking. Alternatively it would also block up surrounding roads as people will seek to park elsewhere due to these still being free. It will cause more business to leave be driven out the village as the Hengist has already suffered from.

Off-street response – Reference number 2618

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

As stated on question 5. Parking charges will stop people using the businesses in the village.

Residents of the village already pay council tax and any season ticket will be another form of council tax. It will cause congestion in the already congested village streets making it particularly difficult for

buses to navigate through the village. With the reduction of footfall it will ultimately make businesses move out of the village and that would reduce business rates income to the council. Charging on a Sunday would affect mainly residents as few of the businesses open on a Sunday. It would affect aylesford football club as people will park on the surrounding roads instead and could cause obstacles when children are trying to cross the road to get to and from the pitches and recreation ground.

Off-street response – Reference number 2619

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2623

I object to Season Tickets.

This will reduce people coming into down and will not be good for already suffering high street.

Off-street response – Reference number 2626

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2628

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2630

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I work in the primary school in the village. Many parents use the car parks when taking their children to school and should not be expected to pay to do so. Sometimes members of staff have to use the car parks when our car park is full and should not have to pay to go to work. By introducing parking charges you will encourage people to park in other areas of the village making it dangerous for the children of our school and the village.

Off-street response – Reference number 2633

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

This car park is a key element to the sporting community for all ages and I believe that we have to take into consideration that if you take this away then families will not be able to take their children to games etc as the cost of living now we have to debate whether we put gas and electric on our meters or buying food let alone worrying about added extra of parking fees when we have already paid our taxes from wages road tax car insurance when will there be something back .

Off-street response – Reference number 2634

I support parking charges, but object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2636

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I do not use this car park however the spaces are used and the car park full which means there is not enough parking in the village for the amount of houses & Flats you approved for building.

Off-street response – Reference number 2637

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2638

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2639

I object to parking charges.

I have nowhere else to park in the village and cannot afford parking charges as I do not work, nor do I claim benefits.

Off-street response – Reference number 2640

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2641

I object to parking charges.

I understand the thought process behind introducing charging but it will be absolute chaos in the village at school drop off and pick up times. Local residents are already very disgruntled about the way in which parents are parking around the village at drop off and pick up times. The headmaster has requested on many occasions that parents use these car parks when picking up children. Introducing a fee to park there will discourage parents from parking there even more.

I would prefer the car parks to remain to be free as I know many residents have no where else they can park.

If this is not an option, may I suggest you allow restricted free parking?

2 hours free parking, no return within the hour. Something like that. I'm sure this would satisfy a lot of people, without punishing the local businesses too much.

Off-street response – Reference number 2642

(no comment supplied)

NA

Off-street response – Reference number 2643

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Disgusting! What do you expect local businesses to do when times are tough enough

Off-street response – Reference number 2646

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2647

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2648

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2651

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2652

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

My response to the council's proposals is limited to the introduction of charges at the Baily Bridge car parks in Aylesford, as these are the only aspect which will impinge on the operation of the school and the community in which we are located.

I fully understand the need for TMBC to consider this move in order to address the funding issues which currently blight it and all public bodies. I believe that the council has to pay quite considerable rates on the car parks, which is no doubt a drain on already limited funds. Hence, I can see why this move is being proposed. However, I would like to make councillors aware of certain issues, particular to Aylesford, which complicate the introduction of charges in the Bailey Bridge car parks.

Firstly, it will seriously impinge on the operation of the school. St Peter's is a tiny, historic school, on a magical site, but we have no car park, and absolutely no capacity to develop one. Our buildings are sandwiched between two extremely narrow roads, the first of which is one way, the second a cul de sac. The residents of the former have limited on road parking outside their older, historic properties,

whilst those on the latter have modern houses with driveways. Hence, school staff are not able to park on the roads around the school.

The vicar kindly allows staff park in her driveway, which runs alongside one of our buildings, and also allows us to use the church car park unless there is a service planned for the day. We are able to park approximately 7 cars in her driveway, and when there is no funeral etc in the church, we can also park another 4 cars at the church. We try to leave 3-4 spaces in the church car park to accommodate visitors and those who clean and support the church. However, all of my remaining staff park in the car parks in the village. I do myself. We probably have 6-7 staff parking in your car parks daily, and this increases when the church car park is closed to us.

St Peter's is a very happy, successful school, with low staff turnover. This benefits our children enormously. However, my ability to attract and retain high quality staff would undoubtedly be affected if they had to pay daily parking charges. The school budget is as pressured as that of the council and we could not afford to cover parking costs for staff. If you introduce parking charges, we would ask whether there would be some dispensation to allow school staff to use the car parks for free.

Secondly, a majority of families live within walking distance of the school, and walk to and from St Peter's every morning and afternoon. However, many also live beyond walking distance, or have parents who must drive on to work after dropping their children of a morning. They utilise the public car parks. If they are forced to pay in order to do so, I fear it will cause chaos around the school.

In my previous schools, parents would park on local roads, which was a nuisance, but no more than that. However, there are no public roads adjacent to the school where parents can park their cars. The historic nature of our village means that roads are simply not suited to on street parking. If parents are required to pay to park when dropping their children at school, a number will inevitably park illegally on local roads, which will cause a danger to my children. I can foresee chaos in the village every school day at 8.30am and 3pm if parents can not utilise the public car parks. If charges must be introduced, would consideration please be given to allowing a 30 minute grace period when people can park free of charge?

We all understand the need for councils to raise funds and to cut expenditure. However, if you feel obliged to introduce charges at the Aylesford car parks, I ask whether councillors would consider these measures in order not to adversely affect local residents and employees of the school.

Off-street response – Reference number 2653

I object to parking charges.

Similar objection to Larkfield parking charges. It will push the parking onto nearby roads which are already busy. It will also discourage people from using the local businesses which are already suffering. Only this week the Hengist restaurant has closed due to financial problems so this could happen to the other businesses in the village if even few people visit because of the parking charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 2654

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2656

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2658

I object to parking charges.

Good idea if you want to kill the village!

Off-street response – Reference number 2659

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2660

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2661

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2662

I object to parking charges.

By charging for the use of the Bailey Bridge car parks there will be a detrimental effect on business, residents, teachers and parents from the school, people wishing to use the local facilities (walkers football club etc)

We have already seen one business, The Hengist, close citing the potential car park charges as one of the reasons for closing and other business such as my own will come under similar threats

By charging for the car park people will seek to park on street and residents without off street parking will be hugely effected

If I look at local businesses we all use the shops and pubs of the village on a regular basis, if we were be forced out of the village then it will be a huge blow to the economy of the village

Off-street response – Reference number 2663

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2664

I object to parking charges.

Again all you want is extra funds so you can go on jollies!

Off-street response – Reference number 2666

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2667

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

It's the safest places we have to take our kids to school at present

Off-street response – Reference number 2668

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Having lived in the village for the past 16 years there has seen an increase in the number of vehicles in the village partly due to increase in housing and the football pitch.

This in turn has created an issue in the lack of parking for residents on evenings when the restaurants are busy, events at the community centre and also the football, charging for parking will not alleviate this issue only pass it on to other areas of the village where parking is possible such as bush row, rochester road, midway court and along Forstal Road:

The other issue is the 23 hours has never been monitored by the council and people park where there are no space's including the EV Charging bays and hatched areas, again charging will not change this, had the 23 hours parking been monitored I believed that the parking wouldn't be as an issue as it is now.

To keep the village the local hub it is by charging to park would deter people from visiting the pubs, restaurants (Henigist has already closed) hairdressers, shop and many others whilst also thinking of school drop off where mount pleasant is already an issue, people at the moment just cant afford to spend additional money to park so will pop their car anywhere or not come at all.

Also there is the issue of £269 per car per year which is an absolute insult, how can the council expect people to pay that much to park their car and no guaranteed space, other areas in Tonbridge and Malling including Blue Bell Hill and West Malling are £52 for the first car with 10 visitors permits per year, there is no justification in charging such an astronomical price. if we have to pay to park as a resident then it needs to be more reasonable and in line with other car parks.

Off-street response – Reference number 2669

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2671

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2673

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Someone who has children who attend St Peter's school, it is hard enough to find parking during pick up and drop off's. This will be made even harder if pay and display is brought in.

If it has to be brought in, I feel the first 30mins - 1hr should be free. This will allow people to do school runs, but not cost them a fortune to do so each day. And also not cause any issues where parents will then park and block residents because they don't want to pay each day.

Off-street response – Reference number 2674

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

I do support this, but please keep it reasonable as Aylesford does attracting a lot of visitors, which of course in turn attracts money into the local economy. Just recently Hengist has closed its doors and one of the reasons given was parking charges

Off-street response – Reference number 2676

I object to parking charges.

It's already hard enough to get a space in the village with the school's nursery business plus the residents I don't understand where the council think people are going to park it's horrendous as it is this will cause even more problems

Off-street response – Reference number 2677

I object to parking charges.

No alternative parking available for residents of High Street and adjoining roads. Lack of alternative parking will cause dangerous and illegal parking in other areas (eg Forstal Road) by residents and people delivering to or working in the village. Season ticket is an extra tax on residents and doesn't guarantee a parking space. No proposal for visitor parking permits. Unfair to charge people for dropping off and picking up school children. Introduction of charges would lead to additional nuisance parking on pavements and residential areas close to the school. Introduction of parking charges that have to be paid by phone app discriminates against older residents and visitors who do not have smartphones.

Off-street response – Reference number 2678

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

As stated above, it is our right to park our vehicles where we live. And not to pay for that too.

Off-street response – Reference number 2679

I object to parking charges.

Both car parks are heavily used by parents for school run as these are the safest and closest car parks to the school. Introducing parking charges will force parents to seek other parking places for drop off, which would cause more disruption to the local residents as well would be unsafe for children.

Off-street response – Reference number 2680

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

It is essential for my health that I get walking exercise and the car parks, East and West of Aylesford Bailey bridge provide a convenient place to park and walk along the river walkway. At 84 I am unable to pay extra on top of all the charges made by TMBC to be able to live in Ditton!!

Off-street response – Reference number 2681

I object to parking charges.

St Peter's school is located across from the car parks, along with shops and the Chequers. School pickup and drop off is already congested, with no availability for roadside drop offs or pickups due to the location of the school. Given that it is a primary school, parents need to physically take their child into the school, which is heavily supported by the availability of the car parks. Likewise, local businesses including the chequers and the hengeist are serviced by the car parks. Given that we are such a small villiage with very limited businesses and restaurants, introducing charges will drive customers to nearby towns with a greater option of businesses. Small villages rely on the free parking to enable the residents to access facilities, and is essential for keeping businesses open. School drop off will also be hugely affected, with people parking elsewhere and blocking the already very small and very congested roads.

Off-street response – Reference number 2682

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I live in Bush Row and there is not enough space on our road for myself & my husband to park therefore one of us parks in the free car parks, we would therefore have to pay to park at our own house. Any visitors we have park in the car park as there is not enough space in the village to park, should the car parks become pay and display we could not expect friends and family to pay to visit us.

Off-street response – Reference number 2683

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

parking charges will kill off trade in the village and put off people who want to visit the village and river

Off-street response – Reference number 2684

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

The parents of the school rely heavily on these car parks and only use them for a short period of time. If they have to pay to park they will start parking on road sides or stopping in the road to drop off/ pick up, both of these are dangerous and will cause problems with traffic. The school staff also rely on these spaces, due to the lack of parking at the school.

Off-street response – Reference number 2685

I object to parking charges.

I think free parking should be available for a minimum of 1hr to allow use of the facilities, but also avoid long term parking, this would increase availability through turnover.

Off-street response – Reference number 2687

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Aylesford is a local beauty spot it will stop people visiting the lovely village

Off-street response – Reference number 2689

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

see above

Off-street response – Reference number 2690

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2696

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Local residents have no parking in the village and it is unfair to penalise them and patrons of the businesses. Another way to tax the motorist. By all means penalise those who park vehicles and leave them for days. This information has been supplied.

Off-street response – Reference number 2697

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2698

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

As Aylesford is not a shopping centre nor has it the same facilities (restaurants, clinics etc) as Martin Square and West Malling have, the car parks in Aylesford do not require the same high turnover for shoppers and users. The cost of proposed season tickets for residents and local businesses seems

extraordinarily high considering that a season ticket does not guarantee a parking space. Should the council come up with a proposal to rectify this, it would change our viewpoint.

Off-street response – Reference number 2700

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

In a cost of living crisis, this is something that residents and local business cannot afford.

Off-street response – Reference number 2701

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2704

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2706

I support Season Tickets.

I work for the Environment Agency's need for season tickets/exemption to provide frequent access to maintain their assets and emergency access to provide incident response. if this dose go ahead we will nee to gain access at all times.

Off-street response – Reference number 2708

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2709

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2710

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I live in Aylesford and use the car parks maybe once a month and drive past them every day. I cannot remember the last time I drove past and the car park was full. You have already put a 2m max height barrier on both car parks forcing trades people who live and work in the village to park on Forstal road and other local side roads, this has already slowed the flow of traffic through the village, reduced the air quality and increased pollution. If you implement this Forstal road and all of the unpermitted local side roads will become car parks causing issues for locals and traffic flow through the village.

We often have friends come to the village and join us in the village for lunch or a drink at one of the local pubs and restaurants, this will stop. We will go to The Village hotel or Beefeater in Allington or the Poppys in Maidstone where parking is free again costing the local businesses and ultimately TMBC business rates income. The Hengist has already closed under threat of the parking charges, how long before the Chequers, The Bush and Little Gem follows.

The car parks were originally built to help local residents to park and stop the village getting bunged up with traffic. This completely flies in the face of the original plan for the car parks, the village will again become a car park with slow moving traffic and more pollution.

Off-street response – Reference number 2711

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2713

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

As I am a pensioner, who lives in the high street, I rely on my car as there are no facilities for shopping or cash points etc.

Will pensioners be allowed a discount?

Plus, will residents be given a specific area?

Off-street response – Reference number 2714

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2716

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2718

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2720

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

It's a real struggle to survive as it is. Without the stress of finding parking money on top of food and bills. The height restrictions have cured a major problem. Maybe they should penalise the cars left longer than 24 hours

Off-street response – Reference number 2722

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

This appears to be a move only to increase council income rather than provide facilities and support to residents - which I thought was the aim of the council. Aylesford is a medieval town, not designed for on road parking which is acknowledged by yellow line restrictions over much of the village. The two bailey bridge car parks are the only places that many residents have to park. They pay council tax already - why should they have to pay to park again? The Hengist has already closed recognising that diners will find it increasingly difficult to park and eat there. How long before The Chequers closes and the village shop folds? This really does smack of simple greed.

Off-street response – Reference number 2723

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2724

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2725

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2726

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

I would propose that the first hour is free as many people park here to go to the local shops and restaurants / pubs and to walk along the river path. For longer term parking suggest the parking fees advised would be sufficient to start after the first hour

Off-street response – Reference number 2727

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2728

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2729

I support parking charges.

There is no mention of motorcycle parking, new or existing.

Off-street response – Reference number 2730

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

My son works in the local restaurant. These additional charges will hurt him financially when already on a low wage.

Off-street response – Reference number 2731

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2732

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2733

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2734

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2735

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2736

I object to parking charges.

You are pushing cars to parking on the roads. And stopping the shops making a living.

Off-street response – Reference number 2737

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

There is no where to park in Aylesford for residents, school parents and people visiting the historic small village. It's ridiculous that you intend charging people, it's bad enough that you've put height barriers up, stopping any builders or minibus users working in the area being able to park. It's very selfish of the council to penalise small communities.

Off-street response – Reference number 2739

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

The car park is very rarely at capacity and due to the layout of the village there is nowhere for some residents to park, it is therefore unfair to penalise these residents.

The local businesses will also suffer if charges are introduced, especially the pubs and restaurants.

Times are already tough for the hospitality industry and the introduction of charges will reduce footfall.

The car park is also used by parents dropping their children to St Peters school and the school has actively encouraged parents to use the car park to reduce congestion on the roads and stopping outside the school gates.

Parking charges will increase problem parking and congestion and will increase the probability of accidents.

I think these proposals are extremely short sighted and I strongly object

Off-street response – Reference number 2740

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2741

I object to parking charges.

The introduction of charges will unfairly impact parents taking children to school resulting in more parking on residential streets and cars driving past the school making the hill unsafe for children. The lowest income parents cannot afford to pay more than £20 a month to get their children to and from school. The businesses in Aylesford have already been negatively impacted by height barriers in the car parks with the Hengist closing down due in part to the ridiculous restrictions and charges brought in and being proposed. Charges will have a negative impact on the few remaining businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 2742

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

This will have a very detrimental effect on the village and the school and businesses that are left. Pubs are already finding it difficult and the Hengist has closed already. It will cause traffic problems in the village as parents will want to drop off and pick up at school time and the roads are narrow

Off-street response – Reference number 2743

I object to parking charges.

Car park is used by staff and parents for the local primary school as there is insufficient parking at the school. Charges would greatly impact the staff. If charges are unavailable school staff should be allowed to park for free

Off-street response – Reference number 2744

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2747

I object to parking charges.

The parking is already horrendous at school pick up times, especially due to new parking restrictions imposed by the community centre. I think this will encourage more parents to park dangerously and make life unbearable for residents and force more local businesses to close. The cost of living increases are horrific, parents should not have to pay to take their children to school.

Off-street response – Reference number 2748

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

If parking charges are introduced many of the residents will park on Rochester Road and cause traffic chaos. If payment charges are introduced there will need to be plans put in place for residents parking in certain area with 1 to 2 hours waiting similar to most villages in Kent. There would also be a need to review the yellow lines similar to the new lines introduced off Hall road near the doctors surgery. All of this will need to be implemented at the same time as the changes.

Off-street response – Reference number 2749

I object to parking charges.

As in no 4

Off-street response – Reference number 2750

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I work as a TA at St Peter's School in Aylesford, these parking charges would add up significantly to me compared to my wages.

Off-street response – Reference number 2751

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2752

I object to parking charges.

This is a small local community and have a small village school it will cause a major parking problem for parents at drop off and pick up. Also at a time when many people are struggling to make ends meet you are planning on charging parent to drop off and pick up their children. I have work at the school for over 15 years and find that the free parking helps the local shops and the community as a whole please reconsider charging the people of this local community

Off-street response – Reference number 2753

I object to parking charges.

I work in the local primary school. Paying for parking each day would have an impact of what I earn. Parking at the start of school and end of school would have a huge impact on the surrounding area and cause more disruption for local residents as I believe parents would not pay to use the car park but instead park in surrounding streets causing more difficulties for local residents to park their own cars.

Off-street response – Reference number 2754

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

These cars parks were provided for the use of the residents whose houses were built without parking spaces. They are also used to bring customers to support local businesses. Introducing parking charges will penalise all of these people. Introducing charges will not guarantee residents a parking space, so they would be paying for a permit with no allocated space. Charging will encourage people to park in other roads, with no charges, which will impact other residents as well as making crossing the road dangerous. The car parks are also used by parents taking children to and from school, as well as people using the church. It is obscene that these people should be charged. Aylesford village is medieval and by its nature there is no available space for any facilities to provide their own parking for visitors. That's what the parking areas have always been for. They should continue to be provided free of charge. Finally, introducing parking using apps will penalise people who do not use smart phones and the charges will encourage people with choice to use areas where parking is not charged for.

Off-street response – Reference number 2755

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

There are hardly any business near these car parks. Thea car parks are used on a regular basis by parents dropping their children at the near by St Peter's school. This is just another example of the local council clutching at low hanging fruit and trying to tax people who have no alternative.

Off-street response – Reference number 2756

I object to parking charges.

I work in St Peter's school and have two children there. The parking is extremely limited anyway with the community centre no longer permitting parents to use their car park or indeed open up their overflow car park to support us. The safety of the village will be further at risk with parents already parking in an unsafely manner. Residents are already fed up with cars parking across their properties and complain to the school regularly. Pavements are extremely narrow and I worry pedestrians and small children will be made more vulnerable as they'll be unable to walk through the village safely with the extra vehicles parked up on kerbs etc. Whilst I understand long stay charges may need to be introduced, I think it would be truly despicable to introduce charges to parents who intend to park for no longer than 15 minutes in order to drop off or collect their children and also to staff who have to park for the school day. The Community Centre have been extremely unhelpful in accommodating the needs of the children and parents and I think their involvement in all of this needs to be discussed. It is a small school and they have ample parking for parents to use for 15 minutes twice a day, Monday to Friday. The Hengist, a popular and well loved restaurant has recently closed, stating the upcoming car park charges as one of the reasons they can not financially face their future as a

business. It would be a real shame if you chose not to listen to the community who are strongly against this.

Off-street response – Reference number 2758

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2759

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2760

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I object to the parking charges because I am an employer of St Peter's school in Aylesford village and with limited parking for staff it will be very expensive to park the car for the day. I think being charged to park the car to attend work at a place that serves the local community is outrageous.

Also, there is very limited parking for parents when dropping off and picking up their children and I do not believe parents should have to pay twice a day to park their cars just to drop their children to school and collect them from school.

Off-street response – Reference number 2763

I object to parking charges.

Again same issue where will residents park?! On the pavement again. It will also drive away any customers of local businesses, 2 have already been driven out of our village.

Off-street response – Reference number 2767

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2768

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2769

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2771

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

For a village with very limited road space, dont alienate it further.

Whether Parking for a wedding or funeral, a walk along the river, the shops, a sports event or to visit a local business, parking should be available free of charge on a first come first serve basis.

Homeowners will struggle to sell a property with this in place, the village has zero alternative options

Off-street response – Reference number 2772

I object to parking charges.

If you introduce parking charges in the Bailey Bridge East and West car parks, then even more people will park in Medway Court that don't live there, making it even more difficult for the residents of Medway Court to park there.

Off-street response – Reference number 2774

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2775

I object to Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2776

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2778

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2779

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2781

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2785

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2786

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2787

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2789

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2791

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2793

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Parking charges deter visitors and cause problems for local residents

Off-street response – Reference number 2794

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2796

(no comment supplied)

No comment on this

Off-street response – Reference number 2802

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

The justification for the introduction of these charges is that the council are adopting a one-size-fits-all approach, and that it's only fair that all TMBC car parks are chargeable. This is frankly ridiculous - each car park location is unique and should be treated as such. This is going to have a devastating effect on local businesses, how are their staff going to afford to park? This proposal will push more parking to surrounding areas such as Rochester Road (Aylesford) which are already short on space. In turn this increased congestion will create havoc for residents.

We should also note that these proposed charges are not applicable for councillors, which again is ridiculous. Make them pay and claim back on expenses any charges incurred for their council work related parking.

My elderly neighbours have lived in the village for over 55 years and have never had to pay for parking. How are they supposed to afford £290 per year?

I consider this proposal as yet another example of stealth taxes being pushed onto us with no good reason. Better management of our taxes would be a wiser choice.

Off-street response – Reference number 2803

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2806

I object to parking charges.

This is a local car park and nobody has had to pay before.

Off-street response – Reference number 2807

I object to parking charges.

Should be kept free

Off-street response – Reference number 2808

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2811

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

You ant to charge.....

Give each house a driveway!

Off-street response – Reference number 2813

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2814

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2815

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2816

(no comment supplied)

My daughter attends St Peters Primary School in Aylesford village. If parking charges are introduced it will force many parents to make the choice of incurring a daily charge for dropping off or collecting their children, or alternatively trying to park somewhere close to the school that will not incur a charge (This will be impossible). This addition of charges will increase vehicular traffic through the village and near the school during pick up and drop off times. Creating congestion and putting children at an increased and unnecessary risk.

In the 10 years i have lived in the village there has never been any issues with being unable to park in the free parking provided due to people using it as a 'long stay' carpark.

As stated there is almost no parking in Aylesford. Many homes do not have driveways due to the age of the properties in the village.

Off-street response – Reference number 2820

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2822

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2823

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2824

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2825

I object to parking charges.

I use that car park once every six weeks to go on a cycle ride . If I had to pay for parking I would try to park on the roads instead

Off-street response – Reference number 2828

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2834

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2836

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2839

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2841

I object to parking charges.

I visit the village and would not be able to do so if charges introduced

Off-street response – Reference number 2842

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Residents shouldn't have to foot the bill for others parking that do not live here. Provide a parking permit for 1 car per household to every house that has a car. It is ridiculous to be paying even more money out to park my car. I work nights so therefore would have to pay every day. Whereas people that work days, only have to pay for a few hours a day. A season ticket if not feasible. The CCTV is poor and not worth paying a fee for. I have had car broken into and keyed in the car park. Each time there is no decent CCTV due to fixed cameras that are too old. Replacing these with anything less than a ptz 360 is not an option. I am angry about residents having to foot the bill. The amount of visitors to the village has significantly reduced since the height barriers and also the closing of the hangar restaurant on a permanent basis. The walkway from the car park down the side of the hengist to the high street is very badly lit. Please put lights or security lights along here as it is dangerous of a night time. The car park is full with school mums in the morning. Make it pay and display for non residents. Update the CCTV to ptz 360 cameras and maintain them and make sure they are accessible to local authorities. Please give a parking permit to residents for 1 car per household. Otherwise people like myself will be forced to move out the area to somewhere with local free parking. Also councillor Luke Chapman is useless in his role. I'm sure the new parking charges will help

Towards his pay rise

Off-street response – Reference number 2844

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I feel a free parking time of up to 2 hours would be more beneficial. Use of ANPR would enable you to enforce this without having to use parking wardens. If you offered 2 hours free parking then this would not impact school pickup parking as I feel that if you went ahead with the changes all the parents would just park on vicarage close and mount pleasant meaning children would be forced to walk onto a road to get around cars parked illegally on double yellow lines

Off-street response – Reference number 2846

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2847

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2852

I object to parking charges.

This will stop people from going in to Aylesford, either for a walk or a meal. The car parks are never full and it's not a problem that needs to be rectified.

Off-street response – Reference number 2853

I object to parking charges.

I am opposed in part to these charges as I think they could be improved, for the benefit of TMBC, local businesses, parents of children at St Peter and St Paul's Primary School and residents.

My proposals are in line with the plan I put forward in 2021 when I represented Aylesford North and Walderslade on TMBC. Namely:

1. The West Car Park should be passed over to Aylesford Parish Council on a long lease, free of payment. In exchange, APC would undertake to pay the Business Rates and contribute to a "sinking fund" for ongoing repairs and maintenance. APC could cover this expenditure by imposing an annual fee of £150 (half what is presently proposed) and allocate residents a designated parking space. This income from permits would cover Business Rates and contribute around £5,000 pa to the sinking fund.
2. As part of the policing and the East Car Park, TMBC Enforcement Officers would also manage the West Car Park and issue tickets / collect revenue from drivers using the car park without the relevant permit.
3. A number of bays in West Car Park (perhaps 6) could be designated "visitor bays" for guests of residents who have no off street parking. This could be managed by a simple scratch card, purchased by the resident from APC, which visitors display in the window of their vehicle on the date of their visit. These visitor permits could also be used for tradespeople. They could be sold for a token charge of £2 to cover cost of production and generate additional revenue.

4. St Peter and St Paul's Primary School could issue parents with a permit allowing them to drop-off and pick-up children from the car park during designated times. This permit would not allow parking in the car park outside these times. The school could organise a "walking bus" to take children safely to school from the car park.

5. The East Car Park would be retained (and perhaps expanded) by TMBC and used by visitors to the village. I fully support the introduction of charges for the East Car Park as this will ensure people who use the car park for commuting (from Aylesford Railway Station), car sharing or workers from the trading estates made some financial contribution to the cost of maintaining the car park, whilst also providing additional income for TMBC.

I believe my proposals would address most of the concerns raised by residents and businesses

1. Residents would have a designated space to park at 50% of the planned cost
2. Parents could drop and collect their children without adding to congestion
3. Visitors and tradespeople would have somewhere to park
4. TMBC would be freed of the costs of the West Car Park, while collecting additional revenue from fines imposed on users not entitled to use it
5. TMBC would receive revenue from an extended East Car Park and visitors would pay their fair share of the costs to maintain the facility

I do hope the Council will seriously consider my counter-proposals which I believe would largely meet the council's objectives while maintaining the support of the wider community.

Andrew Kennedy

Member of Kent County Council for Malling North East

5 January 2024

Off-street response – Reference number 2854

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2855

I object to parking charges.

Aylesford car parks predominantly serve the residents who do not have car parking. Residents with no car parking should be offered FREE parking to avoid street parking on Rochester Road which is already significantly congested with parked cars and difficult to drive down. The scale of proposed charges do not match with the need of the businesses in the village and I do not see why anyone would pay to park their car to use the few small businesses that exist. It is more likely Road parking on Rochester Road and the High street will increase.

The Roads in Aylesford are already narrow and congested. This proposal will simply add to the existing issues increasing congestion, pollution and the general wellbeing of the village.

Off-street response – Reference number 2858

I object to parking charges.

As a local resident and teacher at the village school, I am very concerned on many levels about the introduction of parking charges in these two car parks. Whilst I understand that, in general, things are becoming more expensive and that is the primary reason for introducing the charges, there are also aspects of Aylesford village that make it very unique to other areas and consequently, I believe careful consideration should be taken before introducing charges. Due to the ancient history of our village, very few houses have private, off-road parking. As a result, villagers have no choice but to use the village car parks to keep their cars and it seems unreasonable that they should now be charged to use this facility, whether a season ticket is available or not. The fact that the bus services have been so drastically cut in recent years means that residents have few other options for public transport opportunities, even if they only work in Maidstone. They need their cars to travel to work. There are few other parking locations within the village that are not car parks, such as along Rochester Road, the few bays in the High Street and further down Forstal Road alongside the park. Will these be charged too? How about the community centre? The impact there is likely to be significant as people look for ways to cheat the system.

Living in Medway Court, we already have a significant number of non-resident vehicles making use of our road as alternative parking for the village, whether they are visiting businesses, walking dogs, or simply taking photos of the old bridge. If parking charges are introduced in the village car park, we will certainly be over-run by more non-residents looking to avoid paying a parking fee. You will be aware that our road is very twisty and to have an excess of vehicles lining the street will cause it to become very dangerous for road users and pedestrians, particularly the many children who live in the road (including my own) as there are many blind corners. We see evidence of this issue on the few days when there are events at the recreation ground and the car parks are full, so this is not a comment based solely on assumption - it already happens.

Finally, from a teacher's perspective, having parking charges implemented that include both the beginning and end of the school day will cause chaos for the whole village. With the school situated at the top of a hill, we have few options for dismissing children safely and we already have some parents who take 'shortcuts' by trying to drop off and collect their children by car at the school gate down narrow Mount Pleasant or by lining Vicarage Close, which often leads to frustrated residents making contact with the school to complain about something that is entirely out of our control. Additionally, this can create a dangerous environment for our young children leaving and entering the school site, as they navigate road users. To implement charges in the village at these peak times would certainly intensify the risk to our children as it is inevitable that a large number of people will drive past the school to avoid parking charges, leading to a higher volume of traffic for those who are walking to navigate. It would almost certainly only be a matter of time before an accident would occur.

I sincerely hope that, if you decide to go ahead with parking charges, that you consider the impact it will have on ALL the residents and users of the village and not just those who abuse the facility of a free car park by leaving their vehicles there indefinitely.

Off-street response – Reference number 2860

I object to parking charges.

If the intention is to reduce the longer stays of cars parked in the Bailey Bridge car parks, I don't believe that charging for parking for short stays of using the car park resolves the issues you have raised. The car park should be arranged so that you can park for short stays (as intended) at no cost (such as ANPR used in Sainsbury's in Maidstone which gives you a period of free parking and you are charged when you exceed that) and are only required to pay if you exceed an allotted amount of time such as one hour.

Off-street response – Reference number 2861

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2862

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2863

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

This car park is so handy for popping into the pubs in the villages, visiting the church and local walks. Again, the tariffs will not benefit the locals who sometimes can't walk into the village from their homes. This will not help the local pubs, one of which, the hengist has just had to close.

Off-street response – Reference number 2864

I object to parking charges.

Aylesford village is very small and these car parks are the only spaces to leave a car. The businesses in the high street will lose trade because customers will go elsewhere. I believe the Hengist restaurant has already closed because of high costs and in anticipation of the charges being introduced.

Off-street response – Reference number 2865

I object to parking charges.

Stop making it harder for people to come to our beautiful village! Charges will have a huge impact on local businesses, the shop, the pubs, hair dressers, beauty salon, people who come to do walks, etc.

This will also impact children getting to school on time / being collected on time. Not all parents can afford 60p a day to drop off and collect their children so will take risks, especially with the cost of living! The impact on the the local roads, forstal road, Rochester road where parents will try and park to collect to not have to pay the fees, have you seen the carnage getting down Rochester road when when the train lines are down?

What are you planning on spending the money on you make from this parking fees?

Off-street response – Reference number 2867

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2870

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I live in Aylesford Village on Rochester Road where there are double yellow lines immediately outside my house. I have no option but to use the car parks, which I was told when I bought my home 7 years ago, would remain free because of some sort of covenant that existed. I have never had a problem finding a space in one of the car parks apart from when there is a football tournament. I don't understand why more parking wasn't provided for people using the 5 a side football pitch? The current parking is inadequate and frankly dangerous when cars are pulling out onto Forstal Road, a serious accident waiting to happen. The parking permits will not guarantee residents a parking space and family and friends visiting residents of the village will have to pay which is inhibitive especially when there are a large number of older people living in the village. TMBC council tax charges are already significantly higher than Gravesham and Medway so why are we being penalised further? Our properties will undoubtedly be more difficult to sell when buyers realise they have to pay £290 a year per car to park. Local businesses and trades will also suffer as a consequence of these proposals, which will lead to them leaving or closing down. The village has no bus service so residents have little choice but to own a car. I think these proposals are nothing to do with stopping non residents from using the car parks and are simply a way for the council to make money.

Off-street response – Reference number 2872

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2875

I object to parking charges.

Please see answer above, it's all the same principle of short sighted money making.

Off-street response – Reference number 2876

I support Season Tickets.

feel this measure along with a balanced policing of the car park and ticketing and fining those who overstay would eliminate the need to introduce parking charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 2877

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2879

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2880

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2881

I object to parking charges.

Unnecessary and we are already losing local businesses with this proposal

Off-street response – Reference number 2885

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2886

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2887

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2889

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2890

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2891

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2894

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2897

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2900

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2901

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2903

I support and object to Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2904

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2905

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2906

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2907

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

See comment 5

Off-street response – Reference number 2908

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

The local pubs are going to take a huge cut of profit because it will stop people like myself coming that way and having to pay to park. There's no need. Times are hard enough without added costs

unnecessarily.

Off-street response – Reference number 2912

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2914

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2916

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2917

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2918

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2919

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2921

I object to parking charges.

Again - killing local business - one of the reasons the Hengist has closed its doors - disgraceful money grabbing by the council

Off-street response – Reference number 2924

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2925

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2931

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2932

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

Yes to resident permit parking. If they bought a house with no parking they should have to purchase a ticket to park in a public car park. There is limit parking in Aylesford as it is and should be for visitors to use to go to the park or pub or walk and not to be taken up by residents

Off-street response – Reference number 2935

I support parking charges.

Every part of the Borough should pay for car parking.i don't understand why Tonbridge has to shoulder most of the income for parking revenue.

Off-street response – Reference number 2943

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2946

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2948

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2949

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2951

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2955

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

Tonbridge residents have subsidised the free parking. It's time to give Tonbridge respite.

Off-street response – Reference number 2956

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

Same answer as above

Off-street response – Reference number 2957

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2959

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2961

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2963

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2965

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2966

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2968

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2974

I object to parking charges.

So what are the people parking doing if they are not using local business?

Off-street response – Reference number 2975

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2979

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2980

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2983

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2985

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2987

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2988

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2989

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2996

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I object to the Park and Pay, my daughter lives in the village, she has 3 children who go to the local school. My husband and I offer drop the children to school or collect them. One of the children has

been extremely ill and have looked after the children at their home and ours when she has been in hospital. I find it ridiculous you are thinking of charging people who live in the village, visit their family in the village. The car parks were build to be used by residents, visitors to see their family and visitors to look around the lovely village of Aylesford. I feel it is another way of the council earning money, when council tax is already paid.

There is not enough room on the streets around the village for the residents to park.

The parents who collect their children to and from school. Many of the parents walk to school, but others work and it is impossible to walk from home, walk back then get in their car to go to work,

I don't think you have thought of the impact it will have on these residents of the village.

Already you have put restrictions on work vans in the car park, this went ahead with no consultation, with regards to the residents.

A few isolated people were unhappy, so once again without finding out what the majority wanted, made your own decision.

I'll assume the people making these decisions have no idea about the village and clearly don't live there.

There is a nursery in the village, whose parents use the car park too.

Also the sports field, where football is played at the weekends, an added expense to the parents. Numerous football tournaments happen there in the summer.

I'll assume you have been to the primary and seen there is no parking at the school for staff so they also need to park in the car park, added expense for them too.

I think who ever had had this crazy, not thought through idea, needs to think again.

Think of the residents who live there, the Grandparents and relatives who help out the family who live there, and not bring in charges at all to parking in Car Park.

Off-street response – Reference number 2997

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

There is next to no parking for residents or visitors so the car park is essential and a good majority of residents have vans for work or business so the height restriction is derogatory and that and charges will kill local businesses pubs restaurants etc and kill the heart of the village if anyone outside the village cares !

Off-street response – Reference number 2998

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3000

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3001

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3003

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3004

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3005

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

If local businesses require season tickets, this should be at no cost to them.

Off-street response – Reference number 3006

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

If the carpark is busy to support local businesses then it seems these are likely to suffer from the introduction of parking charges. If the issues are to do with long-term parking then it would seem far more pertinent to NOT charge for the first 2 hours and then introduce parking charges to park longer than that.

Off-street response – Reference number 3009

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3010

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3016

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Already the Hengist Restaurant have decided to close and one of the reasons was because of the charges that were likely to come for the car park.

Off-street response – Reference number 3019

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3021

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3022

I object to parking charges.

Residents should be given free or massively reduced rates in season tickets, as they literally have no where else to park.

I don't park in Aylesford village but as with Martin Square, I fear for the impact on the businesses in the village which are vital to the community.

Off-street response – Reference number 3023

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

It will drive trade away

Off-street response – Reference number 3024

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3027

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3028

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3033

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3035

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3037

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3040

(no comment supplied)

No comment

Off-street response – Reference number 3043

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I can't see how you can warrant charging residents that have no other option than to use the carparks as there is very limited parking available on the roads in the village. £290 is far too much, seeing as on road parking permits in the TMBC area are £52 per yr, which I might add is far more than what Medway and Maidstone Borough Councils charge. This charge is going to cost way more than it will be to tax my car !!!

Off-street response – Reference number 3047

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3048

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3049

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3050

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3059

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

The council are not thinking about their residents and yet again this is another money making expedition.

Off-street response – Reference number 3060

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3061

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3062

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3063

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3064

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

Same reason as above...spread the cost fairly throughout the borough

Off-street response – Reference number 3065

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3068

I object to Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3069

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3070

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

As above

Off-street response – Reference number 3071

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3072

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3073

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3075

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Reasons as above.

Off-street response – Reference number 3076

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3077

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3078

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3079

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3080

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3082

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3083

I object to Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3085

I support Season Tickets.

This would discourage long stay parkers who use the car parking for rail station parking

Off-street response – Reference number 3088

I object to Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3091

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3093

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3094

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3097

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3098

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3101

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3102

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3105

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3107

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

It isn't just about the businesses, it's about locals too who don't have anywhere to park.

Off-street response – Reference number 3109

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3110

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3111

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3112

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3114

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3115

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3117

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3119

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3122

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3124

I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3125

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Parking charges will force cars out of the car park and on to the surrounding roads where on street parking is already at capacity. Parking charges will discourage customers from using the local shops and services if they now have to pay to park and I know that I will no longer be visiting Aylesford village if the charges come into force. The impending charges have already had a significant impact with The Hengist having closed due to a drop in customers. Charges if applied should only be applicable after at least 2 or 3 hours. And not apply after 6.

Off-street response – Reference number 3127

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3131

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3134

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3135

I support parking charges, but object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3138

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3139

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3140

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Should be free for residents and visitors

Off-street response – Reference number 3141

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3142

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3143

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3147

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

One business has already closed its door's because of this. Is this really going to help the others.

Off-street response – Reference number 3149

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3151

I object to parking charges.

Again I would support the introduction of a time limit for free parking, such as 2 hours. This would enable local businesses to thrive but prevent long term parking. In many towns cardboard 'clocks' are used, placed on drivers dashboards at the time they arrive it is an easy way to identify when the 2 hours is up and a payment should be made.

Off-street response – Reference number 3154

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Will mean I have to pay to collect my child from school.

Off-street response – Reference number 3155

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3156

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Again the business will suffer. People can't afford extra.

Off-street response – Reference number 3157

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3159

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

First hour should be free to protect local businesses. Charge for 2 to 4 hours. Season tickets for longer stays but sensibly priced. This, in my opinion, will generate more income than the current proposals and generate more income in the long run.

Off-street response – Reference number 3161

I object to parking charges.

It will deter visitors to Aylesford village and the use of the riverside footpaths

Off-street response – Reference number 3162

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I have lived in the village for 15 years and very rarely struggled to park. There really isn't an issue. The only busy times are school drop off/pick up, big funerals/weddings and the annual football tournament (which is horrific to park!).

Charges will kill trade for a number of small businesses, most importantly the village shop, which is the heart of our lovely community. Shoppers will turn to supermarkets instead.

Charging residents £290 is obscene. Money has never been so tight, with the increase in the cost of living. This will add to the decision to eat/heat or park! It's too much money, especially with no guarantee of a space.

The surrounding roads will become so dangerous with people parking there rather than pay to park.

I wholeheartedly object to the proposals.

Off-street response – Reference number 3165

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Lots of people live in a cramped street area of Aylesford..its an unjust tax to expect them to pay out More from their pockets

They have no choice where they park if they live nearby

Off-street response – Reference number 3168

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

It is fair that every car park in the borough contributes towards the cost of maintenance and that there is a fair charging policy for all communities rather than some paying to park while others park for free.

Charging to park will prevent some motorists from hogging parking spaces and allow a greater turnover so visitors can easily access shops and support the local economy.

Off-street response – Reference number 3169

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3170

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

Parking charges kill local community, people will not visit villages & utilise shops & facilities.

Off-street response – Reference number 3171

I object to parking charges.

1. The problems in Aylesford are exacerbated by the football pitches
2. The yearly fee is excessive when there is no parking outside my house
3. Charging per car is excessive and will cause financial distress

4. There is no alternative public transport now that the 155 has stopped
5. It will also affect businesses in the village
6. We need somewhere for more ev points

Off-street response – Reference number 3172

I support parking charges and I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3177

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I object to parking charges being introduced at The Bailey Bridge Aylesford (East) and (West) car parks, because it will have a completely adverse and negative impact on the local shops and businesses it is proporing to help.

I disagree with the statement 'The Bailey Bridge (East) and (West) car parks are often full with parked cars – not all of which are shopping at the local businesses. To improve parking space “turnover” and allow more parking for shoppers and visitors.' How will parking charges improve this for shoppers and visitors?

It will not! They will go elsewhere. There is currently no problem with parking to visit the businesses in the Village so I would question your source on your information that there is.

The pubs in Aylesford have no parking so to introduce parking charges will mean less patrons not more. People will not pay to park to visit these pubs to eat or drink as they will be watching the clock and worrying about their parking time running out. If they do visit, they will limit their time spent there. Or instead are more likely to visit other pubs with a car park that has no charges. Or indeed just drive up the road to The Malta Inn or The Village that have free parking for first 3 hrs. In the summer months people visit Aylesford to walk along the river and old bridge and have a drink and/or eat in the pubs, they will not do this if parking charges are introduced. The Hengist has already closed citing proposed parking charges being one of the factoring reasons. The Little Gem pub has only recently re opened it's doors and introducing parking fees will no doubt have an adverse affect on their business if less people chose to visit the village as a result.

Introducing parking fees will sound the death Knell for all the businesses in Aylesford Village. It will NOT help the local businesses at all.

Off-street response – Reference number 3178

I object to parking charges.

People ignore the yellow lines now it will only get worse when charges are introduced

Off-street response – Reference number 3179

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3180

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3181

I object to parking charges, but I support Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3184

I support parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3186

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

I object to this as I feel that businesses will suffer. I frequent these car parks and businesses in the Village and will not do so if I have to pay car parking charges. I am quite sure there are many others like me.

Off-street response – Reference number 3189

I object to parking charges.

The residents have to park somewhere most of them do not have the luxury of two parking spaces outside their house.

Off-street response – Reference number 3196

I object to parking charges and I object to Season Tickets

This is making people poorer , it is a stealth charge , those who park illegally should be punished through fines , people want to go to work and live not pay fees to live , council tax is already at an extortionate rate , nobody asked or wants parking charges .

Off-street response – Reference number 3200

I object to parking charges.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3203

I object to Season Tickets.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3216

I object to parking charges.

I would like to make known our OBJECTION to the TMBC borough councils proposals of new parking charges to the Bailey Bridge Car Parks, Aylesford. County councils continue to allow developers planning permission to build new developments all over Kent, Extensive developments have been allowed in and around the Aylesford area and no thought has been given to the strain on Infrastructure and the impact this has on residents, Most of new developments allowed by council planning departments do not allow for adequate parking in the misbelief that this will discourage people from owning more cars, a misguided approach that leads to long term public misery.

County councils have also been selling off public car parks to housing developers that will also make parking resources less and long term revenue from these lost!

Given the limited parking currently available in Aylesford the last thing the village needs is parking charges, Some people may pay the charges but the majority will try to avoid the charges and exploit roads in the area where they can park free of charge, Medway court being one of these roads! Aylesford community centre already creates an influx of unwelcome cars when events are held there with no parking available so this therefore also impacts the immediate local community.

Medway court's residents already suffer from a high volume of cars parked in the road and we really do not need any extra volumes of cars parking in the road. I am certain that residents of the other roads in Aylesford feel the same way. I would also like to add that further parking restrictions in these roads would not be a welcome addition as this would further add to the misery the council seems willing to inflict on residents.

Given the extra population created by the unwelcome developments in the area Aylesford Train Station would really benefit from a local car park close to the station, the council should also look at providing a solution to this, But under no circumstance should these charges be implemented at the Bailey Bridge sites as this will be a further negative move for the area, the council should endeavour to improve our living environment not deteriorate it further.

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Off-street response – Reference number 7

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 16

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 19

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 20

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 22

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 25

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
Same argument applies

Off-street response – Reference number 28

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 33

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 34

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 35

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Very short sighted - people will just shop elsewhere!

Off-street response – Reference number 36

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 41

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 45

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 48

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 54

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I only object on the grounds that it is chargeable

Off-street response – Reference number 57

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 59

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 60

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 61

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 64

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 72

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 73

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 79

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 81

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 82

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 83

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

The council should not be encouraging people to drive or wasting tax payers' money on additional parking spaces. The council should be encouraging other forms of active travel and spending this budget on that.

Off-street response – Reference number 87

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 88

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

As above

Off-street response – Reference number 92

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 93

(no comment supplied)

If it has to go ahead please consider allowances for the school, church and local residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 98

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 99

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 101

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 103

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 104

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I think parking should be free for all or all should pay across the borough. I think it is unfair on local businesses where customers and staff have to pay to park.

Off-street response – Reference number 107

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 108

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 112

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 114

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Addition of spaces not an issue, decision to increase payment period is the issue

Off-street response – Reference number 116

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 117

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 119

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 120

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 121

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 122

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 125

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 126

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I also think there are other areas around the village where extra parking spaces could be added.

Off-street response – Reference number 129

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 130

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 134

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 140

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I would like to strongly object to the introduction of parking charges to the Aylesford car parks.

Myself and my husband and our family have lived in Aylesford since 1986, our family have been running the (REDACTED) in the High Steet since 1997.

We feel that introducing charges in the car park will be disastrous for the village and the businesses, it will cause absolute chaos where people will try to find alternative parking spaces especially at school times. We are lucky that we have a shared parking space behind the property but there will not be enough for all of us to park there and will cause so many complications. We have been blocked in on many occasions in the past with people parking on the pavement by the seats and we have been unable to get outI'm afraid that this situation will only escalate.

We have many patients that come in for treatment that also bring much needed revenue into the village, via the local shop, cafe and pubs, I'm afraid putting a time limit on their visit will deter them from staying any longer than they need to. Also a treatment takes between 40-60 minutes sometimes longer.... the last thing that they need to be worrying about is whether their ticket will run out before their treatment is completed!

We lived in the village for a number of years in one of the cottages in the High Street without parking and understand how difficult it is to find a parking space but to add an extra tax to the residents would be absolutely horrendous, we already pay a premium for living in the south east and the last thing we need is an additional premium added, please don't increase it even more.

If you want to continue on this crusade you will drive the businesses away or finish them off and you will kill what is already becoming a dying village! Its hard to believe that this village with so much history (being one of the oldest in the country) is so neglected! Compared with villages around the country and villages in France it looks so tired and unloved, if you succeed in bringing in charges you will be putting a nail in the coffin of this village.

Please reconsider for the sake of the village and the businesses!!

Regards

(REDACTED)

Off-street response – Reference number 142

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 144

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 146

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 150

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 152

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 156

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 157

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 159

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 160

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 162

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 165

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 169

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 170

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 174

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 175

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 176

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 177

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 178

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 179

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 183

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 184

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

This small village needs to encourage visitors. No charges

Off-street response – Reference number 186

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 192

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 200

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Only support if no charges unless long stay

Off-street response – Reference number 203

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 204

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 206

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

If it is being utilised and more spaces would help, go for it.

Off-street response – Reference number 207

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 208

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 210

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 211

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 213

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

It is already difficult to park currently in the car parks

Off-street response – Reference number 216

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 217

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 220

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 222

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 224

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 225

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 229

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 231

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Maybe these extra spaces could be for those who people who work there and therefore require to park for longer - give them the free parking permits which would allow the rest of the car park to have a sensible parking time limit e.g. 3-4hrs

Off-street response – Reference number 236

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

There is no need to extend the car park, it is fit for purpose as it stands as I have said I have never not been able to find a parking space. Save the money and enable free parking to continue for at least 3 hours.

Off-street response – Reference number 238

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 239

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 245

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 248

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 252

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 255

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 257

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 263

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 266

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 269

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 270

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I object on grounds of fairness.

Off-street response – Reference number 274

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 276

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 278

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 280

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

No charging and no extension

Off-street response – Reference number 281

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 284

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Support this but only if there are no parking charges

Off-street response – Reference number 285

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 286

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Area is prone to flooding so extending this will make the situation worse

Off-street response – Reference number 291

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 292

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Allow some free car parking for those visitors wishing to use Aylesford Park and the village

Off-street response – Reference number 298

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 300

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 301

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 302

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 304

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 306

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I support the extension but not the paid season ticket- it should be free to residents. Charge visitors not residents if you must charge someone.

Off-street response – Reference number 311

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I believe that removing this grassland area would reduce the aesthetic appeal of Aylesford village

Off-street response – Reference number 312

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 318

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 319

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

There is no need to expand the carpark.

Off-street response – Reference number 321

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 323

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

See previous

Off-street response – Reference number 329

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 330

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 331

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 332

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 341

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 343

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 344

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 345

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Lack of green space

Off-street response – Reference number 347

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 350

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 351

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 353

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 358

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 361

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 368

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 370

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 378

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 382

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 385

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 389

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 392

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 393

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 395

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 396

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I believe people would prefer it to stay free than more being added.

Off-street response – Reference number 397

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 399

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 401

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 402

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 405

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 406

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 407

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 408

Not my area

Off-street response – Reference number 414

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 418

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 421

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 422

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 424

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

The evidence suggests this is needed by local residents with limited on street parking for those without driveways

Off-street response – Reference number 426

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 430

I don't live close to, or use, this car park

Off-street response – Reference number 436

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 437

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 446

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 449

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 452

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 453

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 458

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 459

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 463

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 465

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 471

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 475

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 478

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 482

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

More parking needs providing but it needs to be free

Off-street response – Reference number 485

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I use the Bailey Bridge car parks every week as I park here to attend church every week, and for ad hoc wedding or funeral services if a choir or bell ringing is required. I would not be happy to pay to park and neither would attendees for these services. Also charging to park would be detrimental for local hospitality venues such as pubs.

Off-street response – Reference number 486

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 488

cant comment

Off-street response – Reference number 489

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 490

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 492

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 495

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 496

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
Should never build over green spaces in the Center of town.

Off-street response – Reference number 497

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 498

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 505

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
I think it will destroy the pubs and restaurants in Aylesford village

Off-street response – Reference number 506

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
But again, I object to the plan to charge if the Council does not maintain the resource (the river path) which the car park serves

Off-street response – Reference number 508

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 509

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 519

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 520

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I object if there are charges if free please extend

Off-street response – Reference number 521

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 523

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 525

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 528

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

There is no need for a bigger carpark it would cause an eye sight to a lovely village with fabulous old houses.

Off-street response – Reference number 531

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 536

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 540

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 541

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 547

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

But NOT the charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 548

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 549

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

We don't want more tarmac, the village is already a ran run and getting worse. We don't want to loose any more trees or grass areas. We are loosing the village fill.

Off-street response – Reference number 551

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 552

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

This is just another step to the War on drivers, If you wish to raise capital without increasing Residents Council Tax, I suggest the council takes a strategic look at the corperate directors team who really run the council, Highly paid unelected individuals

Off-street response – Reference number 554

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 555

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

It would be used as a justification to charge people to use it.

Off-street response – Reference number 558

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 561

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

The provision of sports at the local grounds need parking so children and adults can take park in sport

Off-street response – Reference number 563

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 565

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 569

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 571

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 572

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 575

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 577

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

See above

Off-street response – Reference number 583

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

No pay and display for Aylesford

Off-street response – Reference number 584

Do not know the area.

Off-street response – Reference number 585

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 586

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 588

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 590

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

This would be an excellent idea and would probably fix the parking issue in the car parks and should have been done a long time ago.

Could this car park be reserved for residents only or businesses and residents only?

Off-street response – Reference number 592

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 598

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Where are mums going to park

This weekly charge could be difference between kids eating a dinner one night

Off-street response – Reference number 599

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Leave well alone.

Off-street response – Reference number 601

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

no need

Off-street response – Reference number 603

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 606

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

More spaces is sensible.

Off-street response – Reference number 607

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 609

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 615

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 618

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 619

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 620

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 621

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 622

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

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Off-street response – Reference number 623

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 624

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 627

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 629

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I would support the extension if the parking stayed free, if not I would object wholeheartedly.

Off-street response – Reference number 630

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 631

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 632

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 633

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 636

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 640

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

There is a lack of room due to residents using it

Off-street response – Reference number 641

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 642

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 644

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 645

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 646

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 647

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 648

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 649

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 650

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 651

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 652

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 655

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 656

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 664

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 668

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 673

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 674

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 675

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 677

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 682

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

There are massive struggles with parking due to the lack of parking at each homes. Residents should have free annual passes, but to make them pay is punishing the residents. Can you introduce first 60mins free, and then charge.

Off-street response – Reference number 683

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 684

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 686

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 687

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 689

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 691

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 692

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 693

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 695

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 696

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 698

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Parking charges are unnecessary in small village shops. It is creating barriers to shop locally and is unfair to shop owners. This drives people to shop online and this is why we have empty shops and half the high streets have charity shops and pubs that have been there for years as there is no incentive for businesses to open. If it is necessary to reduce non shoppers parking then introduce ANPR and have at least 1-2hrs free.

Off-street response – Reference number 699

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 701

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 702

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 703

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 705

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 706

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 708

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Free parking

Off-street response – Reference number 709

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 722

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 726

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 732

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 733

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 736

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 738

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 740

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 746

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 747

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 750

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 755

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 757

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 760

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 761

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 764

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 765

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 767

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 769

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 770

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 772

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 774

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 775

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 776

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 777

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 778

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 779

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 782

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 783

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 784

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 785

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 786

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 791

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Make it jus5 for residents!

Off-street response – Reference number 793

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 794

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 795

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 796

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 799

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 800

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 801

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 803

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 809

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 813

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 814

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 815

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 818

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 823

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I support extending the car parking, I don't support it being pay and display.

Off-street response – Reference number 828

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 829

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 830

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 831

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 832

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 834

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 840

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 841

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 842

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 850

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 851

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 853

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Always space, not required

Off-street response – Reference number 854

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I object on the basis of finance to cover this.

Off-street response – Reference number 855

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 859

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 860

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 861

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 865

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 866

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 867

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 868

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 870

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 871

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 872

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 873

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 874

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 875

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 878

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 880

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 881

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Perhaps the extension part could be for longer parking with appropriate charges in place

Off-street response – Reference number 882

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Same comments as above for Bailey bridge east , plus why can't the council put up signs like supermarkets and restrict hours people park, like 3 hours up at Sainsbury's, just put cameras on site and that will surely help.

Off-street response – Reference number 883

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 884

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 886

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 887

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 888

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 890

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 893

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 895

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 896

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

If extending means pay and display I object as I rather have free parking than no parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 898

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 901

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 902

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 904

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 908

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 912

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 914

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 920

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 922

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 925

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 927

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 928

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Would rather it wasn't extended and free parking remains

Off-street response – Reference number 929

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 930

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 931

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Should have been done long ago to help the area and businesses to thrive. Parking charges to the car parks will have a large impact for the area.

Off-street response – Reference number 932

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 933

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 934

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 935

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 940

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 947

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 949

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Any additional parking is a bonus but not for charging

Off-street response – Reference number 950

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 951

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Will kill trade and family time

Off-street response – Reference number 954

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 955

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 956

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 957

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 958

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 959

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 962

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 963

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 965

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 968

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 969

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 972

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 974

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 977

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 979

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 980

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 981

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 983

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 986

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 987

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 988

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 991

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 996

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1000

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1001

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1004

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1005

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1007

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1012

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1013

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1014

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1015

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1016

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1017

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1018

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1019

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1020

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1021

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1024

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1026

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1027

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1028

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1029

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1030

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1031

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1033

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

More free parking should be provided

Off-street response – Reference number 1035

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1037

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1038

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1039

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1040

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I support the extension but objection to charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 1047

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1049

Never used them.

Off-street response – Reference number 1051

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1054

Can't give an answer to question 8. I support the extension of the car park but object to them being pay and display

Off-street response – Reference number 1056

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1058

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1062

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1067

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1070

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

As long as it's still free!

Off-street response – Reference number 1073

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1074

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1075

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1076

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1078

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1089

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1095

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1096

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1099

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1100

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1101

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1102

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1103

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1104

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1106

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1107

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Extend if your going to be free or don't bother

Off-street response – Reference number 1108

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1109

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1112

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1118

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1120

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1121

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1123

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1124

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1125

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1128

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1129

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1134

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1135

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1138

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1139

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1141

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1143

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1144

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1147

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

This will help residents and local businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 1149

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1150

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I support the above Aylesford definitely needs more parking but it should be free.

Off-street response – Reference number 1152

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1156

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1157

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1159

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1161

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1164

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1167

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1170

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1172

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1173

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1176

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1177

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1179

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1180

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1181

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1182

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1187

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1195

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1196

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1197

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Absolutely ridiculous in my opinion it's just another way to make money especially as there is no free time ect 30mins the fact you're happy to charge people already struggling for the first 30min proves it all about making money!!! Nothing to do with lack of spaces never had a problem parking all this does is stop people using shops already struggling

Off-street response – Reference number 1205

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Only if it's free to use.

Off-street response – Reference number 1208

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

This would prevent cars needing to park along Forstal Road near to the recreation ground, which will improve road safety.

Off-street response – Reference number 1209

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1214

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1217

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1222

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1223

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1227

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1229

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
As long as the first hour is free. See above.

Off-street response – Reference number 1230

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1235

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1236

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1240

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1242

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1244

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1245

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1249

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1250

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1252

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

This would hopefully stop some of the road parking particularly of a weekend during football season.

Off-street response – Reference number 1257

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1258

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1266

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1268

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

As above, if this is extended then residents should be offered a permit.

Off-street response – Reference number 1270

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1271

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1272

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1273

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1274

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1275

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1277

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1279

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1283

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1285

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1287

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1288

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1291

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1292

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1293

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1295

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1298

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1301

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1303

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1307

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1311

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1313

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1314

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1316

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I object to More tarmac!

Off-street response – Reference number 1323

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1327

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1332

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1334

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Every car park should contribute towards its maintenance costs where practical.

Off-street response – Reference number 1335

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1336

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1337

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1338

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1340

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1344

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1345

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1348

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1349

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Great idea. Have the extension as permit/pay and display

Off-street response – Reference number 1350

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1351

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1357

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1360

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1361

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1362

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1363

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1364

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1366

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1369

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1370

Do not know this area

Off-street response – Reference number 1371

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1373

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1375

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1378

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1383

I have no opinion on this proposal.

Off-street response – Reference number 1390

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1391

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1395

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1397

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1399

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1400

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1402

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I believe that parking should be free for the first two hours after which parking charges should apply. More parking spaces for use in this area would be welcome.

Off-street response – Reference number 1411

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

The extension would surely alleviate some of the parking pressures, but does not need to be pay and display either. Perhaps on this one you may have to just spend some money improving an area!

Off-street response – Reference number 1412

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1415

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1422

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1426

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1428

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1429

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1435

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1436

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I would be happy for charges to be introduced for these additional spaces, but suggest the first hour's parking is free. This would help increase turnover of spaces.

Off-street response – Reference number 1437

N/A

Off-street response – Reference number 1440

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

The idea of putting more parking spaces is a good one - but it will be idiotic to charge for them. The same reasons apply - idiotic parents, customers and residents will be angered. You will leave residents no choice but to park illegally and stupidly.

Off-street response – Reference number 1441

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1444

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1445

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1446

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1447

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1449

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1450

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1451

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1452

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1453

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1460

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1462

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1463

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1464

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1467

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1472

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1474

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1476

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1480

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1484

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1486

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1488

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

More houses build around the area , obviously requires bigger car parks

Off-street response – Reference number 1491

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1495

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1496

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1497

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1498

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1500

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1501

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

this will have to be discussed within close liaison with Aylesford village residents- they will be affected the most regarding this proposal. Visitors to the area will welcome this proposal. The trouble is that

this proposal will only alleviate some of the parking issues along Forstal road , the main problem roots from Footballing parents who drive SUVs that have engines bigger than their brains and they park haphazardly, often driving their singular child to practice or game. I do not think residents should be the victim of others stupidity. However I do support the need for additional parking hopefully to allow local businesses to continue healthily .

Off-street response – Reference number 1504

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1505

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1506

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1510

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1517

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1521

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1523

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1525

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1526

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1530

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1531

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1532

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1538

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1546

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

This will spoil the quaint look of the village. It has already had new houses and a number of green spaces taken over. Please leave this village alone.

Off-street response – Reference number 1553

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1554

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1558

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1562

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1564

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1568

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1571

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1573

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1583

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1589

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1592

Don't use so don't know.

Off-street response – Reference number 1598

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1599

N/a

Off-street response – Reference number 1605

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1609

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1611

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1613

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Not aware it's needed

Off-street response – Reference number 1614

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Not needed

Off-street response – Reference number 1617

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1627

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

so according to your question you have already decided to charge for parking making this consultation paper a waste of time.

Off-street response – Reference number 1631

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1634

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

It's always nice to find a parking place as there is so much traffic these days, but this is really only to make money for the council and not thinking of the villagers.

Off-street response – Reference number 1636

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1637

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1644

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1645

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1646

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1648

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1650

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1651

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

If there is demand and it does not have negative impact on the area.

Off-street response – Reference number 1652

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1653

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1654

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1656

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1657

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1661

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Add more spaces and generate the income from that, but NOT from an extension of charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 1664

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1666

I have no comment on this issue.

Off-street response – Reference number 1669

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1670

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I object to any additional charges and costs on motorists , motorists already have heavy financial burdens and we are not just here as a cash cow to milk.

Off-street response – Reference number 1674

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1677

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1682

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1685

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1686

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1690

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1691

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1692

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1697

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1700

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1716

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1718

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1720

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1722

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1724

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1726

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1730

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1731

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

This will impact greatly on visitors stopping in the village

Off-street response – Reference number 1732

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1736

This does not have an impact on Thornhills Medical Practice

Off-street response – Reference number 1737

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1738

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

More parking spaces are very desirable.

Off-street response – Reference number 1740

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1745

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

It should be free to residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 1750

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1758

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1766

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1767

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1768

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1772

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1773

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1776

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1777

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1779

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1780

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1781

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1783

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1784

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1786

N/A

Off-street response – Reference number 1791

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Cars already use this area for parking, which churns up the soil and is an eye-sore. On a number of occasions vehicles have become stuck in the mud, so it would improve parking on this site.

Off-street response – Reference number 1793

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Use the extension for season ticket holders only

Off-street response – Reference number 1794

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1795

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1796

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1798

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1801

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1804

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1805

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1807

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1814

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Same as my answer above

Off-street response – Reference number 1815

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1818

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1819

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1822

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1828

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1829

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Why are you extending now when as you say does it provide enough space? Will it still be extended if there is no charge?

Off-street response – Reference number 1830

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Maybe make this extension a payment area (first hour free maybe?) so that anyone parking in here for longer than an hour will have to pay. Just a thought.

Off-street response – Reference number 1832

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1837

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1840

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1842

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1844

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1845

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1850

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1853

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1856

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1859

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1862

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1869

No opinion

Off-street response – Reference number 1872

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1873

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1875

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1877

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1884

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1889

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1896

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1899

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1901

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1902

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Too many blots on the landscape already with unsightly car parks

Off-street response – Reference number 1904

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1905

Not my area so cannot say

Off-street response – Reference number 1906

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Seems to be a good idea.

Off-street response – Reference number 1910

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1912

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1913

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Don't waste money on extension because the public will be the ones who will have to pay for it in parking fees. Leave these car parks alone.

Off-street response – Reference number 1914

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1915

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1918

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1920

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1926

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1928

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1929

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Much needed, but no parking charges please.

Off-street response – Reference number 1932

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1936

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1937

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I do not object to the car park extension but I do object to the spaces being pay and display

Off-street response – Reference number 1938

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Only on the grounds that parking is free!

Off-street response – Reference number 1939

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I support extension but also reiterate above points around charges. For the same reason as Aylesford, schools close by and introduction of charges mean increase of cost to parents just taking and picking up child from school. If charges are to apply it should just be post 9am to pre 2:30pm allowing reduction in long stay parking abuse but no increased cost to parents and problematic parking in side streets for residents around these times.

Off-street response – Reference number 1940

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1941

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Aylesford needs more car parking especially for those taking children to school and those using the local parks

Off-street response – Reference number 1942

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1943

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1944

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1945

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I support an extension to the car park to make more spaces but only if these remain free to park in . I do not support paid parking in this area

Off-street response – Reference number 1946

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

An increase in parking would have a huge benefit to the local area, but added parking charges would be detrimental to the school, church and local business!

Off-street response – Reference number 1947

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Any extra parking would help.

Off-street response – Reference number 1948

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

A pedestrian crossing is needed on this road for these car parks to be used safely. They are heavily used by parents for the primary school there and crossing this road is VERY dangerous

Off-street response – Reference number 1949

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1950

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1951

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Additional spaces will compensate for the loss of spaces due to the changing bays introduced recently

Off-street response – Reference number 1953

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

More parking is needed, but not at the cost of justifying pay to use

Off-street response – Reference number 1954

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

A lot of people use these car parks when dropping their children to school. Parking is already a problem in Aylesford with many people having to park on side streets. Having to pay every day will run a cost that they cannot afford meaning more people will park on residential streets for free. Plus having to queue for machines is not great when on a time schedule!!

Off-street response – Reference number 1955

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1956

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

This is the only form of parking for all at st peters C of E primary school parents to ensure the children get to and from school safely, having the extra charges will most likely make parking in the village and side streets worse than it is today.

Off-street response – Reference number 1957

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1958

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

The plot is one of few left which has natural wildlife/wildflower - again, just leave it be.

Off-street response – Reference number 1959

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Aylesford village does not have enough parking so more would be welcome

Off-street response – Reference number 1961

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

The parking in the village is difficult for residents most of the time and both car parks are usually full. More spaces would help this.

Off-street response – Reference number 1962

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

This is very rarely full in my experience.

Off-street response – Reference number 1963

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I support the extension providing charges are not introduced.

Off-street response – Reference number 1964

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1965

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1966

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

The extension to the car park will allow more parking for residents when football is on at the weekend.

Off-street response – Reference number 1967

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1968

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1969

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1970

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1971

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I support this on the grounds that there is minimal vegetation and habitat removal and a pedestrian footpath be installed, as crossing is already very dangerous.

Off-street response – Reference number 1973

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1974

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1975

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

But not pay and display. Free.

Off-street response – Reference number 1976

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Bringing in parking charges is only going to force people to park in the surrounding street's especially Bridge Place where parking is limited for those who live there and have relatives etc visit

Off-street response – Reference number 1977

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1978

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1979

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1980

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

This should have been done ages ago. The Aylesford community centre has banned parents from parking in the car park at school pick up, so when the two other car parks are full, where are we meant to park to pick our kids up? It only makes sense to use the overflow that is already there.

Off-street response – Reference number 1982

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1983

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1984

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1985

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1987

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1989

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1990

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1992

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1993

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1995

I support the extension of the the car parks but DO NOT support them becoming pay and display.

Off-street response – Reference number 1996

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1997

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2002

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2003

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Leave alone - no extension leads to no charges to pay for it.

Off-street response – Reference number 2004

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2007

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Very much needed considering hardly any homes in the area come with their own parking space

Off-street response – Reference number 2008

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2009

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2010

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2011

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2014

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2016

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2017

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2018

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2019

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2020

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2022

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.
(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2023

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2026

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2029

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2031

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2032

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2033

N/A I do not know or use this area

Off-street response – Reference number 2035

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2036

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2038

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2040

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2041

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2047

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2049

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Parking should be free to use to

Off-street response – Reference number 2051

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I support this extension if it is useful to local residents and does not provoke strong objections. Consultation period may needed to be extended as Dec till 7 Jan is a unusual and busy period for many people. Or have a 2nd round of consultation to allow more people to comment.

Off-street response – Reference number 2053

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2054

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Gives additional parking

Off-street response – Reference number 2057

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2058

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2060

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2061

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2062

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2064

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2068

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2071

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2072

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2073

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2074

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2077

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2078

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2079

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Object to additional spaces, current spaces too small proposed improve current spaces and increase charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 2082

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I support the extension but only if charges are not brought in with it.

Off-street response – Reference number 2087

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2088

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2089

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2092

I have no preference

Off-street response – Reference number 2093

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2095

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2097

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I feel extending the car park would support local businesses as well as ease the pressure on the roads during school times. When there are events on at either the church or community centre the car

parks quickly become full.

Off-street response – Reference number 2099

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2106

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2107

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2110

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2111

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2113

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2114

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2115

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2116

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2117

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

It is used extensively and an increase in size will prompt safety.

Off-street response – Reference number 2120

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2121

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2123

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2130

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2132

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2133

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2134

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2137

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2140

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2148

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2152

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2154

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2160

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2163

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2164

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2165

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2166

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2168

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2170

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

You will kill the trade

Off-street response – Reference number 2172

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2173

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2174

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2176

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2177

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Councillors should be working FOR the convenience of local residents who use this car park day in day out. Keep the parking free.

Off-street response – Reference number 2179

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2180

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2188

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2190

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2191

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2192

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2193

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2195

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2197

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2202

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2203

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2204

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2209

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2212

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2213

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2215

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2216

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2220

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2223

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2224

No comment

Off-street response – Reference number 2226

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

This question is loaded as by supporting the creation of additional parking spaces it also means you support the introduction of pay & display.

Off-street response – Reference number 2232

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2235

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2239

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2241

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2245

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2246

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2247

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2252

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2259

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

There's rarely a space there these days yet you can park on Forstal road for free.

Off-street response – Reference number 2263

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2266

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2267

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

you cannot extend car parking in a climate emergency. If you build more spaces more vehicles will fill them. Build cycling and walking routes and have bicycle parking. COP28 agreement is to phase out fossil fuels: this is diesel and petrol in private motor vehicles.

Off-street response – Reference number 2268

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2269

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2271

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

It isn't necessary, please stop taking away our green spaces

Off-street response – Reference number 2274

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2275

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Parking costs will adversely affect local businesses. Aylesford village is a historic place to visit. Tourists need to be welcomed.

Off-street response – Reference number 2276

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

This is a sensible approach to relieve the congestion around Aylesford, which will only worsen if charges are applied (unless as outlined above, i.e. over two hours, not after 6pm, not Sundays and not local residents).

Off-street response – Reference number 2278

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Why are charges to be imposed, just apply a free short stay (2 hours) after that make a charge. Where has all the money been wasted tmbc cannot even keep the public toilets open ar we in a worse state than the 1950s when we were bankrupt after the war? Where has all the money gone I thought privatisation was supposed to improve things competition, efficiency etc or was it for backhanders? Just saying.

Off-street response – Reference number 2280

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2281

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2286

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2291

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2292

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2293

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2295

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2299

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2301

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2302

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Very important that this is long-term maintainable permeable surface parking, that does not require surface water to leave site.

Off-street response – Reference number 2305

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2306

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2307

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2310

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2311

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2318

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2319

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2321

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2323

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Its obvious due to recent developments more is needed

Off-street response – Reference number 2324

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

The reason I object to these proposals is not because I don't want TMBC to make more money but because the introduction of this has caused severe distress to local residents. Your proposals DID NOT include the provision of height restrictions that we can see which leaves many without anywhere to park their much needed work vehicles and, without this consultation yet concluded, the height barriers have been installed. Both the car parks provide parking to local residents as the roads cannot cope and it is these people who are using the local facilities along with visitors. They are now stuck parking their vans on the already narrow roads, obscuring views and taking up road space. What do the height restrictions achieve? We have already seen vans attempt to enter and have to reverse onto a narrow road causing traffic obstructions for what? This should have been a key point of the consultation to allow residents to include this at every discussion.

Off-street response – Reference number 2327

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2329

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2330

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2332

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2333

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

To accommodate extra requirement and on land that isn't in use, an extension is a good idea. But not for charging.

Off-street response – Reference number 2334

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2335

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2337

Not being a resident of this area I do not have a educated opinion on these proposals

Off-street response – Reference number 2341

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2342

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Parking should be free

Off-street response – Reference number 2343

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2344

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2345

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2346

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I support the extension as currently not enough parking, however I object to the charges. Maybe the extra spaces could be residents only....

Off-street response – Reference number 2350

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

More parking should be available, period. Particularly when our public transport networks are so terrible, unreliable and expensive.

Off-street response – Reference number 2351

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2352

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2353

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2355

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2358

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2359

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2360

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2362

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

In the event that parking charges are implemented in the Bailey Bridge (East & West) car parks, i would be in support of this decision.

Off-street response – Reference number 2365

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2366

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2371

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2373

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2377

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2380

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2382

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2384

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Whilst I support the extension, I cannot see these need to be P&D or Season Ticket parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 2389

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2390

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2392

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2393

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2396

N/A

Off-street response – Reference number 2397

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2399

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I welcome this but not if the Council starts charging on Sundays.

Off-street response – Reference number 2400

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2402

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2409

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2416

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2418

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2420

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2427

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2429

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

The need to attract customers and visitors, in support of local businesses, outweighs any revenue growth or 'parking balancing' argument. Local authority budgets are threadbare as a result of central Government neglect. Given we're on the cusp of a recession, now's not the time to ask the public to plug the gap.

Off-street response – Reference number 2433

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2437

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2441

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

The additional parking will be useful but should not be only be covered by the introduction of parking charges as this space has been used for parking on many occasions in the past and would

make a lot of sense to make it a permanent car park anyway. The introduction of parking charges will encourage more parking on the roads and cause unnecessary congestion .

Off-street response – Reference number 2444

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2445

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2447

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2448

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2451

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2452

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2453

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2454

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2456

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2459

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Only if local residents support this

Off-street response – Reference number 2463

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2464

No comment, not affected

Off-street response – Reference number 2465

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2469

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2471

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

There is obviously the need for more car parking if the car parks are constantly full

Off-street response – Reference number 2472

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I object if the reasoning for this is only to create more capacity for parking revenue from the space, parking was allowed in this area once (Free) you would only be putting back what was once taken away

Off-street response – Reference number 2474

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2477

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

It might encourage visitors to the village if the car park was extended but only if it is free - perhaps to discourage commuters or those not actually visiting the village - there could be a charge after so many hours and a free season ticket for business owners and their staff.

Off-street response – Reference number 2479

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2480

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2484

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2487

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2488

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2490

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I object to the extension of any car park in the Borough, unless the money comes directly from that raised from parking charges in that car park alone. There should be no cross-subsidisation from parking charges raised elsewhere in the Borough. Rather than increasing the number of parking spaces, you should be doing much more to improve facilities for walking and cycling, and other public transport and to reduce the number of car journeys and parking spaces needed.

Off-street response – Reference number 2491

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2496

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2502

The proposed extension appears to be built over an area that includes the start of the combined pedestrian/cycle path. Will a suitable, safe alternative route be provided as part of the plans?

The land here appears to rise a little as it approaches the required height for the bridge. Will views from the OLD bridge be visually blighted by the sight of lots more parked cars, or will the vehicles be screened off by some form of land-shaping or trees?

If both of these factors are treated appropriately then I would support the extension, otherwise not.

As an aside, a far more important factor in this area that needs urgently addressing is the reinstatement of the foot/cycle path alongside the river in this area to recomplete the route to The Malta and beyond to Maidstone. At the moment the alternative route where one has to be involved with heavy traffic including many HGVs and an atrocious road surface is most unsatisfactory. I am not sure who is responsible for this, but perhaps TMBC could apply appropriate pressure even if it is not their direct responsibility?

Off-street response – Reference number 2503

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2504

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2506

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2508

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2509

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2510

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2511

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2514

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2515

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2518

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2519

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2523

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Currently, cars park outside the playing field on Forstal Road. What will happen here?

Off-street response – Reference number 2524

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2525

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Because to still want to impose parking charges!

Off-street response – Reference number 2527

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Why hasn't this been done sooner?

Off-street response – Reference number 2528

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2531

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2532

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

More spaces would be beneficial as often is busy, but charging for parking will again have an effect on the use of local roads for parking alternatives

Off-street response – Reference number 2536

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2538

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2540

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2541

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2542

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Cost of living crisis. Already pay so much in council tax and residential parking Already. Further to this, upping parking and adding more restrictions will discourage people coming into the town. Which will have a detrimental effect on the local towns economy

Off-street response – Reference number 2545

It is not appropriate for a Tonbridge resident to comment on Aylesford matters

Off-street response – Reference number 2547

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2549

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2552

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2558

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2560

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2562

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2565

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I suspect this extension will affect the look of the area so object on those grounds.

Off-street response – Reference number 2566

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2568

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2570

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2573

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2575

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2576

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

There is no need to extend the car park, council should be focusing their attention on fixing the footpath first before building a new car park.

Off-street response – Reference number 2578

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2579

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

No need for additional parking, so you can line your pockets further. Focus your attention on improving the footpath that runs alongside the river before adding another car park.

Off-street response – Reference number 2580

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2581

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2582

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Extend but make it FREE!!!

Off-street response – Reference number 2583

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2585

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2586

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

More parking is helpful, but do not charge for it.

Off-street response – Reference number 2591

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2594

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2597

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2598

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2599

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2600

N/a

Off-street response – Reference number 2601

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2602

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2607

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2610

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2611

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2612

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2613

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

But not if they become pay and display. See above

Off-street response – Reference number 2615

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2616

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

no need if charges introduced as car park will be empty

Off-street response – Reference number 2617

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I have visited the car park and found it to be almost full at times so some extra spaces could be beneficial, however I have never found an issue of not being able to find a space at all so do not feel it is a must to be done.

Off-street response – Reference number 2619

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2623

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2626

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2628

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2630

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2633

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2634

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2636

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

This does not affect me.

Off-street response – Reference number 2637

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2638

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2639

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2640

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2641

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2643

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2646

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2647

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2648

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2653

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I think more parking would be useful but it should not be charged for. So if the only way to extend is to bring in charges I do not think it should be extended.

Off-street response – Reference number 2654

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2655

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2656

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2658

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Good idea if you want to kill the village!

Off-street response – Reference number 2659

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2660

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2661

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2663

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2664

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Yes let's concrete over more green land that'll help for sure. /sarcasm.

Off-street response – Reference number 2666

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2667

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2668

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

There has been a number of high vehicles parking of which most didnt have MOT or Tax which has added to the problems, the height barriers do not help people who need a van to get to work or work that needs to be carried out on their properties, this area if developed could assist in this.

Off-street response – Reference number 2671

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2673

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2674

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2676

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

It's already hard enough to get a space in the village with the school's nursery business plus the residents I don't understand where the council think people are going to park it's horrendous as it is this will cause even more problems

Off-street response – Reference number 2677

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2678

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

As above.

Off-street response – Reference number 2679

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2680

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2681

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2682

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2683

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2684

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2685

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2689

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

always difficult to park when using Aylesford shops. a welcome addition.

Off-street response – Reference number 2690

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2696

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

The car park should be extended, but not for pay and display.

Off-street response – Reference number 2697

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2698

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

The extension would provide additional parking which is necessary. An option might be to make this into a residents' car park with sensor barrier and permit tags.

Off-street response – Reference number 2700

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2704

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2706

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2708

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2709

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2710

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I am not convinced this is needed and should not be done to justify making the Aylesford village car parks permit or pay and display to pay for it.

Off-street response – Reference number 2711

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I would support the extension if it was there for people to use freely.

Off-street response – Reference number 2713

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I support an overflow car park, provided it's free evenings and weekends

Off-street response – Reference number 2714

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2716

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2718

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2720

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2722

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Extra parking is desperately needed but these should not be pay and display.

Off-street response – Reference number 2723

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2724

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2725

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2726

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2727

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2728

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2729

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

There is no mention of motorcycle parking, new or existing.

Off-street response – Reference number 2730

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2731

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2732

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2733

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2734

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2735

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2736

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

More cars parking on the road. And Stopping shops making a living.

Off-street response – Reference number 2737

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2739

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2740

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2741

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2742

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

It will provide more parking but if you are going to charge fees it will cause issues in village

Off-street response – Reference number 2743

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2744

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2747

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2748

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2749

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

More parking is generally good, keep the economy moving

Off-street response – Reference number 2750

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

There is limited parking in aylesford for residents, those working, those enjoying the community and parents of the school. The extension of the car park would allow more spaces for people to enjoy Aylesford and mean they can park correctly.

Off-street response – Reference number 2751

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2752

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2754

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

The additional parking space should be tarmac-ed. It has been used as overflow parking for years but currently makes a mess of the area and roads when the mud gets churned up.

Off-street response – Reference number 2755

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Extend the car park by all means but don't charge people to use it. Spend some of that council tax that is at an extortionate rate and serve the community like you are supposed to.

Off-street response – Reference number 2758

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2759

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2760

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I think the extension on the car park would be great, however, I do not agree it should be pay and display, I think it should be free.

Off-street response – Reference number 2763

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2767

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2768

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2769

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2771

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

If there is room to add additional spaces then do so, but they should be free

Off-street response – Reference number 2774

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2775

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2776

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2778

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2781

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2785

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2786

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2789

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Only support if parking stays free

Off-street response – Reference number 2791

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Only if it stays free

Off-street response – Reference number 2793

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2796

No comment on this

Off-street response – Reference number 2802

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

There is no sensible justification for this extension. There are very seldom times where a parking space is unavailable with the current setup.

Off-street response – Reference number 2803

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2807

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2808

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2813

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2814

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2815

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2816

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Its unnecessary as there is already sufficient parking. There has never been an issue with people being able to park..

Off-street response – Reference number 2820

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I agree to extension if the spaces but not the "pay and display and season ticket" element

Off-street response – Reference number 2822

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2828

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2834

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2836

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2842

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

No need if residents have parking permits paid for the council.

Off-street response – Reference number 2844

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I am not sure this would be required after the height barriers now being implemented has stopped vans and motor homes being parked in this car park freeing up needed spaces

Off-street response – Reference number 2846

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2847

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2853

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2854

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2855

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2858

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I feel it would be a real shame to see yet another patch of green space lost to concrete and car parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 2859

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2861

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2862

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2863

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Aylesford and the surrounding areas are constantly being built on and developed. What was once a rural village is fast becoming a concrete jungle. There will be no doubt destruction of trees and plants for this car park extension. We have already had the car park at ferry field concreted over with loss of habitat as well as the new all weather football pitch which removed a lot of large established trees. We do not need this extra car park.

Off-street response – Reference number 2864

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2865

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Just don't introduce charges please, and get the river walk fixed to attract more walkers back to our beautiful village

Off-street response – Reference number 2867

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2870

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

The car park doesn't need extending, I've never had a problem finding somewhere to park.

Off-street response – Reference number 2872

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2876

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2877

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2879

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2880

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2881

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Would like the money spend on getting the river path back operational

Off-street response – Reference number 2886

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2887

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2889

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2890

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2891

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2894

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2897

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2900

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2901

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2903

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2904

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2905

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2906

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I support extending the car park if it remains free.

Off-street response – Reference number 2907

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2908

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2912

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2914

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2916

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2917

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2918

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2919

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2921

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

As above

Off-street response – Reference number 2924

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2925

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2931

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2932

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Yes more spaces but public should get free parking to enjoy the village or at least a free period

Off-street response – Reference number 2943

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2946

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2948

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2949

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2951

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2955

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2956

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2957

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2961

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2963

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2965

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2968

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2974

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

If already trying to reduce vehicles parking there why do you want more spaces?

Off-street response – Reference number 2975

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2980

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2983

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2985

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2988

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2989

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2996

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

As above, it is not necessary, you need to not start charging to park in the car parks at all.

Off-street response – Reference number 2997

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2998

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3000

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3003

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3004

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3005

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3009

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3010

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3016

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3019

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3023

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3024

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3027

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3028

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3033

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3035

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3037

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3040

No comment

Off-street response – Reference number 3047

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3048

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3049

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3050

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3059

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

It will give the council an excuse to charge for parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 3060

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3061

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3062

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3063

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3064

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3065

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3069

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3070

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3071

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3072

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3073

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3076

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3077

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3078

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3079

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3080

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3082

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3083

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3085

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3088

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3091

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3093

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3094

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3097

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3098

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3101

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3102

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3107

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3109

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3110

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3111

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3112

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3114

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3115

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3119

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3122

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3125

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Additional parking would be welcomed

Off-street response – Reference number 3134

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3138

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3139

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3141

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3142

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3143

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3147

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I object to making this pay and display.

Off-street response – Reference number 3149

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3151

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3154

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3155

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3156

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Yes I agree it's a very popular site.

Off-street response – Reference number 3157

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3159

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

I can see that providing more parking spaces, providing it does not badly impact on the environment, would be advantageous

Off-street response – Reference number 3162

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

It will be a useful buffer for the odd time the carparks are busy. We used to have access- Not sure why this was ever taken away.

At this late stage, should we not know how many spaces are being proposed? 15-30 is very vague. If there really is the issue that TMBC say there is, surely you would want the most spaces possible?

Off-street response – Reference number 3165

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3169

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3170

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3171

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3172

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Introduction of parking may remove any unwanted cars parked long term and I believe this should be tried first.

Off-street response – Reference number 3177

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

There is no need to extend this car park as there is already adequate parking, contrary to TMBC's belief that there is a current problem. If parking charges are introduced for the spaces already there, there will be less parking not more as less people will use the current car parks. The only reason and benefit I can see is for TMBC to be able to bring in more revenue by having more parking spaces to charge for. For these reasons I completely object to the proposed plans to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Off-street response – Reference number 3178

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3179

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3180

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3181

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3184

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3186

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

Why extend the car park when fewer people will be wanting to make use of it if they charge for parking?

Off-street response – Reference number 3189

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

So one car park could be for residents and the other car park for shoppers and visitors.

Off-street response – Reference number 3196

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

This is making people poorer , it is a stealth charge , those who park illegally should be punished through fines , people want to go to work and live not pay fees to live , council tax is already at an extortionate rate , nobody asked or wants parking charges .

Off-street response – Reference number 3200

I support the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3203

I object to the extension of the Bailey Bridge (East) car park.

(no comment supplied)

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Off-street response – Reference number 3

I object to the proposed changes.

I very strongly object to this proposal. I am a parent at Slade school. The proposed extension would result in valuable green land being built on. This green space next to the car park is currently used by families and children on a daily basis to run around a play. There are small children that use the swings and it would be awful if this were to be built on and the children would lose this space. I also believe it would be unsafe to increase the number of cars given that many families use this path to get to and from school. There are plenty of places to park in town. I disagree that there are not enough spaces in this carpark. There is always space to park and I have never had an issue finalising a space. Lower castle carpark also is a very short walk away and is rarely full. This is a completely unnecessary proposal that would result in the destruction of valuable green space. The proposal should be thrown out.

Off-street response – Reference number 4

I object to the proposed changes.

It is a nice area of grass for children to play on. Turning it into a carpark will ruin a nice area between the school and the castle. Please don't do it.

Off-street response – Reference number 5

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 6

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 7

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 8

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 10

I support the proposed changes.

As long as any extension preserves an area of green for children to play on the swings with their families. Any extension should have minimal impact upon the green feel of area.

Off-street response – Reference number 11

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 12

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 13

I object to the proposed changes.

The area would be far better served by the planting of more trees.

Off-street response – Reference number 15

I support the proposed changes.

A great idea

Off-street response – Reference number 16

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 19

I support the proposed changes.

This car park is heavily used at all time often over flowing. I'm sure the local residents will welcome the change.

Off-street response – Reference number 20

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 21

I object to the proposed changes.

The area between the castle and Slade Primary School would be ruined and further discourage people to walk and cycle to the school. This is currently an area where children play and families picnic before and after school, and if anything more play facilities and cycle hubs should be added.

Off-street response – Reference number 22

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 23

I object to the proposed changes.

The green area and swings are a safe area for Slade children to use before and after school. It's used daily and is used for picnics and social gatherings all year round.

It would be such a shame to see this area disappear.

My other concern is the increase in traffic in that area. It's dangerous with the amount of school children and the little roads are not suitable for heavy car flow.

Off-street response – Reference number 24

I object to the proposed changes.

This would be absolutely criminal, impacting the nature of the grounds around an historic monument. There is plenty of parking in Tonbridge town centre.

This is also a green area kids from the local school use constantly before and after school. Honestly, have you no shame.

Off-street response – Reference number 25

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 26

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 28

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 33

I object to the proposed changes.

Children play in the area every day after school and frequently school families meet up for picnics after school. It would mean an increase in traffic on these roads and impact on the air quality of the children at slade school

Off-street response – Reference number 34

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 35

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 36

I object to the proposed changes.

The slade cannot support more parking - there is already too much traffic going down. Parking should be further out (sainsburys) not in this residential area. The grassy area is a well used play area by slade kids, and it would put them and the school kids in increased danger by increasing car flow

Off-street response – Reference number 37

I object to the proposed changes.

We should be increasing the green space around our amenity and leisure spaces, not building more car parks. Particularly adjacent to a primary school.

We have many under used parking areas in the town within easy walking distance of the High Street. Rather than tarmacking over green spaces we should be encouraging use of existing facilities. Some improved signage perhaps? This would have the added benefit of encouraging people to walk a little more.

You also make no mention of the cost of implementing this proposed car park ? What are the upfront costs Vs revenue return calculations . This surely should also be in the public domain. After all it is our money that will fund this . Please remember your purpose is to support and improve ratepayers enjoyment and services. Not revenue generating.

Off-street response – Reference number 39

I object to the proposed changes.

The castle is a historic place in Tonbridge and this proposal will further deteriorate the site by pouring more concrete and asphalt where the greenery is supposed to be one of the attractions for the visitors. The function of the council is to serve the local population and this proposal is purely focused on squeezing profits out of the said population disregarding their quality of life and happiness.

Off-street response – Reference number 40

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 41

I object to the proposed changes.

Keep the green space

Off-street response – Reference number 42

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 44

I object to the proposed changes.

I strongly oppose the extension of this car park. There is ample parking within easy walking distance of the castle already and this proposal will essentially add more concrete and tarmac to the area surrounding the castle, degrading the area.

Off-street response – Reference number 45

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 46

I support the proposed changes.

This car park is regularly full so an extension would be most welcomed although I think these 28 bays would fill up quickly

Off-street response – Reference number 47

I object to the proposed changes.

This area is used by children to play after school and will spoil the lovely green areas in front of the castle.

Off-street response – Reference number 48

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 49

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 50

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 52

I object to the proposed changes.

This area is used as a green space for children at the Slade school. It's used every day by children playing on it. Also it would mean hundreds of children walking through a giant car park to get to school every day.

Off-street response – Reference number 55

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 58

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 59

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 61

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 64

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 65

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 67

I object to the proposed changes.

The area next to the car park is a lovely open space in an area of such built up housing. With a 400 pupil primary school the opposite side of the road is regularly used to get child away from the busy road/ Slade junction and to the safety of a grass area. Slade Primary parents do not use this car park as we have permits for Lower castle field. So extending that car park only takes away valuable space used very regularly by surrounding occupants. The Lower castle field is perfectly sufficient for over flow parking.

There will be huge disappointment if this extension were to go ahead.

Off-street response – Reference number 70

I object to the proposed changes.

The swings and the grass area are both used on a daily basis by a large number of children - both at pick up / drop off times for Slade, but also during school hours / at weekends. This is a valuable green space which is heavily used throughout the week, when the carpark often has spaces and is only really full at the weekend. The rewards of the extra carparking spaces, which are needed over a few hours by a small number of people, cannot be worth more than the many hours of time that many people spend using the green space - and that is without considering the environmental benefit to the area from having the hedging / trees / grass close together, and the issues with traffic that already exist on the local roads

Off-street response – Reference number 71

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 72

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 73

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 74

I object to the proposed changes.

More vehicles and more pollution near a local school!

Taking away a space kids love to enjoy after school

Off-street response – Reference number 75

I object to the proposed changes.

This area is used by children every single day and is a safe place for them to walk to school and play. There are so many other areas like behind the old pound land which could be used for parking. There are so many empty spaces which are residents only. This would be a huge mistake to be removing these swings and replace it with parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 78

I object to the proposed changes.

There are Swings just beside the car park and any extension would put these swings at risks, meaning kids won't be able to play.

Off-street response – Reference number 79

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 81

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 82

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 83

I object to the proposed changes.

I object very strongly to additional parking spaces in Tonbridge. The town is carpeted with parking spaces already. The council should not be encouraging people to drive or wasting tax payers' money on additional parking spaces. The council should be encouraging other forms of active travel and spending this budget on that.

Off-street response – Reference number 84

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 87

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 88

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 89

I object to the proposed changes.

I think that green space should be preserved

Off-street response – Reference number 90

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 92

(no comment supplied)

Do not frequent Tonbridge so cannot comment

Off-street response – Reference number 93

(no comment supplied)

N/A

Off-street response – Reference number 95

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 97

I support the proposed changes.

I support the idea in principle, but would like to know how it will be achieved.

Off-street response – Reference number 98

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 99

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 100

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 101

I object to the proposed changes.

Leave the green space - there is plenty of parking at the swimming pool and Rugby club, just around the corner and Waitrose and Sainsbury's. Also there is road side parking too.

Off-street response – Reference number 102

I object to the proposed changes.

Please do not rip up the field for more vehicles. Can you not introduce bike racks to encourage cycling? There are so many car parks in Tonbridge. It might mean families have to walk a few extra minutes to the sports ground but parking facilities ARE THERE. Please, please do not rip up part of the field - and where children go after school to play with their friends - for what seems essentially like an additional money making scheme.

Off-street response – Reference number 103

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 104

I object to the proposed changes.

See above, plenty of parking bays within walking distance of Tonbridge Castle

Off-street response – Reference number 106

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 107

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 108

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 110

I object to the proposed changes.

The kids that go to slade really enjoy playing there after school and by the swings this would also affect the safety of the area with more cars and less space to safer my play around it.

Off-street response – Reference number 111

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 113

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 114

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 116

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 117

I object to the proposed changes.

Slade school use a different car park where they get 20m free for drop off. Also, the children play football before and after school. I STRONGLY OBJECT to this plan of removing the grass area! Also, why encourage more road users when the gridlock is horrendous most mornings and evenings?

Off-street response – Reference number 118

I object to the proposed changes.

Awful, selfish idea. Children love playing there and they are safe. There are also some beautiful trees there. The slade area is already congested with too many cars. There will also be more accidents involving children if they have hardly anywhere to go that isn't surrounded by vehicles. Stop taking away open, green spaces and paving it over just to make more money.

Off-street response – Reference number 119

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 120

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 121

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 122

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 124

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 125

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 127

I object to the proposed changes.

There are already significant parking options in the local area.

Off-street response – Reference number 129

I object to the proposed changes.

I think that there is spare capacity in the nearby car park by the river

Off-street response – Reference number 130

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 131

I object to the proposed changes.

Extension will cause environmental damage and more parking spaces will lead to more traffic and congestion in an area with a school nearby. Traffic through Tonbridge is bad enough without adding to the problem. Encourage people to walk or cycle. Promote a Green agenda!

Off-street response – Reference number 132

I object to the proposed changes.

Please do not take away this valuable green space. It's a wonderful space for children to play before and after school and also other children during the day and over the weekends. It's a really important walkway for the community and children are so often using it. It will make it more dangerous if you allow cars to be all through this area. Please don't do this to our beloved green space just for more car spaces.

Off-street response – Reference number 133

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 134

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 135

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 136

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 137

I object to the proposed changes.

The grassy area is well used by families and children. It would be a shame to lose this space. I also have concerns about the safety of the many children who walk this way to and from Slade primary school if the car park area is extended

Off-street response – Reference number 138

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 139

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 142

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 143

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 144

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 145

I object to the proposed changes.

The area in question is right next to the path leading to Slade school and the much used swings this would create a danger to children and increased difficult in crossing the road to Slade school. The lower car park is within 2 mins walking distance and often has spaces (as does the upper). This seems a solution aimed at a couple of events per year as the risk of safety to a school used 5 days per week. Thez number of spaces does not equal any a lost spaces so in no way contributes to reducing short car journies

Off-street response – Reference number 146

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 147

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 149

I object to the proposed changes.

Removes green space sightlines towards the castle

Off-street response – Reference number 151

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 154

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 156

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 157

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 159

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 160

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 161

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 162

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 163

I object to the proposed changes.

There is no point on sacrificing one of the only bits of greenery that doesn't get flooded for a few more spaces. The lawn is used by lots of kids exercising after school which is something we sorely need given the obesity epidemic. Most of the time there is capacity in existing car park and we should be encouraging using public transport anyway and people in the catchment area need to walk the kids. Not to mention the road by the Slade is very congested and people pulling on and off the car park right next to the school would make crossing dangerous and traversing the road much slower and it's already pretty slow. It seems extremely unlikely it would significantly increase revenue for the Castle's events anyway given a lot of people just walk around Tonbridge and it's accessible by bus and train. This is a terrible idea.

Off-street response – Reference number 165

I object to the proposed changes.

I often park here and never find it full. The green space around is heavily used by local children, especially when schools are finishing for the day. This is a safe place allowing them and their parents to gather before going home without being near any of the roads. Tonbridge has sufficient parking spaces already and taking away green space is contrary to the needs of the inhabitants and the town's natural biodiversity.

Off-street response – Reference number 168

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 169

I object to the proposed changes.

Given the proximity to the local school it seems absurd to introduce more hazards and to destroy one of very few grass areas in the town outside of the park which is prone to regular flooding. The car park is not full during the day as it currently stands so additional spaces will not actually generate additional income

Off-street response – Reference number 170

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 171

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 172

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 173

I object to the proposed changes.

My 7 year old is a pupil at Slade Primary School, the green area opposite the school is used by many of the school children before and after school. The classes use the grass area for class gatherings every end of term as its opposite a primary school. I strongly object on the grounds of road safety, the roads not being suitable for increased cars, and it being a shame for the local environment. Also I'm commenting as a former resident of The Slade for 8 years.

Off-street response – Reference number 175

I support the proposed changes.

Depending on planning

Off-street response – Reference number 176

I object to the proposed changes.

This is a green area for children to play on and its in keeping with the castle and surrounding areas and it's very used by local residents

Off-street response – Reference number 177

I object to the proposed changes.

The green space here is used by many children to play on. It would spoil this and the look of the castle area to concrete over it

Off-street response – Reference number 178

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 179

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 180

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 181

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 182

I object to the proposed changes.

Will ruin the area we all use and certainly make it dangerous for school children walking through

Off-street response – Reference number 183

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 185

I object to the proposed changes.

This loses green space where mine and many children play in. Green spaces are very important for our planet and more important than parking. You should encouraging people to walk or use public transport. Also many people walk that way to the Slade School & it makes it dangerous to add more cars. Lot if children play there particularly after school & it is lovely to see. Please don't destroy this green space.

Off-street response – Reference number 186

I object to the proposed changes.

Out of keeping with the conservative area it's in.

Off-street response – Reference number 188

I object to the proposed changes.

This area is well used by local school children as both a route to/from school and for play. Additionally local roads are narrow and would not support additional traffic. It would reduce the safety of users.

Off-street response – Reference number 189

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 190

I object to the proposed changes.

The extension is not needed as there is a large nearby carpark by the swimming pool which is rarely fully occupied.

In addition the proposed location would put off parents allowing their children to play on the swings as the swings would then be hemmed in on two sides by cars and subsequently be too close to moving traffic in the carpark.

Off-street response – Reference number 191

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 193

I object to the proposed changes.

Children regularly play on this area of green space

Off-street response – Reference number 194

I object to the proposed changes.

I strongly object to this proposed extension. This green area is currently enjoyed by local and visiting adults and children alike. It is an area frequently used by the children of The Slade primary school and could pose a danger to them.

Off-street response – Reference number 195

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 198

I object to the proposed changes.

My children attend Slade Primary school and spend time in this green space, playing after school. We walk to and from school across this area almost every day. Many children play ball games on the grass throughout the week and over the weekend. There are a very large number of children passing this area in the mornings and afternoons. Encouraging more traffic to the area poses potential safety risks, not least from emissions very close to Slade school, may discourage walking to school and encourage more families to drive to school. This also sets a very poor example to the children about the need to protect our environment and green spaces.

Paving over town centre green spaces is not sustainable and should be discouraged. I would expect the council to be following a policy of enhancing our green spaces, not pouring concrete over them. This proposal is out of touch and ill conceived.

There are a number of trees which would have to be felled, some of which have been recently planted, which would diminish the biodiversity and have negative environmental impacts. Wildflowers grow in the grass, providing food for pollinators.

Green space is essential for public health and wellbeing, climate mitigation and biodiversity. I expect the council to recognise and protect our dwindling green spaces, particularly in this built up area.

There is ample parking in the town already, so demand does not appear to justify such extreme measures. Access to the car park requires vehicles to drive up the high street, which will compound the existing high traffic emissions issues.

Our green spaces should be protected by the council, for the good of the community. They have far more value in the town than potential increases in council revenue. Green space mitigates effects of pollution and reduces urban heat effects. It is very disappointing to learn that the council holds the widely accepted health and environmental benefits of green spaces with such little regard.

The council should familiarise itself with the Public Health England 2020 review, “Improving Access to Greenspace”, written to help local areas consider how good quality greenspace can support the delivery of health, social, environmental and economic priorities, ultimately improving the wellbeing of local communities and helping to reduce health inequalities.

It is unclear how this proposal is compatible with tmhc’s own climate change strategy and action plan. I hope this proposal is not indicative of a lack of commitment to those positive goals.

Paving over a popular green area and community open space is unjustifiable, unnecessary, would have a disproportionately negative impact on the local environment generally and children of Slade school in particular. I hope and expect this aspect of the proposal to be withdrawn.

Off-street response – Reference number 199

I object to the proposed changes.

We would like to keep the green space and access to swings

Off-street response – Reference number 201

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 203

I object to the proposed changes.

Green space in this area should be preserved

Off-street response – Reference number 204

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 205

I object to the proposed changes.

This is a vital path to Slade school, and the grassy area is heavily used and enjoyed by children of the school and beyond. It would be completely inappropriate to expand this area.

Off-street response – Reference number 206

I support the proposed changes.

So long as it doesn't effect the paths and play area I can see no problem

Off-street response – Reference number 207

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 208

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 210

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 211

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 212

I object to the proposed changes.

It is a lovely green area next to the swings and visible from the school and local properties, so turning so much of it into a carpark is not something I can support.

Sticking to the current side of the path that the car park is on and raising the drop there to provide a few more spaces might be a better alternative, but not sure if the costs would justify the amount of space created.

Off-street response – Reference number 214

I object to the proposed changes.

As a Slade resident, I wholeheartedly object to the extension of the Upper Castle Field car park. Turning it into a grey site with more cars would detract from the aesthetics of the local area. Further this is a "key" greenspace, being used by children of Slade school (as it is so accessible) and also by dog walkers frequently. A focus should be on providing active and public transport facilities for children at the school and those that go to the swimming pool/castle. The parking provisions by the swimming pool and the castle are more than adequate for groups unable to walk.

It is scientifically proven that greenspace greatly improves the urban environment, e.g. the health of residents, air quality, and air temperatures, all of which are damaged by increasing car use. See <https://www.who.int/europe/publications/m/item/urban-green-space-interventions-and-health--a-review-of-impacts-and-effectiveness.-full-report> and also <https://doi-org.iclibezp1.cc.ic.ac.uk/10.1016/j.envres.2018.06.030> .

This is also a focus area for the national conservative government: see the 25 year environment plan and natural capital assessments:

<https://www.ons.gov.uk/economy/environmentalaccounts/articles/naturalcapitalaccountsroadmap/2022#major-progress-made-over-the-last-10-years>

If the council were to extend the Upper Castle Field car park, they would be actively going against their own policies.

Off-street response – Reference number 215

I object to the proposed changes.

The green space in the upper castle field carpark is used daily, mostly weekdays, by children playing. Please don't take it away. Promote more cycling with bike parking facilities. More walking and more public transport. Less carcentric-please!

Off-street response – Reference number 217

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 218

I object to the proposed changes.

My son attends The Slade primary school and I find the situation in Upper Castle Field already find the public space architecture highly unsuitable for pedestrians - there is always considerable footfall congestion during school drop off and collection. If anything the footpath needs to be widened, not

be encroached by yet more car parking spaces. I strongly object to the extension of the Upper Castle Field car park.

Off-street response – Reference number 219

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 221

I object to the proposed changes.

I absolutely object to this proposal, which has generated fury within the Slade and among Slade school parents. The green space between the school and the castle is cherished, vital to families as an extended place to play after school and one of only a few remaining green spaces in the town besides the sports ground. Please, make no mistake: it is this area that our children seek to play in before returning home despite the proximity of the general park and rugby field. The provision for more cars in this area is a danger to school pupils, who are accompanied by far younger children on the walk to and from school. The car park already provides a danger to manage with young children intent on playing chase and playing ball games, Having wide uninterrupted green space allows us parents a protection and clear demarked areas to manage the walk from the school to the swings. The walk also offers a loved view of the school with the variety of trees a treat to observe through the seasons. The increased interest in occasional and seasonal events in the castle is not justification to permanently alter an area which is a salvation to hundreds and hundreds of families 365 days of the year. The town is almost unrivalled for train access, there are numerous parking options within the town and supermarket car. Whatever money is costed for this proposed extension should be diverted towards measures to lessen or eliminate flooding of the lower castle fields car park. Finally I would add that faith in this council's ability to run services in Tonbridge and Malling is incredibly low (based on election results and anecdotal chatter) and the recent gains by the Green Party has been founded on support for the action they have taken to protect the town's spaces. This proposal will only serve their cause more and I advise councillors to see the political merit in cancelling this proposal if they wish to not cede more power to rival parties.

Off-street response – Reference number 222

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 223

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 224

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 225

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 226

I object to the proposed changes.

Green space is important for the area. Flooding should be a consideration.

Off-street response – Reference number 227

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 228

I object to the proposed changes.

Surely in 2023 we should be encouraging people onto public transport and not denying the hundreds of children that attend Slade and live in the local area a safe green space to play in.

There is a bus strip right by the castle and the train is a 5 minute walk.

Tonbridge castle is a quiet tranquil place for the whole community more car movements brings more pollution to the local area and school and more traffic movements so higher risk to pedestrians. Will the children be expected to walk through a car park rather than safely round the edge? this is not the answer.

Off-street response – Reference number 229

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 231

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 233

I object to the proposed changes.

The grassy area and trees where the extension is proposed is a heavily used route to Slade school. Where children and parents can walk safely to school. The children often use the area to play on after school. There is a large carpark, a min away by the swimming pool, with plenty of parking. No need to expand this car park. We should be encouraging people to walk or use public transport

Off-street response – Reference number 234

I object to the proposed changes.

Absolute waste of money. The car park is rarely full. We will lose lovely green space in an area where green space and trees are so special. The council should be saving money not wasting money where it's not needed. We have so many close by parking areas that should be encouraged not adding them where they are not required. We use that green area with our children nearly everyday as we don't have any garden at home.

Off-street response – Reference number 235

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 238

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 241

I object to the proposed changes.

Concreting over more green space in the town to make way for cars is not sustainable in a world facing a serious climate crisis. It is also not necessary - this car park is rarely at capacity on weekdays. This green space is currently enjoyed by many who are walking and cycling through the town, particularly children from the Slade Primary School who enjoy running through it on their way to the swings nearby. Encouraging more cars to this area only increases the risk to these children, in terms of RTA's and respiratory illness as a result of increased pollution. If this car park is busy, there are plenty of alternatives in the town that are only a short walk from the castle, sportsground, swimming pool or rugby club. When major events are being held, 28 additional spaces will not make a significant difference. Have the council considered alternative options for large events e.g. park-and-ride schemes using electric vehicles and with a revenue share with the landowner that encourages them to use the land in a sustainable way when it is not being used for parking outside of the big events?

Off-street response – Reference number 243

I object to the proposed changes.

This area is used by families with young children whilst waiting for siblings to finish at Slade Primary School. It is used for picnics and creates a clean air area near to the school. We should be dissuading cars from this highly populated area not encouraging more. Leaving the Slade can take ages with queues of cars trying to leave at the same time after school and when there are sports events nearby, Let's not clog up the space even more!

Off-street response – Reference number 245

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 248

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 249

I object to the proposed changes.

It's near a school. More cars more traffic.. more pollution.

Off-street response – Reference number 250

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 251

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 252

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 253

I object to the proposed changes.

Impact on local residents, loss of a playing area useful to parents at pickup and drop off times.
Impact on traffic passing through what are already narrow residential roads. Bigger car park means greater expectation of a place therefore more traffic. And get the Ringo facility working properly with O2 at this site. It's impossible to use.

Off-street response – Reference number 254

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 255

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 256

I object to the proposed changes.

It would encourage more traffic in to a narrow, congested area; there are schoolchildren in close proximity twice a day during term time with pollution and safety implications; it will visually compromise residents' approach to the Castle and remove a significant proportion of the only green space in the Slade.

Off-street response – Reference number 258

I object to the proposed changes.

This would take away the small swings which have been used for generations, also take away the pathway directly from the Castle to Slade primary school,, forcing children to walk adjacent to busy roads.

Off-street response – Reference number 259

I object to the proposed changes.

I regularly use the swings with my son and enjoy the green space.

Off-street response – Reference number 260

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 262

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 263

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 264

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 265

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 266

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 267

I object to the proposed changes.

My children go to Slade school and often play on this bit of green. It's a public open space- it's close to the school and with the amount of time the playground at the Sportsground is flooded- it's often the only place for kids to play. There is a huge car park by the swimming pool just 30seconds walk away- we don't need more concrete!!

Off-street response – Reference number 269

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 270

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 271

I object to the proposed changes.

The green space adjacent to the current car park is well used by local children (especially those attending Slade School) and an extension to the car park would hamper this use and potentially make the walk to school more hazardous for children. The lower castle car park is only a short walk away, with plenty of capacity.

Off-street response – Reference number 272

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 273

I object to the proposed changes.

The area to the west of the current car park is used extensively twice a day by hundreds of school children and their parents attending Slade Primary. It would be dangerous and mean-spirited to put the children's safety in jeopardy and also remove the one piece of open grassland near the school that they can play on before and after school. There are swings at the southern end of the grassland too, which would end up being just next to a car park if the extension goes ahead. It would also make the walk from the Castle Grounds and from the swimming pool area much more dangerous, as the school children would have to walk through a car park to get to Slade School, rather than walk across a pleasant grassy area. The car park's "success" does not mean it should be extended simply because there could be a slightly enhanced revenue stream if it were extended; it is far more important to preserve the small green space next to a primary school and the safe pathway to that school.

Off-street response – Reference number 274

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 275

I object to the proposed changes.

Not necessary. Have always found adequate spaces available

Off-street response – Reference number 276

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 277

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 280

I support the proposed changes.

This space is always full with people using the local amenities

Off-street response – Reference number 281

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 282

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 283

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 284

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 286

I support the proposed changes.

Please however use grass-crete rather than tarmac

Off-street response – Reference number 287

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 288

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 293

I object to the proposed changes.

I feel this is a valued play area for children. Also it's a path area for parents bringing their children to Slade school and now it will have a carpark on it. How is that safe?

Off-street response – Reference number 295

I object to the proposed changes.

I object to green spaces being taken away, this space is an extension to the castle grounds area and children's play space

Off-street response – Reference number 296

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 298

I object to the proposed changes.

You will remove more grassed areas

Off-street response – Reference number 299

I object to the proposed changes.

THIS IS A GREEN SPACE WHICH IS REGULARLY USED FOR PICNICS AND GAMES BY LOACLS AND VISITORS TO THE CASTLE.

AS A SLADE RESIDENT, WE REGULARLY HAVE TROUBLE PARKING OUR CARS IN AN AREA WE HAVE TO BUY PERMITS FOR.

PERMITTED PARKING NEEDS TO BE EXTENDED SO RESIDENTS CAN PARK IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS. THIS ALSO NEEDS MONITORING BY WARDENS. THERE IS FAR TOO MUCH PARKING ON DOUBLE YELLOW LINES AND OUTSIDE SLADE SCHOOL DURING PARK AND CASTLE EVENTS.

Off-street response – Reference number 300

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 301

I support the proposed changes.

More spaces in this car park would be helpful

Off-street response – Reference number 304

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 305

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 308

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 309

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 311

I object to the proposed changes.

I believe there is better use for this green space. Paving over yet more of Tonbridge's town centre is bad for the aesthetic of the town

Off-street response – Reference number 312

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 314

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 315

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 316

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 317

I object to the proposed changes.

This is an important green space used almost everyday by many Slade residents. It adversely affects the environment for the residents of the adjacent Castle Fields retirement complex.

The access road is already overcrowded, with long queues frequently building up on the only road out of The Slade.

Off-street response – Reference number 319

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 320

I object to the proposed changes.

There is no need for this. There are many parking spaces within a short walk of this carpark which are less used - so don't dig up the grass to put more spaces here. People can walk from Lower Castle Field, or Waitrose / Sovereign Way area.

Off-street response – Reference number 322

I object to the proposed changes.

This area is right next to a primary school and would cut right across the current path to school. Additionally, the green space is used by numerous children after school. There is always plenty of parking a short walk away in the lower castle car park

Off-street response – Reference number 324

I object to the proposed changes.

I object to the loss of this green space which would further denigrate the centre of Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 325

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 326

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 329

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 330

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 331

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 332

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 333

I object to the proposed changes.

This is a terrible idea. Please don't do it. The playground is well used. Not sure where the evidence comes from, but on a day to day basis I've ALWAYS been able to park here.

Off-street response – Reference number 334

I object to the proposed changes.

Too many people use this green area so to take it away would be ridiculous. People walking dogs, children playing, people having picnics. Surely, with the modern world being concerned about climate change, taking away green space should be the last thing on the list. There are plenty of other spaces for people to park that are frequently NOT full and are not that long a walk to get to the Castle.

Off-street response – Reference number 336

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 337

I object to the proposed changes.

There is already plenty of car parking space available in Tonbridge. This space could be used to increase biodiversity; something which would be beneficial to the pupils at the primary school nearby as well as the retirement home residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 338

I object to the proposed changes.

Access to central areas by car should be discouraged. Adding more car park spaces in the centre of town only increases traffic. A larger carpark would also make one of the most attractive parts of the town an eyesore. Access for bicycles should instead be encouraged. Leisure centres and sports clubs should especially have the means to be reached safely by bicycle and walking. While not everyone can come by bicycle and foot, a lot of people would if there were facilities for the safe parking of bikes and if it was more safe to get there. Car park spots should really be prioritised for people who live far from the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 340

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 341

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 342

I object to the proposed changes.

I don't want any green space taken away.

Off-street response – Reference number 343

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 344

I object to the proposed changes.

There is already a large amount of traffic into and around the Slade considering this is a fairly small area. As a resident I am regularly struggling to find parking in the residential bays, as people who should be using the car park then park in resident bays when it is permitted. In addition the parking on a Sunday in dangerous locations is not regulated and can potentially cause accidents.

On a school day parents of Slade school park in the residents bays, for at times more than an hour, and then I have been forced to park in the car park which I then have to pay for.

I feel it should be the responsibility of the council to ensure people directed to other car parks within the town rather than take away from the beauty of a picturesque area with adding more concrete and parking bays and take away the green space.

The proposed parking is closer to the play area which is currently in place and many people do utilise this and the surrounding green space regularly and the residents of the Slade area appreciate this area. The addition of the parking in this area is totally unnecessary

Off-street response – Reference number 345

I object to the proposed changes.

Lack of green space

Off-street response – Reference number 346

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 348

I object to the proposed changes.

Both Slade school children and local residents regularly use the swings.

By adding parking to the area by the swings you will be taking away public amenities.

The main park is consistently flooded and therefore unusable most winter months and the swings are used all year round by parents and children after and before school.

Also by creating more parking in that area you will be creating a huge danger to children walking to and from school.

An awful idea in a time where we need more green space.

Spend the money on converting the old Beales and Sainsbury's site not taking away from the community green spaces!!!

Off-street response – Reference number 349

I object to the proposed changes.

Green space is precious and is being chipped away at across Tonbridge. Improve public transport and cycle routes and encourage people to use alternative methods of travel.

Off-street response – Reference number 350

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 351

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 353

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 355

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 357

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 358

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 360

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 361

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 362

I object to the proposed changes.

The space is used by children to play. It's access for lots of children to walk from slade area and school to castle and town.

Off-street response – Reference number 363

I object to the proposed changes.

We are trying to encourage more public transport or walking. This is the opposite. Better public transport would help.

Off-street response – Reference number 364

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 365

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 366

I object to the proposed changes.

There is a very well used pathway through the car park, providing access for residents to the high street, swimming pool, sports ground and castle and the children's play area is also very well used by children from Slade School and residents children. This path appears to be non-existent on the draft plan and with more cars and less path/grass area, I can see a safety issue developing.

Off-street response – Reference number 368

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 371

I object to the proposed changes.

This area is used by children from the nearby Slade School to play after school. It is wholly inappropriate to convert it into additional parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 374

I object to the proposed changes.

I walk to and from the High Street on the path that runs alongside the Upper Castle Field carpark several times a week and I have to tell you that there are always families and young people enjoying the grassy space. There are picnics, ball games, frisbee throwing, conversations on the bench, birthday celebrations, dog walking and queues for the ever popular swings. Small children flood back and forth twice a day on their journeys to and from school. The housing developments that have been approved in the surrounding area mean it is now densely inhabited by people who live in homes with little or no garden space; this patch of land is vital for their physical and mental health. Swallowing up another swathe of green in a money-making venture such as has been suggested is short-sighted, heartless and unpopular.

Off-street response – Reference number 375

I object to the proposed changes.

Green spaces are more important. Public transport should be encouraged rather than taking away green spaces and childrens play areas

Off-street response – Reference number 376

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 378

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 379

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 381

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 382

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 383

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 384

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 385

I object to the proposed changes.

Small children play there - please don't remove every blade of grass, swings and everything else. We don't need more parking, fewer cars.

Off-street response – Reference number 388

I object to the proposed changes.

If this takes away the swings then it's highly disappointing as there always well used

Off-street response – Reference number 389

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 390

I object to the proposed changes.

It's an area children use why add more parking spaces when the lower castle car park has so many

Off-street response – Reference number 391

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 392

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 393

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 394

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 395

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 396

I support the proposed changes.

Although it would be beneficial to put the prices down slightly as the increase in revenue from the new spaces would offset any reduction. This would be really great for the local community and ensure people can have a great day out without it costing an arm and a leg.

Off-street response – Reference number 397

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 398

I object to the proposed changes.

This is an invaluable green space that is in constant daily use by everyone living in The Slade, in particular by families with very young children and must not be lost.

Off-street response – Reference number 399

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 402

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 404

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 405

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 407

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 408

I object to the proposed changes.

The grass area from swings at one end to the Slade school at the other has always been a much needed and enjoyed Facility. I object in the strongest terms.

Off-street response – Reference number 409

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 412

I object to the proposed changes.

The area considered is next to a school where children play on the green daily. Stop taking our green spaces, the car park is not full all day every day, I see the car park daily so no need to make it bigger.

Off-street response – Reference number 413

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 414

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 415

I object to the proposed changes.

More cars means more climate impact: this proposal would encourage more driving and parking. TMBC should be campaigning and incentivising people to walk or cycle. Safety (cars and quality of air): this proposal would encourage more cars to drive and park near a school, a swimming pool, a river slipway, a rugby club, a public park used by community football. It gets very busy at school transition times, at sports fixture times and when it's nice weather and people access the river. It's majority single lane access off the high street and there is then sitting congestion increasing safety risk and reducing air quality. TMBC should looking at a longer term strategy to tackle that congestion rather than potentially adding to it. TMBC should be campaigning and incentivising people to walk or cycle.

Walking and playing: children and their careers walk to and from school via the proposed route. This proposal reduces their opportunity to access a safe walking route. It also reduces access to a safe space the children play before or after school (primary & secondary children). This potentially reduces air quality next to the established play area.

The proposed route also reduces an established walking route into Tonbridge town via Tonbridge Castle.

Events at Tonbridge Castle also use this footpath for queuing to help with event management.

TMBC should be campaigning and incentivising people to walk or cycle.

Off-street response – Reference number 418

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 419

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 420

I object to the proposed changes.

I think it would be better to review this after new car parking charges are brought in. More charges may discourage people from parking there. It is also a well used area of grass by local children.

Off-street response – Reference number 421

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 422

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 423

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 424

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 428

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 430

I object to the proposed changes.

Please do not add more concrete to our town,

Off-street response – Reference number 431

I object to the proposed changes.

The Lower Castle carpark provides adequate space. Extending Upper Castle would destroy the green space

Off-street response – Reference number 432

I object to the proposed changes.

I have lived in the Slade for many years and walk past this patch of grass frequently. The whole patch of grass is very well used by children playing games, all ages sitting on the bench chatting, picnics and if course the swings. It is particularly popular at before and after school. This is a very well used community resource and I think it would be wrong to remove it.

Off-street response – Reference number 434

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 435

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 437

I object to the proposed changes.

It is very rare that parking cannot be found in Tonbridge so destroying a well loved and well used green space for cars is highly objectionable. Perhaps TMBC should focus on non-car based transport options.

Off-street response – Reference number 439

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 440

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 444

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 445

I object to the proposed changes.

There is usually space at lower castle field. It's not much further to walk. Green space used by children on the way to school.

Off-street response – Reference number 446

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 448

I object to the proposed changes.

Yet more green space lost to the car! I strongly suspect it's just a revenue collection scheme!

Off-street response – Reference number 452

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 453

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 455

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 456

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 457

I object to the proposed changes.

The green space provides a valuable resource for the people of The Slade. Our children use it regularly during the summer for cricket football and just relaxing. The swings are a popular facility and rarely unoccupied in fine weather. Families from the Slade primary school also use it, as do visitors to the area to relax. On a very personal level my children and their friends spent many happy days and evenings there and I'm sure that I'm not alone in saying that it provides many happy memories.

While you may wish to make more money, and facilitate paying Visitors to the castle, surely as our council your priority should be with us the residents and must not destroy this much loved green space. There is plenty of parking in Tonbridge if visitors are prepared to walk..and who knows spend money in the town.

I must emphasise my deep opposition to this plan which I know is shared by my neighbours.

Off-street response – Reference number 460

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 461

I support the proposed changes.

It's well used, so that makes sense.

Off-street response – Reference number 464

I object to the proposed changes.

There is plenty of parking in this area and the green space is used by children and adults alike.

Off-street response – Reference number 465

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 466

I object to the proposed changes.

This would be awful for the town and protection must be put in place for green open spaces.

Off-street response – Reference number 468

I object to the proposed changes.

The Upper Castle Field play area provides a space for children and their families to play and get together, it is also one of the main pathways for children who go to Slade School to walk to and from school. It is the next best space for children to play in when the Tonbridge Race Course Park is flooded, which it always is for 3 months of the year. I am completely against the extension of the Upper Field car park, it is causing our 5 year old daughter quite a lot of distress thinking about an area she loves to play in being taken away from her. As residents of the Slade area and our daughter being a pupil at Slade School, we are very unhappy about this proposal and hope it is not successful in taking place.

Off-street response – Reference number 471

I object to the proposed changes.

It would be a shame to lose the green grassy area with the swings. It's used by children from Slade School and supports safe walking to school. More spaces would encourage people to drive to the school

Off-street response – Reference number 472

I object to the proposed changes.

I object to the extension of the castle car park as this will impinge on the existing limited green space that adds to the character surrounding the castle, make the route for elderly people walking to the castle or high street from the Slade less direct, and make it less safe for children using the play area.

Off-street response – Reference number 474

I object to the proposed changes.

This area is for the children to enjoy a bit of downtime after school with their friends please don't be selfish and take it away from them.

Also the pathway is a route for the older children in the top end of the school to get more confidence on walking on their own ready for secondary school.

Off-street response – Reference number 475

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 477

I object to the proposed changes.

As above

Off-street response – Reference number 478

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 480

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 481

I object to the proposed changes.

The green space is as well used as the carpark and as such would be a great loss. Many children use this as a safe route to Slade school away from the road and it is a valuable play space for children before and after school. It is because of this that I object. I appreciate that the carpark generates revenue but I believe the loss of this space outweighs the benefits of your proposal.

Off-street response – Reference number 487

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 488

I object to the proposed changes.

I strongly object the plans to extend the Upper Castle Car Park. It may be a busy car park but the Lower Castle car park is only around the corner and is not always full. Why do we need more spaces when the Lower Castle Car Park is not fully used. Children often play on the green area, which will be significantly reduced by the plans and the swings are very popular. Having green space for children to play is vitally important for their mental health and well being and this should be priority over more car park spaces. It is a nice green space by the Castle so making the car park bigger will decrease the aesthetics of the Castle and result in the removal of trees. There is a pathway across the green area that children use to walk safely to Slade School and who are greeted by the Lollipop Person to help them to cross the road safely. What will be the alternative route for these children to walk to school? Will this impact on where they cross the road and require additional Lollipop Person at a different location? If so this is unfair on the school and a different route will potentially be more unsafe for the children. This plans are led by the need to make money but I do not feel this should come at the expense of green areas that are valued and used by the community being lost.

Off-street response – Reference number 490

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 491

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 492

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 496

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 497

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 498

(no comment supplied)

I don't know enough about this issue to comment

Off-street response – Reference number 499

I object to the proposed changes.

The swings and grass area are well used by those using the car park and local residents and school children. The change from green area to parking will also change the aesthetics of the area which are currently pleasant and in keeping with the heritage of the Castle. There are plenty of other car parks with 5-10 minutes walk of the castle and the addition of 28 spaces won't make that much difference during peak times (i.e. large events).

Slade parents have to use the lower car park so do not affect the demands on the Upper Castle car park.

Off-street response – Reference number 500

I object to the proposed changes.

This would be valuable green space lost in a town rapidly building on any area. It also loses the swings which children use al

The time

Off-street response – Reference number 501

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 502

I object to the proposed changes.

There are plenty of parking spaces in car parks near by and this green space next to the castle is a safe pedestrian route for people going to/from Slade School and Slade area. More parking spaces encourages people to use their cars instead of local public transport where the money would be better spent and is better for the environment.

Off-street response – Reference number 503

I object to the proposed changes.

The area around the castle is one of the town's best features, as is in near constant use by families and children through the day. I think this space should be for people, not more space for cars that already dominate the town

Off-street response – Reference number 507

I object to the proposed changes.

A green space area and highly used footpath would be destroyed to extend the car park. Assume the swings would also be removed which would be a shame.

Off-street response – Reference number 509

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 512

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 514

I object to the proposed changes.

I strongly object to this, a lot of the Slade children safely play in this space before and after school. It offers an area where the children can let off steam, socialising with their friends. This is especially important for those without outside space at home. Please do not allow parking in this space.

Off-street response – Reference number 518

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 519

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 523

I object to the proposed changes.

Please leave the swings alone and the pathway. This is a safe space for children

Off-street response – Reference number 525

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 530

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 531

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 534

I object to the proposed changes.

I object to this as there would be no safe path for members of the public to use going down towards Slade school, plus you cannot use the path behind this as it's just not suitable and appropriate.

The use of the swings are a delight for many children and this would make this more dangerous.

Off-street response – Reference number 536

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 537

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 538

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 539

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 540

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 541

I object to the proposed changes.

Cut local events rather than blight local residents with increased traffic. Putting in extra spaces not the answer. Unfair that weekends packed with traffic.

Off-street response – Reference number 542

I support the proposed changes.

Brilliant idea! Especially as busy events at Castle.

Off-street response – Reference number 544

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 545

I object to the proposed changes.

The green space in town is precious. It should be protected in a beautiful and historic area. The swings are well used and would suffer from being engulfed by concrete and more engine fumes. Green space is also regularly used by Slade primary school children after school. Would ruin an outdoor space for children.

Off-street response – Reference number 546

I object to the proposed changes.

I thought the use of public transport was to be encouraged, not by providing more and more car parking spaces! Please do not tarmac this land. Flatten the empty Beales store and use that!

Off-street response – Reference number 547

I support the proposed changes.

Object to charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 548

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 550

I object to the proposed changes.

It would be such a shame to loose the grassy area to extend the upper castle field car park. This area is used extensively by all members of the slade community. Many primary school children and parents gather there every day to use the swings, socialise, play, have picnics. It would be a massive loss, and also really undermine the whole look of Tonbridge Castle. It would also really send the wrong message and encourage more people to use their cars and contribute further to the already terrible traffic congestion/pollution in town. We do not need more parking or cars in Tonbridge. We need better/cheaper public transports, more cycle paths and pedestrian areas!!

Off-street response – Reference number 552

I object to the proposed changes.

This is just another step to the War on drivers, If you wish to raise capital without increasing Residents Council Tax, I suggest the council takes a strategic look at the corperate directors team who really run the council, Highly paid unelected individuals

Off-street response – Reference number 554

I object to the proposed changes.

We should not be turning Green space, used by families and children, into a car park. For most of the year there is plenty of parking spaces, for a few weeks a year these proposals cannot be justified.

Off-street response – Reference number 556

I object to the proposed changes.

I strongly object. This is an unnecessary land grab that would impact on recreation and on the appearance of the castle surrounds. We have surplus spaces available in the town with several car parks often empty on sovereign way. The answer to making the town a better place to live and work simply cannot be paving more and more land for cars.

Off-street response – Reference number 557

I object to the proposed changes.

Unnecessary encroachment on land. An enormous car park 3mins walk away

Off-street response – Reference number 558

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 562

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 563

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 564

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 565

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 566

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 570

I object to the proposed changes.

This will take away safe route of walking for local pupils to the school! It is a much used green space by children, with the swings always in use. It will reduce and impact the local wildlife environment! With being able to use the gateway car parking spaces as well, is this really necessary?

Off-street response – Reference number 571

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 572

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 573

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 574

I object to the proposed changes.

The Upper Castle Field green space adjacent to the current parking area is a well-loved and well-used small green area frequented often by Slade resident families, and parents and children on their way to and from the Slade school as a recreation area in a safe place. Many Slade residents, including my family here in the Fosse, have spent happy hours with our children on the swings, picnicking, pushing a ball around or often just stopping with small children for repose and some run around on the grass time, on our way to and from the town. To pave over this beloved patch of lawn and turn it into concrete and parking is a regressive proposal which would have an instant negative impact on families in the area, and using the area as a thoroughfare. This grassy slope is a source of great respite for mothers with small children, as it is a compact but secure space which provides a stop-off point where children can recreate and let off some energy, while mothers - or fathers - regroup. The greater sized Tonbridge Park itself, whilst having its strengths for older families and adults, is vast in scope and the 'play areas' contain some play equipment too advanced for small children. These play areas in Tonbridge Park are also often monopolised by teenagers, especially in out-of-school hours, whereas this little green is preferred by young families with toddlers and young children, within a discreet perimeter where children can be easily monitored. The small set of swings on the Upper Castle Fields is perfect and manageable for small children and it is a gift to parents. There are other parking spaces in Tonbridge within very easy reach of the town - the swimming pool car park for example provides just as easy access to the town and activities at the castle.

Another consideration which is being overlooked is the aesthetics of the immediate Castle area. Tonbridge Castle is the Jewel in the Crown of Tonbridge. The approach to the castle up this small but beautiful family-friendly grassy slope gives a natural and pleasing overture to the Castle on the Slade side of its aspect. Visitors and residents choosing to approach the Castle and the Town from this direction are invited in via a healthy and vibrant green space, and the constant presence of families

and small children in this space in itself is a signal of the values of the town. I can think of no more wholesome advertisement for a country market town than that it treasures its family-friendly green recreational spaces, however small, and however close in proximity to the hub of activity in the town. In fact, it is this proximity which is why the Upper Castle Field green space is so unique and special, and held in such high regard by children and especially thankful parents. It is also not insignificant that bordering on to this beloved green area are assisted living flats for elderly Tonbridge residents, who currently have the pleasure of views from their windows of a delightful green space dotted with families with small children gathering, socialising, relaxing and playing. To replace this space with concrete and cars seems an insult to these elderly local residents and all they have contributed to their local area.

So I and my family at (REDACTED) object in the strongest possible terms to the proposal to extend the parking at Upper Castle Fields, which would involve the concretisation and obliteration of a much used and much treasured green space which is both the delight and the salvation of young families, precisely because of where it is and because of its unique and highly treasured qualities. This small, special green space must be properly understood, valued, and preserved.

(REDACTED)

Off-street response – Reference number 575

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 576

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 577

I support the proposed changes.

If it's free at the point of use.

Off-street response – Reference number 581

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 582

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 584

I support the proposed changes.

Free drop off /collection 30 minute window for Slade. Free 1 hour parking in TMBC

Off-street response – Reference number 585

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 586

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 589

I object to the proposed changes.

I understand that TMBC is very short of funds but once an asset such as open space is lost from the town it is gone forever. From the map of the proposed extension to Castle Upper Field car park it shows parking taking over more than half of the open grass space which is currently there. It seems, too, that the footpath from the Slade to the Castle will go straight through the middle of the car park. I don't think that is a particularly safe option for primary school children to get to school. That piece of grass looks like nothing on a map but it is a valued, much-loved resource for people in the Slade Area and for families using Slade primary school. A go on the swings on the way to or from school or to the park, family picnics, football and cricket games, sitting looking towards the Castle all take place there. The remaining grass and the patch round the swings is hardly going to be a conducive or safe environment for families with small children.

Extending the car park will not solve the over-parking in the area on sports occasions in the park or events at the Castle. What might help is if every event gives information to those attending that there are lots of car parks within easy walking distance from the park and the Castle - Sovereign Way, Sainsburys, Waitrose. Some of these car parks are not full most of the time and it has been proposed (I think) that one of the Sovereign Way car parks should be sold off for building. Part of the station car park has two floors, why not the whole car park? Why is travel by train not encouraged or group travel for visiting sports teams. 28 additional parking spaces and in exchange a pleasant, well-used green space is ruined. I object.

Off-street response – Reference number 591

I object to the proposed changes.

Tonbridge is in need of a boost to trade and visitors, not discourage even further.

Off-street response – Reference number 592

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 593

I object to the proposed changes.

This is our green space, once it has gone, it won't be back. It's completely unacceptable to extend the car park here. It's used by the community, the school, the children who have been to swimming pool, waiting for friends, walking the dog.

There are huge amounts of parking available at similar walking distance. It's not about the parking spaces. Spaces are not at a premium, you need to educate instead. Cycle, walk, car share, public transport should be encouraged.

The car parks by back of sovereign way could be more publicised, they are not full. Why are we having our green space threatened when the other car parks are nowhere near full?

People love to walk round this place because there are trees and hedges, small wildlife. This area is used by our community, picnics, playing football, cricket, playing on way to school.

We have a beautiful area here, enriched by the heritage of the castle. I honestly can not believe this has been proposed, so near to the ancient monument. It should be protected.

You are supposed to be encouraging green ways of transportation, not encouraging more people to use cars. Visiting the town is not about destroying our green space, most visitors are looking for the history. Concrete and tarmac are not our future here.

Off-street response – Reference number 594

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 597

I support the proposed changes.

Payment machines must accept cash

Off-street response – Reference number 598

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 599

(no comment supplied)

Ditto

Off-street response – Reference number 601

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 603

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 604

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 608

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 610

I object to the proposed changes.

This is an outrageous suggestion. Many children play in that area after school and would no longer have a safe place to play. We have just moved to The Slade and regularly use this area for our 2 year old to ride his bike and run around safely. It's greedy to use green spaces like this for more parking. I have lived in Tonbridge my whole life and have never had an issue parking somewhere. Disgusting suggestion from someone who has no clue about the area.

Off-street response – Reference number 611

I object to the proposed changes.

This is a lovely green space and loved by many. The car park is only busy now and again and we have enough car parks all around Tonbridge. This would be an absolute disgrace to extend and lose even more loved land. Idiotic to even think it in a prime centre site

Off-street response – Reference number 612

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 613

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 614

I object to the proposed changes.

I object to the proposed change.

Currently, the green beside the car park is used by residents and visitors to play games and enjoy greenery.

Currently, this is a path used by residents and schoolchildren to cut through from the High Street and Castle. It will become dangerous if the space is used by the carpark.

I question extension of the ground square meterage. Why not to have a second floor built instead? I would imagine the current parking area to be a ground level with an additional underground level built straight beneath it.

Off-street response – Reference number 615

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 616

I object to the proposed changes.

I object on the basis that this is a Green space that is well used by children after school and at weekends, and it would be a shame to lose this. There is usually space in the lower castle car park which just involves walking an extra minute.

Off-street response – Reference number 617

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 618

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 621

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 622

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 623

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 624

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 625

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 627

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 628

I object to the proposed changes.

Near play area for public which many children use

Off-street response – Reference number 630

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 631

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 632

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 633

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 636

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 642

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 644

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 645

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 649

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 652

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 654

I object to the proposed changes.

Town is already getting a kicking because of parking people just go to bluewater and shop

Off-street response – Reference number 668

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 673

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 675

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 677

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 682

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 683

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 684

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 686

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 689

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 692

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 693

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 696

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 698

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 699

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 702

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 703

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 705

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 706

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 708

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 709

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 710

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 722

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 726

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 732

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 733

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 736

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 746

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 747

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 750

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 752

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 757

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 760

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 764

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 769

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 772

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 774

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 776

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 778

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 779

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 782

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 783

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 784

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 785

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 786

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 793

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 794

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 795

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 796

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 799

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 800

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 801

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 809

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 813

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 814

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 815

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 823

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 826

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 829

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 830

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 831

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 832

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 844

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 850

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 854

I object to the proposed changes.

I object only because of the funding issue. This is a time when councils everywhere are struggling for money.

Off-street response – Reference number 856

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 859

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 861

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 865

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 866

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 867

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 871

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 873

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 874

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 875

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 880

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 883

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 884

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 887

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 890

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 895

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 896

I support the proposed changes.

As per the above Tonbridge needs more car parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 898

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 899

I object to the proposed changes.

Unfortunately, it is not true that the castle car park is well used. During weekends especially, visitors choose to park on double yellow lines (and all other available bits of space) around Slade area whilst there are (VISIBLE) spaces available at the car park - they choose to avoid paying for parking. The new addition to the town - Illumintae caused havoc during their opening night.

No traffic wardens are there during weekends and late nights - what is the point of introducing new paid area? It will only encourage more visitors who will still be parking dangerously.

So adding up 30 parking spaces won't change much around here - if you decided to spend your money on a new car park - invest in a multi-storey one near Sainsbury.

I don't think this proposal considers safety of the Slade area residents - it's purely for the income. Green areas in Tonbridge are shrinking - find another way of extending parking spaces around here,

other towns manage somehow (see Tunbridge Wells).

Off-street response – Reference number 901

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 902

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 910

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 914

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 920

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 922

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 928

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 929

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 931

I object to the proposed changes.

As above.

Off-street response – Reference number 932

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 933

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 935

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 938

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 940

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 942

I object to the proposed changes.

I object in a huge way to this idea to extend the car park here. Not only do the children all play on the patch of grass on the way to & from school every day, but it is used as the school run. The proposed plan to disconnect the area of swings to the grass at the bottom will be extremely dangerous for the children as they will run into the car park!!! Central Tonbridge is beautiful & we need to protect all the green spaces not concrete them for the sake of a few events & weekend football overflow from lower castle field. Surely extending one of the many car parks near Sainsbury's would be a far better idea in an already concrete area to provide footfall to the dying high street. It's only a 2 min walk for people!!! Please don't take away the much loved green space in this precious area. I don't know one person with a family who would want this. Families make up a huge part of Tonbridge. People can park elsewhere!

Off-street response – Reference number 947

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 949

(no comment supplied)

No comment

Off-street response – Reference number 951

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 954

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 955

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 957

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 958

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 963

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 964

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 965

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 968

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 972

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 974

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 979

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 980

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 983

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 987

I object to the proposed changes.

The proposal appears to be a lot of effort for what must be a small gain in a few spaces. Surely the amount spent will wipe out any gain for a very long time.

Off-street response – Reference number 988

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 991

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 998

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 999

I support the proposed changes.

As long as the playground is unaffected.

Off-street response – Reference number 1000

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1001

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1007

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1013

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1014

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1016

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1017

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1018

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1019

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1021

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1023

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1024

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1028

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1029

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1030

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1031

I object to the proposed changes.

The land that would be used for the extension is intensely used by the children from Slade school when they get out of school. The swings that they use would find themselves surrounded by cars, which would be both unsafe and unhealthy. There is also a path used by all Slade people. We also think that people should be discouraged from using their cars. We want cleaner air. There are other existing car parks in town within a 5 min. Walk from the castle that people can use. The castle is also easily reached by public transport. In fact, what we'd want to see is discounts for castle visits and events for people who've come by public transport.

Off-street response – Reference number 1033

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1037

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1039

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1046

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1049

(no comment supplied)

Not my area

Off-street response – Reference number 1056

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1058

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1062

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1067

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1071

I object to the proposed changes.

The grass around this car park softens the appearance of the car park enabling the area to maintain a more natural ambiance whilst still providing parking facilities. The swings on the grass are well used by local children on the way to and from school, during school times and also during school holidays. It would be a real shame for this facility to be lost from this area. Further, the benches on the grass are also well used. There are usually plenty of parking spaces available in other areas of the town (i.e. back of sainsburys / sovereign way car parks) where people could park as an alternative without the need to needlessly destroy a well used grassy area.

Off-street response – Reference number 1073

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1074

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1076

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1078

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1089

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1095

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1096

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1099

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1100

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1101

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1102

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1103

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1104

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1107

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1109

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1112

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1120

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1128

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1135

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1138

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1141

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1144

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1147

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1149

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1152

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1161

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1164

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1166

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1167

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1170

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1172

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1173

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1176

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1180

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1181

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1187

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1195

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1196

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1197

I object to the proposed changes.

Absolutely ridiculous in my opinion it's just another way to make money especially as there is no free time ect 30mins the fact you're happy to charge people already struggling for the first 30min proves it all about making money!!! Nothing to do with lack of spaces never had a problem parking all this does is stop people using shops already struggling

Off-street response – Reference number 1198

I object to the proposed changes.

This area of grassland is used by Parents and children of Slade Primary School before and after school. To tarmac over it will be a shame for the children, and put them at greater risk as they walk and cycle to and from school.

Off-street response – Reference number 1205

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1206

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1207

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1208

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1225

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1227

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1228

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1229

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1230

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1236

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1237

I object to the proposed changes.

Especially if it will be on the site of the current children's play area.

Off-street response – Reference number 1244

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1245

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1248

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1249

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1250

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1251

I support the proposed changes.

Is it possible to make sure there is a footpath around the car park and not through it for the safety of parents and children walking to and from Slade School, and others. Please retain the swings.

Off-street response – Reference number 1257

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1259

I object to the proposed changes.

By removing parts of the play area, the facilities used by Slade school children letting off steam both before and after school will both be significantly reduced but also dangerous.

Off-street response – Reference number 1268

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1270

I object to the proposed changes.

Any extension will impact on the local, we'll established flora and fauna.

Off-street response – Reference number 1271

I support the proposed changes.

Great for local business in town , should hopefully bring more customers

Off-street response – Reference number 1273

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1274

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1275

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1277

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1284

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1285

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1288

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1290

I object to the proposed changes.

This would cover a lovely green area where children often play. There are plenty enough other options that simply need better signage

Off-street response – Reference number 1294

I object to the proposed changes.

This area of land is used daily by children from neighbouring schools. It's a hugely important outside space for children and their parents to congregate before and after school. I see children playing football, chase and other games, learning important social rules. Losing this would significantly impact their social lives. It would also create more traffic in an area that is already busy. Additionally there are another two car parks 30 seconds around the corner near Tonbridge swimming pool which are never full. So another car park is unnecessary. Children's health and wellbeing should be prioritised.

Off-street response – Reference number 1298

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1301

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1303

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1306

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1307

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1312

I object to the proposed changes.

The area of greenery around the current car park is enjoyed by all. Children stop at the swings on way to & from slade school. There is plenty of other car parks around for people to use.

Off-street response – Reference number 1313

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1314

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1318

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1322

I object to the proposed changes.

I'm not happy that this would mean taking away valuable green space. If it does go ahead I would like to see the swings remain because they are in constant use. In fact a few more would be of great benefit to families.

Off-street response – Reference number 1323

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1326

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1328

I support the proposed changes.

Although I support the extension, please consider ways to reduce fast water flow off, by building it an eco friendly manner. Also you must retain a pedestrian path as it is the busiest pathway link between the Slade and the castle area and town.

Off-street response – Reference number 1332

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1334

I object to the proposed changes.

The area is within Tonbridge Conservation Area and an extension of the car park would detract from that. The area borders a school and a residential development for elderly citizens. Both children and older people are disproportionately affected by poor air quality which will be made worse by the

extension of the car park. The argument that the parking revenue here is the highest and so we need to build more spaces is illogical, there are many car parking spaces available within a short distance, what barrier is there to increasing charges at the other sites to match this one? This area of grass has been put forward for increasing biodiversity by local councillors, it is a carbon asset and valued by the local community especially the Slade School.

Off-street response – Reference number 1335

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1336

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1338

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1340

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1344

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1349

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1350

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1354

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1357

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1359

I object to the proposed changes.

Don't get rid of the green kids place and have picnics on it!

Off-street response – Reference number 1361

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1362

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1363

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1364

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1365

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1366

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1367

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1369

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1370

I support the proposed changes.

Great idea

Off-street response – Reference number 1371

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1373

I object to the proposed changes.

This is a lovely green space which is well used by families and provides a pleasant green buffer zone in a built up area.

Off-street response – Reference number 1374

I support the proposed changes.

Provide the option for very short term parking if it is used for school drop offs eg. 20 minutes

Ensure the pay and display machines enable payment with a debit card.

Off-street response – Reference number 1375

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1376

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1378

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1379

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1380

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1382

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1383

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1385

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1387

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1391

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1393

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1395

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1397

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1399

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1402

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1403

I object to the proposed changes.

Before this car park is extended surely it would be better to have better signage around the town for the other car parks in Sovereign way etc so that visitors can easily find their way to those car parks. May be also have finger signage for pedestrians to know how long it takes to walk from say the Angel car park to the castle.

Keeping as much of this green space is very important to Slade Residents as it is used everyday by all ages and visitors.

Off-street response – Reference number 1404

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1405

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1406

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1409

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1410

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1411

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1412

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1415

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1417

I object to the proposed changes.

The green space surrounding the car park is regularly used by families for leisure activities.

Off-street response – Reference number 1422

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1426

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1427

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1428

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1429

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1430

I object to the proposed changes.

This is a place of peace and quiet, where children like to play after school away from the main park. Also this will cause noise and disturbance for the residents of Castle Fields, my mother is one of

those residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 1431

I support the proposed changes.

As much as I hate seeing green space concreted over, this is the most logical place to extend parking and the green is very rarely used by anyone.

Off-street response – Reference number 1432

I object to the proposed changes.

As a society we should be doing everything to discourage car journeys. Better cycling options and public transport. By making it easier to park you are encouraging a behaviour that we should be trying to stop. This is largely typical behaviour of a council that are not thinking sustainability first. We want less cars, better infrastructure, less pollution and safer areas to cycle and walk. We should be encouraging this for our future generations.

Off-street response – Reference number 1434

I object to the proposed changes.

We should discourage car use. Don't tarmac over green space to encourage more driving. Didn't TMBC declare a climate emergency?

Off-street response – Reference number 1435

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1436

I support the proposed changes.

Win for visitors and a win for TMBC

Off-street response – Reference number 1437

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1439

I object to the proposed changes.

This is a green space enjoyed by users of the car park for impromptu picnics in the summer months. The car park is full during events but will be regardless of any additional space. The adjacent swimming pool car parks should be reviewed and made more efficient and signposted better.

Off-street response – Reference number 1441

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1443

I object to the proposed changes.

This is a green space enjoyed by many, there's plenty of other car parks around the town like lower castle fields which is rarely full.

Off-street response – Reference number 1444

I support the proposed changes.

It will enable more people to access parking for Castle events.

Off-street response – Reference number 1445

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1447

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1450

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1451

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1453

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1454

I support the proposed changes.

I welcome the proposal for more parking spaces but see below re charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 1456

I object to the proposed changes.

Children from Slade school walk across this grassy area all the time. They also play there. Is the current parking fully utilised since there are no banks for people park and use anymore.

Off-street response – Reference number 1457

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1464

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1468

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1471

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1472

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1474

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1476

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1477

I object to the proposed changes.

We should be keeping green space, not removing it with more tarmac.

Off-street response – Reference number 1478

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1481

I object to the proposed changes.

It makes no sense to tarmac over green space when we should save as much as we can.

Off-street response – Reference number 1483

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1484

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1486

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1487

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1488

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1489

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1490

I object to the proposed changes.

You only need to see how the green is used by all the children and families around school time to know how unsafe an idea this is. This is where kids run around and let off steam before and after school, and families stop for snacks and picnics. And quite frankly the grass takes the slack from the narrow path for people to be able to walk to and from the high street via the castle as it can get very busy at times (including when all the events are put on at the castle). It's also one of the few green spaces around here that doesn't flood in heavy rain so is more important to preserve it as it is, so there is always somewhere for kids to run and play.

Off-street response – Reference number 1495

I support the proposed changes.

Although I understand the car parking charging are a significant part of the Council's income, however, Council must consider all the negative effect of introducing more car parking charges, which are arguably, already overburdening many of the residents. The car parking charges affect local businesses as the residents tend to buy things online fearing the charges they have to pay to be in the town. It affects mental health of all age-group who are not able to come in to the town due to the parking charge rates. There are so many medical studies supporting these and I am happy to get you the evidence on request.

In principle, there should be more space for the residents to park cars in Tonbridge and less charges. The increase in charges is a false economy as it destroys the high street businesses. No wonder on Tonbridge High Street, most new shops that have opened in the last few years are charity shops. Many of the brands have actually closed and no new brand that matter has joined.

Off-street response – Reference number 1497

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1498

I object to the proposed changes.

I agree more parking is needed in this area. A separate proposal to provide paid for parking separately for users of the river, with a new slipway available will ease the existing congestion in this area of town and enable more visitors to enjoy the river and access the town from paddleboards, canoes & kayaks. This will enable businesses to enjoy more visitors and provide what visitors want, easy access to the River Medway.

Off-street response – Reference number 1500

I support the proposed changes.

In essence I have no objections to residents getting permits or increasing the number of pay and display bays. However If you make these car parks more expensive for the general commuter more people will use the few roads around Tonbridge that are not permitted - mine being one. This is frustrating, annoying and unsafe on these roads and always feels like an anomaly. I would welcome residents permits on all roads to combat this and then make the formalised car parks cheaper to local nearby residents but more expensive to others.

Off-street response – Reference number 1504

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1505

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1506

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1509

I object to the proposed changes.

Focus should be to encourage people not to use their cars by providing improved public transport

Off-street response – Reference number 1510

I object to the proposed changes.

This area is completely unsuitable to use as a car park as it is on an incline and fumes created will go straight into Slade School putting children's health at risk. It is also near to a senior residents' home so will put their health at risk, again with the fumes.

Off-street response – Reference number 1517

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1525

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1526

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1528

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1530

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1531

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1532

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1533

I object to the proposed changes.

another nibbling away of green space. flooding possible

Off-street response – Reference number 1534

I object to the proposed changes.

This area is too close to tourist/ castle area. Additional parking would be better along the rugby club / pool area

Off-street response – Reference number 1536

(no comment supplied)

Unable to answer until proposed design available showing what impact there would be.

Off-street response – Reference number 1542

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1543

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1548

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1551

I object to the proposed changes.

This area of grass is regularly used by children and is nearby Slade School. My kids love running across there to get to the swings and would be very disappointing if decide to ruin green areas with concrete for parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1552

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1553

I object to the proposed changes.

I strongly object. Please, please keep this wonderful space as it is - it is extremely popular with children as well as teenagers and adults. Extending the car park in the proposed area would completely ruin the character of this part of Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 1554

I object to the proposed changes.

Additional car space will encourage additional traffic.

Off-street response – Reference number 1555

I object to the proposed changes.

The pathway through this carpark is used by the children attending Slade school. If this is closed alternative routes could be dangerous.

Off-street response – Reference number 1556

I object to the proposed changes.

The proposed extension together with the proposed increase of parking charges and the introduction of charges on Sundays will not solve the problem with parking around castle area in Tonbridge but only exacerbate the issue and cause more nuisance to the residents of Slade area. There was clear evidence at the last Illinimate Tonbridge Castle event, that there were lots of empty car spaces in both Upper Castle and Lower Castle car parks, and yet visitors simply left their cars on double yellow lines in The Slade (opposite the car park!) and on the residential car spaces causing obstructions - visitors don't want to pay for the car park if they can simply leave their cars anywhere! Increasing the fees and introducing Sunday fees will only make things worse for the residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 1557

I object to the proposed changes.

The green area is happily used by kids attending Slade school , it's a safe meeting point for them in the mornings and after school. The path next to the existing car park provides a safe walk way for all parents/ kids / school members that walk from the town center to school. The proposal does not take into account the safety of pedestrians and the right of safe passage through the proposed car park extension towards the school.

Off-street response – Reference number 1558

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1559

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1560

I object to the proposed changes.

This is a part of the park with swings that is used by pedestrians and little children. It also is a lovely landscape for the backdrop of the castle.

Off-street response – Reference number 1561

I support the proposed changes.

This is a potentially good idea but pedestrian access should remain (zebra crossings within the car park?) and the swings should also be kept in place as they are often well used.

Off-street response – Reference number 1564

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1565

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1566

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1567

I support the proposed changes.

Increasing spaces should not however become " cluttered " in the area

Off-street response – Reference number 1568

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1569

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1570

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1571

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1572

I object to the proposed changes.

I object to this many children use the path that runs alongside the existing car park and I feel strongly that further extension would increase the risk to children of accidental collisions

Off-street response – Reference number 1573

I support the proposed changes.

It will allow more people to access events at the castle and to shop in the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 1574

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1576

I support the proposed changes.

Whilst I am always sad to see the loss of grass space, which no doubt is used by children, especially before and after school at Slade; and whilst I would rather see more people walking/cycling into town, than driving; I feel that this proposal is a reasonable compromise to increase the overall parking options in the town. Plus, I'm not sure any of the other car parks can be as easily extended.

Off-street response – Reference number 1580

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1582

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1584

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1585

I object to the proposed changes.

The green space next to the car park is regularly used by children in the community and from Slade school. The last thing we should be encouraging near a school is more cars. There are several other car parks in the vicinity there is no need for another. The area / castle is popular because of the surrounding green spaces. Removing this will make it less so. If anything we should be considering removing the car park and replacing it with trees. The congestion in that area during school pick up times is very bad already- encouraging more cars will make it worse. The roads there are already too busy.

Off-street response – Reference number 1586

I support the proposed changes.

Please ensure in doing so you add an extra 1 or 2 disabled spaces

Off-street response – Reference number 1587

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1589

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1592

(no comment supplied)

Don't use so don't know.

Off-street response – Reference number 1593

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1594

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1595

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1599

I object to the proposed changes.

No! It's green space for kids with swings, why can't people walk down to lower fields? It's in a residential area with a school opposite why would u take this away from the kids? Or make it more dangerous with more cars?

Off-street response – Reference number 1600

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1601

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1602

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1603

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1605

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1608

I object to the proposed changes.

Protect the green spaces that remain

Off-street response – Reference number 1610

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1612

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1613

I object to the proposed changes.

a small number of local businesses that are struggling with the increase costs of operating their businesses. The introduction of parking charges will lead to a reduction in footfall which will further impact on their ability to keep operating. Consequently some businesses will close leaving empty spaces as per most high streets.

Off-street response – Reference number 1614

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1615

I object to the proposed changes.

I don't see the need to extend this carpark when all the other town parking can easily be used to access the park and swimming pool. They are not much further away and have plenty of spaces.

This area close to the castle and in the Slade conservation area should be preserved at all costs. Other carparks could be increased if necessary, before this one.

Off-street response – Reference number 1617

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1618

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1622

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1624

I object to the proposed changes.

The green space is used everyday especially on school days by the children of Slade school after school and by many families at other times. To destroy this small yet vital green space crowding the children's swings is senseless, especially when with increased pricing fewer spaces will be needed. It could also be used for additional event space being so close to the Castle....

Off-street response – Reference number 1625

I object to the proposed changes.

1. Concerned re the interruption of the footpath leading to/from the Castle,
2. Concerned re removal of more green space and its replacement by more asphalt.

Off-street response – Reference number 1627

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1628

I support the proposed changes.

Please re-site the children's play area to the remaining grass area.

Off-street response – Reference number 1631

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1632

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1633

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1635

I object to the proposed changes.

The recreation area with swings is more important. There are other places to park nearby.

Off-street response – Reference number 1636

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1637

I support the proposed changes.

Charges should only apply up to 6pm

Off-street response – Reference number 1638

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1639

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1640

I object to the proposed changes.

1. The proposal will involve the loss of a small children's play area, which is more important than a few extra car parking spaces.
2. The Council should be discouraging extra car parking in Tonbridge, not encouraging it. Extra parking will simply make the local roads even more clogged up with vehicles. The Council should work with Kent CC to improve buses instead: which is precisely the opposite of what is happening at present.

Off-street response – Reference number 1641

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1642

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1644

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1645

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1646

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1648

I support the proposed changes.

Same as above

Off-street response – Reference number 1649

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1650

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1651

I object to the proposed changes.

Green pockets of green land within should be preserved; the small play area is great for young children, especially when main play area is flooded (it's unclear from diagram if this will be lost). There is ample car parking across the town, even if it means having to walk a short distance (in all the times I've parked in the town I've never failed to find a space, even if on occasions it has meant using a nearby car park).

Off-street response – Reference number 1652

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1653

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1654

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1655

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1656

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1657

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1660

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1661

I support the proposed changes.

Why not? Use this additional revenue rather than extending the charging period and you've got yourself a winner.

Off-street response – Reference number 1662

I support the proposed changes.

More spaces would be good measure.

Off-street response – Reference number 1663

I object to the proposed changes.

My daughter walks to and from school every day on her own. This is the route she takes as it's the safest route to go as she can walk all the way to school without crossing the dangerous roads by the old Fire Station and it is a heavily used route therefore safer. Taking out this route would mean it will be less safe for her. It's also an area that we use after school for leisure and waiting for after school clubs. It's also not always full in the weekdays apart from school drop off and pick up it's quite empty around 4pm onwards.

Off-street response – Reference number 1664

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1665

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1666

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1669

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1670

I support the proposed changes.

Again I don't support the local governments use of parking as a revenue stream. I do support extra parking.

I pro motorist anti government greed.

Off-street response – Reference number 1673

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1674

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1676

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1677

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1680

I object to the proposed changes.

The grassy area is well used by families and children. It would be a shame to lose this space. I also have concerns about the safety of the many children who walk this way to and from Slade primary school if the car park area is extended

Off-street response – Reference number 1681

I object to the proposed changes.

The green space adjacent to the car park is a valuable space for children to play and picnic, before and after school and at weekend particularly as it is above the flood line, unlike the nearby larger

play park and fields. Local people (including me) also use it to picnic during their lunch breaks. It is a safe walking corridor for many Slade School families as well as older children walking towards the high Street. There are always spaces in the lower castle fields car park - an extension to Upper fields is unnecessary.

Off-street response – Reference number 1682

I support the proposed changes.

More spaces makes sense to fulfil demand

Off-street response – Reference number 1683

I object to the proposed changes.

The green area in question is regularly used by families waiting to drop off or pick up children from Slade school. There is plenty of parking a few hundred meters away between the swimming pool and rugby club. Changing the green space to parking will be a danger to families dropping off or picking up from school.

Off-street response – Reference number 1684

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1685

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1686

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1687

I object to the proposed changes.

There is enough parking elsewhere in Tonbridge, this is a lovely green space which does NOT need ruining with yet more concrete! I feel this is not in the public interest at all, more like the greedy council trying to make yet more money!

Off-street response – Reference number 1690

(no comment supplied)

Plenty of parking already in lower castle field. Too near to Slade School, retirement housing and play swings for additional pollution exposure. Too near to historic monument of Tonbridge Castle, where what green space around it should be preserved. Loss of green space which is currently well used by local community and school community every school day at the end of the day.

Off-street response – Reference number 1691

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1692

I object to the proposed changes.

Too close to play swings, Slade School and retirement housing for pollution. Area of limited green space around historic monument Tonbridge Castle should be protected at all cost. Green space is used every day at Slade School pick-up by large numbers of families for playing, socialising and has been for more than 25 years. If planning discussion was not already in place there would be a good argument to campaign for village green status.

Off-street response – Reference number 1694

I object to the proposed changes.

This area near a historic monument such as Tonbridge Catle should be protected at all costs for future generations. It is too close to Slade School, play swings and retirement housing for increased pollution and dangers of increased traffic. The green space is used every day by families of Slade School for play, socialising and other post school functions. Plenty of parking lower Castle fields parking. Forcing more paid bays here will increase likelihood of parking in Slade residents bays on weekends.

Off-street response – Reference number 1697

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1699

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1700

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1701

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1703

I object to the proposed changes.

The town has enough brown sites to provide a car park. We need more biodiversity and green spaces within the town. It's its most treasured attraction.

Off-street response – Reference number 1704

I object to the proposed changes.

This is totally unacceptable taking away more green space when Tonbridge has little spaces like this left with the all the house building this area is precious near town near houses school gives nature a place trees plants insects birds etc I walk here regularly people sit here in summer take their kids to the swings play ball etc the fumes and extra population from more cars will be detrimental to local primary school elderly flats and people that live near by Tonbridge has always been severely congested we don't need more green space used to bring more pollution to a town that has high levels already. Encourage people to walk get a bus etc we need this green area it's a healing space

Off-street response – Reference number 1705

I object to the proposed changes.

This area is close to Tonbridge Castle, which is a conservation area. It is close to a school and a retirement block and residential area: therefore noise and pollution will affect the children and residents. There is already noise and drunken behaviour in the evenings and weekends. Therefore an increase in cars and public will bring more disturbance to the local residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 1707

I object to the proposed changes.

against the loss of a precious green space that benefits school children and the local community and provides space and fresh air

against extra air pollution, noise pollution and visual pollution in this area

against increased congestion in the area at times of shows and events which impacts on the locals. It is already congested enough

Off-street response – Reference number 1713

I object to the proposed changes.

further destruction of environment

Off-street response – Reference number 1714

I support the proposed changes.

Good location and more parking needed.

Off-street response – Reference number 1715

I object to the proposed changes.

There is plenty of parking already in the town. The car parks near Waitrose are often empty and it is a two minute walk to the Castle. Put up some signs showing the short walk and let people walk. Just think how good it would be for them, and how healthy.

Off-street response – Reference number 1718

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1720

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1724

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1726

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1730

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1731

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1732

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1733

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1734

I object to the proposed changes.

This is taking away more green area.

Off-street response – Reference number 1736

(no comment supplied)

This does not have an impact on Thornhills Medical Practice

Off-street response – Reference number 1737

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1738

I support the proposed changes.

More parking spaces at this location are very desirable.

Off-street response – Reference number 1739

I support the proposed changes.

Assuming this patch of green is not used for any other community activities (e.g do the kids use it to play in?) then it seems a fairly sensible new use of space on balance.

Could this new hard-standing area be designed to support alternative uses - such as seasonal markets, or pop-up events - e.g. power hookups and water supply/waste?

Off-street response – Reference number 1740

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1741

I object to the proposed changes.

There is very little benefit for this change to take place, especially when there is a large car park just around the corner and several already in the town. The green area is far more appealing and better for the environment than creating a few extra car parking spaces.

Off-street response – Reference number 1743

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1744

I support the proposed changes.

More disabled bays

Off-street response – Reference number 1745

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1747

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1748

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1749

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1750

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1751

I object to the proposed changes.

The number of flats/homes without gardens are increasing in the immediate area and it is essential that the green space close to these homes is not lost. The playing fields are often flooded or very busy with sporting events and increasingly private events like October fest. This space is also well used by children before and after school. What will happen to the footpath? Will it be re-provided? How will you make sure that there is still a safe route for children to get to school (Annison Street has already become more dangerous with the opening of Annison Street and the diversions during the waterworks). I understand the need to generate more income from the castle and its lovely to see it being used but it does cause inconvenience and disturbance to local residents. We don't need the extra noise from a larger carpark, more traffic, more anti-social behavior, worsening air-quality, less green space for our children to enjoy. Paving over green space for car parking seems to be the very opposite of what the council should be encouraging. There are lots of other car parks in Tonbridge, are they over capacity when these events take place? One of the carparks near Sainsburys seems to have become a private car park for a business. I think you should put up the price of parking in this car park and charge into the evening to encourage people to park in less popular carparks in Tonbridge and to generate more income from people attending events at the castle.

Off-street response – Reference number 1753

I support the proposed changes.

Only if done sympathetically - it is very close to the castle so any extension must be well away from the castle

Off-street response – Reference number 1754

I object to the proposed changes.

I absolutely object to this proposal, which has generated fury within the Slade and among Slade school parents. The green space between the school and the castle is cherished, vital to families as an extended place to play after school and one of only a few remaining green spaces in the town besides the sports ground. Please, make no mistake: it is this area that our children seek to play in before returning home despite the proximity of the general park and rugby field. The provision for more cars in this area is a danger to school pupils, who are accompanied by far younger children on the walk to and from school. The car park already provides a danger to manage with young children intent on playing chase and playing ball games, Having wide uninterrupted green space allows us parents a protection and clear demarked areas to manage the walk from the school to the swings. The walk also offers a loved view of the school with the variety of trees a treat to observe through the seasons. The increased interest in occasional and seasonal events in the castle is not justification to permanently alter an area which is a salvation to hundreds and hundreds of families 365 days of the year. The town is almost unrivalled for train access, there are numerous parking options within the town and supermarket car. Whatever money is costed for this proposed extension should be diverted towards measures to lessen or eliminate flooding of the lower castle fields car park. Finally I would add that faith in this council's ability to run services in Tonbridge and Malling is incredibly low (based on election results and anecdotal chatter) and the recent gains by the Green Party has been founded on support for the action they have taken to protect the town's spaces. This proposal will only serve their cause more and I advise councillors to see the political merit in cancelling this proposal if they wish to not cede more power to rival parties.

Off-street response – Reference number 1755

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1756

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1757

I object to the proposed changes.

There is enough parking in Tonbridge already, please do not tarmac over more of our green space.

Off-street response – Reference number 1758

I object to the proposed changes.

There are plenty of car parks in Tonbridge. There is no need to pave over the green spaces. We are losing more & more green space to development etc.

Off-street response – Reference number 1759

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1761

I object to the proposed changes.

I do not want green spaces to be paved over

Off-street response – Reference number 1764

I object to the proposed changes.

This green space is used for children to play on whilst waiting for a go on the swings. Also parents collecting children from Slade use this space. If the car park is extended it will also detract from the setting of the castle.

Off-street response – Reference number 1766

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1767

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1768

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1769

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1770

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1772

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1773

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1774

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1775

I object to the proposed changes.

As above.

Off-street response – Reference number 1776

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1777

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1778

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1779

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1781

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1782

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1783

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1786

I object to the proposed changes.

Concreting over yet more small precious green-space areas that are much needed and used by children - particularly Slade school children - is a VERY POOR idea. Local residents, school parents and children place high value on this green space, plus the additional pollution this will bring to these people - including the children playing in their playgrounds during leisure times - is unjustifiable. We need to INCREASE our GREEN SPACES in order to protect and increase BIODIVERSITY and ABSORB the catastrophic levels of CARBON DIOXIDE in our environments. You appear to be suggesting more short-term-gain money-making schemes. This is so very short sighted and I whole-heartedly oppose the plan.

Off-street response – Reference number 1787

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1788

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1791

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1794

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1795

I object to the proposed changes.

We are losing too many green spaces, regularly use the small play area, don't want to live in a concrete jungle

Off-street response – Reference number 1796

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1798

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1801

I object to the proposed changes.

Would not want green space to be replaced with car park

Off-street response – Reference number 1803

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1805

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1806

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1807

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1809

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1811

I object to the proposed changes.

Better public transportation on match days would solve most of these challenges. Roads around this area are tiny and already congested with traffic. Why invite more cars to park there?

Off-street response – Reference number 1814

I object to the proposed changes.

Same as my previous answers

Off-street response – Reference number 1815

I object to the proposed changes.

The addition of 28 additional places will have minimal impact for the large castle events highlighted and doesn't warrant the loss of green space.

Off-street response – Reference number 1816

I object to the proposed changes.

The castle gatehouse is already surrounded by car parks and whilst I approve changing to a pay and display car park as it is already covered in concrete I completely oppose digging up more green space for 28 car parking spaces which will spoil the attractiveness of the castle.

Off-street response – Reference number 1820

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1822

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1823

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1824

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1827

I object to the proposed changes.

There is plenty of parking available elsewhere in Tonbridge. Reducing green space to add more is unnecessary.

Area proposed is also close to a school and OAP residential homes, so impact to air quality caused by increased vehicle activity is also a concern.

Off-street response – Reference number 1828

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1832

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1833

I object to the proposed changes.

I am reluctant to see this area tarmacked over due to the impact on the natural world both plant and animal.

There are other car parks a short walk away.

Off-street response – Reference number 1834

I object to the proposed changes.

Leave us how we are. The town is becoming too big beyond its means and its affecting residents more and more

Off-street response – Reference number 1835

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1836

I object to the proposed changes.

The green space is more valuable to the town particularly when entering into the castle area it looks nicer and can be used for picnics. More trees and picnic benches.

Off-street response – Reference number 1837

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1838

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1840

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1842

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1844

I object to the proposed changes.

The swings and green areas are frequented by children and families of all ages. hundreds of studies offer scientific evidence that highlights the importance of having green spaces in urban areas for physical as well as mental health benefits in people of all ages. For children and families offers a space to socialise, picking, play etc and is a popular and well loved area to meet before and after school and during weekends or when there are special events. Most definitely objecting to this beautiful green are to be made into car park for income production!!'

Off-street response – Reference number 1845

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1848

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1850

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1852

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1854

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1856

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1857

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1859

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1860

I object to the proposed changes.

I live very close to this car park and object to the planned extension as the path and adjoining grass are an important area for the children walking up and down to Slade school and I'm concerned that increased parking will be detrimental to the look of the area and there will be an increase in traffic into the Slade area. With events at the castle the event organisers need to signpost people to the existing larger car parks behind and adjacent to Sainsburys which often has many empty spaces. Don't ruin a lovely historical area just to pollute it with increased traffic and vehicles in an already busy area.

Off-street response – Reference number 1863

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1864

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1865

I support the proposed changes.

We use the one closest to the swimming pool as we have to go to swimming classes. Oftentimes, it's difficult to find parking space due to football, boat, running people using there. There should be more spaces for swimming pool users and refund system at the castle parking space too. Otherwise, it's like a penalty for using the swimming pool.

Off-street response – Reference number 1866

I object to the proposed changes.

I do not believe the council should be paving and green spaces in the middle of the town. The site is immediately opposite a primary school and provides a safe area for all of the children to gather and play before and after school meaning they are not flooding on to the busy roads. The swings there

might as well be removed if the safe space around them is gone. They will not be safe for young children to use in the free and relaxed way they are currently. Also there appears to be no safe path to walk from the castle down to the school which is the way a huge percentage of parents and children approach in the morning. I firmly believe increased parking there will only encourage more people to drive into central tonbridge rather than walking; with the pressing concerns about carbon emissions this seems like a poor plan.

Off-street response – Reference number 1869

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1870

I support the proposed changes.

Given the location so close to the Castle, it is vital that a proper archaeological survey be undertaken of the area of the proposed new spaces before anything is changed.

Off-street response – Reference number 1872

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1873

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1874

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1875

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1878

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1880

I object to the proposed changes.

Is this really needed? Aside from events at the castle, this car park is rarely full. This would increase traffic and air pollution around the Slade, around a primary school. The loss of the green space would result in pedestrian traffic to and from the school being concentrated into a smaller area. This green space is enjoyed by the primary school children before and after school and would be lost. Not worth the change for the minimal gain; any gain would be felt only by those driving into town for events rather than the locals who use the green space on a daily basis. I strongly object to these plans when other parking is available nearby (swimming pool and memorial garden). What is happening with the former poundland car park which is closed and left empty with no building work taking place - perhaps reopen that one?

Off-street response – Reference number 1882

I object to the proposed changes.

I am incensed by this proposal! It is nothing but a callous and insensitive attempt to monetise a green space and children's play area. The council should be ashamed of itself. The car park is called UPPER CASTLE FIELD for a reason and I don't think you've given that one tiny thought!

The children's swings and upper castle field path is used by hundreds of families on a daily basis as a SAFE means of walking their children to Slade Primary School, avoiding the actual car park itself and the narrow path that is only on one side of the road: around a blind bend leading from Bank Street to The Slade.

Many of the children who attend Slade Primary School live in flats and apartments. This is the closest green space on the way to and from school, where they can have a moment to let off steam and help calm themselves, ready for a good day of learning. Consideration should also be given to the impact on local residents in the developments on the area of the old Tonbridge Market, The Slade and the retirement homes adjacent to the Upper Castle Field.

There is a large body of existing scientific evidence that highlights the physical and mental health benefits of having green spaces in urbanised areas. TMBC should be shining a light on its green areas and promoting its access... lack of access to green spaces is a future health risk to our community.

Already-stretched GPs are giving out "nature prescriptions." I cite pages 258-261 of "This Book Could Save Your Life: The Science of Living Longer Better" by scientist Graham Lawton. "Recent research also suggests that city dwellers living near green spaces are at lower risk of type 2 diabetes than those without access" (Muller, G., Harhoff, R., Rahe, C et al. 2018 'Inner-city Green Space and its Association with Body Mass Index and Prevalent Type 2 Diabetes' British Medical Journal.)
<https://bmjopen.bmj.com/content/8/1/e019062>

Tonbridge Castle is one of our biggest tourist attractions. Additional parking will blight the aspect to the castle from its motte and gatehouse side. If people want to attend events at Tonbridge Castle, maybe a "park and ride" solution can be investigated? Alternatively, hold the events in the bigger, Racecourse Ground.

HRH the King and our current government have recently attended COP28, where climate change, phasing out fossil fuels and "cleaner" motoring are all on the agenda; it doesn't seem that TMBC's thinking is in step with policy. However, as more and more property is being developed in the town, maybe a longer-term vision could be to buy the existing unused car park in the centre of town behind where the old "Poundland" used to be... create more central High Street spaces and charge a premium for their use.

Off-street response – Reference number 1884

I object to the proposed changes.

Too much parking in the town as it is, and a lot of it around Sainsburys and Waitrose area are underused and unsightly. Don't provide more which will simply add to congestion and prevent people from walking a bit, getting needed exercise. If the car park is too popular increase charges and increase revenue that way, and others will choose cheaper parking a short walk away.

Off-street response – Reference number 1887

I object to the proposed changes.

I object to losing further valuable green space in the heart of town to an expanse of tarmac. Since there has been increased housing development in the Slade area in recent years, it feels even more important to maintain green 'breathing spaces' within our town. There are plenty of spaces a short walk away alongside the swimming pool and rugby club. Maybe the price of the current spaces at Upper Castle could be increased in comparison to the other car parks - so shift demand.

Off-street response – Reference number 1888

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1889

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1894

I object to the proposed changes.

We should keep our green spaces.

The swings will be removed which are used a lot by children and families.

The parking will encroach on the general feel of the area, in particular denigrating the area that forms part of the moat around the castle.

Off-street response – Reference number 1896

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1899

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1901

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1902

I object to the proposed changes.

Tidy up existing spaces. There is no need for additional parking as plenty pay and display about the town

Off-street response – Reference number 1904

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1905

I object to the proposed changes.

There are ample spaces very close by. Perhaps better signage would replace the need to remove further green space for these car parking spaces.

Off-street response – Reference number 1906

I support the proposed changes.

Increasing space for parking is sensible and reflects the real world where people use cars for transport.

Off-street response – Reference number 1910

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1911

I object to the proposed changes.

The path alongside the existing car park is used by parents and children of the Slade Primary School. Extending the car park will increase the risk to pedestrians accessing the pathway. The existing swings in the green area and the green area itself are used all the time. Removing the green area will be anaesthetic and damaging to nature.

Off-street response – Reference number 1913

I object to the proposed changes.

Where is this extra space to build additional parking. Leave well alone.

Off-street response – Reference number 1915

I object to the proposed changes.

The concreting over of more green space in the centre of town so close to the flood plane would only contribute to the already difficult flood issue in the area. Green space has been proved to be essential for mental health and this should not be sacrificed for the sake of cars - I suggest more reliable busses would enable folk to travel - busses are useless unless they are reliable. The suggestion is that this is simply to gain more revenue....at what price for our mental and ecological health? The council will find themselves spending even more on flood defences or drainage.

Off-street response – Reference number 1918

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1920

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1922

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1926

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1929

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1931

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1932

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1934

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1937

I object to the proposed changes.

I do not object to the car park extension but I do object to the spaces being pay and display

Off-street response – Reference number 1940

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1941

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1943

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1950

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1951

(no comment supplied)

Would be wrong for me to comment as I do not use this car par regularly enough

Off-street response – Reference number 1953

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1954

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1955

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1959

(no comment supplied)

Same as above

Off-street response – Reference number 1964

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1965

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1967

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1969

I support the proposed changes.

As long as they don't take away land where nature and animals live. Enough land has been taken away from Badgers, foxes and wildlife in and around the area.

Off-street response – Reference number 1970

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1973

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1974

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1983

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1984

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1989

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1991

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1992

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1993

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1997

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1998

I object to the proposed changes.

There is enough parking already and since the increase in parking charges this car park, once constantly full, has many free spaces regardless of time or day.

Off-street response – Reference number 2001

(no comment supplied)

I strongly object . The drawing shows the new spaces on and over the public footpath that runs alongside the current carpark. This footpath is used by a huge number of mothers bringing children to and from slade primary school. Especially between the hours of 8:30 and 9:30 and then between 2:45 and 4:30 when many of the mothers collect their children and then make use of the swings and the grass area for the children to play after school . Adding extra parking spaces will make the area unsafe, dangerous and virtually unusable by mothers with small children . Especially if it means the children have to make their way between parked cars or if cars are crossing over the public footpath to park . This is not a good idea.

Off-street response – Reference number 2002

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2004

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2005

I support the proposed changes.

As long as the play area is preserved and it is completely safe to have vehicles so close to the play area

Off-street response – Reference number 2007

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2008

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2009

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2013

I support the proposed changes.

However please don't make the parking spaces too 'tight'.

Off-street response – Reference number 2014

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2015

I object to the proposed changes.

Loss of green space, safety of children walking to school, clogging up roads with more traffic.

Off-street response – Reference number 2016

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2017

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2018

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2019

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2021

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2022

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2028

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2029

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2030

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2031

I object to the proposed changes.

This will be taking away green space, children leaving school at slade walk this route so emissions from vehicles parking so near to the school will have a detrimental affect on those going to school as well as those living in the nearby area this is a badly thought idea and not one that I would support at all

Off-street response – Reference number 2032

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2033

I support the proposed changes.

Can planners look at how large modern cars are now, please? Cars are much wider these days and trying to squeeze in between them can be a task in itself. It is always useful to have more parking in the area.

Off-street response – Reference number 2035

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2036

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2040

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2041

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2044

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2050

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2051

I support the proposed changes.

as above eg. if useful to local residents and does not provoke strong objections.

Off-street response – Reference number 2052

I object to the proposed changes.

There is plenty of parking elsewhere in Tonbridge and it just means people have to walk a bit further. I have never not been able to find a parking space in one of the many pay and display car parks whether that be Waitrose, Sainsbury's or the large one on Sovereign Way. People need to stop being so lazy and park further away. The green space there is nice and with climate change and increased flooding we should not be tarmac over more grass. The number of extra spaces it would create will make a minimum impact and it will still always be full when there is an event on.

Off-street response – Reference number 2053

I object to the proposed changes.

Taking the green space from this area would destroy the amenity that people come to see and use around the castle. It would be better long term solution to extend the race course car park by swapping race course ground with Skinners Company and moving the Rugby Club.

Off-street response – Reference number 2056

I object to the proposed changes.

I feel the position in which you are going to extend the car park looks like it would have a negative impact on the flats that are situated in that area.

Off-street response – Reference number 2057

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2058

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2059

I object to the proposed changes.

There is plenty of additional parking at locations nearby

Off-street response – Reference number 2064

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2066

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2068

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2071

I object to the proposed changes.

There is plenty of car parking in tonbridge for the community. It is only a small area around the castle.

Off-street response – Reference number 2072

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2073

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2074

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2076

I object to the proposed changes.

The proposed area is currently a green space with swings for children. It is used by families on a regular basis. It will impact the Slade school children who use the area after school and overlook the residential flats. It is effectively in the castle ground and should remain green open and for people's recreational use.

Off-street response – Reference number 2077

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2078

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2079

I object to the proposed changes.

Again spaces too small improve current spaces and increase charges, cars are getting bigger and spaces have not changed since the 60's.

Off-street response – Reference number 2084

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2085

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2088

I object to the proposed changes.

I am against the removal of the swings near the castle grounds as they are a massive asset to the town for small children and avoids an over stimulating playground past the pool.

Off-street response – Reference number 2089

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2093

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2094

I support the proposed changes.

This end of town needs more parking

Off-street response – Reference number 2095

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2096

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2099

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2100

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2106

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2107

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2108

I object to the proposed changes.

taking away yet more green space for tarmac. if Tonbridge need more spaces add mutistorys to the exsisting car parks

Off-street response – Reference number 2109

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2113

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2114

I object to the proposed changes.

Permeable surfaces are extremely important to the health of our ecosystem. We need all the green space we can get! Please DO NOT PAVE OVER this green space; consider instead planting even more trees and zero-maintenance hearty plants in that area and reducing the amount of lawn grass that has to be cared for. Increasing areas for cars and reducing room for natural materials and human play is the WRONG direction.

Off-street response – Reference number 2115

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2116

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2117

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2121

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2123

I object to the proposed changes.

In the middle of a climate crisis the council should be focusing on increasing biodiversity, not increasing air pollution and encouraging car use in what is already a very busy residential area.

Off-street response – Reference number 2124

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2130

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2131

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2132

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2134

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2137

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2143

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2151

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2152

I support the proposed changes.

Only Monday to Saturday and the layout needs to be rethought

Off-street response – Reference number 2154

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2156

I object to the proposed changes.

My children regularly play on the swings in front of the castle, which will be surrounded by the extended car park. They also play in the field that the car park is proposed to extend into, so its loss would be very much noticed.

Off-street response – Reference number 2158

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2162

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2163

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2164

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2165

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2166

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2168

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2170

I object to the proposed changes.

You will kill the trade

Off-street response – Reference number 2172

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2173

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2174

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2175

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2176

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2177

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2178

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2180

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2181

I support the proposed changes.

I would like to see more chargers for Electric vehicles, the current chargers are great but I would like more Rapid chargers 50kw +

Off-street response – Reference number 2184

I support the proposed changes.

I hope there will still be greenery around the extended car park. Also a bench for people who may need to rest enroute by foot to/fro the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 2188

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2189

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2190

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2191

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2192

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2193

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2194

I support the proposed changes.

I support this as long as you are not proposing to get rid of the play area.

Off-street response – Reference number 2196

I support the proposed changes.

More parking is needed particularly at weekends during the football season in and around Castle Field Car Parks.

Off-street response – Reference number 2197

I object to the proposed changes.

Green space should not be paved over to increase tarmacked areas for parking

Off-street response – Reference number 2202

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2203

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2204

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2205

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2206

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2207

I object to the proposed changes.

This area is regularly used by parents and their children throughout the year for picnics and games.

We overlook the car park and enjoy the view of the trees and relish the green space. We don't want to lose this when so much of the area is already under threat from the council's ideas.

People are so lazy. There are plenty of other places to park, they just need to walk!

Off-street response – Reference number 2209

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2210

I object to the proposed changes.

Every single child to and from Slade primary school use this park. Unacceptable to take this away. Use the waste of land and extend the parking area in the park past the gate on right hand side. Whilst at it double yellows required outside the Slade School and no parking at any time. It's dangerous when visitors park there for traffic coming both ways and children. And they do it every weekend.

Off-street response – Reference number 2212

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2214

I object to the proposed changes.

Do not destroy the green area next to the current parking area.

Off-street response – Reference number 2215

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2219

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2223

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2224

I object to the proposed changes.

The site proposed is too close to residential properties and will alter the character of the Castle Area as the car parking will be too dominant in an area that is currently green. As shown on your plan the footpath route from the Slade crosses the site and would result in pedestrians having to walk through the car park, which could be dangerous. The swings closer to the Castle are an important little feature for parents and children which would be too close to the parking area to be comfortable in that location. They should not be removed as they provide the only local play feature in the area and can be used on the way into or back from the town for families from the Slade or further out of town.

Off-street response – Reference number 2232

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2233

I object to the proposed changes.

Leave our few green spaces alone you greedy, arrogant Conservatives!!! Children regularly play on those swings and the poor older people who live in those houses don't need fumes wafting through their windows. Do something actually useful instead of looking for easy outs

Off-street response – Reference number 2234

I object to the proposed changes.

We do not want to lose the small play area as it is used regularly on walks around the castle and town.

Off-street response – Reference number 2235

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2237

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2238

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2239

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2241

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2242

I object to the proposed changes.

The proposed space for parking is currently used by children coming out of school for safe play and picnics. Plenty of parking is available in the town. Other car parks should be advertised for events, perhaps with this one prioritised for blue-badge holders.

Off-street response – Reference number 2244

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2245

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2246

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2247

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2248

I object to the proposed changes.

The removal of a much-loved and used play facility to accommodate a few more cars sends the wrong message about a greener future for Tonbridge

Off-street response – Reference number 2250

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2252

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2254

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2255

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2256

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2259

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2260

I support the proposed changes.

I would want to consider where the extra space to provide these is coming from. I would not want to take facilities away from the children's play area.

Off-street response – Reference number 2261

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2262

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2263

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2264

I support the proposed changes.

And increase the amount of Blue Badge holder spaces

Off-street response – Reference number 2265

I support the proposed changes.

Ideally we would not lose any more green space, however this is in an area where parking spaces are at a premium and very close to large areas of green space. Provided that no trees need to be removed this area could be useful for additional parking provided it is designed sensibly.

Off-street response – Reference number 2266

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2267

I object to the proposed changes.

Climate Emergency! No more car parking spaces especially on green grass. Build bicycle parking and keep walkways open for pedestrians.

Off-street response – Reference number 2268

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2269

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2271

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2274

I object to the proposed changes.

Reduce car use, don't support car dependency and waste land that could have a much better use

Off-street response – Reference number 2277

I object to the proposed changes.

This proposal is incompatible with making Tonbridge a better place to live and more wildlife friendly!

I object on the following grounds:

1. A car park extension would further diminish the 'natural' space & atmosphere around the castle
2. Many more people who live in Tonbridge live in flats and open grassy areas that are not playing fields are very important to well being
3. The area should be designated for pollinators and be planted accordingly with wildflower meadow seeds to make the area more interesting for residents so that they can engage with wildlife
4. Constructing a carpark extension would further increase water run off into the sewers and cause further pollution into the river & streams.

5. It would enable further traffic into the centre of town through the narrow residential street of medieval origin/increase the numbers of cars in the town centre rather than encouraging other modes of transport.

6. The cars could pose a danger to the children who use the two sets of swings. Their presence and regular use endorses the fact that this is a community amenity for play and relaxation and therefore it must not be turned into car parking spaces.

7. The car park may be the most 'successful' but it is also one of the most inconvenient; poor driving by some users increases the dangers for pedestrians (including parents with children) who use the narrow streets to walk to school or to access the swimming pool, castle grounds etc.

Off-street response – Reference number 2280

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2283

I object to the proposed changes.

I object to the extension here as it will result in the loss of green space or (if built upwards) will create an eyesore in a historic part of the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 2284

I support the proposed changes.

Disabled access to the castle would hopefully be improved in the Castle Gateway area.

Off-street response – Reference number 2286

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2288

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2289

I object to the proposed changes.

I object because the green space is really important to local children, I have many happy memories growing up in the slade and using the swings and grass around the area. It is more accessible than going to the park. I often see children from slade primary school using the green space after school, and good proximity to green space is so important for children.

Off-street response – Reference number 2290

I object to the proposed changes.

I have lived in the Slade area for more than 25 years. The strip of grass that is proposed for the car park extension is used extensively as a green space used by locals and families after collecting from the school. I believe that we should prioritise valuable green space over parking facilities.

Off-street response – Reference number 2292

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2293

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2294

I object to the proposed changes.

I appreciate that this car park is successful, generates income for the council and people want to park as close as possible to the castle, however the large Lower Castle Fields carpark and its extension next to the rugby club provide ample parking and are right next-door. Besides this point, as a Council you should be encouraging more people to leave their cars at home, particularly when bringing children to school. The current catchment area for Slade School according to their own website is "... from the last two years, the furthest distance from school to gain a place under this criteria has been 1.3km." This is not an unreasonable distance for an able bodied child to walk. As a community, we must protect our green spaces which create and shape our lovely rural town. It is the slow, insidious erosion of our green spaces that will ruin our town and it's environment for us and future generations.

Off-street response – Reference number 2299

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2300

I object to the proposed changes.

The green on this area is frequently used and is one of the only patches of grass that is well lit to be able to walk dogs after the sun goes down - as a woman living alone, I rely on having a safe area to be able to do this.

Off-street response – Reference number 2301

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2302

I support the proposed changes.

Must be permeable surfacing water managed within site. Regards objectives and use - Keep it reasonable and objective. Enforcement is key.

Off-street response – Reference number 2305

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2306

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2309

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2310

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2311

I object to the proposed changes.

This is clearly the council attempting to increase the TAX burden without reason or evidence.

Off-street response – Reference number 2312

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2313

I object to the proposed changes.

This area is used by many families, especially when dropping off and picking up from school. Many a picnic are enjoyed here and the swings are in use constantly.

Off-street response – Reference number 2314

I support the proposed changes.

Provided there is still sufficient play area for the children's park which is next to the current car park.

Off-street response – Reference number 2315

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2317

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2318

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2319

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2320

I object to the proposed changes.

This will increase the level of noise to my flat due to cars and increased chance of car meets in the evening, increase light pollution and congestion for busy times where cars are queuing to get out on the corner. This will also increase the chance of more cars to park over the driveways to my flat which is already an issue when being extended.

Off-street response – Reference number 2321

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2323

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2325

I object to the proposed changes.

As a user of the Tonbridge Swimming pool it is great to be able to park to use the pool. If the parking fee is extended it will affect ALL the learn to swim classes at the Tonbridge Swimming Club. The Club is the main customer of the pool and this will have a significant impact on the club and pool users. Swimming is a life skill and life saver. Please do not extended the hours of charging.

Off-street response – Reference number 2326

I object to the proposed changes.

My observations are there is sufficient car parking in the area. I would much rather the funds were directed toward improving the cycle infrastructure rather than encouraging car use. This extension takes away valuable green space and will adversely impact the local environment. This is a beautiful area around the - please don't spoil this.

Off-street response – Reference number 2328

I support the proposed changes.

As a resident with no parking on my street, I rely on the resident parking bays nearby. I object to non-residents parking for free during certain hours. I pay for my parking permit and with no available spaces have to pay again in the car parks. With the castle events growing in regularity and popularity this is a regular occurrence. I know resident parking isn't part of this consultation but I would strongly request you revise the J zone parking duration in favour of residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 2329

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2330

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2334

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2335

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2337

I support the proposed changes.

This seems fair despite the removal of yet more green space to provide the spaces. It will allow more visitors to the town which will hopefully benefit the town centre and high street

Off-street response – Reference number 2338

I object to the proposed changes.

This scheme is dangerous. putting a car park between the children's swings and the deminished area of grass, used by the children from the the school and the Slade. The grassed area is also a much appreciated by the local residence

Off-street response – Reference number 2340

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2342

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2343

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2344

I object to the proposed changes.

Area has too much concrete as is.

Off-street response – Reference number 2345

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2346

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2347

I support the proposed changes.

Please see my previous comment

Off-street response – Reference number 2348

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2350

I support the proposed changes.

More parking should be available, period. Particularly when our public transport networks are so terrible, unreliable and expensive.

Off-street response – Reference number 2352

I support the proposed changes.

But you will have to ensure there is a safe pathway for buggies and children otherwise you'll have children walking through a carpark road to get home. The path that will be built on for the parking extension is high-traffic footfall and there is no safe alternative at the moment.

Off-street response – Reference number 2355

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2359

I support the proposed changes.

Provision of children's swings are some of the only ones in a dog friendly location in Tonbridge (must be in playgrounds excluding dogs). This should be retained.

Off-street response – Reference number 2360

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2364

I object to the proposed changes.

Children play here daily before and after school. We need more green space not less

Off-street response – Reference number 2365

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2366

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2367

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2368

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2369

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2370

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2371

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2372

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2373

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2374

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2375

I support the proposed changes.

We desperately need more parking in the town centre

Off-street response – Reference number 2376

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2377

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2378

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2379

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2380

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2381

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2382

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2383

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2384

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2385

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2386

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2387

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2388

I object to the proposed changes.

There is really no shortage of car parking space in Tonbridge and the development of green areas in the castle grounds in particular is both unnecessary and environmentally ill chosen

Off-street response – Reference number 2389

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2390

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2392

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2393

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2396

I support the proposed changes.

On the basis it remains under the same parking charges as is currently..

Off-street response – Reference number 2397

I object to the proposed changes.

Green space is precious.

Off-street response – Reference number 2398

I support the proposed changes.

The Rugby Club already has its own car park and perhaps should extend that to allow non rugby parking. That could be self funded as generally speaking they and their members would have the financial capacity to do so..

Off-street response – Reference number 2399

I support the proposed changes.

I support this but not at the expense of changing on a Sunday.

Off-street response – Reference number 2400

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2401

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2402

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2403

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2406

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2408

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2409

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2410

I support the proposed changes.

I would want reassurance that a safe footpath will be kept from the junction of The Slade/Stafford Road to the Castle grounds. The current footpath is used by hundreds of people every day, schoolchildren and local residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 2411

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2412

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2413

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2414

I object to the proposed changes.

Living locally this current car park is seldom full so no need to extend.

There is ample parking in the town, visitors can walk in a few minutes.

The green area with swings is well used by families, council should be encouraging outdoor recreation not removing it.

At a time of council cutbacks, this proposal is a waste of money - council would be better placed spending on public services rather than destroying a green area for hard car parks.

Off-street response – Reference number 2416

I object to the proposed changes.

I object to turning more of Tonbridge green space into tarmac

Off-street response – Reference number 2417

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2418

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2419

I object to the proposed changes.

This is a green space everyone can enjoy and for a few extra car park spaces would be wrong to change that balance in favour of the car.

Off-street response – Reference number 2420

I support the proposed changes.

Need more disabled bays

Off-street response – Reference number 2422

I object to the proposed changes.

Clearly the option will involve further building onto green spaces - you are consulting on a proposal without giving any details of what it would entail.

Off-street response – Reference number 2423

I object to the proposed changes.

Too close to Slade primary school. Children play daily in this grassy area.

Off-street response – Reference number 2424

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2425

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2427

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2429

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2431

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2432

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2433

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2434

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2435

I support the proposed changes.

More spaces yes and anything to prevent people parking around the school and in the resident bays of the Slade is supported.

Off-street response – Reference number 2436

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2437

I support the proposed changes.

Support the extension but please don't charge on Sundays.

Off-street response – Reference number 2439

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2441

(no comment supplied)

No comment

Off-street response – Reference number 2442

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2444

I support the proposed changes.

I support the decision only if the popular swings next to the car park are not removed

Off-street response – Reference number 2447

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2448

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2449

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2450

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2451

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2452

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2453

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2454

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2456

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2457

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2459

I support the proposed changes.

Only if supported by local environmental and resident groups

Off-street response – Reference number 2461

I object to the proposed changes.

If this car park is full then people will park elsewhere. Or better they will walk and or use bicycle. We don't need more concrete in Tonbridge. We need to preserve our green spaces. This green space is just as important as the green space inside the castle. You wouldn't consider making that a car park or flats. It's a conservation area for goodness sake. That has to mean something so go away and leave this alone.

Off-street response – Reference number 2462

I object to the proposed changes.

Don't want to lose the green area often used by locals with dogs in the evening as it is lit by the car park

Off-street response – Reference number 2463

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2464

(no comment supplied)

No comment not affected

Off-street response – Reference number 2465

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2466

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2468

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2469

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2470

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2471

I support the proposed changes.

The town has grown considerably over the years so the need for extra parking is obvious.

Off-street response – Reference number 2472

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2474

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2477

I object to the proposed changes.

Wouldn't this mean losing the children's playground?

Off-street response – Reference number 2479

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2480

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2482

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2483

I support the proposed changes.

Please extend but do not charge beyond the current cut off time.

Off-street response – Reference number 2484

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2488

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2490

I object to the proposed changes.

I object to the extension of any car park in the Borough, unless the money comes directly from that raised from parking charges in that car park alone. There should be no cross-subsidisation from parking charges raised elsewhere in the Borough. Rather than increasing the number of parking spaces, you should be doing much more to improve facilities for walking and cycling, and other public transport and to reduce the number of car journeys and parking spaces needed.

Off-street response – Reference number 2491

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2494

I object to the proposed changes.

This will not be in line with the requirements of parking within the limits of a listed building and spoil the appearance of this important national heritage asset.

Off-street response – Reference number 2496

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2497

I object to the proposed changes.

Firstly, I am strongly against any reduction of our green spaces at Tonbridge. Additionally, this green space is well used despite being a non-destination space and its destruction would negatively impact our local environment. Lower castle field is huge, very rarely at capacity and a suitable second option for castle access.

Off-street response – Reference number 2498

I object to the proposed changes.

You state that the car park proposed to be extended is well used on weekdays due to its proximity to Slade Primary School. I would say that the GRASS AREA adjacent to this car park is well used on weekdays due to its proximity to Slade Primary School.

This area is used both before and after school as well as around school drop-off and pick-up times, including around the before school and afterschool club times by both primary aged children as well as by their younger siblings alongside the parents. Children play together and parents talk together. It is a community space, the loss of which would be detrimental to the life of Slade School.

The route from the castle, past the swings to the school is used multiple times daily by families travelling to and from the school. Increasing the car parking here would be a health and a safety risk to all concerned - higher risk of accidents and the impact of fumes.

It is shocking that the proposal is to remove one of our remaining local patches of green space.

Removing this grassed area would be detrimental socially and environmentally.

I am very much against this proposal.

Off-street response – Reference number 2499

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2501

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2506

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2508

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2509

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2510

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2514

I object to the proposed changes.

The small play area is well used and should remain.

Off-street response – Reference number 2516

I object to the proposed changes.

This green space should be left alone. It would encroach too closely to the swings and the retirement home already in situ. Wholly unreasonable for residents and families who currently enjoy this space as it is.

Off-street response – Reference number 2517

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2518

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2523

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2524

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2526

I object to the proposed changes.

The green space proposed for this is widely used by children and their families. It is a smaller more enclosed space than the main Tonbridge park which makes it much more appealing to those who don't like the crowds in the main park.

Off-street response – Reference number 2527

(no comment supplied)

I have no views on this as I don't use the area

Off-street response – Reference number 2528

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2529

I object to the proposed changes.

This seems an unnecessary change when there are ample available parking spaces a short distance along the road at the swimming pool. These are rarely all occupied particularly during the week. The green area provides a safe spot for children to gather after school and also come across from Tonbridge High street to Slade primary school.

Off-street response – Reference number 2531

I object to the proposed changes.

There is adequate parking nearby and there are green areas around there that should be protected.

Off-street response – Reference number 2532

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2533

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2536

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2541

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2542

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2545

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2546

I object to the proposed changes.

Not necessary

Off-street response – Reference number 2547

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2548

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2549

I support the proposed changes.

I often struggle to find a space in this car park and would appreciate more spaces.

Off-street response – Reference number 2551

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2552

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2553

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2554

I object to the proposed changes.

I totally oppose any expansion to the car park in Upper Castle Field. The extra pollution generated by the addition cars would be detrimental to the health of the children from Slade School, those using the playground facilities, and the elderly residents nearby.

The area would benefit from more tree planting, which would have a positive effect on the local environment and wildlife, along with improving air quality.

The proposed site is within a conservation area and in close proximity to Tonbridge Castle, an historical monument.

We need our green spaces within the centre of Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 2557

I object to the proposed changes.

Central Tonbridge is a historic town centre. Turning more of it into a car park will denigrate the unique environment. There is an abundance of parking in Tonbridge town centre already and concreting more of the non-car-park areas must not be permitted.

Off-street response – Reference number 2558

I object to the proposed changes.

The cost of living crisis has already made things extremely difficult for families these changes would impact many of the local team sporting activities!

Off-street response – Reference number 2559

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2560

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2561

I object to the proposed changes.

I do not feel that it is necessary to extend the parking at Upper Castle Field and remove green space that is used regularly for recreational purposes

Off-street response – Reference number 2562

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2564

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2565

I object to the proposed changes.

Another money making exercise for the local council.

Off-street response – Reference number 2566

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2570

I object to the proposed changes.

As a resident of the Slade we have already suffered enough with infrastructure problems they will only be worse with this proposal. Traffic is already horrendous especially at weekends. Removal of this green area is completely unacceptable. This is meant to be a conservation area and yet this kicks that in the teeth. Perhaps look at other areas like the possible extension of Deaconsfield car park by Juddians rugby club.

Off-street response – Reference number 2571

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2573

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2576

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2578

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2579

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2580

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2582

I support the proposed changes.

Please stop robbing people. Parking should be FREE for everyone.

Off-street response – Reference number 2583

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2584

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2585

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2587

I support the proposed changes.

If it doesn't affect miniature railway for children

Off-street response – Reference number 2588

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2593

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2594

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2596

I object to the proposed changes.

1. It would destroy the green space , currently ysed by many, especially Slade school children
2. Already too many cars in that area

Off-street response – Reference number 2597

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2598

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2599

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2602

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2609

I object to the proposed changes.

This could impact residents of Castlefields with regard to their view, noise and the general peacefulness of the area, and the grassy area will be impacted in terms of appearance of the area which is pleasant at the moment. Children use this area to reach the swings and for general recreation.

Off-street response – Reference number 2611

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2612

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2613

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2614

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2616

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2617

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2619

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2623

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2625

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2626

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2628

I object to the proposed changes.

I believe there is no need to pave over green space to make additional parking spaces at this location.

Off-street response – Reference number 2630

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2633

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2634

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2637

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2638

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2639

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2640

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2642

I object to the proposed changes.

The area proposed for more parking has high value as a green space for people in Slade School and for parents and pedestrians who are walking from the Castle and the park.

Once built on as a car park, this high amenity area will be lost to the school and the public.

Off-street response – Reference number 2643

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2646

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2647

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2648

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2653

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2655

I object to the proposed changes.

Swimming people using this car park, and it No for extended hours

Off-street response – Reference number 2656

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2657

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2659

I object to the proposed changes.

Tonbridge Castle is a significant historic building and should not have cars parked right around it. Please protect the views and vista of the castle, motte and Bailey. This green open space is used by children from the primary school after school.

Off-street response – Reference number 2667

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2671

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2680

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2683

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2689

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2690

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2692

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2693

I object to the proposed changes.

There is a balance to be struck between providing car parking and maintaining the precious views of Tonbridge Castle. For a gain of just 28 places, the detriment to the view tips too far for comparatively little. This is particularly the case when there is very large car park at Lower Castle Field a short

distance away.

Off-street response – Reference number 2695

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2697

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2699

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2704

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2707

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2708

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2711

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2714

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2715

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2716

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2719

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2725

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2726

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2727

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2729

I support the proposed changes.

There is no mention of motorcycle parking, new or existing.

Off-street response – Reference number 2731

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2732

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2733

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2734

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2735

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2738

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2740

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2742

I support the proposed changes.

Don't charge after 8 and Sundays and BH.

Off-street response – Reference number 2744

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2745

I object to the proposed changes.

My response is written from a Public Health Perspective, as I am a Public Health Practitioner. I do not support the proposal to add parking bays over a green space (including children's swings) which afford physical activity opportunities to children. As a Slade parent, I witness daily in the summer months that children utilize the upper castle green space for play, and for being physically active. The swings in the Upper castle area green space are a much-loved part of our town and in use all year round; not least when the swings in the park are inaccessible due to the park being flooded. It is not acceptable to take the view point that swings are available in the main Tonbridge Racecourse Sportsground Park. These are a much further walk for those at the south end of town, and the Racecourse Sportsground Park swings are frequently out of action due to the park being flooded and inaccessible from the swimming pool side. Obesity costs the NHS around £6.5 billion a year. Data from the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP)/Kent Public Health Observatory for Tonbridge and Malling show that both childhood obesity levels remain high (Reference:

https://www.kpho.org.uk/__data/assets/pdf_file/0003/45363/Children-Tonbridge-and-Malling.pdf .

It is nonsensical to simultaneously invest cash in obesity prevention and reduction, whilst removing spaces and opportunities for childhood physical activity.

Off-street response – Reference number 2747

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2749

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2750

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2751

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2754

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2755

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2757

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2758

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2759

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2761

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2762

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2763

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2764

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2766

I object to the proposed changes.

The space is used daily by the children and parents of Slade primary school. There is a huge car park around the corner that is only full and busy on a Saturday and Sunday morning during football and rugby season. Other than that there is adequate parking 80% of the time and it would be a huge shame to lose a much used area to more parking spaces...!

Off-street response – Reference number 2768

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2769

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2770

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2771

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2773

I object to the proposed changes.

This is a disproportionate response to the issue - use of gateway parking will assist in part and events at the castle are for short periods of time and don't justify the impact on local amenities - green space used by children, families, impact on local residents. Regular user of. Car park at different times and rarely an issue.

Off-street response – Reference number 2775

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2776

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2778

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2780

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2781

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2782

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2785

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2786

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2790

I support the proposed changes.

I believe this will help protect spaces in Lower Castle Fields Car Park for the benefit of customers attending Tonbridge Swimming Pool and the Racecourse Sportsground

Off-street response – Reference number 2793

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2796

(no comment supplied)

No comment on this

Off-street response – Reference number 2799

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2801

I object to the proposed changes.

Leave our green spaces alone. Rearrangement of existing car parks around the sainsburys area would be a better idea.

Off-street response – Reference number 2802

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2803

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2804

I object to the proposed changes.

Think for the sake of 28 extra spaces it would be detrimental to the area and-

1. Greatly reduce an already small green play area for small children.
2. Distract from the historic appearance of Tonbridge Castle.

Off-street response – Reference number 2807

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2811

(no comment supplied)

Never go there, not got a clue what you are talking about!

Off-street response – Reference number 2813

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2814

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2817

I object to the proposed changes.

This car park sits within the footprint of Tonbridge Castle's inner and outer barbican walls. Tonbridge Castle is a Schedule Ancient Monument [SAM] and therefore any increase in parking provision would be detrimental to the SAM listing.

The current thinking within the heritage sector is to remove car parking provision within the close vicinity of historic assets and not increase them.

However, should permission be granted a full archeological investigation should be undertaken under the management of Historic England.

Off-street response – Reference number 2818

I object to the proposed changes.

As a local parent whose child attends Slade Primary School, I was appalled to hear that the valuable green space next to the Upper Castle Field Car Park. This is one of the few places that children can run and play and let off steam after/before school, and I feel this is imperative for their mental and physical health (and that of the parents!). Could money not be spent improving local bus services so that people can access the town without the need for parking?

Off-street response – Reference number 2819

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2820

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2821

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2822

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2826

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2827

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2828

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2834

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2835

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2836

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2840

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2842

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2844

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2846

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2847

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2848

I object to the proposed changes.

I object to the extension of the existing car park because it will encourage even more people to try and park in the Slade area, instead of parking in more appropriate locations and walking the short distance across town. Access for emergency vehicles to the Slade area is seriously compromised at the busy times quoted by you.

Secondly, I object because the existing grassed area provides recreational space and is all that remains of the castle's outer bailey and, as such, is part of the historic fabric and location of the castle. I also wish to state that I objected to the creation of the existing car park on these same grounds fifty years ago.

Finally, car parking within the borough should not purely be determined by potential income generation, but by consideration of the needs and requirements of the local residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 2849

I object to the proposed changes.

I object to the extension of the existing car park because it will encourage even more people to try and park in the Slade area, instead of parking in more appropriate locations and walking the short distance across town. Some incentive (lower parking charges on the other side of town) would encourage this.

Access for emergency vehicles to the Slade area is seriously compromised at the busy times you quote. It is a significant concern as a resident of the Slade area, when there is double parking outside the Slade primary school. I have been told by firefighters that they fear they would not get an appliance through to us.

Secondly, I object because the existing grassed area provides recreational space and is all that remains of the castle's outer bailey and, as such, is part of the historic fabric and location of the castle. I object to the cheerless prospect of yet more tarmac and more cars in front of our beautiful ancient castle. Why does it always have to be about money? Ask yourselves.

Off-street response – Reference number 2850

I object to the proposed changes.

Extending the car park here would destroy an area of grass well-used by children and families for playing in good weather, and ruin views towards the castle from this direction. Instead, focus should be on encouraging people to walk or use public transport - for example, do parents dropping or collecting children at Slade Primary School really need to drive? If extra spaces are really needed, there is wasteland sitting empty nearby, in the form of a car park of an abandoned and completely derelict former pub which has been closed for years - why not put that to use instead?

Off-street response – Reference number 2854

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2856

I object to the proposed changes.

I object to the loss of green space in Tonbridge - the car parks by the swimming pool and rugby club should be sufficient in that area - perhaps they can be better signposted together with signposting to the town/castle from each of those carparks

Off-street response – Reference number 2859

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2861

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2862

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2865

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2867

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2871

I object to the proposed changes.

Yet again TMBC taking away green space from the public for greedy purposes. It's public space next to the castle by adding more car parking spaces it will ruin the look to the area, maybe instead of adding extra spaces get rid of the electric charging points which take up to much space! There's plenty of car parking spaces closeby in the swimming pool car parks!

Off-street response – Reference number 2872

I object to the proposed changes.

To take away a large sward of grass land is very wrong in this time, and the pollution it would bring to those living in the flats nearby, and the the children who walk that way from school

Off-street response – Reference number 2874

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2876

I object to the proposed changes.

There is absolutely no need to do this given (a) the extra bays proposed in the gateway area and (b) the significant level of spaces in the lower ground car park. The green space should be preserved as much as possible for health and aesthetic reasons.

Off-street response – Reference number 2877

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2878

I object to the proposed changes.

Green spaces should be preserved for the benefit of the environment. Additional spaces will mean more pollution near to a primary school and retirement residences. The council should be encouraging fewer cars not more and investing in increased public transport. There is plenty of parking near to the swimming pool and car users should be encouraged to use these existing facilities.

Off-street response – Reference number 2880

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2881

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2883

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2886

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2887

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2888

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2889

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2890

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2891

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2892

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2893

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2894

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2897

I object to the proposed changes.

You will kill the town as more people will start using Tunbridge wells or online shops

Off-street response – Reference number 2898

I object to the proposed changes.

There is always capacity in the car park opposite Waitrose, (on the other side of the road to Waitrose & Iceland). Council should support local transport, walking etc, not tarmac grassland. terrible idea. The back of the castle is also enhanced by the openness of the grounds.

Off-street response – Reference number 2899

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2900

I object to the proposed changes.

This is a valuable, safe walking route to Slade Primary School and the car park extension would introduce hazards and additional pollution for children and their families that use this route as part of their daily routine.

Off-street response – Reference number 2901

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2902

I object to the proposed changes.

Although often full, there are plenty of other options close enough. No need to ruin a beautiful green space to save an extra few minutes of walking. Can't think of anyone that would rather it was all covered over so they don't have to try another car park minutes away.

Off-street response – Reference number 2903

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2904

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2905

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2906

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2907

(no comment supplied)

See answer to point 11

Off-street response – Reference number 2908

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2910

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2911

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2912

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2914

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2915

I object to the proposed changes.

I value this green space and especially the children's swings, which we use regularly and which I see being used pretty much every time I pass. I often see multiple families socialising there after school and at weekends.

Off-street response – Reference number 2916

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2917

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2918

I object to the proposed changes.

We need to protect the green space and the swing and play area. If extra parking is needed, use the parking opposite the train station.

Off-street response – Reference number 2919

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2920

I object to the proposed changes.

I don't want more parking because it encourages more cars into the town, when we should be promoting use of public transport. I'm not interested in the council making more money from car parks, nor do I think it is necessary to bulldoze a children's playground - where I take my son to play.

Off-street response – Reference number 2921

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2922

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2923

I object to the proposed changes.

Don't get rid of green spaces and play areas to make more tarmac.

Off-street response – Reference number 2925

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2926

I object to the proposed changes.

I use this green space regularly with my two children, they play on the swings then run around on the grass with friends. I think if the space had additional parking this would make the play space unusable and unsafe for children. During the winter months it's the only space to take the children to because the race course play area is always flooded. There is ample parking in this area for 95% of the time, and the carpark at the back of the rugby club is very rarely used and surely this could be made better use of e.g. putting a machine there etc. The council should be promoting less car use also and adding more parking space without exploiting the existing spaces is poor planning!

Off-street response – Reference number 2927

I object to the proposed changes.

No to loss of green space and children's play area next to castle. The council should be promoting more use of public transport which is greener and kinder to the environment.

Off-street response – Reference number 2928

I object to the proposed changes.

I regularly park in this car park and there are always spaces. When there is an event at the castle people can park in the huge swimming pool car park. The green space , swings and trees should remain as there is no need to extend the car park

Off-street response – Reference number 2929

I object to the proposed changes.

There is another car park within 3 minutes walk, beside the swimming pool.

There are several other car parks within 10 minutes walk - waitrose, and behind the high Street.

The council should be encouraging walking and cycling, not additional car use. The town is already congested, incentivising additional car use is nonsensical.

Off-street response – Reference number 2930

I object to the proposed changes.

It looks like your intention is to remove and pave over a green space containing swings. I'm sure the parking would sometimes be useful, but you can always park elsewhere nearby, such as Waitrose, when necessary.

Off-street response – Reference number 2932

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2933

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2934

I object to the proposed changes.

I object to the proposal for three reasons. 1) I disagree that there is insufficient demand for parking spaces in Tonbridge when there are plenty of nearby car parks. As a Tonbridge resident for over 10 years I have never not been able to find a parking space in town when needed. 2) The proposed spaces are too close to people's homes and to where children walk and play exposing them to further air pollution 3) The council should be encouraging people out of their cars rather than encouraging more vehicles into the centre of town. With a train station so close by, and easy access by cycle paths, we shouldn't sacrifice further green space for the sake of a few parking spaces.

Off-street response – Reference number 2935

I object to the proposed changes.

With Slade school , elderly accommodation, and play equipment surrounding this car park, the air is already polluted and we should not add more filthy air for them to breathe.

This is a conservation area !! We need more trees nor more pollution.!!

Off-street response – Reference number 2936

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2937

I support the proposed changes.

Slade School causes a real problem with parents regularly parking on double yellow lines directly opposite the school gates. I think there should be a 'reward' for parents who actually use the car parks. Because the parking officers are never around at school run hour.

Off-street response – Reference number 2938

I object to the proposed changes.

Ridiculous idea.

Off-street response – Reference number 2939

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2940

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2941

I object to the proposed changes.

Using this piece of green space seems a very short sighted option, which would impact on local residents and users of local amenities, such as Slade School. It is obvious that this space contributes to the local carbon sink and is a resource for local wildlife, but it also provides a safe area for supervised child recreation. This site is a great place for children to play on their way to the Slade School and also after school with their friends. It is also important for preschool children, who can safely run around while waiting for siblings to come out of the Slade School. Not only would the proposed parking spaces reduce the green area, but it would separate the public playground from the rest of the green space, this would create a real risk, as children would have to walk across the parking spaces to get to the rest of the green space and the path to the school. Surely this is totally unacceptable.

In addition to these considerations, the increased pollution would impact the residents of the local housing and pupils at the school. Especially as this site is raised above both the housing and the school, meaning that particulates would settle and get into the buildings and the school playground, thereby contributing to asthma and other respiratory diseases.

It is questionable how much these extra parking spaces are needed, as events at the Castle are sporadic and there many additional parking spaces within a five minute walk. If additional spaces are seen to be needed, I would like to suggest that more of Tonbridge's existing car parks could be made multi-storey, as has been done in the car park at Tonbridge railway station. I think the Lower Castle Field car park would be perfect for this option.

Off-street response – Reference number 2942

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2943

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2947

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2950

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2953

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2955

I support the proposed changes.

I support this proposal, as long as there is no detriment to the landscape/environment

Off-street response – Reference number 2956

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2957

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2959

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2960

I object to the proposed changes.

This is a valuable green space with facilities for childrens swings, we need to protect out green space for today's and future generations

Off-street response – Reference number 2961

I object to the proposed changes.

The green area is used by many children and should not be turned into a car park.

Off-street response – Reference number 2962

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2963

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2965

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2966

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2967

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2968

I object to the proposed changes.

There is sufficient parking already in existence. Encourage car free access. Get your green credentials in order. Stop over developing the town centre unnecessarily.

Off-street response – Reference number 2969

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2971

I support the proposed changes.

Agree as long as it doesn't impact the green spaces around.

Off-street response – Reference number 2972

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2973

I object to the proposed changes.

I do not think converting green space to concrete is ever a good idea particularly when the existing area is used for children to get to school. It will put children's health in danger by increased emissions, it will create extra traffic and therefore create extra danger for the children, also you are already proposing 9 spaces in the Upper Castle Car Park. Perhaps there needs to be better incentives to use existing car parks which are slightly further from the High Street but still within walking distance like the ones by Sovereign Way. Also, more concrete, worse drainage for the town which is at an increased risk of flooding with weekly storms as it is becoming a norm.

Off-street response – Reference number 2975

I object to the proposed changes.

I very strongly object to this proposal. This should be safeguarded green space. It's in an area where a bigger car park would be visually detrimental, and there is plenty of parking in the car park by the little railway.

I disagree with your view that this car park is often full - I use it sometimes and have never found it near to full or full. Event users of the castle or park should not expect parking so close, most can walk from other town car parks easily.

Off-street response – Reference number 2979

I object to the proposed changes.

It is not clear whether the play equipment will be retained. Rather than encouraging the use of more cars, parking spaces should not be added. Instead people should be encouraged to walk or cycle.

Off-street response – Reference number 2980

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2983

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2985

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2986

I object to the proposed changes.

The grass area is used by families and school children all year long it is a much needed green space and well used route by children to slade primary school

Off-street response – Reference number 2987

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2988

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2989

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2990

I support the proposed changes.

I do not support stopping the free parking on Sundays and Bank Holidays in this car park.

Off-street response – Reference number 2994

I object to the proposed changes.

It will take away green space.

Off-street response – Reference number 2998

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3000

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3001

I object to the proposed changes.

This will affect the privacy of residents in Castle Fields if my understanding is correct and therefore the value of the properties. These are elderly people. What about the playground?

Off-street response – Reference number 3002

I support the proposed changes.

There's a hive of activity in this area almost continuously.

However additional consideration should be given to reduced fee for electric cars- thus encouraging less pollutant vehicles in the centre of town.

Off-street response – Reference number 3003

I object to the proposed changes.

If the car parks don't get used for events such as markets especially on Sundays when the sports ground is used they wouldn't need extending.

Off-street response – Reference number 3004

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3005

I object to the proposed changes.

Tonbridge has a vast amount of parking if well used.

Off-street response – Reference number 3007

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3008

I object to the proposed changes.

Keep green space and swings

Off-street response – Reference number 3010

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3011

I object to the proposed changes.

Loosing the green space in that area will be a backwards step for young people after school (chatting and swings). The flats nearby are likely to get disturbed more with more motor activity.

Off-street response – Reference number 3012

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3013

I object to the proposed changes.

I believe that extending the Upper Castle Field car park on the basis suggested is going to destroy an area of green space. It will also be very close to properties in Castle Fields.

Off-street response – Reference number 3016

I support the proposed changes.

Charging for the car park will just mean that there will be more cars parking on the Roads around Larkfield and the other villages.

Off-street response – Reference number 3018

I object to the proposed changes.

The space is used for families, dog walkers and everyone walking around the area. To add more parking is taking away from the people of Tonbridge that want to enjoy the green space. We don't want to get more people using their cars to come here to enjoy this beautiful part of the town there needs to be more focus on affordable and reliable public transport.

Off-street response – Reference number 3019

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3021

I object to the proposed changes.

This is a green area with swings used by many families during the day and after school and a play to run around. Especially useful for those children and families who are deterred by the size of the large playground in the park.

Off-street response – Reference number 3023

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3024

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3028

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3029

I object to the proposed changes.

This is an important green space with swings, much used by local families and enhances the look of the front of the castle

Off-street response – Reference number 3031

I object to the proposed changes.

It is a great space for all everyone to use especially for the children after school.

Off-street response – Reference number 3032

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3033

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3034

I object to the proposed changes.

Loss of more green and recreational space in walking distance of bus routes and the train station.

Off-street response – Reference number 3035

I object to the proposed changes.

This park is used by the local people who live in the Slade, most of whom have small gardens. A local space for children to play games is necessary and it is opposite the school and well used in summer.

Off-street response – Reference number 3036

I object to the proposed changes.

The green area provides amenities for families and a safe space for between the car park and the castle. The green space also adds to the area around the castle and extending the car park would impact on the attractiveness of the area around the castle, which is a real asset to Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 3037

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3038

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3039

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3040

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3041

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3042

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3045

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3046

I support the proposed changes.

I support the need for more spaces but a footpath must stay and so must the swings

Off-street response – Reference number 3047

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3048

I object to the proposed changes.

There is another car park around the corner which almost always has space

Off-street response – Reference number 3049

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3050

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3052

I support the proposed changes.

People already park in the residential permitted area around The Slade. Although a car park is not ideal, hopefully it would alleviate pressure on residential permit areas, particularly outside of permit hours (Sundays and evenings).

Off-street response – Reference number 3053

I object to the proposed changes.

We need green space, there is plenty of parking in the town

Off-street response – Reference number 3054

I object to the proposed changes.

There is no need for this. Open spaces in Tonbridge should be preserved not destroyed.

Off-street response – Reference number 3056

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3058

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3060

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3061

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3062

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3063

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3064

I object to the proposed changes.

The area is busy enough without more car parking spaces

Off-street response – Reference number 3065

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3066

I object to the proposed changes.

Just not needed.

Off-street response – Reference number 3067

I object to the proposed changes.

We have plenty of expensive parking in the area why take a piece of green away. It's so close to the flats, adds more polluting cars to a school and residential area. People have legs and there are almost

12 council car parks to use and walk from. This green area has been part of tonbridge for generations and should be made a community space not built on.

Off-street response – Reference number 3068

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3069

I object to the proposed changes.

There are many car parks nearby. We should not be building more parking space unless for car clubs

Off-street response – Reference number 3070

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3071

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3072

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3073

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3076

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3077

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3078

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3079

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3080

I object to the proposed changes.

The Castle will already have added some spaces in the grounds from the Gateway. To extend this car park would take away the grass area, make an eyesore view from the castle, increase traffic and therefore danger to Slade pupils as well. There is choice of parking including swimming pool car park and I don't feel more is needed.

You encourage people to not use their cars so no more spaces needed for the sake of our green areas

Off-street response – Reference number 3081

I object to the proposed changes.

Environment and pollution impact

Off-street response – Reference number 3082

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3083

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3084

I object to the proposed changes.

Just because this car park is "successful" does not mean it should be extended. One part of the statement does not flow to the other, or at least it implies parking should be extended to every part of the town where people want to park (which they do anyway, illegally, on the High Street!). But the town already has vast amounts of parking, notably around Sainsbury's/Avenue du Puy, within a 5-10 minute walk. Most towns direct people to park where they *should* park rather than building over green and historic spaces because of convenience.

I object to this proposal because a) people should be parking on the existing car parks and better signage and strategy would allow them to understand they can easily walk across; b) because this is both a site of historic significance to the town and a green space

Off-street response – Reference number 3085

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3086

I object to the proposed changes.

It's a place for the young of Tonbridge to walk on their way to school. Taking it away is abhorrent.

Off-street response – Reference number 3087

I object to the proposed changes.

It's a lush green area that is already surrounded by concrete. We need to hold on to these pockets of open spaces so that we can protect the environment and air quality. Not every patch of grass has to be built on! The local school and houses still need to enjoy their surroundings. Children play on this patch of grass and swings.

Off-street response – Reference number 3089

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3091

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3092

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3093

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3094

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3097

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3098

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3101

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3102

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3105

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3107

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3108

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3109

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3110

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3111

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3112

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3113

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3114

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3115

I object to the proposed changes.

This is a valuable play area

Off-street response – Reference number 3119

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3122

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3125

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3126

I object to the proposed changes.

Should we not be encouraging more public transport and less cars rather than concreting over green spaces?

Off-street response – Reference number 3128

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3134

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3135

I object to the proposed changes.

Building car parking spaces on an important carbon sink right next to housing for the elderly and a primary school makes no sense. We should be discouraging traffic here, not removing the green spaces that are beautiful, used and useful.

Off-street response – Reference number 3136

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3137

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3138

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3139

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3141

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3142

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3143

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3146

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3149

I object to the proposed changes.

It is vital that we keep green spaces in the town of Tonbridge. This area already has sufficient parking in and around the castle and bays on the High Street. The retirement flats, thriving primary school, play area are used by our most vulnerable members of the population when considering increased pollution - retired older adults living adjacent to the castle and children up to the age of 11 +. It's used by mothers as a safe space , frames the castle , enables pupils from the school to walk safely alongside the existing carpark.

Off-street response – Reference number 3151

I object to the proposed changes.

The green space is more necessary than more parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 3153

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3155

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3156

I support the proposed changes.

Yes it will benefit the area an business.

Off-street response – Reference number 3157

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3159

I support the proposed changes.

As previous comments, first hour should be free. People dropping and picking up from school should always be given a period of free parking. Charge from 2 to 4 hours and sensibly priced season tickets should be available for longer periods. Employ more parking wardens (council not "contract"). These will more than pay for themselves in my opinion

Off-street response – Reference number 3163

I object to the proposed changes.

This is an area by a primary school and older people housing so air quality must be protected. Also the entrance to the town's greatest asset, the castle, should be protected and kept green and attractive.

Off-street response – Reference number 3164

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3165

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3168

I object to the proposed changes.

There is sufficient capacity at other car parks in Tonbridge town centre so extending the car park here is unnecessary. The Green space which would be lost is a carbon sink and destroying it is contrary to the Council's own carbon targets. The extension is likely to increase the number of vehicles in the area which is adjacent to a primary school and elderly peoples accommodation and the resultant worsening air quality will disproportionately affect very young and old people according to scientific research.

Off-street response – Reference number 3169

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3171

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3172

I object to the proposed changes.

This is LOSS of OPEN green SPACE , the public use this area to enjoy the freedom of movement and picnics etc. 2nd will bring MORE parked CARS next to a Historic building/castle and may over power

the look and appearance of an historic property.

Off-street response – Reference number 3179

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3180

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3181

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3184

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3193

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3196

I object to the proposed changes.

This is making people poorer , it is a stealth charge , those who park illegally should be punished through fines , people want to go to work and live not pay fees to live , council tax is already at an extortionate rate , nobody asked or wants parking charges .

Off-street response – Reference number 3198

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3199

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3200

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3202

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3203

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3204

I object to the proposed changes.

More hard standing means more runoff so exacerbating flooding pressure.

The parking is rarely completely full.

We should be encouraging other forms of transport, not more cars.

The addition of the Castle Gateway spaces is more than adequate, negating the need for this extension. Other than this there is already more than enough parking in Tonbridge; if you need to park a little further away the distances to walk are small and such minor exercise should not be discouraged.

Off-street response – Reference number 3205

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3207

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3221

I object to the proposed changes.

extending the car parking at Upper Castle Field would mean losing the green space and the children's play area. I believe it would impact negatively on the residents of the elderly persons accommodation immediately behind the carpark. This would bring noise nuisance and exhaust pollution which is unacceptable not to mention detrimental to health.

Off-street response – Reference number 3228

I object to the proposed changes.

Comments supplied but due to size constraints cannot be entered - see individual supplied responses

Off-street response – Reference number 3230

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3

I support the proposed changes.

This seems a sensible solution.

Off-street response – Reference number 4

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 5

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 6

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 7

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 8

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 10

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 11

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 12

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 13

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 15

I support the proposed changes.

A great idea

Off-street response – Reference number 16

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 19

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 20

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 22

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 25

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 26

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 28

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 33

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 34

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 35

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 36

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 39

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 40

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 41

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 42

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 44

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 45

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 46

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 47

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 48

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 49

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 50

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 55

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 58

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 59

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 61

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 62

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 64

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 65

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 67

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 71

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 72

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 73

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 74

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 75

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 78

I object to the proposed changes.

Ridiculous

Off-street response – Reference number 79

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 81

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 82

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 83

I object to the proposed changes.

I object very strongly to additional parking spaces in Tonbridge. The town is carpeted with parking spaces already. The council should not be encouraging people to drive or wasting tax payers' money on additional parking spaces. The council should be encouraging other forms of active travel and spending this budget on that.

Off-street response – Reference number 84

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 87

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 88

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 89

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 90

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 92

(no comment supplied)

Do not frequent Tonbridge so cannot comment

Off-street response – Reference number 93

(no comment supplied)

N/A

Off-street response – Reference number 95

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 97

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 98

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 99

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 100

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 101

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 102

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 103

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 104

I object to the proposed changes.

This pay area is used a lot, there is plenty of parking within walking distance of the castle

Off-street response – Reference number 106

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 107

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 108

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 109

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 110

I object to the proposed changes.

This is unnecessary and just another way to make more money when clearly making enough.

Off-street response – Reference number 111

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 116

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 117

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 118

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 119

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 120

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 121

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 122

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 124

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 125

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 127

I object to the proposed changes.

There are already significant parking options in and around the area.

Off-street response – Reference number 129

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 130

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 133

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 134

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 135

I support the proposed changes.

More parking space is definitely needed here as it's the car park for that end of town and is often full

Off-street response – Reference number 137

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 138

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 139

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 141

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 142

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 143

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 144

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 146

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 147

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 149

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 151

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 156

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 157

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 159

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 160

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 161

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 162

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 163

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 165

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 167

I object to the proposed changes.

This green area should not be concreted over. It is used frequently by children and families for play and exercise. It is a safe space for young people before and after school at Slade. It is a green space for the Slade community

Off-street response – Reference number 168

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 169

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 170

I support the proposed changes.

These spaces are always full and hardly ever by people who have business at the castle. I propose they are all designated as disabled spots and remove those from the main carpark, those 9 are closer to the town for those who are less able bodied.

Off-street response – Reference number 171

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 172

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 173

I object to the proposed changes.

My 7 year old is a pupil at Slade Primary School, the green area opposite the school is used by many of the school children before and after school. The classes use the grass area for class gatherings every end of term as its opposite a primary school. I strongly object on the grounds of road safety, the roads not being suitable for increased cars, and it being a shame for the local environment. Also I'm commenting as a former resident of The Slade for 8 years.

Off-street response – Reference number 175

I support the proposed changes.

Eliminates confusion

Off-street response – Reference number 176

I object to the proposed changes.

This green space is very useful for all the children to play on after school and it's in keeping with the area and castle.

Off-street response – Reference number 177

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 178

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 179

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 180

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 181

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 182

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 183

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 186

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 188

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 189

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 190

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 191

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 193

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 195

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 198

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 199

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 201

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 203

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 204

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 206

I support the proposed changes.

Can't see any harm especially as The Gateway is closing.

Off-street response – Reference number 207

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 208

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 210

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 211

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 212

I support the proposed changes.

A definite yes and seems like a better alternative to extending castle field car park

Off-street response – Reference number 214

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 215

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 217

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 219

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 221

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 222

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 223

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 224

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 225

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 226

I object to the proposed changes.

Change to disabled bays instead.

Off-street response – Reference number 228

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 229

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 231

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 234

I object to the proposed changes.

The car park is never full so see no need to lose green space for parking that is not needed. The cost to the borough when cash is tight for a change that is unnecessary and expensive. Lots of under used parking nearby the only people that seem to park there are the parking enforcement people.

Off-street response – Reference number 235

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 238

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 241

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 245

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 248

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 249

I support the proposed changes.

Its near a school. More pollution and

Off-street response – Reference number 251

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 252

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 253

I support the proposed changes.

The spaces are already there, charge if you want to - although it'd be quite uplifting if they were left free for them to be a 'lucky dip' free car parking space. The driver might feel like they got a little treat

Off-street response – Reference number 254

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 255

I object to the proposed changes.

I don't want the garden there changed

Off-street response – Reference number 256

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 258

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 259

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 260

I object to the proposed changes.

Maybe these spaces could all be made into disabled spaces instead?

Off-street response – Reference number 262

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 263

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 264

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 265

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 266

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 267

I support the proposed changes.

This seems to make sense- if you no longer need them as parking bays for council offices then yes- add them to the pay and display options

Off-street response – Reference number 269

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 270

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 271

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 274

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 275

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 276

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 280

I support the proposed changes.

I recognise the council needs to charge for the use of its car parks. I think that the first half hour should be free in all car parks

Off-street response – Reference number 281

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 282

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 283

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 284

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 286

I support the proposed changes.

It is confusing having differing schemes in one town

Off-street response – Reference number 287

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 288

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 291

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 292

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 293

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 295

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 298

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 299

I support the proposed changes.

THIS IS A PERFECTLY OBVIOUS USE FOR THESE SPACES.

Off-street response – Reference number 300

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 301

I support the proposed changes.

More spaces in this car park would be helpful

Off-street response – Reference number 304

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 305

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 308

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 309

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 311

I support the proposed changes.

Assuming there is no practical change of land use, I support opening up these spaces to the public

Off-street response – Reference number 312

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 314

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 315

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 316

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 319

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 320

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 324

I support the proposed changes.

This does not need the provision of any new spaces on green space. The

Off-street response – Reference number 325

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 326

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 329

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 330

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 331

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 332

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 333

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 334

I support the proposed changes.

It makes sense that if the council is withdrawing that these spaces become pay and display

Off-street response – Reference number 336

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 337

I object to the proposed changes.

There are enough car parks in Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 338

I support the proposed changes.

I was unaware that there was any difference in parking around the Castle Grounds. Since this is such a central location, requiring the use of the high street and then narrow one way roads, it seems entirely reasonable that pay and display is used in this area.

Off-street response – Reference number 340

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 341

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 342

I object to the proposed changes.

There are enough and I don't want any green space taken away.

Off-street response – Reference number 343

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 344

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 345

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 346

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 348

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 349

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 350

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 351

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 353

I object to the proposed changes.

Tonbridge is a dead town now. People don't come into the town because of parking charges and lack of shops. Most are now shut. If th increase in parking charges go ahead less people will come into town. Less revenue . Very short sighted. You need to be encouraging more shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 355

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 357

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 358

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 360

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 361

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 362

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 363

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 365

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 366

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 368

I object to the proposed changes.

This is a valuable green space. Do not concrete over it. Access to the slade area in general is not supportive of extra vehicles.

Off-street response – Reference number 374

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 375

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 376

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 378

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 379

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 381

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 382

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 383

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 384

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 385

I object to the proposed changes.

Small children play there.. don't take it away

Every blade of grass does not need to be removed.

Off-street response – Reference number 388

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 389

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 390

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 391

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 392

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 393

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 394

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 395

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 396

I support the proposed changes.

Although it would be beneficial to put the prices down slightly as the increase in revenue from the new spaces would offset any reduction. This would be really great for the local community and ensure people can have a great day out without it costing an arm and a leg. I

Off-street response – Reference number 397

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 398

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 399

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 404

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 405

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 408

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 409

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 412

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 413

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 414

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 418

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 421

I object to the proposed changes.

Having only ever been to Tonbridge once and never returned due to parking difficulties I would like to see better signs and out of town parking FOC with a regular bus service

Off-street response – Reference number 422

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 423

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 424

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 427

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 428

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 430

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 431

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 434

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 435

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 436

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 437

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 439

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 440

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 445

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 446

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 448

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 452

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 453

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 455

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 460

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 461

I support the proposed changes.

It makes more sense that parking there is all the same.

Off-street response – Reference number 464

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 465

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 466

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 468

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 471

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 472

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 474

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 475

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 477

I object to the proposed changes.

Children use this area before and after school

It will be less safe and fun for those walking to and from school which may increase more vehicle traffic instead

Off-street response – Reference number 478

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 480

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 481

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 486

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 487

I object to the proposed changes.

Charging at the swimming pool carpark on a Sunday when so many people use that for themselves and their families to attend sport on that day is sheer profiteering. You will run tonbridge in to the ground like Tunbridge wells and Sevenoaks - people will avoid it as it's so expensive to park. Local businesses will suffer and out town will suffer.

I doubt very much the feelings of the local people will be considered- they never seem to be when we object to more and more housing, expensive parking and business rates and no further infrastructure in place. But at least you can say you "held a consultation"

I cannot imagine anyone has responded saying they support more expensive parking with literally no alternative other than not to visit the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 488

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 490

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 491

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 492

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 496

I object to the proposed changes.

No just no!

Off-street response – Reference number 497

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 498

(no comment supplied)

I don't know enough about this issue to comment

Off-street response – Reference number 499

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 500

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 502

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 503

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 504

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 507

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 509

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 512

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 518

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 519

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 523

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 525

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 526

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 530

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 531

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 534

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 536

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 537

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 538

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 539

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 540

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 541

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 544

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 545

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 546

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 547

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 548

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 550

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 552

I object to the proposed changes.

This is just another step to the War on drivers, If you wish to raise capital without increasing Residents Council Tax, I suggest the council takes a strategic look at the corporate directors team who really run the council, Highly paid unelected individuals

Off-street response – Reference number 554

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 556

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 557

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 558

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 561

I support the proposed changes.

Would help with parking issues in Tonbridge

Off-street response – Reference number 562

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 563

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 564

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 565

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 566

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 568

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 570

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 571

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 572

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 573

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 575

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 576

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 577

I object to the proposed changes.

To try to justify your proposal to raise revenue because of driver "confusion" is disingenuous at best.

Off-street response – Reference number 581

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 582

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 584

I support the proposed changes.

Need free 30 minute or 1 hour parking to use local shops/ chemist prescription collection.

Off-street response – Reference number 585

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 586

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 588

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 589

I support the proposed changes.

When the Gateway offices at the castle close it makes sense for their reserved spaces to be made Pay and Display.

Off-street response – Reference number 592

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 593

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 594

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 596

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 597

I support the proposed changes.

Payment machines must accept cash

Off-street response – Reference number 598

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 599

I support the proposed changes.

Not really bothered either way

Off-street response – Reference number 601

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 603

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 604

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 607

I support the proposed changes.

Dreadful parking. I wont venture into Tonbridge because you just cant park

Off-street response – Reference number 608

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 610

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 612

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 613

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 615

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 616

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 617

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 618

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 621

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 622

I support the proposed changes.

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Off-street response – Reference number 623

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 624

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 627

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 628

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 630

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 631

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 632

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 633

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 636

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 640

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 642

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 644

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 645

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 649

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 652

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 654

I object to the proposed changes.

Town is already getting a kicking because of parking people just go to bluewater and shop

Off-street response – Reference number 664

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 668

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 669

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 673

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 675

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 677

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 678

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 682

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 683

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 684

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 686

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 689

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 692

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 693

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 696

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 698

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking charges are unnecessary in small village shops. It is creating barriers to shop locally and is unfair to shop owners. This drives people to shop online and this is why we have empty shops and

half the high streets have charity shops and pubs that have been there for years as there is no incentive for businesses to open. If it is necessary to reduce non shoppers parking then introduce ANPR and have at least 1-2hrs free.

Off-street response – Reference number 699

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 702

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 703

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 705

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 706

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 708

(no comment supplied)

Objection ur find business close and then get own way turn it into more houses flats etc

Off-street response – Reference number 709

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 715

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 719

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 722

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 726

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 732

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 733

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 736

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 738

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 746

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 747

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 750

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 751

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 752

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 757

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 758

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 760

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 764

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 767

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 769

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 772

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 774

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 776

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 778

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 779

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 782

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 783

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 784

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 785

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 786

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 793

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 794

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 795

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 796

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 799

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 800

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 801

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 809

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 813

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 814

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 815

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 818

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 823

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 828

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 829

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 830

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 831

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 832

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 840

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 844

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 850

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 854

I object to the proposed changes.

I think it is important and in the public interest for this access to be kept free.

Off-street response – Reference number 856

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 859

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 860

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 861

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 865

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 866

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 867

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 871

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 873

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 874

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 875

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 877

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 880

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 883

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 884

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 887

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 890

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 895

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 896

I support the proposed changes.

There's need to be more parking for Tonbride and all car parks are already pay and display

Off-street response – Reference number 898

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 899

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 901

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 902

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 906

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 910

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 914

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 920

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 922

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 925

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 928

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 929

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 931

I object to the proposed changes.

As above.

Off-street response – Reference number 932

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 933

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 935

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 938

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 940

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 942

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 947

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 949

(no comment supplied)

No comment

Off-street response – Reference number 951

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 954

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 955

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 956

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 957

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 958

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 963

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 964

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 965

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 968

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 971

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 972

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 974

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 979

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 980

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 983

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 987

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 988

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 991

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 998

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 999

I support the proposed changes.

I support this but only because of the confusion between the free & charging spaces in that location.

Off-street response – Reference number 1000

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1001

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1005

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1007

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1013

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1014

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1016

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1017

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1018

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1019

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1021

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1024

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1028

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1029

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1030

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1031

I object to the proposed changes.

The land that would be used for the extension is intensively used by the children from Slade school when they get out of school. The swings that they use would find themselves surrounded by cars,

which would be both unsafe and unhealthy. There is also a path there used by all Slade people. We also think that people should be discouraged from using their cars. We want cleaner air. There are other existing car parks in town within a 5 min. Walk from the castle that people can use. The castle is also easily reached by public transport. In fact, what we'd want to see is discounts for castle visits and events for people who've come by public transport.

Off-street response – Reference number 1033

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1037

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1038

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1039

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1049

(no comment supplied)

Not my area

Off-street response – Reference number 1058

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1060

(no comment supplied)

Parking charges destroy local shops

Off-street response – Reference number 1062

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1067

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1073

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1074

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1076

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1078

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1089

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1095

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1096

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1099

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1100

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1101

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1102

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1103

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1104

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1106

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1107

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1109

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1112

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1124

I object to the proposed changes.

These items are included in Council tax. Any money obtained should go to local community, if this has not already been agreed.

Off-street response – Reference number 1125

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1128

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1129

I object to the proposed changes.

Same as above to all comments

Off-street response – Reference number 1134

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1135

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1138

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1141

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1143

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1146

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1147

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1149

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1152

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1161

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1164

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1166

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1167

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1170

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1172

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1173

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1176

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1180

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1181

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1187

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1195

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1196

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1197

I object to the proposed changes.

Absolutely ridiculous in my opinion it's just another way to make money especially as there is no free time ect 30mins the fact you're happy to charge people already struggling for the first 30min proves it all about making money!!! Nothing to do with lack of spaces never had a problem parking all this does is stop people using shops already struggling

Off-street response – Reference number 1198

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1205

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1206

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1207

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1208

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1227

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1228

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1229

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1230

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1236

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1237

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1240

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1244

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1245

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1248

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1249

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1250

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1251

I support the proposed changes.

The change of use should occur after the Gateway services have moved out. People visiting the Gateway services should retain the free parking while visiting the services until such time as they are moved.

Off-street response – Reference number 1256

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1257

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1258

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1259

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1268

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1270

I object to the proposed changes.

I rarely visit Tonbridge due to parking charges in existence already.

Off-street response – Reference number 1271

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1273

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1274

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1275

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1277

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1283

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1284

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1285

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1287

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1288

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1290

I object to the proposed changes.

There are plenty enough other options that simply need better signage

Off-street response – Reference number 1292

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1294

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1298

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1301

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1303

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1306

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1307

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1312

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1314

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1318

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1322

I object to the proposed changes.

It's important to remember that many people want to park for not more than 15mins to do something quickly in the town

Off-street response – Reference number 1323

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1326

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1328

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1331

I object to the proposed changes.

Gateway is used by many individuals and families who are on low incomes or enduring times of crisis. It is incumbent on us as a compassionate society to make all points of access to critical resources as accessible as possible, which means removing the payment barrier (and extra burden of having to scramble for correct change when life may already be presenting substantial struggle).

Off-street response – Reference number 1332

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1334

I object to the proposed changes.

Hasn't this area been considered for relocating the council's customer services to free up the Castle for other uses?

Off-street response – Reference number 1335

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1336

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1338

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1339

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1340

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1344

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1348

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1349

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1350

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1354

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1357

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1359

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1361

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1362

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1363

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1364

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1366

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1367

I object to the proposed changes.

Absolutely against it

Off-street response – Reference number 1369

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1370

I support the proposed changes.

More spaces the better

Off-street response – Reference number 1371

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1373

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1374

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1375

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1376

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1378

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1379

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1380

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1382

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1383

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1385

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1387

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1391

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1393

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1395

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1397

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1399

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1402

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1404

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1405

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1406

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1408

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1409

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1411

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1412

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1415

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1417

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1422

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1425

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1426

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1427

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1428

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1429

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1431

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1433

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1434

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1435

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1437

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1439

I support the proposed changes.

As mentioned in consultation the restriction of use of these bays is confusing, but rather than open the use to general users, why not allocate all within the Castle Gateway area for blue badge and turn the blue badge space/spaces in Upper Castle Field Car Park to general use.

Off-street response – Reference number 1441

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1443

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1444

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1445

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1447

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1450

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1451

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1453

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1454

I support the proposed changes.

I welcome the proposal for more parking spaces but see below re charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 1456

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1457

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1460

I support the proposed changes.

There isn't enough parking in this area and would support turnover of visitors

Off-street response – Reference number 1463

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1464

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1468

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1471

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1472

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1474

I support the proposed changes.

More parking I believe is needed centrally, but I do believe more needs to be done to support plant and wildlife. Maybe special gardens need to be added as part of the plan

Off-street response – Reference number 1477

I object to the proposed changes.

We should be keeping green space, not removing it with more tarmac.

Off-street response – Reference number 1478

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1481

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1482

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1483

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1484

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1486

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1487

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1488

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1489

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1490

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1495

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1497

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1498

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1500

I support the proposed changes.

In essence I have no objections to residents getting permits or increasing the number of pay and display bays. However If you make these car parks more expensive for the general commuter more people will use the few roads around Tonbridge that are not permitted - mine being one. This is frustrating, annoying and unsafe on these roads and always feels like an anomaly. I would welcome residents permits on all roads to combat this and then make the formalised car parks cheaper to local nearby residents but more expensive to others.

Off-street response – Reference number 1504

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1505

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1506

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1509

I object to the proposed changes.

The focus should be on encouraging people not to use cars but to improve public transport instead

Off-street response – Reference number 1510

I object to the proposed changes.

Totally unfair to ask those seeking help at Castle Gateway to pay for parking

Off-street response – Reference number 1517

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1523

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1525

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1526

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1528

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1530

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1531

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1532

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1533

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1536

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1541

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1542

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1543

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1548

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1551

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1552

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1553

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1554

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1555

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1556

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1557

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1558

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1559

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1560

I support the proposed changes.

It will mean greater consistency for people parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1562

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1564

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1565

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1566

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1567

I support the proposed changes.

Car park often full but provides excellent parking access to town and castle areas

Off-street response – Reference number 1568

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1570

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1571

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1572

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1573

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1574

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1576

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1580

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1581

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1582

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1584

I support the proposed changes.

I believe it would be more useful to have extra disabled parking bays. This end of town doesn't have many spaces at the moment.

Off-street response – Reference number 1585

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1586

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1589

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1590

I object to the proposed changes.

This is an important access route to Slade school. My 4 year old son daily asks to play on the green there. He along with many others will be devastated to see it disappear. It's such a lovely area which even draws in out of towners. The carpark doesn't seem to get too full most of the time.

Off-street response – Reference number 1592

(no comment supplied)

Don't use so don't know.

Off-street response – Reference number 1593

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1594

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1595

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1599

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1600

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1601

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1602

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1603

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1605

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1608

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1610

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1611

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1612

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1613

I object to the proposed changes.

a small number of local businesses that are struggling with the increase costs of operating their businesses. The introduction of parking charges will lead to a reduction in footfall which will further

impact on their ability to keep operating. Consequently some businesses will close leaving empty spaces as per most high streets.

Off-street response – Reference number 1614

I object to the proposed changes.

Put people off walking/ cycling

Off-street response – Reference number 1615

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1617

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1618

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1622

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1624

I object to the proposed changes.

This would be excellent for disabled drivers only visiting our Castle, its events and then the town. Not enough disabled spaces are close by the events, thereby excluding many.

Off-street response – Reference number 1625

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1627

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1628

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1631

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1632

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1635

I support the proposed changes.

Makes it more consistent.

Off-street response – Reference number 1636

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1637

I support the proposed changes.

Charges should only apply up to 6pm

Off-street response – Reference number 1639

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1642

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1644

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1645

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1646

I object to the proposed changes.

The car park prices are higher as it is. More increases will force people to not come into the high street shops and move to shop online.

Off-street response – Reference number 1647

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1648

I support the proposed changes.

With all the sport going on at the weekend it is very difficult to find parking spaces

Off-street response – Reference number 1650

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1651

I support the proposed changes.

Will make it consistent across that car park.

Off-street response – Reference number 1652

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1653

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1654

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1655

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1656

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1657

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1659

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1660

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1661

I support the proposed changes.

I don't mind the change of restrictions, unfortunately one or two people can't read signs and making it universal across the two car parks at this location would be ok.

Off-street response – Reference number 1662

I object to the proposed changes.

Think another thing which will affect our flagging high st.

Off-street response – Reference number 1663

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1664

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1665

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1666

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1669

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1670

I support the proposed changes.

No happy that it's got to carry a charge , couldn't it be Park for an hour no return for 3 hours or something to make it free to park?

Off-street response – Reference number 1672

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1673

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1674

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1676

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1677

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1681

I support the proposed changes.

If Gateway is moving then dedicated spaces are not necessary. Perhaps the extra bays here will mean extending upper fields car park is unnecessary.

Off-street response – Reference number 1682

I support the proposed changes.

This makes perfect sense

Off-street response – Reference number 1683

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1684

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1685

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1686

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1687

I object to the proposed changes.

There is enough parking elsewhere in Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 1690

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1691

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1692

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1694

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1697

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1700

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1701

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1703

I object to the proposed changes.

The town has enough brown sites to provide a car park. We need more biodiversity and green spaces within the town. It's its most treasured attraction.

Off-street response – Reference number 1706

I object to the proposed changes.

The Castle area is a precious historical area with a medieval Castle and a Victorian Primary School. It is also a residential area which is a Conservation area. This place is steeped in history and is precious heritage.

An extension to the Castle Car Park would bring more air pollution, more visual pollution and more noise pollution. This plan would destroy our precious Green that has been enjoyed by the local children, the school children, the community and many visitors.

The Slade and Castle area have become more polluted in the last decades with increased traffic in the area due to Castle events and more housing development locally. People are increasingly driving 4x4 that are big polluters. It is not rare to see drivers sitting in their parked car with an idling engine too. Micro particles in the air have increased dramatically in the 18 years I have lived in the Slade and sadly this is what we breathe everyday.

The Sovereign way Car Park is barely used. Why not make better use of it?

Shouldn't visitors park there and be encouraged to walk for 5 minutes to the Castle area?

With the Christmas Market and the Illuminate Event on at the moment we, residents of the Slade, struggle to come back home in the evening as the traffic to the Castle Park and the congestion are simply horrendous. We do not need more of this traffic and pollution. We need less congestion and pollution. We need more green spaces and breathable air.

"Save, Don' t pave!"

Off-street response – Reference number 1707

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1714

I support the proposed changes.

Tonbridge would benefit from more parking for shoppers, good location location.

Off-street response – Reference number 1715

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1718

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1720

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1724

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1726

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1730

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1731

I object to the proposed changes.

Are we trying to stop visitors

Off-street response – Reference number 1732

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1733

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1736

(no comment supplied)

This does not have an impact on Thornhills Medical Practice

Off-street response – Reference number 1737

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1738

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1739

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1740

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1741

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1743

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1744

I support the proposed changes.

More disabled bays 2 are not enough

Off-street response – Reference number 1745

I support the proposed changes.

Useful especially in the Summer.

Off-street response – Reference number 1748

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1749

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1750

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1751

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1753

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1755

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1756

I object to the proposed changes.

Too much land is being given over to buildings and car parks there are other car parks not too far away

Off-street response – Reference number 1757

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1758

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1759

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1761

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1766

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1767

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1768

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1769

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1770

I object to the proposed changes.

You may need just to visit the Gateway for a very short time.

Off-street response – Reference number 1772

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1773

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1774

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1775

I object to the proposed changes.

Are you trying to kill off the businesses in the town completely? Many people take advantage of free parking in Sundays and the shops, as such as they are, benefit greatly. This increase in parking on Sunday will kill trade.

Off-street response – Reference number 1776

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1777

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1778

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1781

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1782

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1783

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1786

I support the proposed changes.

As these are existing spaces, I support the idea that they will get more use by more people.

Off-street response – Reference number 1787

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1788

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1791

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1794

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1795

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1796

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1798

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1801

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1803

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1805

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1806

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1807

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1809

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1811

I object to the proposed changes.

Improve public transport provision rather than allowing more cars to enter an increasingly congested Tonbridge town centre.

If KCC is leaving the castle soon, then why not create a cultural centre? A bike hub sponsored by the local bike shop?

Off-street response – Reference number 1814

I object to the proposed changes.

Same as my previous response

Off-street response – Reference number 1815

I support the proposed changes.

Not sure what else you would do with them if they were not changed to P&D

Off-street response – Reference number 1816

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1820

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1822

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1823

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1824

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1827

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1828

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1832

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1833

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1834

I object to the proposed changes.

Leave us how we are. The town is becoming to big beyond its means and its affecting residents more and more

Off-street response – Reference number 1835

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1836

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1837

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1838

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1840

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1842

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1844

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1845

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1848

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1850

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1852

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1854

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1856

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1857

I object to the proposed changes.

For an average 10 minutes use...for either post office needs, or council information needs ..this is just a rip off money making exercise.

Off-street response – Reference number 1859

I object to the proposed changes.

This is appalling , you should be ashamed

Off-street response – Reference number 1863

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1864

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1865

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1866

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1869

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1870

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1871

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1872

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1873

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1874

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1875

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1878

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1880

I support the proposed changes.

Perhaps designate some of these disabled parking

Off-street response – Reference number 1882

I support the proposed changes.

As these spaces already exist, I think it is reasonable to change their use to Pay & Display parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1884

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1887

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1888

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1889

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1894

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1896

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1899

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1901

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1902

I support the proposed changes.

Only if all services are vacating the castle

Off-street response – Reference number 1904

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1905

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1906

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1910

I object to the proposed changes.

People accessing the Castle Gateway are more likely to be experiencing homelessness, poverty, or other vulnerable circumstances which would make them unable to afford parking - charging could deter people who desperately need assistance and guidance from the Gateway.

Off-street response – Reference number 1911

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1915

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1918

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1920

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1922

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1926

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1929

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1931

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1932

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1934

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1937

I object to the proposed changes.

I do not object to the car park extension but I do object to the spaces being pay and display

Off-street response – Reference number 1940

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1941

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1943

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1950

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1951

(no comment supplied)

Would be wrong for me to comment as I do not use this car par regularly enough.

Off-street response – Reference number 1953

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1954

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1955

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1959

(no comment supplied)

I Do not know enough about the area to comment .

Off-street response – Reference number 1964

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1965

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1967

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1969

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1970

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1973

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1974

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1975

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1977

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1979

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1983

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1984

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1989

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1991

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1992

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1993

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1997

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1998

I support the proposed changes.

Although there are always spaces in the Castle Grounds, since the introduction of higher parking charges, for disabled and visitors having options nearer the castle and High Street may encourage a few more people to visit, especially as the castle appears to be relatively unknown outside of Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 2002

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2004

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2005

I support the proposed changes.

As long as 5/9 are for disabled drivers

Off-street response – Reference number 2007

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2008

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2009

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2013

I support the proposed changes.

Perhaps have these solely as disabled parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 2014

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2015

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2016

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2017

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2018

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2019

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2022

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2026

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2028

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2029

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2030

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2031

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2032

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2033

I support the proposed changes.

Yes, that often confused me too.

Off-street response – Reference number 2035

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2036

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2040

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2041

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2044

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2049

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking should be free to encourage use for small businesses in area,

Off-street response – Reference number 2050

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2051

I support the proposed changes.

as above eg. if useful to local residents and does not provoke strong objections.

Off-street response – Reference number 2052

I support the proposed changes.

If the Gateway is no longer there then there is no need for these spaces to remain as visitor spaces so it makes sense to turn them into pay and display.

Off-street response – Reference number 2053

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2056

I support the proposed changes.

It would make sense if the council no longer need the spaces to allow the public to use them.

Off-street response – Reference number 2057

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2058

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2059

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2064

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2066

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2068

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2071

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2072

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2074

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2076

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2077

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2078

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2079

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2084

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2085

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2088

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2089

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2093

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2094

I support the proposed changes.

This end of town needs more parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 2095

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2099

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2106

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2107

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2109

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2113

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2114

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2115

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2116

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2117

I support the proposed changes.

I do not object so long as funds go back into the service.

Off-street response – Reference number 2121

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2123

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2130

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2131

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2132

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2134

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2137

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2143

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2148

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2151

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2152

I support the proposed changes.

Only Monday to Saturday with an option of a free first 30 mins

Off-street response – Reference number 2154

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2156

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2157

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2158

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2160

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2162

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2164

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2165

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2166

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2168

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2170

I object to the proposed changes.

You will kill the trade

Off-street response – Reference number 2172

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2173

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2174

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2175

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2176

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2177

I support the proposed changes.

Parking should be more widely available and extremely reasonable due to the high cost of living.

Off-street response – Reference number 2178

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2180

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2181

I support the proposed changes.

I would like to see more chargers for Electric vehicles, the current chargers are great but I would like more Rapid chargers 50kw +

Off-street response – Reference number 2184

I support the proposed changes.

I do not object to changing these spaces to pay and display. This hardstanding area could also be used periodically as marketplaces, ie relocate the monthly farmers market etc. Great location and may encourage more visitors to the castle and park facilities etc.

Off-street response – Reference number 2188

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2189

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2190

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2191

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2192

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2193

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2194

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2196

I support the proposed changes.

Tonbridge needs more parking spaces.

Off-street response – Reference number 2197

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2199

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2202

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2203

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2204

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2205

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2206

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2207

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2209

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2212

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2215

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2216

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2219

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2223

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2224

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2232

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2233

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2234

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2235

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2237

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2239

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2241

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2242

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2245

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2246

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2247

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2248

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2250

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2252

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2256

I object to the proposed changes.

Only when gateway no longer there

Off-street response – Reference number 2259

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2260

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2261

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2262

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2263

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2264

I support the proposed changes.

It would be a good idea to extend the amount of Blue Badge holder spaces too.

Off-street response – Reference number 2265

I support the proposed changes.

If the council is withdrawing from the Castle it is only sensible that these parking spaces become available to the general public.

Off-street response – Reference number 2266

I object to the proposed changes.

Times are hard for everyone.

Charges will discourage people from coming into town therefore affecting businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 2267

I support the proposed changes.

fairly obvious that these places are being used for access to the High Street and not to the Gateway.

Off-street response – Reference number 2268

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2269

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2271

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2274

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2277

I object to the proposed changes.

This area should be turned into gardens and the parking removed to enhance the castle and to lessen the creeping asphaltting of the town environment.

Off-street response – Reference number 2280

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2283

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2284

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2286

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2290

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2292

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2293

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2294

I object to the proposed changes.

I would prefer these spaces to be designated disabled parking for those who really need to park close to the castle.

Off-street response – Reference number 2299

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2300

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2301

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2302

I support the proposed changes.

Keep it reasonable and objective. Enforcement is key.

Off-street response – Reference number 2305

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2306

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2307

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2309

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2310

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2311

I object to the proposed changes.

This is clearly the council attempting to increase the TAX burden without reason or evidence.

Off-street response – Reference number 2312

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2314

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2315

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2317

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2318

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2319

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2321

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2323

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2325

I object to the proposed changes.

As a user of the Tonbridge Swimming pool it is great to be able to park to use the pool. If the parking fee is extended it will affect ALL the learn to swim classes at the Tonbridge Swimming Club. The Club is the main customer of the pool and this will have a significant impact on the club and pool users. Swimming is a life skill and life saver. Please do not extended the hours of charging.

Off-street response – Reference number 2326

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2328

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2329

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2330

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2332

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2334

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2335

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2337

I support the proposed changes.

This seems fair

Off-street response – Reference number 2338

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2340

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2342

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2343

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2344

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2345

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2346

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2347

I support the proposed changes.

More parking is good for the area but stop trying to price everybody out the high Street is in decline because of the cost of parking. Why would you pay when you can park for free in towns/centres that have more and better shops ?

Off-street response – Reference number 2348

I object to the proposed changes.

Your parking restrictions are killing the high street

Off-street response – Reference number 2350

I support the proposed changes.

More parking should be available, period. Particularly when our public transport networks are so terrible, unreliable and expensive.

Off-street response – Reference number 2352

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2355

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2356

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2359

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2360

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2364

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2365

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2366

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2367

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2369

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2370

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2371

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2372

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2373

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2374

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2375

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2376

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2377

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2378

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2379

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2380

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2381

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2382

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2383

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2384

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2386

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2389

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2390

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2392

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2393

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2396

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2397

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2398

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2399

I support the proposed changes.

I support this but not at the expense of changing on a Sunday.

Off-street response – Reference number 2400

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2401

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2402

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2403

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2406

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2408

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2409

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2410

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2411

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2412

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2413

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2414

I object to the proposed changes.

Would like to see this area landscaped to provide an area for people to sit and enjoy which is more fitting being adjacent to the castle

Off-street response – Reference number 2415

I object to the proposed changes.

This is a great communal space that is heavily used by children and parents of Slade primary school, as well as being a green space which promotes biodiversity with hedgerows. More parking next to a primary school and residential dwellings for the elderly does not facilitate the improved air quality that these two age groups need. Furthermore it provides a safe walking route across this area without the use of steps or unmanned road crossings to access the school from the highstreet.

Off-street response – Reference number 2416

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2417

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2418

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2419

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2420

I support the proposed changes.

Need more disability bays two isn't enough don't shut them off at events

Off-street response – Reference number 2422

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2423

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2424

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2425

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2427

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2428

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2429

I object to the proposed changes.

The need to attract customers and visitors, in support of local businesses, outweighs any revenue growth or 'parking balancing' argument. Local authority budgets are threadbare as a result of central Government neglect. Given we're on the cusp of a recession, now's not the time to ask the public to plug the gap.

Off-street response – Reference number 2432

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2433

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2434

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2435

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2436

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2437

I object to the proposed changes.

Charging on Sundays would adversely affect access to grass roots football for many struggling families. Please do not do this.

Off-street response – Reference number 2439

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2441

(no comment supplied)

No comment

Off-street response – Reference number 2442

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2444

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2447

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2448

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2449

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2450

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2451

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2452

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2453

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2454

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2456

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2457

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2459

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2461

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2462

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2463

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2464

(no comment supplied)

No comment not affected

Off-street response – Reference number 2465

I support the proposed changes.

This is a larger town and you would therefore expect to stay longer and pay parking charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 2466

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2468

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2469

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2470

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2471

I support the proposed changes.

Making these nine spaces pay and display is not going to make that much difference and if its confusing for customers that some spaces are free and others are not then this should help.

Off-street response – Reference number 2472

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2474

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2477

I support the proposed changes.

If there is a need for more parking spaces then yes extend at Castle Gateway.

Off-street response – Reference number 2479

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking is already awful in Tonbridge

Off-street response – Reference number 2480

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2482

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2484

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2488

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2490

I object to the proposed changes.

I object to the extension of any car park in the Borough, unless the money comes directly from that raised from parking charges in that car park alone. There should be no cross-subsidisation from parking charges raised elsewhere in the Borough. Rather than increasing the number of parking spaces, you should be doing much more to improve facilities for walking and cycling, and other public transport and to reduce the number of car journeys and parking spaces needed.

Off-street response – Reference number 2494

I support the proposed changes.

This will make the concept of parking here much more reasonable and avoid confusion

Off-street response – Reference number 2496

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2497

I support the proposed changes.

The simplification of rules seems logical I guess if it is not required. A simple change with minimal disruption, or, unfortunately, impact. My concern is that it will encourage unnecessary traffic flow through a difficult area.

Off-street response – Reference number 2499

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2501

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2506

I object to the proposed changes.

Does not encourage town visitors but places additional financial burden on users discourages use and further decline in town centre

Off-street response – Reference number 2508

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2510

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2514

I object to the proposed changes.

These 'free' spaces are vital to those who require help from the Castle office and to access TMBC services face to face.

Off-street response – Reference number 2516

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2517

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2518

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2519

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2523

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2524

I object to the proposed changes.

9 parking bays in return for the other proposed (significant) changes is totally disproportionate.

Off-street response – Reference number 2526

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2527

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2528

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2529

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2531

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2532

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2533

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2536

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2541

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2542

I support the proposed changes.

Cost of living crisis. Already pay so much in council tax and residential parking Already. Further to this, upping parking and adding more restrictions will discourage people coming into the town. Which will have a detrimental effect on the local towns economy

Off-street response – Reference number 2545

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2546

I object to the proposed changes.

Children come here it will spoil everything

Off-street response – Reference number 2547

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2548

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2549

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2551

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2552

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2553

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2554

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2557

I object to the proposed changes.

Castle Gateway is frequently busy with on-foot pedestrians accessing the castle and the park. Having a high turnover of vehicles accessing this area will create a risk of injury and death to those seeking to access the castle and park on foot. To proceed with this proposal puts income ahead of safety, and it must not be permitted.

Off-street response – Reference number 2558

I object to the proposed changes.

The cost of living crisis has already made things extremely difficult for families these changes would impact many of the local team sporting activities

Off-street response – Reference number 2560

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2561

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2562

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2564

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2565

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2566

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2569

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2570

I support the proposed changes.

I support as long as there is no detriment to the gatehouse entrance

Off-street response – Reference number 2571

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2573

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2576

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2578

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2579

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2580

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2582

I support the proposed changes.

Make it FREE!!!

Off-street response – Reference number 2583

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2585

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2587

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2588

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2593

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2594

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2595

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2596

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2597

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2598

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2599

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2600

(no comment supplied)

N/A

Off-street response – Reference number 2602

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2607

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2609

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2611

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2612

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2613

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2614

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2615

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2616

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2617

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2619

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2620

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2623

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2624

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2625

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2626

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2628

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2630

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2633

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2634

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2638

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2639

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2640

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2642

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2643

I object to the proposed changes.

Disgusting! What do you expect local businesses to do when times are tough enough

Off-street response – Reference number 2646

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2647

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2648

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2653

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2655

I object to the proposed changes.

People using car park for fitness classes and its ridiculous to pay for parking all the time.

Off-street response – Reference number 2656

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2657

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2659

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2664

I support the proposed changes.

If you're pulling out to save more money for yourselves why not.

Off-street response – Reference number 2667

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2671

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2680

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2683

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2689

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2690

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2692

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2693

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2695

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2697

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2699

I support the proposed changes.

The new parking times & charges are going to cause so many limitations on peoples leisure time.

We have extensive leisure & sports facilities in Tonbridge with the Angel Centre, Sportsgound, Castle, River and walks.

Also for the restaurants/café's for socialising.

As well as regular Church services, lots of regular social community groups take place in Church halls within the town, daytime & evenings.

It could limit volunteer workers within Charity Shops who are unpaid.

We are advised to get out and do sport and socialise for our mental health.

The buses only run at limited times, if at all, on Sundays & Bank Holidays.

It could be very costly for anyone/families wanting to spend the day taking advantage of our Tonbridge amenities.

Off-street response – Reference number 2700

I object to the proposed changes.

In a cost of living crisis, this is something that residents and local business cannot afford.

Off-street response – Reference number 2704

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2707

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2708

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2711

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2714

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2715

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2719

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2725

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2726

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2727

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2729

I support the proposed changes.

There is no mention of motorcycle parking, new or existing.

Off-street response – Reference number 2731

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2732

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2733

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2734

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2735

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2738

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2740

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2742

I object to the proposed changes.

Charging Sundays and BHs and up to 8pm will put a nail in the coffin of the i high street shops and restaurants.

Off-street response – Reference number 2744

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2745

I support the proposed changes.

I support the change of use of the Castle Gateway parking spaces to allow more public Pay & Display parking, as a better alternative to taking away the green play space, and the swings, adjacent to the Upper Castle Field car park. From a public health/physical activity perspective, the green play space and the swings adjacent to the Upper Castle Field car park must remain, for children to enjoy and utilize for play and physical activity.

Off-street response – Reference number 2747

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2749

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2750

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2751

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2754

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2755

I object to the proposed changes.

If drivers are confused it is your doing. Make it clearer, that is your job. Ridiculous.

Off-street response – Reference number 2758

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2759

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2762

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2763

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2764

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2766

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2768

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2769

I object to the proposed changes.

Please make more disabled parking spaces.

Off-street response – Reference number 2770

I support the proposed changes.

Without Kent County Council using the Gateway hub, it would be inconsistent to allow free parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 2771

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2773

I support the proposed changes.

This is a logical use of existing spaces and meets concerns about capacity

Off-street response – Reference number 2775

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2776

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2778

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2780

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2781

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2782

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2785

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2786

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2790

I support the proposed changes.

I believe this will help protect spaces in Lower Castle Fields Car Park for the benefit of customers attending Tonbridge Swimming Pool and the Racecourse Sportsground

Off-street response – Reference number 2793

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2796

(no comment supplied)

No comment on this

Off-street response – Reference number 2799

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2801

I support the proposed changes.

They should be brought in line with existing parking restrictions, especially as the gateway will no longer be there.if

Off-street response – Reference number 2802

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2803

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2804

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2807

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2811

I object to the proposed changes.

Never go there, not got a clue what you are talking about!

Off-street response – Reference number 2813

I object to the proposed changes.

If consultation still live.why are charges advertised already on pay machines. Appears consultation is foregone conclusion and “lip service”

Off-street response – Reference number 2814

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2817

I support the proposed changes.

These additional parking bays would bring parking provision into line with the adjoining Upper Castle Field car park.

Off-street response – Reference number 2819

I support the proposed changes.

It is unlikely to get your business completed in the limited time slot anyway. Refunds should be given to people with limited income or on particular benefits, with evidence, from Gateway.

Off-street response – Reference number 2820

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2821

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2822

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2826

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2827

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2828

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2834

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2835

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2840

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2842

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2844

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2846

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2847

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2848

I support the proposed changes.

I support additional public parking spaces at the Castle Gateway, however, I would not wish there to be parking spaces in front of the castle gatehouse itself.

Off-street response – Reference number 2849

I support the proposed changes.

I support this proposal because the spaces already exist and no new development has to take place.

Off-street response – Reference number 2850

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2854

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2856

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2859

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2861

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2862

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2867

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2871

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2872

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2874

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2876

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2878

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2879

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2880

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2881

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2886

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2887

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2888

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2889

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2890

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2891

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2892

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2894

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2897

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2899

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2900

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2901

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2903

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2904

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2905

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2906

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2907

(no comment supplied)

Not familiar with car park. It would be inappropriate for me to comment.

Off-street response – Reference number 2908

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2910

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2911

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2912

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2914

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2915

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2916

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2917

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2919

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2920

I object to the proposed changes.

I don't want more parking because it encourages more cars into the town, when we should be promoting use of public transport.

Off-street response – Reference number 2921

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2922

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2923

I object to the proposed changes.

People popping in to the council offices for 10 minutes shouldn't have to bother paying for 30 minutes parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 2925

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2926

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2927

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2929

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2930

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2932

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2933

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2934

I support the proposed changes.

It makes sense to repurpose the existing parking bays but has any consideration been given to whether these could be provided as special access spaces for people with disabilities or the spaces used for electric vehicle charging points?

Off-street response – Reference number 2936

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2937

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2938

I support the proposed changes.

Obvious - if Gateway and the council are withdrawing from the castle.

Off-street response – Reference number 2939

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2940

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2941

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2942

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2943

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2947

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2950

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2953

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2955

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2956

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2957

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2960

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2961

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2962

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2963

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2965

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2966

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2967

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2968

I object to the proposed changes.

Improve the signage to avoid 'confusion'. Leave the bays free so local rate payers can enjoy the same parking charge fee access as those visiting Kings Hill.

Off-street response – Reference number 2969

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2971

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2972

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2973

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2975

I support the proposed changes.

This would avoid confusion in the area.

Off-street response – Reference number 2976

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2979

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2980

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2983

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2985

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2986

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2987

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2988

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2989

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2994

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2998

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2999

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3000

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3001

I support the proposed changes.

They should disabled parking bays

Off-street response – Reference number 3002

I support the proposed changes.

Seems a sensible approach

Off-street response – Reference number 3003

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3004

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3005

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3006

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3007

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3008

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3010

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3011

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3012

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3013

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3016

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3018

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3019

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3021

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3023

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3024

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3028

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3029

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3031

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3033

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3034

I object to the proposed changes.

Adding charges for people that require access to services for the vulnerable (e.g. financial hardship) seems counterintuitive

Off-street response – Reference number 3035

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3036

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3037

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3038

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3039

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3040

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3042

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3045

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3046

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3047

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3048

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3049

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3050

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3052

I support the proposed changes.

This would allow more people to park in the bays with tickets and follow clear guidelines with no ambiguity.

Off-street response – Reference number 3053

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3056

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3058

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3060

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3061

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3062

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3063

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3064

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3065

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3066

I object to the proposed changes.

Not until we know where the gateway is going and are sure it will be easy to access

Off-street response – Reference number 3067

I object to the proposed changes.

Why should residents have to pay to perform council.business. Residents could only be 10 mins and parking in the Tonbriske area is so extortionate! Do council staff have to pay to park?

Off-street response – Reference number 3068

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3069

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3070

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3071

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3072

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3073

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3076

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3077

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3078

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3079

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3080

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3081

I object to the proposed changes.

More congestion and loss greenspace and environmental impact

Off-street response – Reference number 3082

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3083

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3084

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3085

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3091

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3093

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3094

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3095

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3097

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3098

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3101

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3102

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3105

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3107

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3108

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3109

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3110

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3111

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3112

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3113

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3114

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3115

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3119

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3122

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3125

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3128

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3133

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3134

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3135

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3136

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3138

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3139

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3141

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3142

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3143

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3149

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3151

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3153

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3155

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3156

I object to the proposed changes.

Again it will put people off visiting the area.

Off-street response – Reference number 3157

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3159

I support the proposed changes.

Tyre first hour should be free, then a charge for 2 to 4 hours. Sensibly priced season tickets should be available for longer parking

Off-street response – Reference number 3163

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3164

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3165

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3168

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3169

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3170

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3171

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3172

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3176

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3179

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3180

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3181

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3184

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3193

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3196

I object to the proposed changes.

This is making people poorer , it is a stealth charge , those who park illegally should be punished through fines , people want to go to work and live not pay fees to live , council tax is already at an extortionate rate , nobody asked or wants parking charges .

Off-street response – Reference number 3199

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3200

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3202

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3203

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3204

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3205

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3230

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

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Off-street response – Reference number 1

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3

I object to the proposed changes.

The increase in prices will deter people from using the facilities and shops in the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 4

I object to the proposed changes.

They already cost a fortune. As a resident of the town I spend so much parking to get shopping or picking up the children from clubs etc.

Off-street response – Reference number 5

I object to the proposed changes.

They already charge too much

Off-street response – Reference number 6

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 7

I object to the proposed changes.

The shops are dying and this will mean that more and more people go out of town for their shopping

Off-street response – Reference number 8

I object to the proposed changes.

How can you justify it we pay more than most areas already and we still have un maintained town with parking attendants swanning about it very expensive cars!! Wrong on all levels and pure greed claw your money back somewhere else

Off-street response – Reference number 10

I object to the proposed changes.

Council tax has increased, parking increases will further inhibit people visiting the high street and small businesses need the support of the council here. Offset potential gains of increasing parking costs with projected incomes from new charges introduced elsewhere in the borough.

Off-street response – Reference number 11

I object to the proposed changes.

Retail in this town is suffering enough

Off-street response – Reference number 12

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 13

I object to the proposed changes.

This is highly anti-business and will result in local businesses suffering. It would also increase rain run off in a flood zone and add expenses to parents whose children are attending after school clubs.

Off-street response – Reference number 14

I object to the proposed changes.

The increases in the off the street car park permits has been very frequent without actually understanding what benefit the council brings? It's not clear what the increase in money is used for nor does it seem warranted

Off-street response – Reference number 15

I object to the proposed changes.

Things are so tough financially right now, please don't add another increase to our already struggling lives.

Off-street response – Reference number 16

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 17

I object to the proposed changes.

I appreciate the need to maintain the car parks but in the current economic climate support of local businesses is critical and anything that will adversely affect this should be considered and avoided

Off-street response – Reference number 19

I object to the proposed changes.

The hourly charge increase is too high, particularly when coupled with the change to 7 days a week and longer charging periods.

Also once again it seems that the residents of Tonbridge are being unfairly penalised with parking charges compared to other parts of the borough.

Off-street response – Reference number 20

I support the proposed changes.

Parking charges should be in place 24*7*365 to encourage shoppers to look out for alternate transportation modes and to help environment. Also, parking charges should be increased every 6 months.

Off-street response – Reference number 21

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 22

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 26

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 28

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 29

I object to the proposed changes.

I'm a resident of Tonbridge and have done for nearly 18yrs and the high Street is on its knees already you change to these parking proposals and it will be the total death of the high Street.

It's already too expensive to park to go into town. Free after 6pm & free on a Sunday & Bank Holidays desperately need to stay in place. As nobody will want to come to any activities organised in Tonbridge around these times as will have to pay if your in town more than 2 hours it's £2.80 as it is now, which is why people don't come here so much so that's why businesses are struggling as well as the current climate.

Feel desperately sorry for staff who have to park to work in Tonbridge and especially if this ridiculous proposal goes ahead.

I have to pay for a permit myself to park in my street and really object to it going up further in price.

Off-street response – Reference number 32

I object to the proposed changes.

Once again it is the poor motorist that have to suffer with increased prices for parking, it appears to be the only weapon you have to reduce the Black hole in the Council finances. It is difficult enough to attract visitors to our High Street, with the exception of the Sportsground Park and Country Park. People are already suffering from increased costs from every angle and this simply will not help.

I pay an absolute bomb for parking outside of my house, residents parking , and this is of course just an additional cost.

I simply wish that the Council would think up some other bright idea apart from making the motorists pay more.

Off-street response – Reference number 33

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking charges are already a lot and should not be increased in tariff or change of hours having to pay for

Off-street response – Reference number 34

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 35

I object to the proposed changes.

Very short sighted - people will just shop elsewhere! Just look at how Tunbridge Wells has died - people would just park on the streets or go further to better facilities.

Off-street response – Reference number 36

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 38

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 39

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 40

I object to the proposed changes.

It's already more expensive than other areas

Off-street response – Reference number 41

I object to the proposed changes.

Our car parks are already so expensive. Whenever I go to another town, I always realise how much we have to pay in Tonbridge

Off-street response – Reference number 42

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 44

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking in Tonbridge is already eye-wateringly expensive. Perhaps consider negotiating a better deal with the company you use? Or even deprivatise parking and keep all the money

Off-street response – Reference number 45

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 46

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 47

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 48

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 49

I object to the proposed changes.

We pay enough already. Any higher charges will seriously hamper shops in the high street. We will just go where there is no charge

Off-street response – Reference number 50

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 51

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 55

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 56

I object to the proposed changes.

Families are facing incredibly tough times financially, increasing parking fees will add further to the burden of necessary tasks such as food shopping and activities for children throughout the week. It will also drive more people to change their behaviours and adopt more delivery services, ultimately reducing the appeal of the high street.

Off-street response – Reference number 58

I object to the proposed changes.

Increasing charges for parking will put unnecessary strain on people who are already struggling to make ends meet.

Off-street response – Reference number 59

I object to the proposed changes.

I work for Waitrose and not being their car park we as staff have to spend so much money on parking already on a weekly basis and it is not subsidised one bit, if you increase prices and extend the time we have to pay till this will stop people being able to afford

Off-street response – Reference number 60

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 61

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 62

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 63

I object to the proposed changes.

Again, this is just another way to increase revenue.

Off-street response – Reference number 64

I object to the proposed changes.

This would just lead to more traffic

Off-street response – Reference number 65

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 67

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 68

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 71

I object to the proposed changes.

Encourage people into Tonbridge by reducing parking costs. No charges at bluewater or north farm ever so do your bit to help high street thrive

Off-street response – Reference number 72

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 73

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 75

I object to the proposed changes.

We pay enough, all incentives are going or reducing like the Sainsbury's car park. There are ZERO spaces for children and families in your car parks which is shocking! Why exactly is being maintained, the people you pay to issue parking fines?! I am not in favour of this at all. If you want the high street to survive you need to seriously think about this.

Off-street response – Reference number 78

I object to the proposed changes.

This WILL have direct impact on local business meaning high street will be left with no more shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 79

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 81

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 82

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 83

I support the proposed changes.

The council should charge as much as possible for parking in its car parks. It is a great way of raising revenue and if people don't want to pay, it will encourage people to use other forms of travel that are not so disastrous for the environment.

Off-street response – Reference number 84

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 87

I object to the proposed changes.

Extending the period that charges apply and increasing the cost will further impact negatively on the high street. The council should come up with a plan that encourages people to the high street. Why not offer first three hours free and install number plate barrier later at the car park. The council is very short sighted. The more charges that come into affect the lies I will visit the high street and purchase online.

Off-street response – Reference number 88

I object to the proposed changes.

As above

Off-street response – Reference number 89

I object to the proposed changes.

Increasing parking charges would reduce the number of people going to the high street and impact our local businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 90

I object to the proposed changes.

We must encourage visitors to visit the town and this does not serve that goal. Can you consider increased charges only during key events taking place in town only? So limited time increases.

Off-street response – Reference number 91

I object to the proposed changes.

I think it will reduce foot fall to the shops in Tonbridge more than it is now and possibly destroy the town centre.

Off-street response – Reference number 92

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 93

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 95

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 97

I support the proposed changes.

Support is probably incorrect, but I understand the necessity.

Off-street response – Reference number 98

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking charges are already too high and do nothing to encourage people to use the High Street. Why doesn't the Council install machines that can accept card/contactless payments direct rather than using Ringo which needlessly adds to parking costs and stops people being able to get a refund from Waitrose and Sainsbury's? Does someone in the Council own shares in Ringo I wonder?

Off-street response – Reference number 99

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 100

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 101

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking is already too expensive and we are in a cost of living crisis! You will damage our high streets and local businesses further if you increase parking charges as people we'll either not shop for so long or will go somewhere where parking is free and there is more choice, like Bluewater, which is only 20 minutes away.

Off-street response – Reference number 103

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 104

I object to the proposed changes.

Tonbridge is already expensive enough to park, if you increase the parking prices any further it will cripple businesses. If I need to drive into Tonbridge I limit my time due to the cost of parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 105

I object to the proposed changes.

The car park tariffs already in place are too high.

Off-street response – Reference number 106

I object to the proposed changes.

If you are going to increase it should be more accurate for the time to park, so timed half hourly, rather than rounding up by the hour

Off-street response – Reference number 107

I object to the proposed changes.

Having not raised its costs in 2 years is simply not a reason to raise them now! Unless these off street parking facilities are being run at a loss then charges should stay the same.

Off-street response – Reference number 108

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 109

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 110

I object to the proposed changes.

This is completely unnecessary again is a money making proposal when times are already hard

Off-street response – Reference number 111

I support the proposed changes.

I can understand the need to increase prices and it is still cheaper to park than take the bus!

Off-street response – Reference number 112

I support the proposed changes.

Any increase should be for longer stays so as not to discourage local shopping.

Off-street response – Reference number 113

I object to the proposed changes.

This is a blatant revenue raising exercise. There is no need to increase parking fees as they are already too high.

Off-street response – Reference number 114

I object to the proposed changes.

Increased charges drives people away from using high street. Which is why it's already empty.

Off-street response – Reference number 116

I object to the proposed changes.

Not needed, and will push business away in a climate that is not stable

Off-street response – Reference number 117

I object to the proposed changes.

Your charges are already outrageous. If we visit up north the parking is so cheap. I'm sorry but look elsewhere as this is desperate.

Off-street response – Reference number 119

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 120

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 121

I object to the proposed changes.

Read the room! People are struggling to buy food and heat houses. Parking is not a choice or a luxury; delay the rise until a more suitable time.

Off-street response – Reference number 122

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 124

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 125

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 126

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 127

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 129

I support the proposed changes.

I understand the rationale for raising the charges but would like to see more flexibility in the parking periods. Could we have 90 minute slots to cater for people who go to the gym for an hour and have to pay for 2 hours or risk a fine for overstaying a one hour ticket

Off-street response – Reference number 130

I object to the proposed changes.

Council should stop making road users an scapegoat for its incompetence in managing it's monies.

Off-street response – Reference number 131

I object to the proposed changes.

This will cause drivers to clog up neighbourhoods in order to find free parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 133

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 134

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 135

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking is already extortionate in Tonbridge, the town is dead and it's off putting to visit.

Off-street response – Reference number 136

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 137

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 138

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 139

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 141

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 142

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 143

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 144

I object to the proposed changes.

Local business needs support to ensure their customers are encouraged to visit the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 146

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 148

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 151

I object to the proposed changes.

Free parking is important in these times of financial hardship. Also the parking charges for longer periods are too high.

Off-street response – Reference number 153

I object to the proposed changes.

Given the recent economic issues people have right now WHY are you now putting something in place that drains peoples income further, can you not delay for a year or so people already have to choose between eating and heating you are out of order.

Off-street response – Reference number 156

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 157

I object to the proposed changes.

Support Business, keep parking free

Off-street response – Reference number 158

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 159

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 160

I object to the proposed changes.

Just another cash making for council.

Off-street response – Reference number 161

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 162

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 163

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 164

I object to the proposed changes.

Existing charges are not always fairly administrated. I was fined for parking overnight when I visited the same car park on consecutive mornings.

Off-street response – Reference number 165

I object to the proposed changes.

I understand that some increases need to be made but be careful not to outprice Hayesden country park. We need to be encouraging people to use the park and get outside, not putting financial barriers in their way. £3.20 for two hours parking is too much to access the town it too much. I will get everything done in an hour so I don't have to pay. Ordinarily I would take my time and stop for a coffee but I won't do that if I have to spend £3.20. Shame as everyone then loses out.

Off-street response – Reference number 168

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 169

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking is already limited and people are put off coming to the town for shopping. As a business it is becoming harder to attract new staff as a result of limited parking and the cost of parking within the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 170

I support the proposed changes.

I know that car park revenue has to be plowed back into that service so as long as the extra is used to maintain the carparks I'm ok with that.

Off-street response – Reference number 171

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 172

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 173

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 174

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 175

I object to the proposed changes.

What 'services' are you supplying?

Off-street response – Reference number 176

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 177

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking costs are already very high and impact on how often I visit the high street. It is stopping people from shopping locally and impacting on businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 178

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 179

I object to the proposed changes.

Stop imposing stealth taxes on motorists and increase the council tax by what you need. Be honest about your budget shortfalls and ask the local electorate to cover them.

Off-street response – Reference number 180

I object to the proposed changes.

There is a cost of living crisis. Don't increase prices. Keep parking cost low to attract visitors to Tonbridge and for locals. If you do do this you'll kill the town centre and shops will close.

Off-street response – Reference number 181

I object to the proposed changes.

As a member of the Angel Centre gym (a council run facility) having to pay for parking to evening and Sunday classes will significantly impact my use and I will look for membership elsewhere, as with added parking charges on top of the membership, it is likely that I will find a cheaper alternative.

Off-street response – Reference number 182

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 183

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 184

I object to the proposed changes.

Where can people park? Without the council using this stealth tax

Off-street response – Reference number 186

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 189

I object to the proposed changes.

For Tonbridge to attract people to the town the parking charges need to be kept reasonable. We used to visit Sevenoaks regularly until they increased their parking charges but now don't bother. We spend time in Devon on holiday, their parking charges have increased and where we used to spend the whole day somewhere, shopping, coffee, lunch etc, we now don't because of the cost of parking. We now tend to visit places where parking is free or reasonable and we spend our money there.

I do support the increase in town centre season ticket prices. I think they should be £520 per annum or £10 per week. Very reasonable, where else can you park for less than £2 a day! After all they are taking parking spaces away from people who use the car parks to visit. They also know when they move to the town centre they will have to find

somewhere to park and how much it will cost.

Off-street response – Reference number 191

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 193

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 195

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 197

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 200

I object to the proposed changes.

We pay enough car tax without having to pay extra to park on the roads

Off-street response – Reference number 201

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 202

I object to the proposed changes.

Local people should be able to use their local amenities without being penalised. In the current climate it is another nail in the coffin for the small independents and the elderly and those with young children..... also, don't we pay council and road tax already?

Off-street response – Reference number 203

I object to the proposed changes.

Shops and services would be killed off if parking becomes more expensive

Off-street response – Reference number 204

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 206

I object to the proposed changes.

If you want to keep towns alive then I think prices for parking ought to be kept as they are. The likes of Ringo mean money no longer needs collecting so surely that reduces cost. Some councils don't even have machines any longer, maybe think about that.

Off-street response – Reference number 207

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 208

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 209

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 210

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 211

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 212

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 213

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 214

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 215

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 217

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 219

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 220

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 222

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 223

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 224

I object to the proposed changes.

I work at West Malling Library and object to the price of a season ticket holder increasing. It's so bad I have to pay for one at all to park in the town where I work especially for a free KCC service role. £35 increase per year is an obscene increase so I totally object.

Off-street response – Reference number 225

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 226

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking is already expensive.

Off-street response – Reference number 229

I object to the proposed changes.

Already too expensive and an increase will put people off visiting the town which have a negative impact on shops and businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 231

I object to the proposed changes.

Times are hard and people cannot keep affording price rises. If you want businesses to have a business left you can't keep raising prices.

Off-street response – Reference number 234

I object to the proposed changes.

You need to encourage people to use the towns high streets and parks not price the parking out and make people shop at out of town free parking areas

Off-street response – Reference number 235

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 236

I object to the proposed changes.

I do not understand how a lump of tarmac suddenly has increased costs. I have not seen anything within these parking areas that has ongoing or additional costs. Feel like a way to make more money as appose to making improvements.

Off-street response – Reference number 237

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 238

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 241

I object to the proposed changes.

The council should prioritise ways of reducing cost rather than increasing revenue. TMBC should publish a detailed breakdown of the increased cost forecasts, the expected revenue increase of the various schemes proposed as part

of this consultation and where any surplus will be invested. This is important for an open and transparent democracy in which informed decisions can be made. The proposed increase will affect local businesses and encourage more people to shop online, which is already a significant challenge being faced by the high street.

Off-street response – Reference number 242

I object to the proposed changes.

I believe car parking charges are too expensive already. Local business and shops are already suffering.

Off-street response – Reference number 245

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 247

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 248

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 249

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 251

I object to the proposed changes.

Strongly object to this proposal, the free parking is a great way to get people into town on the weekend! Please do not so this!!

Off-street response – Reference number 252

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 253

I object to the proposed changes.

Not sure how the increase is justifiable. Already it is expensive to park in the town. I avoid coming into town because of the aggravation of parking, not so much the actual cost of parking, but getting a ticket, having the right money, or not, not getting change. I use an app for convenience a lot of the time but resent paying an additional 20p just to do so, especially when the app makes life simpler for the Council.

Off-street response – Reference number 254

I object to the proposed changes.

I object to the increase in parking charges unless you offer 2 hours free parking. The constant traffic jam through the high street, the removal of a much needed pedestrian crossing in the middle of the high street and the building of large premise shops in the industrial estate with free parking have all but destroyed our high street as a shopping centre. Shops such as Millets closed as a direct result of this, Bring shoppers back to the town with 2 hours free parking then an increased parking changer after that. Increasing parking changes will do the opposite on our town where car drivers are already prioritised above pedestrians, cyclists and shoppers.

Off-street response – Reference number 255

I object to the proposed changes.

High streets are suffering badly enough as it is - increasing parking costs simply encourage people to go to out of town shopping centres where parking is free. I think we should be encouraging people to come to town, with an hour of free parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 258

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 259

I object to the proposed changes.

Already so expensive, all of the councillors who don't actually live in tonbridge don't seem to realise how much this will continue to impact the ability of the town to thrive.

Off-street response – Reference number 260

I object to the proposed changes.

This will put more people off visiting Tonbridge. Our shops will have fewer visitors as people will buy online or travel to places with more shop choice and free parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 261

I object to the proposed changes.

It will decrease the number of visitors to town centres that are already under pressure economically, I say this as a customer who will time my visits to avoid charges as much as possible.

Off-street response – Reference number 262

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 263

I object to the proposed changes.

Motorists are tired of being used as cash cows.

Off-street response – Reference number 264

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 265

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 266

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 267

I object to the proposed changes.

Ridiculous... I moved here 7 years ago and parking has increased at an alarming rate since then. Why is 4 hours parking literally 4 x 1hr parking... why is there no discount for parking longer and enjoying more of the shops/restaurants. You're killing off the high street. I often drive to bluewater for shopping and banks now because tonbridge costs me £5.20 to park for 4 hours- it's a joke!

Off-street response – Reference number 268

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 269

I object to the proposed changes.

Remove the cash payment option and hence reduce ongoing operating costs - you don't need to maintain machines nor do you need to collect cash. In short, look for ways to be more efficient, not simply increase costs as the easy answer.

Off-street response – Reference number 270

I object to the proposed changes.

Cost of living!

Off-street response – Reference number 271

I object to the proposed changes.

Increased parking fees keep people away from towns. Free short stay parking and lower fees would encourage people to visit the town more and maybe more local shops would be able to remain open.

Off-street response – Reference number 273

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 274

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 275

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 276

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 280

I object to the proposed changes.

It is expensive enough. The council needs to look at its operation for savings not throw the burden onto the public.

Off-street response – Reference number 281

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 282

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 283

I object to the proposed changes.

I am a local resident and go to towns within the borough, however the cost of parking is prohibitive, and is an active discouragement. Currently I am an EV driver and Maidstone Borough Council offer free parking for EV's in all their car parks. This means that I actively choose to go to Maidstone (although more difficult to get to) over Tonbridge and spend within the town. I will choose a Maidstone branch rather than a Tonbridge one due to the free parking. Likewise if parking charges are introduced in Martin Square and West Malling High Street I will actively select Maidstone Library rather than the local ones. This will mean more journey's and more environmental impact and a

lost of income and local support to the businesses within the borough.

Off-street response – Reference number 284

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 286

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 287

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 288

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 290

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 291

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 293

I object to the proposed changes.

I f feel this is more likely to drive people to park on residential streets. I don't see the council employing a large number of wardens to enforce the parking fines

Off-street response – Reference number 295

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 296

I object to the proposed changes.

As a user of the Angel Centre for Leisure activities it's becoming increasingly expensive to park. I shall probably go where free parking as I can't afford. Many classes I attend after 6pm & Sunday as free parking at the moment.

Off-street response – Reference number 298

I object to the proposed changes.

We already pay more than enough for parking. I resent it. I drive to Tesco for free parking when I have a big shop to do. You are killing Tonbridge shops

Off-street response – Reference number 299

I object to the proposed changes.

RAISING CARPARK CHARGES WILL ONLY INCREASE ILLEGAL (ON DOUBLE YELLOW LINES) PARKING IN THE SLADE AND PEOPLE PARKING IN PERMITTED BAYS WHICH MEANS RESIDENTS CAN'T PARK AFTER USING THEIR CAR IN THE MORNING. PARKRUN AND FOOTBALL ON SATURDAYS, TJs EVENTS ON SUNDAYS, ARE REGULAR NIGHTMARE PARKING TIMES FOR US IN SLADE. ADD TO THIS CHRISTMAS AT THE CASTLE, LIGHTS, THE ARTISAN MARKET, FIREWORKS EVENTS CINEMA AT THE CASTLE, MUSIC EVENTS IN THE PARK AND AT THE CASTLE AND MUCH MORE, ALL BRING VISITORS TO TONBRIDGE WHO WANT SOME FREE PARKING. PLEASE COME AND LOOK AT THE ISSUES WE HAVE ON AN EVENT DAY.

Off-street response – Reference number 300

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 301

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking in Tonbridge is already extremely expensive and prohibits how much my family of 3 young children can access tonbridge and it's amenities. It's extremely helpful to have Sundays and after 6pm that are free for parking. With the cost of living crisis and trying to cut costs as much as possible, those are now the times I am able to come into tonbridge to do grocery shopping, go on family walks in the park etc. Removing them would have a significant impact on both our finances, quality of live and ability to support local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 302

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 304

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 305

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 308

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 309

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 311

I support the proposed changes.

As costs have increased recently, I feel it is reasonable for the council to raise the cost of car parks to help cover costs elsewhere. I also hope that this helps deter people from making short journeys via car when they could have walked or cycled. It would also be nice to see more local business offering validation/refunds on parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 312

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 313

I object to the proposed changes.

Higher costs are extremely off-putting and likely that i will avoid shopping in the high street or in car parks where fees are incurred

Off-street response – Reference number 314

I object to the proposed changes.

No I do not support this at all. Less incentive for anyone to visit the high street and also more people will shop out of town at North Farm supermarkets t wells or Tesco Pembury, Aldi etc where parking is free. Very short sighted

Off-street response – Reference number 316

(no comment supplied)

Won't the raise increase the drift of shoppers to Cannon Lane car parks that are free?

Off-street response – Reference number 318

I object to the proposed changes.

People need to be able afford to venture out of their homes, for either recreation, work or shopping etc

Off-street response – Reference number 319

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 320

I object to the proposed changes.

All car parks across the Borough should have the SAME parking charge system - not a higher rate in Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 322

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking in Tonbridge expensive compared to other local areas, where you can park for free for 30 mins. Charging more will stop people coming into town and will be detrimental to local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 323

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 324

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 325

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 326

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 328

I object to the proposed changes.

It's just a money grab from people that already pay high council tax and get little return.

Off-street response – Reference number 329

I object to the proposed changes.

The charges in Sevenoaks in some places and other surrounding area are less

Off-street response – Reference number 330

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 331

I object to the proposed changes.

With cost of living currently this is a bad move and will impact small businesses as it will drive people to out of town shopping centres

Off-street response – Reference number 332

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 333

I object to the proposed changes.

I don't understand why you want to put more people off using the High Street with these prices. It's hard enough trying estimate how long a shopping trip is going to be. And since the main doctors surgery is now in the centre of town with very limited parking you have to guess how long the waiting time will be.

Off-street response – Reference number 334

I object to the proposed changes.

While off street parking has not been raised in two years, surely a raise would need there to be a significant improvement of the shops and services that Tonbridge has to offer? There are too many gaps in this thought process. Too many hair places, coffee shops and charity shops and yet not a permanent post office, a persistently unopened shop (a year due to asbestos, surely the council could have helped due to the impact on the community), increasing lack of banks, it goes on.

Off-street response – Reference number 336

I object to the proposed changes.

It will result in even less people visiting the town....instead going to the industrial estates where parking is free.

Off-street response – Reference number 337

I support the proposed changes.

I understand that the council needs money as there is a deficit and if this is the best way to do it then I will support it. However, if car use is going to be discouraged (which it will be with an increase in parking fees). I think there should be safe and reliable alternatives like safe cycle lanes and nice pedestrian options (without cars blocking off the pavement). I have cycled many time from my home to town (with my young child at the back) and the amount of near misses I've had is unbelievable. I cycle on the cycle lane and take detours when I can but to recount only a few; a van was driving down the wrong side of the road, half on the road, half on the cycle lane; cars parked on the cycle lane and once a car swerving into the cycle lane "for a laugh)... all this with my 3 year old with me.

The buses should also be reliable and affordable options. Children should be free if they are with an adult. Going into town and back with my 2 children would cost me £12. This is very expensive for a 10 minute journey; and I have no choice but to take my children with me as they are too young to be left alone.

The increase will also mainly impact poorer households as wealthier people will be able to pay the £0.20 increase.

Off-street response – Reference number 338

I object to the proposed changes.

I don't object to an increase in prices wholesale. I am in favour of more cycle friendly access to the town centre. At the moment the only cycle lane that reaches the centre of town from where I live in North Tonbridge, has multiple cycle gates which prevent easy access of bicycles into the town. This makes it incredibly difficult for wider handlebars, baskets, and trailers to pass. Which in turn makes it hard to take children and shopping trailers into town and avoid using a car.

With this restriction, all the car parking charge increase does is tax us for getting into town.

I would be happy for charges to increase if there were alternatives available and to go into town by car was a choice. But my options are to struggle by bike on the cycle path with the obstructions, go down the narrow road and share the space with cars where drivers are aggressive, or walk down the main road with the resulting pollution.

There is already a huge unused carpark in the form of Tonbridge Station. I know it is not owned by the council but this shows that high prices just leave an empty space of tarmac.

Of course, wealthier households will just pay these charges to continue using their car. 20p here and there doesn't impact wealthier families, but those who are already struggling are the ones who will feel this the most.

Off-street response – Reference number 340

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 341

I object to the proposed changes.

It'll kill businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 342

I object to the proposed changes.

It will deter people from visiting Tonbridge. The business currently suffer because of the cost of parking putting people off.

Off-street response – Reference number 343

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 344

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 347

I object to the proposed changes.

Just keep upping the charges and then the towns/ villages will be empty

Off-street response – Reference number 350

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 351

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 353

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking charges are high enough. In case it had escaped your notice people are really struggling financially. Don't need any more increases. Maybe you should think about reducing the prices a maybe that would encourage more people into the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 355

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 357

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 358

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 360

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 361

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 362

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 363

I object to the proposed changes.

Don't lie. If you are desperate for money then say it. Don't try to dress it up as a benefit.

Off-street response – Reference number 364

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 365

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 366

I object to the proposed changes.

Increasing parking costs in the car parks around the castle area will impact heavily on Slade Residents who have a hard enough job, at times, trying to find a parking space in the residents parking scheme, which they pay for, now. Also, the chance of any visitors they may have getting a parking space would pretty much be non-existent.

Off-street response – Reference number 368

I object to the proposed changes.

Don't destroy the ability to shop off peak. Don't destroy small businesses. Don't be greedy, you'll just force shoppers elsewhere.

Off-street response – Reference number 370

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 374

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 375

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 376

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 378

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 379

I object to the proposed changes.

The high cost of parking already does deter parking in Tonbridge and bringing people to the town.

An hours free parking before the charging begins as in Paddock Wood, would be an incentive to shop in town more.

Off-street response – Reference number 381

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 382

I object to the proposed changes.

This increase the financial burden on parking in midst of this living crisis, there is already increase in council tax which I have no choice to object and i do not see any improvement in service. Increasing parking charge is just pushing people away from Tonbridge town centre and killing all the business

Off-street response – Reference number 383

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 384

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 385

I object to the proposed changes.

Killing retail and leisure - it will only benefit Amazon, as eventually you will lose rates from buildings also, and will just have more flats in place of shops

Off-street response – Reference number 386

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 388

I object to the proposed changes.

This will ruin business as with the cost of living people will not be able to afford these prices to park in our town.

Off-street response – Reference number 389

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 390

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 391

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 392

I object to the proposed changes.

We don't have the money!

Off-street response – Reference number 393

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 394

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 395

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 396

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking is already expensive enough, you will drive people away from these areas. If more businesses shut the loss of business rates will hit harder than you upping your charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 397

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 399

I object to the proposed changes.

If you want to kill the high Street

Off-street response – Reference number 400

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 401

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 402

I object to the proposed changes.

This is just another stealth tax on people by a council that cannot manage its budget.

Off-street response – Reference number 404

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 405

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 406

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 407

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 408

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 409

I object to the proposed changes.

I represent self help groups who meet weekly and whose membership is made up of people who are already suffering hardship. To add parking fees to their weekly burden may well discourage many from seeking help and eventually place a heavier workload on the local care services

Off-street response – Reference number 412

I object to the proposed changes.

Tonbridge has a declining high street and yet you want to increase prices which will stop people coming to an already depressed high street.

Off-street response – Reference number 413

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 414

I object to the proposed changes.

Stop raising prices on council tax, carparks etc. You are criminals.

Off-street response – Reference number 416

I object to the proposed changes.

Increasing parking charges would likely have a negative impact on the viability of many retail businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 418

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 419

I object to the proposed changes.

The cost of living is increasing rapidly, soon people won't have enough money for food to be able to pay for bills, child care and parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 420

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking fees are already exorbitant. This is an insult towards already struggling families. If parking fees increase, a free initial hour should be introduced to allow local people to run their errands.

Off-street response – Reference number 421

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 422

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 423

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 424

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 427

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 428

I object to the proposed changes.

It will put people coming to shop in the high st

Off-street response – Reference number 430

I support the proposed changes.

It seems sensible to introduce a reasonable increase

Off-street response – Reference number 431

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 434

I object to the proposed changes.

It is already expensive to park in Tonbridge. The fares already prohibit people with families like me from shopping or going to the park in Tonbridge. We increasingly shop online and drive further afield for leisure activities. This is not good for our health, the environment or Tonbridge businesses. It also sends the wrong message to residents in these times when many face considerable difficulties with the cost of living crisis.

Off-street response – Reference number 435

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 436

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 437

I object to the proposed changes.

Reduce TMBC councillors expenses. Don't price residents and visitors out and punish local business.

Off-street response – Reference number 439

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 440

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 442

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 445

I support the proposed changes.

Price rises in line with rising costs seems reasonable

Off-street response – Reference number 446

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 448

I object to the proposed changes.

Yet again the motorist is penalised! Eventually you will kill the golden goose!

Off-street response – Reference number 452

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 453

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 454

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking charges in the town are quite high enough for most town folk, so to consider increasing the time of charging by 2 hours in the evening and all Sundays in every car park is pretty mean during this time of austerity.

Off-street response – Reference number 455

I object to the proposed changes.

The 8pm end will not encourage those wishing to use evening facilities such as restaurants and bars.

Off-street response – Reference number 456

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking charges drive shoppers and users of facilities away from Tonbridge town centre, who will consider shopping online (as I often do because it is not cost effective to drive, park and shop in the High Street) or go to a retail park, where parking is free. It is a recipe for the further decline of our High Street, which I believe is already suffering due, to a considerable extent, to already high parking charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 459

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 460

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 461

I object to the proposed changes.

It costs quite enough to park now, an certainly restricts my going onto the High Street.

Off-street response – Reference number 463

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 464

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking fees should not go up. It will put people off popping into Tonbridge to shop and eat. There is not a good range of shops as it is and by putting up prices I will be more inclined to visit out of town places with a better range of shops and free parking such as Tunbridge wells retail park or Bluewater.

Off-street response – Reference number 465

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 466

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 467

I object to the proposed changes.

To support local businesses we should be offering cheaper parking /free parking

Off-street response – Reference number 468

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 469

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 470

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 471

I object to the proposed changes.

It's another money grab by TMBC. It already costs a small fortune to park in Tonbridge. People will stop coming to our town soon. You can park in the out of town retail sites for free so it will reduce the number of people using the High Street which will impact on local businesses. Stop using the car park for the farmers market and it'll free up more space to park. Close some of the High Street and put the market on there.

Off-street response – Reference number 472

I object to the proposed changes.

These parking charges are already expensive enough and act as a shadow tax on residents who must purchase them to park their vehicles. The scheme is currently not very forward thinking- for example fees could be linked to emissions or size of vehicle as in other areas (e.g. Bristol).

Off-street response – Reference number 473

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 475

I object to the proposed changes.

We should be wanting to encourage visitors to Tonbridge to keep the businesses going. Raising parking charges will prevent people from coming.

Off-street response – Reference number 477

I object to the proposed changes.

The high street businesses are struggling enough so will put people off using as often need change and not many of us have cash plus the use of the app is more expensive with poor internet connection

Off-street response – Reference number 478

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 480

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking is already so expensive in Tonbridge. The council decided to give free parking on Sunday and bank holidays so unsure why the council has decided to charge for it now. The council makes a hefty profit from parking tariffs anyway which far outweighs maintenance.

Being a gym user at the Angel centre this will cost me more money especially extending paying for parking until 8 pm. Other gyms do not charge for parking and this is another reason why people have moved from the Angel centre gym. Will have to assess if it is worth staying at the angel centre.

Off-street response – Reference number 481

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 487

I object to the proposed changes.

As written above

Off-street response – Reference number 488

I object to the proposed changes.

The cost for a permit is already high and people cant continue to pay more. People are already struggling financially.

Off-street response – Reference number 489

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 490

I object to the proposed changes.

Rising cost of parking is destroying the town. People do not have the disposable income to pay increased charges

Off-street response – Reference number 491

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 492

I object to the proposed changes.

It seems like a very short sighted way to raise income. Revising the parking charges will put visitors off from coming to Tonbridge and visiting our local businesses. Which will eventually reduce the income raised through business rates as premises close.

Perhaps if longer term decisions had been made by the Council we wouldnt be in the position where we need to raise parking charges..For example selling off assets (former citizens advice bureau) with planning permission rather than without and essentially allowing the developer to design a scheme that TMBC ended up refusing and subsequently allowing on appeal.

Off-street response – Reference number 494

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 496

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 497

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 498

I object to the proposed changes.

I wholeheartedly object to raising parking rates. The more difficult and expensive it is to use the local facilities and businesses, the less likely people will do so. They will drive to trading estates, shopping centres or areas with free parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 499

I object to the proposed changes.

Increasing parking charges will affect local businesses and impact the already precarious High Street.

Off-street response – Reference number 500

I object to the proposed changes.

It is already expensive to park in town and this would mean more people would choose to shop elsewhere, killing the highstreet further.

Off-street response – Reference number 501

I object to the proposed changes.

£3.20 to park for two hours next to the Angel Centre is a joke. You will be charging me more to park there a month (4 times weekly) to use the gym than my tractive gym membership costs (£35pm). Why can't you give a discount for tractive users, as you do at the swimming pool? If I used my membership at the Larkfield Leisure Centre you wouldn't charge me a parking fee, I believe, so what are you charging me to use the Angel Centre? This is a surefire way to persuade people to move to a gym that offers free parking, thus making the Angel Centre health and wellbeing facilities even more loss-making than they are now. Or I can drive to the Larkfield centre, creating pollution along the way, for less cost than I will pay to park at the Angel Centre. Are you really looking to chase trade away from the Angel Centre as a plan to kill the venue? It certainly looks like it.

Also, pushing the car parking charges in Tonbridge up like this makes a decision to go shopping at Bluewater instead, with a far wider choice of retail outlets on offer, an easier decision. You are not encouraging us to use Tonbridge town centre.

Off-street response – Reference number 502

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 503

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 504

I object to the proposed changes.

Six pounds to park on a Sunday is ridiculous

Off-street response – Reference number 505

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 507

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking is already expensive and forcing many to use out of town shopping, particularly if you just need to pop in briefly.

A preference would be 30 minutes or 1 hour free, and then charged after that period (similar to St John's car park, TW). The fee for more than 1 hour could then be greater?

Off-street response – Reference number 509

I object to the proposed changes.

People are struggling enough without increase in charges

Off-street response – Reference number 510

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 511

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 512

I object to the proposed changes.

I live in paddock wood but often eat out in Tonbridge. If I had to pay for parking I would not drive to Tonbridge and use the restaurants in the evening

Off-street response – Reference number 513

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 514

I object to the proposed changes.

We need to encourage people into the town to shop not put them off. It's very annoying having to already pay in Sainsbury's when you're spending a lot of money in the store.

Off-street response – Reference number 518

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 519

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 520

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 522

I object to the proposed changes.

I do not believe the proposed new charges would deliver the stated and probably justified aim of reducing long stay parking. The new pricing structure would remove the discount for parking for 3 or 4 hours but would introduce no penalty for the longer parking periods. I believe that to deliver the stated aim the new charging structure should introduce a penalty for the longer parking periods. This could be achieved either by a lower increase in price for periods up to and including 2 hours or a larger increase for 3 and 4 hour periods.

Off-street response – Reference number 523

I object to the proposed changes.

Expensive enough already

Off-street response – Reference number 525

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 530

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking is already expensive; Tonbridge High Street is dead as it is and increasing charges will discourage shoppers to venture into town to support local businesses and instead they will go to shops that have free parking which will further impact local businesses and shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 531

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 532

I object to the proposed changes.

YOU WILL CLOSE ALL THE SHOPS BAR TESCO AND STOPPING PARKING OUTSIDE THIS STORE TO DRIVE PEOPLE ONTO YOUR METERS YOU ARE ALL SCAMMERS

Off-street response – Reference number 534

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 536

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 537

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 538

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 539

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 540

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 541

I object to the proposed changes.

Everyone is struggling with the cost of living, no don't see the need apart from councils greed to grab money for nothing. Up keep and security of car parks is non existent.

Off-street response – Reference number 546

I object to the proposed changes.

This is misguided. So many people come into Tonbridge on a Sunday, shops will suffer.

Off-street response – Reference number 547

I object to the proposed changes.

Increasing charges = greed!

Businesses closing, jobs lost, no rates coming in.

Everyone will use places that offer free parking or on line.

People cannot afford these charges in the current climate.

Off-street response – Reference number 548

I object to the proposed changes.

Most people don't carry cash, yet that's the only option if you want your parking refunded. Make the refunds applicable if people pay on the app too, and remove the additional app fee

Off-street response – Reference number 552

I object to the proposed changes.

This is just another step to the War on drivers, If you wish to raise capital without increasing Residents Council Tax, I suggest the council takes a strategic look at the corporate directors team who really run the council, Highly paid unelected individuals

Off-street response – Reference number 553

I object to the proposed changes.

People are already going out less due to the cost of living crisis. Parking charges are one of the reasons our high streets are dead and places like bluewater and strood retail park have massive queues.

Off-street response – Reference number 554

I object to the proposed changes.

The high street needs people to visit, the additional charges will keep people away and we need more people to visit.

Off-street response – Reference number 555

I object to the proposed changes.

Daylight robbery

Off-street response – Reference number 557

I object to the proposed changes.

The fact the cost hasn't increased in 2 years is beside the point. It's already staggeringly high and puts more financial pressure on families who would like to shop in our town and are forced to shop in industrial estates. Using the park

or 'shopping local' becomes an expensive luxury rather than a right. This will not help a struggling high street. Further pushing people to shop out of town will ultimately lead to less revenue from parking because it's too expensive. Meet a friend for coffee - oh add another £4 to a catchup for parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 558

I object to the proposed changes.

The cost of living crisis is already hurting people and increasing or introducing parking charges will only place more burden on people's pockets. Businesses will suffer as people will save money by visiting more out of town shops, restaurants etc that have their own free parking thus damaging our high streets and town centres further.

Off-street response – Reference number 561

I object to the proposed changes.

It makes shopping in the local town more expensive. Shoppers will go elsewhere or shop on line which will have a detrimental effect on local business

Off-street response – Reference number 562

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 563

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 564

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 565

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 566

I object to the proposed changes.

Sainsbury's is an example of how bad things can get

Off-street response – Reference number 568

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 570

I object to the proposed changes.

With the current cost of living crises this will make it even harder for some to access the high street! With people being either unable to pay or spending less time in the town, it will have an impact on the shops on the high street as they start to see less visitors!

The high street is often busier on the Sundays where it's currently free parking, which shows a lot of people already can not afford the costs without the increase! surely you should be helping to make the high street more accessible, not less!

Off-street response – Reference number 571

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 572

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 573

I object to the proposed changes.

I don't shop in Tunbridge Wells very often because of the parking charges and I now never shop in Sevenoaks, or go there in the evenings because of the extortionate parking charges. Surely that says it all about the impact of higher charges.

Use the monies raised in parking fines to pay for what's needed on their upkeep and running. Or have you now outsourced that income steam? If so, bring it back in-house.

Off-street response – Reference number 575

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking chargers will reduce the amount of people who use the local shops and retail businesses reducing rates being paid as businesses close.

Off-street response – Reference number 576

I object to the proposed changes.

All residents and visitors benefit from the low cost of parking in Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 577

I object to the proposed changes.

The increases are way ahead of inflation and will have a negative impact on household finances in a time of austerity.

Off-street response – Reference number 579

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 581

I object to the proposed changes.

Tonbridge is struggling enough with shops needing more footfall. This increase will not help and will put more pressure on roads with no parking restrictions.

Off-street response – Reference number 582

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 583

I object to the proposed changes.

The charges are enough already

Off-street response – Reference number 584

I object to the proposed changes.

I am a TMBC resident. I now shop at Paddock Wood in the 1 hour free parking. TMBC needs 1 hour free parking to encourage use of shops, so they survive to pay their rates!

Off-street response – Reference number 585

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 586

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 587

I object to the proposed changes.

MY WIFE AND I HAVE BEEN MEMBERS OF WEST MALLING BAPTIST CHURCH FOR MANY YEARS AND ARE DISMAYED THAT WE WILL NOW NEED TO PAY FOR PARKING ON A SUNDAY. THIS WILL HAVE THE INEVITABLE RESULT OF DRIVING PEOPLE AWAY FROM CHURCHES IN THE AREA AT A TIME WITH MANY COST OF LIVING INCREASES. WE OBJECT TO THE IMPOSITION OF PARKING CHARGES ON A SUNDAY IN THE STRONGEST POSSIBLE TERMS. PLEASE RECONSIDER THIS IMPOSITION OF THESE CHARGES

Off-street response – Reference number 588

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 591

I object to the proposed changes.

Encourage visitors and don't put people off even more.

Off-street response – Reference number 592

I object to the proposed changes.

Charges have risen by more than inflation every year for many years.

Off-street response – Reference number 593

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 594

I object to the proposed changes.

This would need to be met by an improvement in the provision of services and I do not believe this will occur

Off-street response – Reference number 595

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 597

I support the proposed changes.

Machines must accept cash

Off-street response – Reference number 598

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 599

I object to the proposed changes.

There's a cost of living crisis and you want to shaft more money from people to line your pockets. Shameful!

Off-street response – Reference number 600

I support the proposed changes.

The broadbrush approach is not sensible, an effort needs to be made to achieve a good turnover of parking to maintain viability of local shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 601

I object to the proposed changes.

motorists are not a cash cow and should not be fleeced to pay for councils woke and unnecessary shortfalls

Off-street response – Reference number 603

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 606

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 607

I object to the proposed changes.

Again i am a district nurse and can not afford to pay for parking

Off-street response – Reference number 608

I object to the proposed changes.

This will have a severe retrograde impact on Tonbridge high street.

Off-street response – Reference number 609

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 610

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 612

I object to the proposed changes.

I understand that costs for maintenance etc are increasing, however you must balance the cost of parking and too high a charge deterring people from using the shops, recreation facilities and events. I propose keeping parking charges at the current rate.

Off-street response – Reference number 613

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 615

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 616

I object to the proposed changes.

I think car parking charges are already fairly high.

Off-street response – Reference number 617

I object to the proposed changes.

If you want to discourage shoppers visiting the town centre then go ahead increase the prices for parking. Otherwise if you want the town to thrive make reductions.

Off-street response – Reference number 618

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 619

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 621

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 622

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 623

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 624

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 625

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 627

I object to the proposed changes.

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Off-street response – Reference number 628

I object to the proposed changes.

This is an extra tax to park on roads already taxed in other ways and not fair on residence to keep hiking

Off-street response – Reference number 630

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 631

I object to the proposed changes.

You are taxing residents for trying to exercise in the evening and weekends. Furthermore, residents will no longer visit the town on a Sunday and in the evening further impacting local shops and restaurants. Shame on you Tonbridge. You are killing the town centre.

Off-street response – Reference number 632

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 633

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 636

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 640

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 641

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 642

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 643

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 644

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 645

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 648

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 649

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 651

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 652

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 653

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 654

I object to the proposed changes.

Town is already getting a kicking because of parking people just go to bluewater and shop

Off-street response – Reference number 655

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 657

I object to the proposed changes.

The cost of living is rising for everyone, another blow

Off-street response – Reference number 667

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 668

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 669

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 673

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 674

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 675

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 677

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 678

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 681

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 682

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 683

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 684

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 686

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 687

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 689

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 692

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 693

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 695

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 696

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 698

I object to the proposed changes.

I'd be interested to know what is meant by "increasing costs of the provision of services" is this specific to the area you are increasing parking costs or overall. Most councils have drastically cut budgets and services so is the plan to charge drivers to park to pay for other services and those the council has inefficiently budgeted for.

Off-street response – Reference number 699

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 702

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 703

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 705

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 706

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 708

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 709

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 710

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 711

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 712

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 713

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 719

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 722

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 724

I object to the proposed changes.

Already costs enough to park.

Off-street response – Reference number 726

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 728

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 729

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 730

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 732

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 733

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 736

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 741

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 742

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 746

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 747

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 749

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 750

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 752

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 757

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 758

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 760

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 764

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 768

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 769

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 770

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 772

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 774

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 776

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 778

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 779

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 780

I object to the proposed changes.

You are encouraging people to either not use the small towns, resulting in a loss of business rates when small businesses go under, or park outside peoples houses a bit further away. We pay very high rates in Ton and Malling as it is, we should be able to park in our car parks without being charged.

Off-street response – Reference number 782

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 783

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 784

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 786

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 788

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 791

I object to the proposed changes.

Just stop looking for the easy targets and find another way instead of selling all our green belt and space

Off-street response – Reference number 793

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 794

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 795

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 796

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 799

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 800

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 801

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 802

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 809

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 813

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 814

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 815

I object to the proposed changes.

People struggle to afford parking

Off-street response – Reference number 823

I object to the proposed changes.

It's already expensive and you also charge to use the parking of an evening with neighbouring councils do not.

Off-street response – Reference number 825

I object to the proposed changes.

With the rising cost of living, it will simply help kill off supporters of smaller local businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 826

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 828

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 829

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 830

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 831

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 832

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 833

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 835

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 838

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 840

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 841

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 844

I object to the proposed changes.

With the cost of living crisis, local shops, towns and villages relying regularly on shoppers to keep their business & livelihoods afloat. Increasing charges will inevitably push people to shop online and go to places like Bluewater where you can shop all day for free. Look at Banks. They introduced & pushed online banking...and now there are hardly any branches for people to go into. You want to destroy towns & villages...go ahead and charge.

Off-street response – Reference number 846

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 850

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 851

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 853

I object to the proposed changes.

Cost of living crisis. Council tax already poor value for money.

Off-street response – Reference number 854

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 856

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 859

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 860

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 861

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 862

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 865

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 866

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 867

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 868

I object to the proposed changes.

Charge smarter not higher for everyone. Make parking over two hours more expensive. Make your profit from those using parking spaces as vehicle storage.

Off-street response – Reference number 870

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 871

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 872

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 873

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 874

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 875

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 880

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 882

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 883

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 884

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 886

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 887

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 888

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 890

I object to the proposed changes.

The government and local councils use drivers as a source of income and forget that increasing parking decreases the number of people visiting areas as they will go elsewhere.

Off-street response – Reference number 892

I object to the proposed changes.

In the present climate people cannot afford extra fees

Off-street response – Reference number 895

I object to the proposed changes.

The impact on businesses, particularly independents, in the high street would be huge and we would see even more being forced to close down. Also, public events like the Christmas festival and fireworks that attract hundreds to the town would suffer hugely as the public just stay away - or worse, block private driveways and residential spaces, causing mayhem for those of us who live here.

Off-street response – Reference number 896

I object to the proposed changes.

Cost of living is high and this will affect everyone including local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 898

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 899

I object to the proposed changes.

it's expensive already

Off-street response – Reference number 901

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 902

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 904

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 905

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 906

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 910

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 912

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 914

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 920

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 922

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 924

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 925

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 927

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 928

I object to the proposed changes.

Cost of living crisis the cost is enough already.

Off-street response – Reference number 929

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 930

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 931

I object to the proposed changes.

As above.

Off-street response – Reference number 933

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 934

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 935

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 938

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 940

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 944

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 947

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 948

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 949

I object to the proposed changes.

Again detrimental to the business who rely on people popping in

Off-street response – Reference number 950

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 951

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 954

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 955

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 956

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 957

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 958

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 959

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 963

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 964

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 965

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 966

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 968

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 970

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 972

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 974

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 979

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 980

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 983

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 984

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 986

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 987

I object to the proposed changes.

Terrible idea, a very short sighted money grab. This will impact all of the evening businesses in the town when they are already struggling. More likely to push people to park in non-controlled residential streets that are already over crowded.

Off-street response – Reference number 988

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 990

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 991

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 992

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 996

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 999

I object to the proposed changes.

I object strongly; I think we should lower the charges, so that people can park for longer & spend more money in the town!

Off-street response – Reference number 1000

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1001

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1002

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1004

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1007

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1012

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1013

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1014

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1015

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1016

I object to the proposed changes.

Given the rise in costs that everyone is experiencing this is another stealth tax - it will encourage out of town shopping and the further demise of the high street

Off-street response – Reference number 1017

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1018

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1019

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1020

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1021

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1023

I object to the proposed changes.

Penalising children and families who play sport in the evenings and at the weekends

Off-street response – Reference number 1024

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1028

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1029

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1030

I object to the proposed changes.

Not a good idea during a cost of living crisis

Off-street response – Reference number 1031

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1033

I object to the proposed changes.

To expensive now

Off-street response – Reference number 1034

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1036

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1037

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1039

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1040

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking charges are ridiculously high as it is.

Off-street response – Reference number 1046

I object to the proposed changes.

Car parking is already expensive enough and increase is simply a money making exercise

Off-street response – Reference number 1055

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1056

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1058

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1062

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1067

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1068

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1069

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking in Maidstone, especially in the two shopping mall car parks, is already ridiculously expensive. I rarely visit the town anymore.

Off-street response – Reference number 1071

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1072

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1073

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1074

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1076

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1078

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1087

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1089

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1095

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1096

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1099

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1100

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1102

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1103

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1104

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1107

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1109

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1112

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1113

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1117

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1119

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1121

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1124

I object to the proposed changes.

This does not encourage people to use local facilities. It will jam up other local roads.

Off-street response – Reference number 1128

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1132

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1135

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1138

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1139

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1141

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1144

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1147

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1149

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1152

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1156

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1157

I object to the proposed changes.

You are pricing people out of your areas .

Off-street response – Reference number 1159

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1160

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1161

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1164

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1166

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1167

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1170

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1172

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1173

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1176

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1180

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1181

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1182

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1183

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1187

I object to the proposed changes.

I won't shop in Tonbridge if I have to pay more for parking. I would rather go to an out of town shopping centre, where I can park for free.

Off-street response – Reference number 1195

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1196

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1197

I object to the proposed changes.

Absolutely ridiculous in my opinion it's just another way to make money especially as there is no free time ect 30mins the fact you're happy to charge people already struggling for the first 30min proves it all about making money!!! Nothing to do with lack of spaces never had a problem parking all this does is stop people using shops already struggling

Off-street response – Reference number 1198

I object to the proposed changes.

Tonbridge is already hugely expensive to park in. There are now very few shops worth visiting on the High Street and additional charges will make it less likely that we will shop in Tonbridge at all.

Off-street response – Reference number 1205

I object to the proposed changes.

Money grabbing!!

Off-street response – Reference number 1206

I object to the proposed changes.

Everything is expensive enough further rises and it's the small businesses that will lose out.

Off-street response – Reference number 1207

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1208

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1209

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1217

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1219

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1222

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1223

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1225

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1228

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1229

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1230

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1231

I object to the proposed changes.

What are the increase in costs to provide parking that has been available already?

It is clearly just an excuse to get more money that is not used to improve the parking facility

Off-street response – Reference number 1235

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1236

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1237

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking charges are already very high.

Off-street response – Reference number 1240

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1242

I object to the proposed changes.

I have retired early due to ill health but am not able to claim any benefits so am living off my savings till my pension comes, I cannot afford any extras to payout

Off-street response – Reference number 1244

I object to the proposed changes.

Families cant afford this on top of the cost of living crisis

Off-street response – Reference number 1245

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1246

I object to the proposed changes.

Under the current cost of living challenges, local people s as bd local business need cheap or free parking to help regenerate the local economies.

Off-street response – Reference number 1248

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1249

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1250

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1251

I support the proposed changes.

I understand the need for this although it is never welcome to hear that charges must rise.

Off-street response – Reference number 1252

I object to the proposed changes.

With the cost of living still increasing people can't afford all these small increase. If costs do need to go up could it not be balanced out with the first hour is free.

Off-street response – Reference number 1253

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1255

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1256

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1258

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1259

I object to the proposed changes.

Just because they haven't been put up in 2 years is not a reason to do so no. In the present time of financial hardship during a cost of living crisis the council should be looking to make economies instead.

Off-street response – Reference number 1260

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1262

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1266

I object to the proposed changes.

It seems all TMBC are trying to achieve is the complete decimation of our high streets rather than helping/encouraging high streets recover. I really feel for small businesses and independent traders.

Off-street response – Reference number 1267

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1268

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1269

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1270

I object to the proposed changes.

Any increase will result in fewer people accessing the local facilities.

Off-street response – Reference number 1271

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1273

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1274

I object to the proposed changes.

People will stop using the high street closure of more businesses and detrimental to the town

Off-street response – Reference number 1275

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1276

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1277

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1282

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1284

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1285

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1288

I object to the proposed changes.

Due to inflation and the increase in costs for basic essentials (food, energy, council tax etc.) people have less disposable income.

Off-street response – Reference number 1290

I object to the proposed changes.

Research shows that such increase in price and times decreased footfalls to the stress and or shops need shoppers and restaurants customers.

Off-street response – Reference number 1292

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1293

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1294

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1298

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1300

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1301

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1303

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1306

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1307

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1308

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1309

I object to the proposed changes.

I feel that there should be some free street parking so customers can just pop into shops without an additional charge. A limit of an hour or two could be imposed.

Off-street response – Reference number 1311

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1312

I object to the proposed changes.

The town is struggling enough without putting people off visiting because of higher parking charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 1313

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1314

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1318

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1320

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking is already expensive in Tonbridge and you will drive people away not attract them in. The High St is in a terrible state of decline and it's very sad to see.

Off-street response – Reference number 1322

I object to the proposed changes.

Tonbridge needs visitors to the High Street. Increased charges will only lead to its further demise.

Surrounding towns eg Sevenoaks and Tunbridge Wells have plenty of roads where one car park free for 2 hours.

Off-street response – Reference number 1326

I object to the proposed changes.

Getting out into the countryside is well-documented as being good for people's mental and physical health, and so I am concerned that increasing parking for Hayesden Country Park will stop people being able to enjoy this amazing amenity in our community, and believe that the council should be encouraging people to use it rather than charging people to do so.

Off-street response – Reference number 1328

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1330

I object to the proposed changes.

What services exactly? The drains are not cleared, the roads and pavements are a mess, the lights with the new bulbs give such a limited circle of light you need 4 times as many, the public lavs were not serviced. Just what do you do with the car parking money?

Off-street response – Reference number 1331

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking in Tonbridge is already prohibitively expensive, especially relative to the quality of shopping we have in town.

Off-street response – Reference number 1332

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1334

I object to the proposed changes.

Unless charging is introduced in Snodland, Larkfield and Aylesford I disagree with increasing charges in Tonbridge

Off-street response – Reference number 1335

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1338

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1339

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1340

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1342

I object to the proposed changes.

Profiteering.

Off-street response – Reference number 1344

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1346

I object to the proposed changes.

I spent £21 last week to do shopping, contact friends and do charity work: ridiculous. The use of a bus was inappropriate to the activities.

I also object to paying an additional fee, presumably to RINGO, for the use of online booking. Additionally, I no longer get any money back when shopping in Sainsburys.

Off-street response – Reference number 1349

I object to the proposed changes.

Drivers are taxed everywhere, fuel, tax, insurance, VAT...parking charges seem unfair!

Off-street response – Reference number 1350

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1351

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1354

I object to the proposed changes.

Increasing charges will deter people from coming to the town, there will be less shoppers and less visitors. Consequently less being spent and more shops closing. Are you trying to kill off the high street completely?

Off-street response – Reference number 1357

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1358

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1359

I object to the proposed changes.

To expensive your killing the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 1361

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1362

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1363

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1364

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1365

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1366

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1367

I object to the proposed changes.

Against this greediness

Off-street response – Reference number 1369

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1370

I object to the proposed changes.

The increase in parking fees will put people off coming into town to shop, have coffee etc with friends.... Use the facilities! I will shop more online and certainly meet friends out of town where there are no charges! There are enough empty shops or charity shops as it is!!

Off-street response – Reference number 1371

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1373

I support the proposed changes.

I accept parking charges may need to increase but not to the extent of destroying the High Street businesses any further.

Off-street response – Reference number 1374

I object to the proposed changes.

More expensive parking will deter visitors spending much time in the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 1375

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1376

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1378

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1379

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1381

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1382

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1383

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1385

I object to the proposed changes.

I object as Parking is already expensive as it is. Local Residents should have reduced parking fees as we need to access local businesses in the town but can't always due to high parking charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 1386

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1387

I object to the proposed changes.

We are all struggling with the cost of living this needs to be controlled. The parking for example in Sevenoaks is excessive and has stopped me using the town and supporting the local economy

Off-street response – Reference number 1391

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1392

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1393

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1395

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1397

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1398

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1399

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1402

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1403

I object to the proposed changes.

Charging for parking on Sundays and Bank Holidays is going to a serious negative effect of The Slade area of the town. If these charges come in then The Slade area should become a Residents Only Parking area ALL DAY Sundays otherwise the Residents will not be able to park within the area that we all pay for due to visitors taking any or all free parking within The Slade as a 1st choice rather than using the carparks!

Off-street response – Reference number 1404

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1405

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1406

I object to the proposed changes.

The charges suggested are disproportionate and individually illogical.

Tonbridge town centre traders will suffer loss of trade further depressing the standards of shopping

Off-street response – Reference number 1408

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1409

I object to the proposed changes.

I used to work in tonbridge, but swapped my place of work to crowborough as it's cheaper to drive there and park for free than it is to park in tonbridge. I still shop in tonbridge on a Sunday, but if parking charges were to be introduced, I would not. I can park in paddock wood or crowborough for free. I still know lots of people that work in tonbridge, and their parking costs have escalated as all the free on street parking has been restricted. You'll end up driving workers and customers out of the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 1410

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1411

I object to the proposed changes.

Everything costs enough right now.

Off-street response – Reference number 1412

I object to the proposed changes.

We already pay enough through our council tax and I feel this increase is not justified.

Off-street response – Reference number 1415

I object to the proposed changes.

Increasing or introducing parking charges to towns that are already on the brink of dilapidation will only make things worse. If anything free parking should be increased to encourage shoppers to come into town more often.

Off-street response – Reference number 1417

I object to the proposed changes.

The town centre is already struggling. Increasing the charges will deter people from coming into the town, impacting the viability of businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 1422

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1425

I object to the proposed changes.

Care needs to be taken, how many high streets are in decline, so stop screwing the shoppers who do support local shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 1426

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1427

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking around the Slade area outside of resident restriction times is becoming increasingly difficult. I sometime struggle to find adequate parking during weekend times and evenings due to non-residents parking or some drivers thinking it is acceptable to take up space for two cars!

If you are to increase the rates for permits, I would like to see an increase in the times for resident only parking in the Slade area of Tonbridge. Putting this down to increased cost is not acceptable neither - the roads around here are not private and do not need running costs or security as you mention. All I can see are traffic wardens so if these increases are to pay for these people, I strongly object.

Off-street response – Reference number 1428

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1429

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1430

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1431

I object to the proposed changes.

Given most people seem to pay electronically now, which involves minimal resources and staff, I struggle to see how costs have increased that much. Fees are already too high, it certainly puts me off coming into the high street. A lot of the time I need to quickly pop somewhere, so would be parked for less than half an hour, but the cost isn't worth it so I rarely bother and shop out of town or online instead.

Off-street response – Reference number 1433

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1434

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1435

I object to the proposed changes.

We pay enough also, the O2 mobile signal is atrocious in Tonbridge Town centre. It is impossible sometimes to use the parking apps. Can pressure be put on O2 to rectify the signal.

Off-street response – Reference number 1436

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1437

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1439

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1441

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1442

I object to the proposed changes.

Why? What will it achieve other than further income?

Off-street response – Reference number 1443

I object to the proposed changes.

Cost of living is currently high. Highest current rate of VED and taxes in history.

Off-street response – Reference number 1444

I object to the proposed changes.

They are already expensive especially for people on low incomes.

Off-street response – Reference number 1445

I object to the proposed changes.

Cost of living is expensive enough without increasing charges to park. High streets will disappear if you keep increasing charges when our own money does not increase.

Off-street response – Reference number 1446

I object to the proposed changes.

TMBC is not analysing the root cause of the issues raised. There is clearly high demand for parking in town centres. This is good for business & a thriving community.

However, the council is not properly analysing the problem. Why is there so much low turnover parking? What other options are there?

Knee-jerk responses such as those proposed are short sighted and inadequate.

Off-street response – Reference number 1447

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1448

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1449

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1450

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1451

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1453

I object to the proposed changes.

A small increase in council tax would be sufficient rather than a daily cost which will cause more upset.

Off-street response – Reference number 1454

(no comment supplied)

The options above are divisive - I support a revision of the charges but only to lesser charges. There is no option for that. See below.

Off-street response – Reference number 1457

I object to the proposed changes.

The current car parking charges have reduced the amount of people using Tonbridge High Street resulting mainly in very poor quality shops, too many charity shops and almost no fashion shops at all. To increase the charges would be catastrophic to the retailers trying to make a living.

Off-street response – Reference number 1458

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1460

I object to the proposed changes.

Council parking charges are reasonable mostly and I still feel ok about using the car parks an increase without an increase of spaces seems to be money grabbing in a time people need relaxed fees to access services.

Off-street response – Reference number 1461

I object to the proposed changes.

We need people to keep the high street alive and increasing charges will not help that

Off-street response – Reference number 1462

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1464

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1468

I object to the proposed changes.

I use the carparks to attend exercise classes at the Angel Centre, it is already a very expensive addition to the membership fees and there is a real risk that people will exercise less as a result. I am also concerned about the effects for the high street shops, which already face a lot of competition from the stores on the industrial estate which all offer free parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1470

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1471

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking charges in Tonbridge are already ridiculously high. It puts people off visiting.

Off-street response – Reference number 1472

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1473

I support the proposed changes.

Charging for parking, where necessary, should not create a cost to the local taxpayers. However, the council should bear in mind that the purpose of the charges should not be to generate revenue but to cover the costs of parking enforcement.

Off-street response – Reference number 1474

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1475

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1476

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1477

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1478

I object to the proposed changes.

We need to encourage more shoppers and visitors

Off-street response – Reference number 1481

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1482

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1483

I support the proposed changes.

Also add the 12 month Long stay season ticket to the Sovereign Way Mid carpark - or allow the season ticket to cover Mid and North.

Off-street response – Reference number 1484

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1486

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1487

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1488

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1491

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1494

I object to the proposed changes.

Any increase should only be made if costs are more than income. They should not be increased to raise money for the council.

Off-street response – Reference number 1495

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1496

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1497

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1498

I object to the proposed changes.

Increased parking charges will send visitors elsewhere. TMBC should be commended on the incredible calendar of events provided to encourage visitors. This initiative directly juxtaposes these Council initiatives.

Separately, the use of the app would be less frustrating if users can select just 20 minutes of parking (for example) and preview the cost of this rather than the existing 1 hour minimums along with only seeing the cost at the final click-through window. Apps have incredibly functionality and the decision not to offer both these options is not because it isn't possible.

Off-street response – Reference number 1499

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1500

I object to the proposed changes.

In essence I have no objections to residents getting permits or increasing the number of pay and display bays. However If you make these car parks more expensive for the general commuter more people will use the few roads around Tonbridge that are not permitted - mine being one. This is frustrating, annoying and unsafe on these roads and always feels like an anomaly. I would welcome residents permits on all roads to combat this and then make the formalised car parks cheaper to local nearby residents but more expensive to others.

Off-street response – Reference number 1501

I object to the proposed changes.

Please think seriously about this proposal the state of the economy and the impact it is having on society atm.

Most families unless on the high paid sector are struggling to make ends meet and the use of food banks has increased significantly. As a nation we need to be mindful of this!

Off-street response – Reference number 1503

I support the proposed changes.

The charges have remained the same for a number of years, and a small increase is acceptable in line with the cost of running those spaces efficiently. However, card Payment options would be welcome on machines, as it's very difficult to find small change these days. Especially as Sainsbury's and Waitrose no longer refund fees in actual coins anymore. I know you would encourage us to download the app for payment, but many of us don't trust this option since the last payment app suffered data leaks. Also with the app, the fees are higher and there is no refund option at the supermarket.

Off-street response – Reference number 1504

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1505

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1506

I object to the proposed changes.

The parking in Tonbridge is already hugely expensive and very off putting to actually going to the Town to shop of attend events.

Off-street response – Reference number 1508

I object to the proposed changes.

Life is already very expensive and this won't help.

Off-street response – Reference number 1509

I object to the proposed changes.

My objection is to making charges until 8.00pm rather than 6.00pm and introducing charges on Sunday and Bank Holidays. The pubs and restaurants these car parks serve will be affected and in West Malling traders and customers at the monthly farmers market will be adversely affected after all the efforts put in to make this market a success.

Off-street response – Reference number 1510

I object to the proposed changes.

Small business and local shops should be protected from more increased charges. Shoppers and visitors to Tonbridge should be encouraged to come to Tonbridge, not put off

Off-street response – Reference number 1517

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1520

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1521

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1522

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1524

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1525

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1526

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1527

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1528

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1529

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1530

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1531

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1532

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1533

I object to the proposed changes.

when making a decision as to where to shop/visit as a pensioner, cost is a big factor. The success of Lidl/Aldi etc is to a certain extent due to free parking at their sites. Conversely the proliferation of empty premises on the high street are due to cost and availability of parking (and of course sky high business rates which go directly to the council)

Off-street response – Reference number 1536

I object to the proposed changes.

I believe car park charges are a contributory factor to the demise of the high street. Increasing parking charges when the cost of living is so high is detrimental to both businesses and customers.

Off-street response – Reference number 1540

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1541

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1542

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1543

I object to the proposed changes.

The Council says it wants to support our flagging Tonbridge High Street. Yet there is nowhere to park near the High Street without parking charges. On the other hand, the parking areas off Cannon Lane - in front of Aldi and B&M, and M&S, Halfords, etc. are all free. That is a significant disadvantage for the High Street shops (and may explain, at least in part, why many remain unoccupied). This situation will only be exacerbated by raising the parking charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 1548

I object to the proposed changes.

charges on a sunday will all but kill off the town centre. look around tonbridge high street. it needs to encourage people to shop, not deter them with further charges.

Also, the minimum 4 hour ticket for Haysden park is discriminatory and blocks a lot of visitors ho may only want an hour. Why not make it more accessible financially? parking charges aRE RUINING HIGH STREETS AND NEIGHBOURHOODS.

Off-street response – Reference number 1552

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1553

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1554

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1555

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1556

I object to the proposed changes.

see the comments above

Off-street response – Reference number 1557

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1558

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1559

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1560

I object to the proposed changes.

I think it is a shame that there is so little free parking in Tonbridge compared to Tunbridge Wells and Sevenoaks. It is impossible just to nip out of the car for a quick pint of milk or to post a letter. It has been possible to get a parking refund from supermarkets etc, but only if you have a ticket, not if you paid online. As we are increasingly becoming a cash free society, this means that it proves difficult to get a refund.

Off-street response – Reference number 1561

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1562

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1563

I object to the proposed changes.

Tonbridge high street is no longer worth visiting. Loss of four banks, no decent shops. Fine if you want charity shops, coffee shops or hairdressers. My daughter lives in Ely where they have free parking. They have a good selection of shops as well as thriving markets both mid-week and Saturdays. If you want a dead high street then catty on increasing your parking charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 1564

I object to the proposed changes.

The car park off Norman Road which is supposed to be for the school and recreation area needs sorting! A pay a display for any vehicle staying longer than 90 minutes. This allows for parents that need to pop in for a meeting at the school or MOP that want to walk their dogs in the area. At the moment the vehicles in the car park are parked in the morning and left the whole day while the owners use the town or work in the town! A simple ANPR camera similar to the main WM car park would police this.

Off-street response – Reference number 1565

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1567

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1568

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1570

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking in Tonbridge has become so expensive that I avoid going in to Town to do any shopping. I prefer to shop locally and support local businesses, but the cost of doing so is putting me off. It would be interesting to see if the High Street would be more popular if limited free parking was available, possibly for the first hour (Paddock Wood is a good example of how this can be managed)

Off-street response – Reference number 1571

I object to the proposed changes.

The charges should be held to continue the support of the local economy at the lower end of the duration stays (2hrs max). To prevent those using car parks for commuting, the charge should be extended to discourage the use of council car parks to take money out of the local economy.

Off-street response – Reference number 1572

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1573

I object to the proposed changes.

Charges are quite high at the moment. Higher fees will deter people from coming into town and so shops will suffer. If someone is going to London for the day it will add considerable cost.

Off-street response – Reference number 1574

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1575

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1576

I support the proposed changes.

My support and comments are restricted to Tonbridge, and exclude Haysden. I question whether the categorisation of some car parks as Short Stay and others as Long Stay is truly warranted. [1] The physical difference between Upper and Lower Castle Fields is minimal. Likewise the difference between Angel, Botany and the Sovereign Way car parks is minimal. [2] The cost difference between short and long is negligible, certainly up to 3 hours. Does the number of people parking for longer than 3 hours justify this distinction? Couldn't we introduce a 30min charge across all the car parks (Groups 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7)?

Off-street response – Reference number 1577

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1578

I object to the proposed changes.

The proposed increase is 14% which is above the current rate of inflation. Increasing parking charges makes shopping in the centre of Tonbridge and other smaller centres less attractive pushing more shoppers to use out of town sites. The High Street is dying and this adds to making it less attractive/ financially viable to shop in these area. You can't really use the Angel Centre for less than 2 hours so this adds £3.20 to every visit. Use it or Lose it is often quoted and the cost of parking becomes prohibitive. I don't live in Tonbridge and the bus service is too unreliable and infrequent to make it a good alternative.

Off-street response – Reference number 1582

I object to the proposed changes.

The cost is already prohibitive to shoppers and people using some of the Angel Facilities (adding to the losses of the Centre) local retailers suffer as consumers travel by car (higher pollution due to distance) to trading estates in Tunbridge Wells Borough offering free parking. More creative parking solutions should be found than just increasing prices that further damage our high street

Off-street response – Reference number 1584

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1586

I object to the proposed changes.

Prices for parking have been steadily rising and 80 p for 30 minutes is too much . The only way to recoup car parking is to spend over £10 in supermarkets, but many elderly make short simple trips more than once a week because they can't cope with big heavy shops and therefore end up spending a lot of money in a week on car parking .

I don't object to higher costs for longer stays like two or three hours but please for the sake of the elderly keep the cost for 30 mins and 1 hour parking down . I also would like to propose that one carpark in Tonbridge at least has the same protocol as Paddock Wood . Free for the first 30 mins then a fair charge for longer . If you are worried about the money, you will soon recoup it in fines for people who forget and overstay 30 minutes!

Off-street response – Reference number 1587

I object to the proposed changes.

We all pay enough for parking in tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 1589

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1591

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1592

I object to the proposed changes.

It only costs £4 for 3 hrs parking in Tunbridge Wells Royal Victoria Place. You already charge more than that - & now propose to charge £4.80! You're killing the shops in Tonbridge & the amenity of the town. Already Tonbridge is becoming a shopping ghost town with very poor choice. The shopping variety in T/W is far superior to Tonbridge. Why pay more for less? Why would businesses want to open or even continue here, if footfall decreases further?

There are other ways to increase revenue from parking - see my suggestions in a Q5.

Instead of increasing - you need to incentivise residents to park/shop in Tonbridge, by offering cheap or free carnets of parking tickets. Many Councils have done this in outer London boroughs & their high streets are thriving. More footfall = more shops = more business rates for Councils. You're shooting yourselves in the foot with this policy & causing more isolation & higher living costs for elderly & vulnerable.

Off-street response – Reference number 1593

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1594

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1595

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1596

I object to the proposed changes.

Is the Council just trying to raise money? Does it see Parking as a cash cow?

Off-street response – Reference number 1597

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1598

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1599

I object to the proposed changes.

If charges are increased who can afford to pay and support the high st

Off-street response – Reference number 1601

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1602

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1603

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1605

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1606

I object to the proposed changes.

Shopping by car in Tonbridge is unpleasant enough as it is - without this. I know Tonbridge residents who already choose to shop elsewhere to avoid the ridiculous congestion, closed & poor choice shops, & anti-social behaviour. If you increase parking charges again - more will abandon Tonbridge & town centre will deteriorate further, & you will lose even more revenue as more shops close. Why bother with Tonbridge when there's far better shopping elsewhere - with cheaper parking too? (eg T/Wells). Sevenoaks also better - some interesting one-off shops & an excellent supermarket right on the High St. And retail parks are free! So why bother to walk across from Sainsbury's in Tonbridge, to a High St that offers nothing & where parking is so expensive?

Off-street response – Reference number 1608

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1609

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1610

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1611

I object to the proposed changes.

More tax on residents when everything else has gone up in cost. Councils must support residents not tax them more through any means possible.

Off-street response – Reference number 1612

I support the proposed changes.

Make the 1st hour free to encourage use of local businesses and essential services eg collection of prescriptions.

If I had to fact about finding change of booking on my phone to park for 30 mins to collect a takeaway for 5 mins I would stop using local businesses.

I had to pay 30p once to take my cat to be put to sleep & stopping to pay whilst the cat was in pain & myself and the children were so sad was upsetting.

Off-street response – Reference number 1613

I object to the proposed changes.

No one needs any further increased costs in this current economic crisis

Off-street response – Reference number 1614

I object to the proposed changes.

Cost enough already

Off-street response – Reference number 1615

I object to the proposed changes.

Increases in hourly rates at the same time as increasing the hours and days being charged are a triple whammy for residents of Tonbridge.

I don't much care for the business of Sainsburies as they have done nothing for the improvement of Tonbridge and infact have detracted from it by doing nothing, but I do care about the Angel Centre. This is the beating heart of the town, a place where people go to be healthy and stay fit and well, they should not be penslised for needing to park whilst using it.

For those using the gym for one hour classes in the evening, we would have to pay for 2 hours parking to enable us to ve in class the full hour.The increase in charges will affect restaurants and pubs whose customers will have to pay up to 8pm for parking. This will not encourage more people to come to our town in the evening.

If charges must increase then Tonbridge must move with the times and install touch card payment machines. The palaver that is the parking app is far too complicated and totally useless for any one off tourist visitors.I fail to see how extending the hours would increase revenue when the council would need to employ attendants for longer hours to enforce this.

I also believe more people will seek to park on the roads which will cause town centre residents more issues for parking close to their homes.

Off-street response – Reference number 1616

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1617

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1618

I object to the proposed changes.

I understand charges need to go up but think 20 p is a deterrent for an already failing high street.

Sunday charging will kill the town centre completely!

Off-street response – Reference number 1620

I object to the proposed changes.

I refer you to Tom Tugendhat MP's recent 'Tonbridge Messenger' document in which he addresses the problems affecting Tonbridge Town Centre. Increases in parking charges at this time will only worsen the attractiveness of Tonbridge as a town to visit in person and will result in people increasing their 'on-line' shopping activities. It will be to the detriment of local High Street, and other businesses, and will worsen the commercial and leisure situations for Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 1621

I object to the proposed changes.

The town Center is currently struggling with many shops closing. I believe this change will make people less likely to shop in the Town Center and reduce District Council revenue.

We are currently in a cost of living crisis and this act will exclude households experiencing financial difficulty who do not live in walking distance of the town and have no excess funds for parking from the town center. It's an exclusionary act in a very mixed town in terms of income.

To support a green environment and move towards net zero as well as support Kent Business I believe we should encourage people to buy local produce. This will help to regenerate high streets, and cut down on transport costs, lower carbon admissions and keep money in Kent (Tonbridge.)

I think places like bluewater get more customers because they have free parking. Tonbridge already has very few places people who have a household income of under £16,190 can park for free.

Off-street response – Reference number 1622

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1624

I object to the proposed changes.

The current prices are already high and killing the town, turning it into an area of charity and coffee shops. People go to Sainsbury's and Waitrose when it is free as the costs are already too high. I only go to the town on Sundays because of the cost. So in future I won't bother at all.

If you want the High Street to be used reduce the pricing, make it free for the first hour everywhere. Otherwise all that will happen is that people will go elsewhere, the shops will close and the town will die even more! Think just how many independent shops have already gone.

Also charging after 6pm is just mean. It will cost more to enforce than you will get in returns. Adult Education in the evenings will see fewer people if they have to pay to park. The Angle Centre and Swimming Pools will be used less if people have to pay to park. Fewer people will eat out in town, use the supermarkets..... It is just short sighted.

Off-street response – Reference number 1626

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1627

I support the proposed changes.

do not make it seven days Tonbridge will die on Sunday if you do. this is why people go to out of town trading estates for the free parking. at the moment Tonbridge is buzzing on a Sunday. more local shops will not open. In this present climate we should be looking at ways to make local shopping easier

Off-street response – Reference number 1628

I object to the proposed changes.

This will ensure I now shop in Tunbridge Wells.

Off-street response – Reference number 1631

I object to the proposed changes.

Unfortunately this will no doubt result in driving people away from the town centre. To stop people parking overnight/long stay etc why not have the first 30 minutes free and then introduce charges?

Off-street response – Reference number 1632

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1633

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1635

I object to the proposed changes.

Charges are already high and also deter me and others from using the Angel Centre gym as every 1 hour session costs £2.80 parking. (Could you make a 1 hour 15 minute slot available?) Not good for public health. I also avoid shopping in town and on the High Street as a result of parking charges.

Now Sainsburys has changed its refund policy that also has a negative effect on town centre shopping.

Off-street response – Reference number 1636

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1637

I support the proposed changes.

Charges should only apply up to 6pm

Off-street response – Reference number 1638

I object to the proposed changes.

It is already very costly to park in Tonbridge. I don't see why we should have to pay more. The council should be investing in electric bus services to encourage those that can to take the bus.

Off-street response – Reference number 1639

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking is too expensive as it is and puts people off parking in car parks, they will try to find alternative free parking which will congest side roads which are already over congested. We should be encouraging people to shop in Tonbridge not put them off, we need to save the high street

Off-street response – Reference number 1640

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking charges have been rising much faster than inflation in recent years, which should have been entirely sufficient to (more than) cover the first claimed reason for the consultation, namely increases in your costs.

It is a great shame that the consultation is so disingenuous and is inventing silly reasons for raising parking charges. Most people know that TMBC is facing severe financial problems due to Government policies, and that charging for parking is one of the few unregulated ways in which additional revenue can be generated. Most people would understand that higher charges are an understandable though unwelcome response to that. Please try to be honest with your electors.

Off-street response – Reference number 1641

I object to the proposed changes.

Unfortunately the high street is already struggling and if the parking charges are extended this will deter people from using Tonbridge even further. Many people use the car parks to collect children and to access the supermarkets in the evenings plus leisure facilities in the park, the pool and the Angel centre both after 6pm and on Sundays. Quite often people go into town for breakfast on a Sunday or play football/rugby then have lunch. If they have to pay for parking they either won't go to the park etc or won't use the facilities afterwards ie having breakfast or lunch therefore impacting businesses significantly.

I think if these changes are introduced it will be detrimental to the future of the high street. Would it not be better to offer everyone 2 free hours parking to get people in to town to generate revenue instead of increasing parking charges to 8pm which seems ridiculous. Also charging on Sundays will mean people will go elsewhere instead of into Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 1642

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1643

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1644

I object to the proposed changes.

The town needs reasonable parking to encourage use of shops and eating places, or they will fade away

Off-street response – Reference number 1645

I object to the proposed changes.

At a time where the cost of living has never been harder, why would you think it's a good idea to raise rates and probably deter people from shopping in an already declining town centre? You should be encouraging people to come to Tonbridge. If you're short on money I suspect it's because of how you've wasted it.

Off-street response – Reference number 1646

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1647

I object to the proposed changes.

Tonbridge high street is in direct competition with North Farm retail park where it is free to park. Increasing parking fees in the town will only further deter shoppers and send them to North Farm where they can park and shop for free. What can be done to attract more shoppers? What incentives can be given?

Off-street response – Reference number 1648

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1649

I object to the proposed changes.

We need more footfall in Tonbridge To help local traders these changes will not help but make shop out of town

Off-street response – Reference number 1650

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1651

I object to the proposed changes.

In principle I understand the need to increase charges in line with inflation (max). However, I object for two reasons:

- 1) Despite searching for the relevant minutes and relevant docs, I could not see what the proposed increases are. I therefore have no idea of the size of the proposed increase is and it feels like the Council is trying to sneak through a significant rise (why not provide a link in this consolation to a doc that clearly sets out charges?)
- 2) With so many other shopping area and larger towns within easy reach of Tonbridge and West Malling, everything should be done to encourage people to come here and not deter them.

Off-street response – Reference number 1652

I object to the proposed changes.

Tonbridge is already more expensive than other areas to park.

Off-street response – Reference number 1653

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1654

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1655

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1656

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1657

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1660

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking charges have already been increased relatively recently. In addition, I believe that Tonbridge High Street would suffer even more from the additional parking charges. Why pay to park and go shopping in town when you can easily drive to the retail park in Tunbridge Wells (or even pay to park for less in TW), where there is a larger variety of shops? This is no way of looking after and regenerating Tonbridge High Street. Why not consider special rates for residents and businesses? This would encourage more footfall and perhaps also entice new business in the area. We sorely need better clothes shops as opposed to more charity shops!

Off-street response – Reference number 1661

I object to the proposed changes.

This is a money making scheme for the council. Targeting the residents with another stealth tax because they can't budget the taxes efficiently and shifting the burden on to the residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 1662

I object to the proposed changes.

I understand increases may be needed but not extra hours or Sundays or bank hols

Off-street response – Reference number 1663

I object to the proposed changes.

This is the way you will kill the high street and local shops. People will go to cheaper areas to park to use the shops. You may gain revenue this way but will lose it in Business rates and people spending in the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 1664

I object to the proposed changes.

If you wish to increase parking charges, improve the provision of public transport services. Due to the poor public transport in the town, parking in the town centre is a necessity.

Off-street response – Reference number 1665

I object to the proposed changes.

For many people parking in the town is a necessity due to the poor public transport services available. ie if the buses provided an adequate service this would negate some people's need to park.

Off-street response – Reference number 1666

I support the proposed changes.

It is fair to review charges from time to time.

Off-street response – Reference number 1669

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1670

I object to the proposed changes.

I object to any additional charges and costs on motorists , motorists already have heavy financial burdens and we are not just here as a cash cow to milk.

Off-street response – Reference number 1672

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1673

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1674

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1677

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1681

I object to the proposed changes.

This will disincline people to visit our high street.

Off-street response – Reference number 1682

I object to the proposed changes.

This would have negative impact on those least able to afford such increases. Also to those with low level mobility issues who are not registered as disabled.

Off-street response – Reference number 1683

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1684

I object to the proposed changes.

It'll kill local shopping, how ridiculous

Off-street response – Reference number 1685

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1686

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1687

I object to the proposed changes.

Greed, greed, greed.

Off-street response – Reference number 1688

I object to the proposed changes.

It would be coming at a time when the cost of living has increased significantly.

Off-street response – Reference number 1689

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1690

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1691

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1692

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1693

I object to the proposed changes.

The town has a limited amount of shops to attract visitors and an increase would further detract from any need to visit. Having lived here for over 25 years weve witnessed the decline of the high street and no longer feel the need to use the car parks regularly as they are so expensive. Friends and family that would once have visoted the town now visit Maidstone or Tunbridge Wells.

Off-street response – Reference number 1694

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1697

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1698

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1700

I object to the proposed changes.

Car parking fees are already high. Any further increase could be detrimental to the mainly small local businesses. The council need to support our high streets

Off-street response – Reference number 1701

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1703

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1704

I object to the proposed changes.

How can people afford the cost

Off-street response – Reference number 1705

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1707

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1708

I object to the proposed changes.

Cost of living is already expensive and businesses are already struggling. Increasing parking charges won't help anyone

Off-street response – Reference number 1711

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1712

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1713

I object to the proposed changes.

It will mean people attending town churches will have to pay to park

Off-street response – Reference number 1714

I object to the proposed changes.

Residents across the Borough and beyond are struggling with the cost of living crisis already, not the time to increase charges. So many shops are already closing in what was such a vibrant and lovely high street, this would put off more shoppers which would effect trade

Off-street response – Reference number 1715

I object to the proposed changes.

The prices need to be lower than Tunbridge Wells and Sevenoaks by a considerable margin in order to draw people in to the town. Full parking charges on weekends will crush the leisure market.

Off-street response – Reference number 1716

I object to the proposed changes.

Increase charges but not the times at which they are free.

Off-street response – Reference number 1717

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1718

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1719

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1720

I object to the proposed changes.

I would support this, so long as the short term charges (2-3hrs) are low (in the order of £1 per hour) to still support the local shops and high street. Otherwise, TMBC will be killing off our High Streets and reducing their (our) revenue in the longer term with reduced business income and higher crime rates /cost. Once the high street has deteriorated,

then it will be impossible to recover. Parking charges are a very important part of one's choice of shopping destination.

Off-street response – Reference number 1722

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking fees should not increase - this will deter people who may then take their valuable business elsewhere to the detriment of the high street businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 1724

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1726

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1730

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1731

I object to the proposed changes.

We are suppose to be supporting local businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 1732

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1733

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1734

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1735

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1736

(no comment supplied)

This does not have an impact on Thornhills Medical Practice

Off-street response – Reference number 1737

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1738

I object to the proposed changes.

It will discourage visitors from coming to the T&MBC area and drive locals to do their business outside the T&MBC area.

In the last few years, six friends of mine (three separate couples) came to Tonbridge to join me for lunch at one of the High Street café /restaurants once a month. They, now, all refuse to come to Tonbridge because of the high parking charges. I now travel to Frant, Crowborough and Maidstone each month for lunch with each couple in a café or pub in those areas - FREE parking available in all these places.

Off-street response – Reference number 1739

I support the proposed changes.

Seems fair to increase the prices by small amounts over time.

Off-street response – Reference number 1740

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1743

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1744

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1745

I object to the proposed changes.

Already costs enough

Off-street response – Reference number 1747

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1748

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1749

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1750

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1751

I support the proposed changes.

I recognise that there is a need for the council to generate more income and the increases seem reasonable.

Off-street response – Reference number 1752

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1753

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking the car is already expensive so risk driving more people away to the likes of North Farm where parking is free.

Off-street response – Reference number 1754

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1755

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1757

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1758

I support the proposed changes.

Only if it stops you paving over green spaces.

Off-street response – Reference number 1760

I object to the proposed changes.

Charging for short term stays will have a detrimental effect on local West Malling retailers who need every support they can get. They are essential for a thriving local community. And they pay rates! The proposal would also encourage longer term parking in presently short term spaces which again is detrimental to local shops in West Malling. By all means, increase charges in the longer term car parks if money is the be all and end all, but don't do it to the detriment of small local retailers!

Off-street response – Reference number 1763

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1765

I object to the proposed changes.

absolutely outrageous , especially removing free parking on Sundays and bank holidays

will start to use out of town shops where there is free parking

Off-street response – Reference number 1766

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1767

I object to the proposed changes.

If charges keep going up then people will ho to the industrial estate in Tonbridge or Twells where parking is free and will avoid the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 1768

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1769

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1770

I object to the proposed changes.

Car parking is already expensive an increase I see as greed also I feel the disabled parking should be chargeable with less disabled spaces as they are not used to there full extent.

Off-street response – Reference number 1771

I object to the proposed changes.

The reason for my objection is simple: the business case associated with this change and the impact assessment is not clear enough for any reasonable decision to be made.

For example:

How much additional revenue will the Council make from implementing these changes?

How will that revenue be spent?

What impact will the increase in charges have on footfall within the areas serviced by the car parking spaces in scope?

What proposals has the Council considered to reduce costs in other areas to offset the need to increase car parking charges? For example: restructuring Council operations to become more efficient and lower cost including reducing the number high income Council employees, offshoring, nearshoring, and automation.

Are there associated costs to increasing the charges? For example: less time spent browsing in shops, or dining in restaurants leading to lower spending within the areas serviced by the car parks. Or less use of leisure facilities leading to a decline in health in the area and higher mortality rate.

On the surface this just seems to be a lever that the Council thinks it can pull to generate more revenue without a detailed business case and impact assessment to support whether or not it will achieve whatever goals it's setting out to achieve.

I think those documents should be provided prior to going to the public for consultation.

Off-street response – Reference number 1772

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1773

I object to the proposed changes.

It is about time TMBC and other councils recognised the damaging impact hiking charges has upon the High Street. This can only be acceptable if it is accompanied by a wider refund/discount scheme supported by a significant number of retailers/businesses in the vicinity. Currently only Sainsbury's and Waitrose participate. The car parks are in large measure for their benefit and it is not unreasonable for them to support car parking costs in a way that should increase business. Other towns do it so why not Tonbridge?

Off-street response – Reference number 1774

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1775

I object to the proposed changes.

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As above.

Off-street response – Reference number 1776

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1777

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1778

I object to the proposed changes.

Cost of living crisis.

Off-street response – Reference number 1779

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1780

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1781

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1782

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1783

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1784

I object to the proposed changes.

They are set at a reasonable level already. This exercise is being undertaken just to raise overall revenue for the authority. The problem is that the net affect on local businesses by making either street or formal car parking difficult or expensive will be catastrophic certainly in respect of west Malling.

Off-street response – Reference number 1786

(no comment supplied)

The issue is not whether to revise the parking charges; it is to provide modern, reliable parking machines that are suitable for the modern world! They are often out of order, regularly fail to accept random coins, do not give change and do not accept card payments - which is essential in today's world. Increasingly people simply do not carry cash - even less so the correct coinage for the precise amount that particular car parks decide to charge. The app is a very poor substitute, given that it costs more, you cannot get a refund from supermarkets for the shopping time spent at their store, and their ability to function depends entirely on the whims of the local wifi service. Many older people use and always carry payment cards, but not all have smart phones. I am relatively tech savvy, yet I often struggle with parking apps. I would support the revised off-street parking charges...ONLY IF THE PAYMENT MACHINES ARE MODERNISED AND FULLY FIT FOR PURPOSE. Otherwise, I feel that an increase in tariffs will just deter people from using the high street.

Off-street response – Reference number 1787

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1788

I object to the proposed changes.

I couldn't easily see the proposed % change under consideration. I appreciate costs have increased over the last two years but such changes may encourage residents to shop elsewhere in the area where frankly there is more diversity in the type of shopping available.

Off-street response – Reference number 1791

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1793

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1794

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1795

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking outside your own home for yourself and your visitors is already expensive, another stealth tax on the home owner and motorists

Off-street response – Reference number 1796

I object to the proposed changes.

This proposal may deter people from visiting local town and village centres and make them less competitive and appealing than out-of-town centres. The Council needs to be supporting local shops and businesses through difficult times.

Off-street response – Reference number 1798

I object to the proposed changes.

The parking charges have gone up hugely in recent years and frequently stops me from shopping in town as a result, opting instead for out of town shops where parking is free. I believe that parking in Tonbridge for those who pay council tax in the town, should be free.

Off-street response – Reference number 1801

I object to the proposed changes.

Increasing prices will deter me from visiting the high street, swimming pool, park etc

Off-street response – Reference number 1802

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1803

I object to the proposed changes.

The town will die completely

Off-street response – Reference number 1805

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1806

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1807

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1808

I object to the proposed changes.

I believe the current charges are just about affordable for the short stay periods.

The cost of high street shopping has increased exponentially and increased parking fees will drive away shoppers to 'industrial type' shopping areas.

Off-street response – Reference number 1809

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1810

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1811

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1814

I object to the proposed changes.

Same as my answers above

Off-street response – Reference number 1815

I object to the proposed changes.

This reeks of cash generation.

Off-street response – Reference number 1816

I object to the proposed changes.

They are already very expensive and by using the Ringo they are even more expensive

Off-street response – Reference number 1817

I object to the proposed changes.

Reduced footfall of visitors to West Malling shops and businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 1818

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1819

I object to the proposed changes.

Increased charges increase the incentive for users to take their business elsewhere.

Off-street response – Reference number 1820

(no comment supplied)

Parking charges for those who pay by cash should be rounded to the nearest £, especially as most machines do not give change. Paying by card can be difficult or impossible for some people.

Off-street response – Reference number 1822

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1823

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1826

I object to the proposed changes.

I think the level of increase is excessive when taking into account also extending when such charges are applicable (which I support). It is also high time meters were upgraded to allow card payments as most other towns and cities support this. A shorter period should also be introduced for Haysden. I doubt many visitors are there for longer than an hour so how about offering one hour parking at the same rate as town car parks in addition to 4 hours.

Off-street response – Reference number 1828

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1829

I object to the proposed changes.

This will kill off trade in the local area and put more money into the pockets of the large retailers. Also there will be an increase in traffic.

Off-street response – Reference number 1830

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1831

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1832

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking charges in Tonbridge are already too high.

Off-street response – Reference number 1833

I object to the proposed changes.

Another increase in charges adds to the cost of a visit to Tonbridge High Street. It is not a relaxing experience when you need to rush back to your car before the ticket expires. The cost of driving and parking will exceed the cost of purchasing goods online and paying for postage. It makes visiting out of town shopping areas more attractive such as Newham Court, Maidstone and the Designer Outlet at Ashford. It feels like people who want to get out into the fresh air and make use of the Racecourse Sports Ground are being penalised for choosing to take part in exercise.

Off-street response – Reference number 1834

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1835

I object to the proposed changes.

This will be just another nail in the coffin for the High St. Why not allow one hour free parking and then charge a little more for longer periods

Off-street response – Reference number 1836

I object to the proposed changes.

Any revision of the parking charges will put people off coming to the town

Off-street response – Reference number 1837

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1838

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1840

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1842

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1843

I object to the proposed changes.

I understand the price increases to hour charges but you can't honestly justify a £35 to £385? Honestly in today's climate how do you come up with that number?

Off-street response – Reference number 1844

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1845

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1848

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1849

I object to the proposed changes.

In the current climate this would be politically suicidal.

Off-street response – Reference number 1850

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1852

I object to the proposed changes.

Increasing charges will be another reason for people to not use Tonbridge High Street and support local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 1854

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1856

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1857

I object to the proposed changes.

Cost of living is expensive enough without you charging more!!!!

Off-street response – Reference number 1859

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1861

I object to the proposed changes.

It is just another tax for a pensioner to pay.

Off-street response – Reference number 1862

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1864

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1865

I object to the proposed changes.

It's high enough.

Off-street response – Reference number 1866

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1869

I support the proposed changes.

Parking charges should only increase in line with costs and kept reasonable to avoid discouraging shoppers to visit the town centre

Off-street response – Reference number 1870

I object to the proposed changes.

Additional parking charges will damage the economy of Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 1871

I object to the proposed changes.

It's already expensive to park in town and so puts shoppers off using the high street. The council should be enticing residents to use the high street and hiking prices won't do this.

Off-street response – Reference number 1872

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1873

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1874

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1875

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1877

I object to the proposed changes.

TMBC is great for parking and I don't feel I am being ripped off which is encouraging to visit places often and I don't mind paying the current charges

Off-street response – Reference number 1878

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1879

I object to the proposed changes.

The overall effect on the will inevitably drive the foot fall down, lower sales and profits, and destroy the local shops. If businesses die so will your income from business rates

Off-street response – Reference number 1880

I object to the proposed changes.

A plan to increase parking charges and parking provision is counter intuitive- higher charged will further deter people driving into town, resulting in reduced need for capacity. This will put people off from driving into Tonbridge and choke local businesses and the high street further during a cost of living crisis.

Off-street response – Reference number 1881

I object to the proposed changes.

The level of charge already discourages me from visiting and shopping in West Malling I appreciate that local authorities are short of revenue but adding cost and hassle to parking in towns only makes it more likely that I will shop elsewhere. If other people avoid costly parking your retailers will be adversely affected.

Off-street response – Reference number 1882

I object to the proposed changes.

On one hand the TMBC is wanting to create more parking spaces and "encourage" more parking. Then on the other hand it's "discouraging" car park use by increasing the charges. There's a reason why many people don't go to Tunbridge Wells... its parking is too prohibitive. Also, it's MASSIVELY annoying that you cannot pay by card at the parking machines. Using the Parking App adds a big levy onto the rates as well. Please update your parking machines.

Off-street response – Reference number 1883

I object to the proposed changes.

I think the current charges are high enough and lead to me avoiding shopping in Tonbridge during car park charging periods. If I have to travel to London the parking charges for all day parking already add a considerable chunk to the costs of the journey.

Off-street response – Reference number 1884

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1888

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1889

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1891

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1892

I object to the proposed changes.

Like we're not all finding it hard enough to live, let alone extra charges for parking!

Off-street response – Reference number 1893

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1894

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1896

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1899

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1901

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1902

I object to the proposed changes.

Manage existing funds more efficiently. It's all a money making scheme

Off-street response – Reference number 1903

I object to the proposed changes.

Again it will drive more people to online shopping!

Off-street response – Reference number 1904

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1905

I object to the proposed changes.

This will really put people off visiting the town, harming businesses and the community.

Off-street response – Reference number 1906

I support the proposed changes.

As answered previously, this is not unreasonable to help the Council cover its costs.

Off-street response – Reference number 1913

I object to the proposed changes.

No to increasing parking charges. No need for it.

Off-street response – Reference number 1915

I object to the proposed changes.

They are extortionate already! If local businesses are to survive, and people encouraged to visit the town centres then parking should be free.

Off-street response – Reference number 1918

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1920

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking fees are extra taxes on an already squeezed community.

Off-street response – Reference number 1922

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1924

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1926

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1929

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1931

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1932

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1934

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1936

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1937

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1940

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1941

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1943

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1948

I object to the proposed changes.

The money is never used for the things that the road users need so I don't think you should be increasing anything.
The council has so much money from fines.

Off-street response – Reference number 1950

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1951

I object to the proposed changes.

I understand the councils are under increased cost burdens every year however this also translates to the public they serve.

Off-street response – Reference number 1952

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1953

I object to the proposed changes.

Cost of living crisis... really?

Off-street response – Reference number 1954

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1958

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1959

I object to the proposed changes.

Cost of parking is expensive enough

Off-street response – Reference number 1961

I object to the proposed changes.

The car parking is expensive enough already. Increasing charges will encourage people to abandon local shops and head for out of town shopping.

Off-street response – Reference number 1962

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1964

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1965

I object to the proposed changes.

Please don't be greedy - this is a cost of living crisis and you are forcing people into isolation at home or to shop online, killing our local economy

Off-street response – Reference number 1967

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1968

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1969

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1970

I object to the proposed changes.

Charges should an absolute minimum and we should support 1 - 2 hours free parking prior to charges being applied.
Charges are killing the high streets

Off-street response – Reference number 1971

I object to the proposed changes.

Everyone's struggling. Drivers are hit at every angle to pay out. Give us a break.

Off-street response – Reference number 1972

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1973

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1974

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1977

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1979

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1983

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1984

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1985

I object to the proposed changes.

Cost of living crisis !!!!

Off-street response – Reference number 1986

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1987

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1989

I object to the proposed changes.

They are already high enough and will put off shoppers from using the high streets whose retailers are already suffering.

Off-street response – Reference number 1991

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1992

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1993

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1997

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1998

I object to the proposed changes.

We pay too higher charges all ready. As a business owner, my time is currently governed by the hours charged on the app, rather than check in check out which then gave me flexibility to stay longer. We would also encourage more visitors if we had a policy of 30 minutes free parking which may lead to longer parking and therefore more income not only to the council by to the small businesses in Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 2002

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2004

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2005

I object to the proposed changes.

I believe you are already stretching Tonbridge and surrounding area residents with present charges and will put people off shopping in the high street

Off-street response – Reference number 2006

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2007

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2008

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2009

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2013

I object to the proposed changes.

We moved to Kent 12 years ago and we're shocked at parking charges. It's not even possible to get 30 mins free to pop to the shops. Where is the evidence that paying for parking supports local business? Those on low incomes will be most penalised. What does the council do with the funds raised from parking?

Off-street response – Reference number 2014

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2016

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2017

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2018

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2019

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2021

I support the proposed changes.

Reluctantly, I agree. But there should be some proportionate increase and have a justification. Often increases do not seem based on economics.

Off-street response – Reference number 2022

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2023

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2024

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2026

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2028

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2029

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2030

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2031

I object to the proposed changes.

You state shops open for 24hrs we do not in tonbridge have retail facilities open for 24hrs. By making these changes it will become too expensive to park and shop in the town and would make residents shop outside the area which would cripple our failing town. I for one would not be able to afford to pay these fees and by doing away with free parking will stop visitors to the town including myself. There is no way that extra costs involved would amount to the income you would generate by making these changes as most of the car parks are not kept in a satisfactory state for both car park users and pedestrians as it is now and we all know extra income already generated by parking tickets just lines tmhc pockets as will any changes

Off-street response – Reference number 2032

I object to the proposed changes.

The town already is nothing like the town it used to be and hitting the residents with even more charges when we are all suffering with the cost of living just shows the greed of the council and lack of understanding. A disgraceful idea yet again

Off-street response – Reference number 2033

I object to the proposed changes.

Simply put, I note that I no longer come into Tonbridge (or Sevenoaks for that matter) unless I have to. Why come into town when there are other places I can visit that don't charge me to park? My money can go further and I don't need to worry about spending a bit more time doing what I want to do. The High Street and local trade must be

suffering and putting charges up and not attracting people in are a part (not all) of the problem.

Off-street response – Reference number 2035

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2036

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2038

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2040

I object to the proposed changes.

People are already struggling and this will deter people from frequenting places and supporting the local economy

Off-street response – Reference number 2041

I object to the proposed changes.

So long as the increased charges accurately reflect the increased costs I have no objection. However I do object to the premium charged to use parking apps like Ringo.

Off-street response – Reference number 2043

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2044

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2048

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2050

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2051

I object to the proposed changes.

I completely object to increase parking fees. People pay enough council tax and other bills and can often see little value for money. Parking is a way for the council to show some generosity and awareness of the current economic situation. Many people have had no pay increase, in fact their income might have been reduced in the last 2 years. There is a cost of living crisis so increasing parking fees is most unwelcome. Parking allows residents and visitors to visit amenities, take part in activities, or simply go for a walk, or do shopping which is revenue for council and businesses alike.

Off-street response – Reference number 2052

I object to the proposed changes.

I will simply drive to Bluewater to shop where parking is free and there is a greater choice of shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 2053

I object to the proposed changes.

Increasing the cost, the chargeable time and the chargeable days all at the same time is a huge impact for low to middle income families. Parking cost is already a premium in Tonbridge compared to other areas around Kent and is a further discrimination to Tonbridge car users on top of other punitive measures TMBC and KCC have imposed against their wishes. The sunk cost of charging bays which are not being used and removes useable spaces is also an example of the folly of current policies!

Off-street response – Reference number 2054

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2056

I object to the proposed changes.

The town is suffering enough, if you continue to increase charges everywhere even less people will go into town. People should be encouraged to go to town.

Off-street response – Reference number 2057

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking charges are already at such a level that drivers are parking in residential roads to avoid paying excessive fees. This is unfair on local residents, and should be addressed by decreasing charges to encourage use of town centre parking provisions.

Off-street response – Reference number 2058

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2059

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2062

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2064

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2066

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2068

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2070

I support the proposed changes.

No one will mind a low cost fee to park for a short time to visit local shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 2071

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2072

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2073

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2074

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2076

I object to the proposed changes.

Bearing in mind the current economic challenges which everyone is experiencing, including TMBC, I understand why increasing the charges is attractive but do not believe now is the time to do this - the high st is being challenged sufficiently now and this will increase those challenges.

Off-street response – Reference number 2077

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2078

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2079

I support the proposed changes.

The council needs to make spaces bigger, cars are getting bigger, just look at new electric cars, and they are not getting smaller.

I would not object to paying a little bit more in a space that could accommodate my car without getting damaged.

Please consider developing some car parks with bigger spaces, where user pays a little more for a space where car does not get damaged.

Tonbridge is terrible for its car park spacing size.

Off-street response – Reference number 2080

I object to the proposed changes.

Tonbridge gets more visitors than T Wells as the parking charges are cheaper. Don't raise your charges or you'll end up like them and have less shops as customers don't visit

Off-street response – Reference number 2081

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2084

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2085

I object to the proposed changes.

It is already expensive to park in Tonbridge if visiting for a short amount of time and this will only serve to discourage people to come to our town and support local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 2088

I object to the proposed changes.

You will push people to shop out of town.

Off-street response – Reference number 2089

I object to the proposed changes.

You will just drive away even more Tonbridge shoppers to North Farm (free parking) and Bluewater. This proposal is so short sighted.

Off-street response – Reference number 2091

I object to the proposed changes.

This will start to dissuade people from visiting our town centres, which are already struggling. I think this idea is completely counter productive

Off-street response – Reference number 2092

I object to the proposed changes.

Local business needs to be supported. Increasing charges, where no charges should be made, adversely affects visitor numbers and discourages those who are financially challenged. Local business will suffer.

Off-street response – Reference number 2093

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2094

I object to the proposed changes.

The cost already puts me off going into town, it will be the death of the town if parking increases further.

Other councils I know of such as Cheshire, do free parking after 3pm in their car parks and this has revitalised the city centre and encouraged businesses to open stores there.

I feel for anyone trying to open a business in Tonbridge as people are being pushed to North Farm or the industrial estate where parking is free.

Off-street response – Reference number 2095

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2099

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2101

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2106

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2107

I object to the proposed changes.

People are struggling to make ends meet as it is, this will only make matters worse.

Off-street response – Reference number 2108

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2109

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2110

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2113

I object to the proposed changes.

Until Tonbridge & Malling council decide to put in more reliable machines and those that accept card payments I object to this. As an increasingly cashless society, it is harder to find change for these machines and using a phone app is not always easy for all and can be forgotten to end the parking time for some.

Also increasing these charges impact heavily on those working in the town. I work in a retail store and have to pay for a full day's parking, these increases will hit those earning the lowest hard. Because the supermarkets in Tonbridge are in town, it means those just going to get their weekly shop have to pay. Even though you can claim some back it will put people off coming to Tonbridge and they will shop elsewhere and Tonbridge shops may lose their customers.

Off-street response – Reference number 2114

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2115

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2116

I object to the proposed changes.

Raising prices to the car parks close to town will in my opinion drive more people out of town to places like M&S in Tonbridge and North Farm. This will impact footfall in the high street and ultimately impact occupancy on high street shops at a time when more and shops are closing. More thought needs to be given in attracting people to the high street which will in term increase occupancy and income from business rates. I'd suggest a temporary trial of reducing car parking charges to see if this increases footfall and therefore income. It the general decline in people using cash this forces more people to use parking ups which already charge a premium. An increase it parking charges will just encourage people to park elsewhere or walk both resulting in a loss of revenue.

Off-street response – Reference number 2117

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2121

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2123

I object to the proposed changes.

The high street is already losing businesses rapidly, increasing parking charges will continue to put people off accessing the town centre and will instead draw them to out of town supermarkets and shopping centres where parking is free, further eroding our local businesses and facilities.

Off-street response – Reference number 2124

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2127

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2130

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2131

I object to the proposed changes.

With public transport being so poor, driving is often the only solution. Car parks are already expensive and often full.

Off-street response – Reference number 2132

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2133

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2134

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2135

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2137

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2138

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2138

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2139

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2140

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2143

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2147

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2148

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2151

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2152

I object to the proposed changes.

Because of the absolutely appalling bus services in Tonbridge many people have to drive and park so its unacceptable to increase charges when there is no alternative.

Off-street response – Reference number 2154

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2155

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2157

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2158

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2160

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2162

I support the proposed changes.

Increasing the charges at existing times and extending the chargeable period seems excessive. Surely one or the other would be sufficient to meet any rising costs. For the reasons noted below, I would support increasing charges at existing times over extending the charge periods. Increase in business rates is cited as a reason for cost increase. My understanding is that these are paid to TMBC and are therefore an internal allocation not a true cost. As a result, these should not be factored in to the calculations for price increases.

Off-street response – Reference number 2163

I object to the proposed changes.

It's already too expensive which is why the car parks are only half full most days. The high street is dying already without your trying to price people away

Off-street response – Reference number 2164

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2165

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2166

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2168

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2170

I object to the proposed changes.

You will kill the trade

Off-street response – Reference number 2172

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2173

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2174

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2175

I object to the proposed changes.

It is already far more expensive to park in Tonbridge than many other places and the increase simply prevents the growth of the high street as a business destination. This reduces the use of the high street, I no longer use any of the car parks during the day, instead I use out of town car parks or shop near to my office in Maidstone.

Off-street response – Reference number 2176

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2177

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking charges should be REDUCED! Parking is merely to facilitate use of and patronage of our towns and villages. Parking is a right due to the shocking lack of public transport that KCC and local councils have FAILED to invest in. Keep parking FREE or a reduced charged.

NO INCREASED PARKING CHARGES ACROSS TONBRIDGE AND MALLING BOROUGH.

Remember, like a car park- councillors are there to serve US THE PEOPLE! Not the other way round.

If these parking charges are passed, I will NOT be voting Conservative at the next local elections and I will be encouraging and debating with my friends and acquaintances to also NOT VOTE CONSERVATIVE!

Off-street response – Reference number 2178

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2180

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2181

I object to the proposed changes.

As an electric car owner with on street parking,I am reliant on using the chargers located in the car parks. Increasing charges makes this more expensive.

Would be happy if there was some form of exception for cars charging in the car parks. (That is charging and not using a charging bay to park in.)

Off-street response – Reference number 2182

I object to the proposed changes.

You should be encouraging people into our towns to shop etc not putting further obstacles in their way.

Off-street response – Reference number 2183

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2185

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2187

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2188

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2189

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2190

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2191

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2193

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2194

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2195

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2196

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking in Tonbridge is already expensive and to increase costs will further deter people coming into Tonbridge to shop and will lead to more people opting for Bluwater or Lakeside.

Off-street response – Reference number 2197

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking is already more expensive than in other areas. Introduction of charging to areas which are currently subsidised by charging areas should be the only measure

Off-street response – Reference number 2199

I object to the proposed changes.

More than happy to pay but with price increases everywhere it's cheaper to do shopping online and go to Bluewater for shopping and coffee

Off-street response – Reference number 2200

I object to the proposed changes.

It seems year on year the prices are increased but if I take the Ryarsh Lane car park as the example given it is where I have office permits, we are still not guaranteed a space for the cost paid (remembering when we were paying at one point something like £75 per space). RingGo has now been introduced to charge for parking when it was previously free so I just don't understand how the additional fees can be justified when trying to argue costs have increased. If the intention is to kill of the opportunity for businesses to be able to stay viable then please continue. One alternative to make things more affordable would be to allow businesses to have a certain number of permits that can then effectively be shared amongst staff given that many still operate flexible working where staff may only be in 1-2 times a week. Allowing a permit to be shared across staff would at least address any increase in costs to make it less painful to administer.

Off-street response – Reference number 2202

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2203

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2204

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2205

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2206

I object to the proposed changes.

We pay enough already and I firmly believe that it will keep local residents away from Tonbridge as it will be just another Sevenoaks or Tunbridge Wells. Its just a 'money earner' for the Council

Off-street response – Reference number 2207

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2208

I object to the proposed changes.

Mean and uncalled for ... will keep people away ... should be a free hour to allow people to pick up prescriptions, fish and chips etc..

Off-street response – Reference number 2209

I object to the proposed changes.

The proposed introduction of parking charges in West Malling High Street and Swan Street will only push visitors to park in the free residential areas, thus annoying residents and putting off visitors from shopping in West Malling detriment to local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 2212

I object to the proposed changes.

I strongly object to a revision in charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 2213

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2214

I object to the proposed changes.

If you increase the tariff, the already dying high street activity will completely disappear

Off-street response – Reference number 2215

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2217

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2219

I support the proposed changes.

Whilst increasing car park charges has a detrimental effect on lower income families, I can understand the need. However, it will increase parking on road sides and bays outside of the car parks whether legally or not. As a suggestion is it possible to have a parking charge system that allows charging in increments of an hour rather than hourly?

Off-street response – Reference number 2222

I object to the proposed changes.

You should be encouraging people to support their local community, not charge them to do so

Off-street response – Reference number 2223

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2224

(no comment supplied)

No comment

Off-street response – Reference number 2226

I object to the proposed changes.

The introduction of higher charges and extending to overnight, Sundays and Bank Holidays will also help towards the the move of businesses to out of town facilities and will further kill high streets. It also will impact on people wishing to use recreation facilities and given the obesity and other medical issues in the UK population then TMBC has not thought through the implications of their strategy. It just the case of looking to increase revenue but then businesses leave so less income to TMBC and health declines with costs increasing for TMBC to cover the increase in demand for associated health services.

Off-street response – Reference number 2227

I object to the proposed changes.

Local businesses are already suffering and this will just drive people away

Off-street response – Reference number 2228

I object to the proposed changes.

I no longer shop in Sevenoaks or Tunbridge Wells because of the parking charges. If Tonbridge bring in these new parking chargers I shall stop coming to Tonbridge. It will be Bluewater only. Far fewer people will visit Tonbridge on a Sunday and so shops will suffer. You should be encouraging people to visit Tonbridge and spend not the other way round

Off-street response – Reference number 2232

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2233

I object to the proposed changes.

You already charge too much...like I said, greedy

Off-street response – Reference number 2235

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2236

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2237

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2238

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2239

I object to the proposed changes.

It will affect the business levels for local businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 2241

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2242

(no comment supplied)

Problem with website so unable to read proposals. Very disappointing.

Off-street response – Reference number 2244

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2245

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2246

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2247

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2252

I object to the proposed changes.

Already expensive enough.

Off-street response – Reference number 2254

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2256

I object to the proposed changes.

I have to take my car to church, as I can't walk far i don't qualify for a disabled badge. Increase charges will drive people away from the town I already shop where I can get free parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 2257

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2258

I object to the proposed changes.

The charges are effectively 'taxed' if one pays via a mobile phone because Ringo App charges an additional 20p for no extra benefit. The previous App (ParkMobile) provided flexibility in that one paid for the time (to the nearest hour) one was parked so you didn't have to guess what length of time ticket to buy from the outset, but that facility does not come with Ringo which is a much poorer option.

The mobile signal in the whole area is poor as well.

Off-street response – Reference number 2259

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2260

I object to the proposed changes.

I do not necessarily object to an increase in tariff. I have, however, some comments: I believe Tonbridge High Street is struggling to compete with out of town shopping and North Farm both of which have a good selection and free parking. Tonbridge High Street shops need support I don't think raising the fees as much as this will help. I don't understand why you penalise shoppers who want to spend three hours in Tonbridge. I do this regularly - combining using the Angel Centre for some sports or swimming with shopping and a coffee. Surely you would wish to keep this vibrancy of use? I would suggest a smaller hike of fees for periods up to three hours. Beyond three then there's the all day car parks to use. Tonbridge also struggles to attract night time users. Taking away free parking after 6pm seems counter productive. Sundays are vibrant in Tonbridge during the day. The parkland known as the Racecourse is buzzing, especially in the summer. I believe you will kill off this vibrancy. People will go elsewhere. My suggestion would be: 1. To raise fees, where fees are already in existence, by a smaller proportion and to do so for up to three hours. 2. To charge for car parking beyond 6pm, Sundays and Bank Holidays as a nominal fee of say, £1 or £1.50. This sum, I feel, won't deter people but will still bring in revenue where none was had before. You may also be aware that Sainsbury's in Tonbridge no longer pays you back for two hours of car parking. Limiting their payout to 1 hour only. Although I can see this is not something within your remit - shoppers have, in effect, already had a car park fee increase there. Also there is a discrepancy between the amount you pay on line and the amount you pay by cash. I feel this needs to be brought together in line. If more people were paying on line then there would, surely, be less need for maintenance and collection of the machines. There is another anomaly - you need to pay by cash and gain a paper ticket in order to gain a refund at Sainsbury's and the Swimming Pool. As more and more organisations and individuals are paying on line and we become a cashless society surely this needs to be rectified too? I hope you will feel that the above comments are positive and considered and look forward to hearing the results.

Off-street response – Reference number 2261

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2262

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2263

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2264

I object to the proposed changes.

The price is already high and people are already staying away from Tonbridge in favour of free parking on the industrial estate. I expect you had more people parking when the charges were cheaper.

Off-street response – Reference number 2265

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2266

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2267

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2268

I object to the proposed changes.

Its just a money generating scheme. Most shops close at 5.30pm

Off-street response – Reference number 2269

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2270

I support the proposed changes.

Inevitable in inflationary times.

Off-street response – Reference number 2271

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2274

I object to the proposed changes.

Again, just don't be greedy

Off-street response – Reference number 2276

I object to the proposed changes.

Where are people meant to park cars, when local public transport provision is so poor in some places (e.g. Aylesford and Larkfield)? This is NOT serving the needs of the community.

Off-street response – Reference number 2277

I object to the proposed changes.

The increase in charges are too steep and will affect the poorest most.

Off-street response – Reference number 2278

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2280

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2281

I object to the proposed changes.

In a time where money is already very tight for many charging more money for people that live in the area and have no other options for parking is disgusting especially when the service being offered isn't a premium one, also the cost for a season ticket for the sovereign way car parks is very high compared to road based permits

Off-street response – Reference number 2282

I object to the proposed changes.

I think it will damage the business in west Malling

Off-street response – Reference number 2283

I object to the proposed changes.

The cost of parking is already a deterrent to people using the High Street. This is leading to increased struggles for high street shops and small businesses who are already battling the increase in online shopping. If we want to keep a thriving high street we need to encourage people into the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 2284

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2286

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2287

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2288

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2292

I object to the proposed changes.

This is just to get more revenue on will not be spent on improving the roads

Off-street response – Reference number 2293

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2294

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2296

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking fees and fines are too much as it is. They should not increase.

Off-street response – Reference number 2298

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2299

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2301

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2302

I support the proposed changes.

I agree with some revision, but to achieve objectives, and ensure spaces on a frequent turnover are available to boost business access and spend, charges should encourage short stay and be reasonable for longer stay. Otherwise this is just a money making exercise that will guarantee to be at the cost of shoppers and businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 2303

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2304

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2305

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2306

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2308

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2309

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2310

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2311

I object to the proposed changes.

This is clearly the council attempting to increase the TAX burden without reason or evidence.

Off-street response – Reference number 2312

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2313

I object to the proposed changes.

Already too expensive. People will be driven away from the town and all it has to offer.

Off-street response – Reference number 2314

I object to the proposed changes.

Tonbridge town centre needs people to be enticed into the town to keep it thriving. People choose to go out of town to shop already and to increase the car park fees will just encourage this even more. If no one comes into the town, there will be no fees paid at all! Better to keep encouraging shoppers in by keeping the car park fees as they are and to make Tonbridge a more popular destination.

Off-street response – Reference number 2315

I object to the proposed changes.

These fees have increased recently.

Off-street response – Reference number 2316

I object to the proposed changes.

Daylight robbery.

Off-street response – Reference number 2317

I object to the proposed changes.

Extending the parking period from 6pm to 8pm seems simply to gain additional revenue, no additional benefit to the community. Blaming some shops opening later is an excuse, the level of charges is excessive and this is a penal development.

Off-street response – Reference number 2318

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2319

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2320

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2321

I object to the proposed changes.

Increasing parking charges will drive people away to out of town shopping areas and local businesses will suffer.

Off-street response – Reference number 2323

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2326

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2327

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2328

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2329

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2330

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2332

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2333

I object to the proposed changes.

Increased car parking charges drives people away.

Off-street response – Reference number 2334

I object to the proposed changes.

We don't have the spare money to pay. More parking charges. Each penny is already accounted for maybe you should take a pay cut for a change

Off-street response – Reference number 2335

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2336

I object to the proposed changes.

This will contribute to destroying the high street

Off-street response – Reference number 2337

I object to the proposed changes.

I strongly object to these proposals.

As a resident of Tonbridge for 48 of my 50 years and now a shop owner in the town, I am passionate about the rejuvenation of the High Street. Our local representatives speak of supporting the area, sending us residents literature detailing their examples of helping our town then, propose this!

I have only been trading for 6 months and I have lost count of the number of times customers in my shop have cut short their time with me due to their parking ticket running out... or have not even come at all blaming the the parking prices and complications. Thankfully I do have an online offer but this is doing nothing for the vibrancy of our High Street. To increase charges to 8pm and over the weekends is deplorable! Not satisfied with the daytime businesses being affected, now it's the turn of the night time economy. Restaurants and bars have had such a tough time following Covid, this will just add to their woes or potentially be the final nail in their coffin. More visitors will stay away until parking becomes free or charge at 8pm, or visit out of town areas where these restrictions do not apply. More empty units are inevitable.

In my 6 months since opening I have met many people who have recently moved to Tonbridge from the London area. I take pride knowing that they felt Tonbridge was such a great prospect.

One particular woman's comment really sticks with me however. She said she had heard how great Tonbridge was and judging by the house prices could tell that it was a wonderful place to live. She is now bringing up her family here. However she said, now she is here she finds it a confusing place. Tonbridge has so many fabulous features but the High Street, in her words, is a 'real let down, not reflective of the area and its residents'. I know she is not alone in her views having spoken to many Tonbridge residents during the 18 years of running my business.

Parking increases will only exacerbate this issue! Independent businesses like myself don't stand a chance and will come and go. Town centres will be emptier and the increase in anti social that we already see, will only rise. Increased parking charges have far reaching consequences for our struggling High Street.

Rather than increase them make them more user friendly.

Offer 1st hour free- this way more people will 'pop' into town and in doing so will discover more places they want to visit for longer and return.

Change the parking process to make it more bespoke. Pay for the minutes you're there. Don't pay out for an hour when you only need 10mins etc. This will turn over visitors quicker so enabling new visitors to find a space more easily. This format will also take the pressure off the customers coming to the High Street shops. Rather than dragging themselves away they can enjoy a more relaxed shopping experience, building relationships with their local shop keepers, building community.

If the outdated, unfair business rates model is likely to change then something else has to help our High Streets! Please do not add to the burden and the struggle.

Every resident wants a High Street to be proud of. This will only encourage the exact opposite.

Off-street response – Reference number 2338

I object to the proposed changes.

This will only dissuade people from using the high street. the market was killed off by having its free parking removed,

Off-street response – Reference number 2339

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2340

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2342

I object to the proposed changes.

Greedy basterds charge enough already

Off-street response – Reference number 2343

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2344

I support the proposed changes.

If you intend to raise charges please get the parking attendants to cover more roads to tackle illegal parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 2345

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2346

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2347

I object to the proposed changes.

You are killing Tonbridge high Street by making it too expensive to shop there, as previously stated why would you pay exorbitant fees when you can park for free in towns/shopping centres that have more and better shops ?? STOP KILLING OUR TOWN

Off-street response – Reference number 2348

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2350

I object to the proposed changes.

This should be the councils responsibility to deal with the costs from tax payers money, as it was our government who put the economy in this state in the first place

Off-street response – Reference number 2351

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2352

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2355

I object to the proposed changes.

I lead a new social club for 60-85 year olds, many of whom already face closure of so many facilities on which they rely, as well as increased costs of fuel, taxis and hire charges. Ringo is an extremely irritating non-starter for them, especially with it's extra "(in)convenience" charge on top. It would be much easier and fairer to pay with an ordinary

credit or debit card, and touch in and out as you can at Tunbridge Wells when you don't know how long you will need to be in the town.

I've noticed how often events are I put on are ruined, because people have to arrive late / leave early because of car existing parking costs, or inconvenient bus times in from rural areas. I myself have to drive from Yalding. Only around 30% of our members turn up as it is. These changes could close us permanently.

Tonbridge is nothing but charity shops now. Increasing parking charges will be the death knell for the few proper shops that remain, since it is certain to reduce footfall yet further.

Extending the charging period to 8.00 is the most short-sighted proposal of all. This makes the difference between survival and death of most restaurants, that fill most of the spaces between the charity shops. Food inflation remains much higher than the general rate, and neither businesses nor customers can go on absorbing the cost if charges rise. All it will do is increase the profits of operators who hire out private driveways.

Contentious and unpopular, this is a sure way to lose Council administration votes. Your intention is to penalise locals for parking for long periods to free up short-term places, but it is visitors who have no option but to use these and are thus discouraged. Only local people can walk, realistically use buses, and park outside their homes.

Despite time restrictions and charges becoming ever more onerous over more than half a century, there is little empirical evidence on their effects on parking duration. Evidence suggests parking demand being inelastic (Marsden, 2006, Pierce and Shoup, 2013). Evans (2005)

Better to encourage Sainsbury's to refund more than just an hour in their car park, as they used to.

Off-street response – Reference number 2358

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2359

I object to the proposed changes.

Objection to changes is based on no provision of 30 minutes free at suitable locations. A period of free parking should be provided to support shop customers for example around the high street in Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 2360

I object to the proposed changes.

Already too expensive, i rarely park in town now & this will finish it off for myself!!

Off-street response – Reference number 2361

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2364

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2365

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2366

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2367

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2369

I object to the proposed changes.

This will greatly affect business in the local area, there are currently many shops left empty due to increasing costs and I feel that extending parking charges will only make this worse for the local community. It will encourage more people to go to trading estates where parking is free.

Off-street response – Reference number 2370

I object to the proposed changes.

To have to pay on a Sunday and bank holidays is ridiculous.

Car park Wardens will have to be paid extra or extra staff hired.

The High St is dying, full of charity shops and hairdressers, shops closing, for example, Beatles, Peacocks, Poundland.

The Sunday market will be affected, the Saturday market closed a long time ago, as did the Friday antiques market in the Angel centre.

Off-street response – Reference number 2371

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2372

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2373

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2374

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2375

I object to the proposed changes.

I do not support charging on Sundays or 8-8. Increased charges seem fair.

Off-street response – Reference number 2376

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2377

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2378

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2379

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2380

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking is already expensive and increasing these further will impact residents who live in that area, their visitors and drive people away from shopping in the town..

Off-street response – Reference number 2381

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2382

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2383

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2384

I object to the proposed changes.

Although the council is inevitably facing cost concerns, this is not the right time to increase costs. Unless the council can commit to providing more CEOs to police parking restrictions then this will only aid in increasing the misuse which in turn impacts safety. We are told constantly that businesses are struggling with patronage which this will also exacerbate.

Off-street response – Reference number 2385

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2386

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2387

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2388

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2389

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2390

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2392

I object to the proposed changes.

Things are hard enough without you making it worse!

Off-street response – Reference number 2393

I object to the proposed changes.

There is minimal cost associated with provision of the car parks. But better to increase cost for the current times rather than extend hours.

Off-street response – Reference number 2394

I object to the proposed changes.

The council tax and all other costs are continually rising. Our salaries (for those who work) and pensions cannot keep stretching in line with constant increases.

Off-street response – Reference number 2396

I object to the proposed changes.

surely there aren't any off-street parking available... you've already revised this with Permit only parking bays..!!

Off-street response – Reference number 2397

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2398

I object to the proposed changes.

Car park administrators already collect additional fees from drivers as the machines do not always issue change when paying for tickets which is basically theft.

Off-street response – Reference number 2399

I object to the proposed changes.

In my opinion this would be excessive. Current charge levels are more than 3.

Off-street response – Reference number 2400

I object to the proposed changes.

You will end up driving visitors out of town, you should be encouraging trade in the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 2401

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2402

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2406

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2407

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2408

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2409

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2410

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2411

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2412

I object to the proposed changes.

Compared to other counties the parking charges are already much higher

Off-street response – Reference number 2413

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2414

I object to the proposed changes.

Car parks are well used and create a thriving town, increasing charges is likely to reduce town visitors and trade

Off-street response – Reference number 2416

I object to the proposed changes.

At a time like this, in a cost of living crisis, it's unbelievable that the Council would even consider this. We should be doing the opposite and reducing parking fees.

Off-street response – Reference number 2417

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2418

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2419

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2420

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2422

I object to the proposed changes.

It does not appear that you have maintained these very well so far - cannot see what extra spending has been incurred except for electric car chargers which while welcome are clearly not maintenance.

Off-street response – Reference number 2423

I object to the proposed changes.

Already too expensive.

Off-street response – Reference number 2424

I object to the proposed changes.

This will damage shopping in Tonbridge for people who are attracted to twilight shopping that reduces congestion during the day. There is also no extensive evening public transport to support the night time economy in Tonbridge. If Tonbridge gets too quiet in the evenings it will become a no go area with vandalism etc.

Off-street response – Reference number 2425

I object to the proposed changes.

It's all too easy for you to say your costs have gone up so you need to charge more. Instead, you should work the costs to the revenue. With technological advances you have the opportunity to cut labour costs. You also need to completely review why you are charging for in town car parking and what you are trying to achieve from it. I anticipate that you are just myopically seeking revenue whereas you should be using the car parking as a tool to support the success and longevity of Tonbridge town centre.

Off-street response – Reference number 2427

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2428

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2429

I object to the proposed changes.

The need to attract customers and visitors, in support of local businesses, outweighs any revenue growth or 'parking balancing' argument. Local authority budgets are threadbare as a result of central Government neglect. Given we're on the cusp of a recession, now's not the time to ask the public to plug the gap.

Off-street response – Reference number 2431

I object to the proposed changes.

We are already struggling with customers shopping in tonbridge because of parking charges and no decent shops

Off-street response – Reference number 2432

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2433

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2434

I object to the proposed changes.

It will discourage people visiting the area

Off-street response – Reference number 2435

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2436

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2437

I object to the proposed changes.

Already so expensive

Off-street response – Reference number 2439

I object to the proposed changes.

Tonbridge has very little available on street parking that this affects everyone especially those who are more impacted than others in the cost of living crisis.

Off-street response – Reference number 2441

I object to the proposed changes.

I suggest free parking for up to two hours

Off-street response – Reference number 2442

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2444

I object to the proposed changes.

Increasing parking prices will continue to reduce footfall in town, impacting businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 2447

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2448

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2449

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2450

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2451

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2452

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2453

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2454

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2456

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2457

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2459

I object to the proposed changes.

Current charges are more than adequate. Parking charges should be applied across the borough rather than overcharging current users

Off-street response – Reference number 2460

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2462

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2463

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2464

I object to the proposed changes.

Local businesses need trade and increased charges would impact them, I would go to Bluewater where you park for free and local business would miss out.

Off-street response – Reference number 2465

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2466

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2468

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2469

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2470

I support the proposed changes.

The charges seem broadly in line with inflation, but clearly at the upper limit!

Off-street response – Reference number 2471

I object to the proposed changes.

The income generation from car parks must be considerable and at a time when people are struggling with the cost of living increases will hit them hard meaning less use and less visitors to the town

Off-street response – Reference number 2472

I object to the proposed changes.

In a time of public hardship and rising costs this just adds more pressure on the public.

Off-street response – Reference number 2473

I object to the proposed changes.

This will inhibit my ability to visit elderly parent living in West Malling

Off-street response – Reference number 2474

I object to the proposed changes.

This will directly impact grass roots football on Sundays and penalise low income families that use the public park. The council should be encouraging healthier lifestyles at weekends by upgrading the local facilities and extending free parking rather than trying to disadvantage local groups and businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 2475

I object to the proposed changes.

This is another cynical attempt for

More money making for the council without any attempt to outline what increased costs they are facing and why these are duly being passed on to the consumer

Off-street response – Reference number 2476

I object to the proposed changes.

Why do councils think that parking charges answer problems rather than create new ones. Whilst some parking should be discouraged parking charges are not the answer.

Off-street response – Reference number 2477

I object to the proposed changes.

I thought the idea was to encourage visitors to the town...High Street etc Not everyone has access to public transport or is able to use it due to mobility issues. Increasing the fees will discourage visitors and encourage them to shop elsewhere i.e. out of town complexes : Bluewater etc

Off-street response – Reference number 2478

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2479

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2480

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2482

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2483

I object to the proposed changes.

This is a sure fire way to kill tue High Stret. A short-term gain in income all result is all slapping their backs but in a five year time there will be a session dedicated to "how to save our High Street". By that time it will be too late

Off-street response – Reference number 2484

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2486

I object to the proposed changes.

The parking charges are already expensive, especially compared with the charges ten-years ago.

Off-street response – Reference number 2488

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking charges have increased massively over the past decade, including a large increase around the time the use of apps was brought in. It now makes more sense for me to drive all the way to Bluewater to shop for anything over one or two small items rather than use Tonbridge town centre.

Off-street response – Reference number 2490

I object to the proposed changes.

At a time of increasing hardship for large numbers of people, those that through necessity have to drive a vehicle should not be further penalised by significant increased parking charges (in some cases increases of 20% are proposed).

Off-street response – Reference number 2491

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2494

I object to the proposed changes.

Although some increase is necessary too much will deter visitors and the local people from shopping and enjoying the amenities of the town. It will also have a detrimental effect of members of the many volunteer clubs and societies who provide many evening meetings such as lectures and other events. These help to spread the knowledge of our interesting and historic town.

Off-street response – Reference number 2495

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2496

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2497

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2499

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2500

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2504

I object to the proposed changes.

This is just a money making exercise. I can't see any provision of service in these car parks. All you need is someone to empty the cash from the machines. It does nothing to benefit the small businesses in the towns, it just drives people out further afield. You cannot even provide reasonable public conveniences. If I could see any benefits to the towns by increasing parking fees I might have agreed. However, places like West Malling need to be supported, not run down even further just to make more money for the councils coffers. We pay our council tax and see little or no benefit from it.

Off-street response – Reference number 2506

I object to the proposed changes.

Places additional financial burden on users discouraging use and therefore visits to immediate area, reducing economy to shops and/or town centre and/or facilities

Off-street response – Reference number 2507

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2508

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2509

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2510

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2512

I object to the proposed changes.

In the current climate it is hard for businesses & shops to survive. An increase in parking charges will deter people from using current facilities. Plus this also discriminates against those on tight budgets, those with children or disabilities not able to claim for the blue badge.

Off-street response – Reference number 2513

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2514

I object to the proposed changes.

I am a residential season ticket holder and often have difficulty in parking in my own street. Extend the parking restrictions for these residential roads longer than 10-11am

Off-street response – Reference number 2516

I object to the proposed changes.

Car parks in town have already been increased year on year. The footfall in town is already suffering. By increasing again, you will just push people further away, and then penalise those(most likely the elderly or vulnerable) who have no choice but to park and grocery shop locally for their groceries. You could u destined if we were a town with a

lot to draw people to it at all times (like T wells or sevenoaks) but we are in abundance of coffee shops, and hairdressers. Aside from Sainsbury's and Waitrose, what else are the main draws to the town. Stop hiking up parking. It will be to the detriment of our growing elderly population.

Off-street response – Reference number 2517

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2518

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2520

I object to the proposed changes.

Many people have relatives, friends etc who visit them on Sundays and Bank Holidays. if they have pay then this is quite likely to affect how often they visit. There are elderly people who attend my church and elderly people who I know through outreach activities, that look forward to their children, grandchildren and other friends and relatives, visiting them on Sundays and bank holidays. Many of these elderly people live on their own. If you introduce these you will be guilty of depriving these elderly people of seeing there love ones on Sundays and Bank Holidays. You yourselves perhaps have never been in a situation like that so cannot see the importance of this. I hope you never will find yourselves in such a situations and if you have elderly relatives they are perhaps you are able to make sure they are never in such a situation.

Off-street response – Reference number 2521

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2523

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2524

I object to the proposed changes.

Strongly object and believe that increasing the charge times from 6pm to 8pm will create a significant enough barrier to deter people from visiting during evenings, resulting in a drop in footfall.

Off-street response – Reference number 2526

I object to the proposed changes.

Tonbridge high street needs to draw more visitors in, increasing the parking charges will put off people from shopping in Tonbridge when the out of town retail parks have more to offer with no parking charge.

Off-street response – Reference number 2527

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2528

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2529

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking charges are already very high in Tonbridge. On a lot of occasions it is not always possible to walk (time is limited, or the weather is very wet, or shopping has to be carried). I regularly now shop in alternative locations which have free parking. If I need to pop out for something of low value I can't justify spending the same amount on parking too. Later parking charges could mean a family having to pay multiple fees throughout the day. Perhaps for a club at the angel centre followed by shopping in the morning then a football match at the park in the afternoon and a meal out in Tonbridge in the evening. Having to pay on all these occasions would quickly become difficult. I would like to enjoy our town rather than have to consider if I can afford to go every time. (REDACTED)

Off-street response – Reference number 2531

I object to the proposed changes.

Tonbridge is really struggling at the moment to attract shoppers to the area. An increase in parking fees would make this worse.

Off-street response – Reference number 2532

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking already costs enough

Off-street response – Reference number 2533

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2534

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking charges have been devastating to local businesses. More shoppers than ever are going to out of town shopping venues which offer free car parking, or are using internet shopping. Both are causing increased road congestion and air pollution. To increase the car park charges will accelerate the decline of the High street. Traditional shoppers should not be penalised for the funding crisis created by central government policy. Do not add to the cost of living crisis.

Off-street response – Reference number 2536

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2537

I object to the proposed changes.

Increasing parking charges will always impact negatively on local businesses. There is no inflation costs incurred by the council for parking spaces so this increase is unjustifiable.

Off-street response – Reference number 2538

I object to the proposed changes.

They should be free anyway. Add the money to the rates. That will get passed down to the customers. However the increased revenue due to lack of fine risk and no need for the cost of meters etc should cover it.

Off-street response – Reference number 2539

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2540

I object to the proposed changes.

People are already struggling with cost of living. Increase parking charges with discourage people visiting Aylesford village and even more businesses will be closing and the council will also be losing out on their rates and taxes.

Off-street response – Reference number 2541

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2542

I object to the proposed changes.

Cost of living crisis. Already pay so much in council tax and residential parking Already. Further to this, upping parking and adding more restrictions will discourage people coming into the town. Which will have a detrimental effect on the local towns economy

Off-street response – Reference number 2543

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2544

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2545

I support the proposed changes.

I understand fully the need to increase charges at a time of dwindling Government support for local authorities.

Off-street response – Reference number 2546

I object to the proposed changes.

We pay enough now

Off-street response – Reference number 2547

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2548

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2549

I support the proposed changes.

I think they are reasonable.

Off-street response – Reference number 2550

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2551

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2552

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2553

I object to the proposed changes.

The fees for parking have steadily increased over recent years in line with inflation and don't need to be further increased

Off-street response – Reference number 2557

I object to the proposed changes.

It's extremely expensive living in Tonbridge. The Council already makes an extreme amount of money from charging local residents to access their own town. Increasing charging times and the amount charged is a move against the people of Tonbridge. Let me give you some examples. As a volunteer youth football coach who coaches our young people on Saturdays and Sundays and weekday evenings at the racecourse ground and sacrifices much of my spare time to ensure the very best for our town's young people, this would add between £5 to £10 a week to my expenses, annualised this is £250-£500. Surely we should be encouraging people to help out our town's young people rather than punishing them.

Off-street response – Reference number 2558

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2559

I object to the proposed changes.

Ordinary motorists are being priced-out of parking in the town. This obviously is ruining the High St as a shopping centre. This is evident by the number of vacant shops, which is as a result of high parking costs. Consequently several shops have closed. This greed is killing the town centre for shopping and will do the same for those who wish to eat out in the restaurants in the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 2560

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2561

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2562

I object to the proposed changes.

With the cost of living crisis it seems unjust to expect members of the public to pay even more for parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 2564

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2565

I object to the proposed changes.

Technology is there to help make things smarter. It doesn't have to be so costly.

Off-street response – Reference number 2566

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2569

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2570

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2571

I object to the proposed changes.

See 17

Off-street response – Reference number 2573

I object to the proposed changes.

This will drive people to take their business elsewhere and have a negative effect on the economy of Tonbridge businesses. A greedy money grabbing proposal.

Off-street response – Reference number 2575

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2576

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2577

I object to the proposed changes.

This will further deter people from using the car parks and will affect businesses and shops

Off-street response – Reference number 2578

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2579

I object to the proposed changes.

Shouldn't need to raise parking charges regardless of whether it's not been done for 2 years. Be a shepherd council not a sheep.

Off-street response – Reference number 2580

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2581

I object to the proposed changes.

The charges are already high enough.

Off-street response – Reference number 2582

I object to the proposed changes.

Are you joking? You're killing businesses. You're killing the high street. Stop.

Off-street response – Reference number 2583

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2584

I object to the proposed changes.

Madness, do you want to destroy the high St there is free parking elsewhere

Off-street response – Reference number 2585

I object to the proposed changes.

Any increase will encourage people to go to places parking is free

Off-street response – Reference number 2587

I object to the proposed changes.

Charges are high enough

Off-street response – Reference number 2588

I support the proposed changes.

Ideally there would also be improvement to public transport and cycling facilities so people don't have to drive

Off-street response – Reference number 2590

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2591

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2593

I object to the proposed changes.

Seems a lot of issues relate to long term parking, and yet stores refund an hour but often only against a receipt. To encourage shoppers in the High Street, and discourage so called "blue badge" parking on double yellows around town, the first hour should be free against possibly higher charges for longer periods. (as they do in Paddock Wood.). Where they have an attractive small high street and not just a parade of charity shops...

Off-street response – Reference number 2594

I object to the proposed changes.

The high street is being killed off by parking charges. No one can afford to shop there any more. It is cheaper to order online

Off-street response – Reference number 2595

I object to the proposed changes.

One hour free would still stop long stay parking but support shoppers and businesses. Evening payments would deter people using the many eateries.

Off-street response – Reference number 2596

I support the proposed changes.

The council should be looking at ways to reduce the number of cars and ways to keep and enhance all green spaces

Off-street response – Reference number 2597

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2598

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2599

I object to the proposed changes.

Increasing the cost of car parking affects footfall to local businesses which need all the support they can get - you should be lowering the costs not increasing them!

Off-street response – Reference number 2601

I support the proposed changes.

I support increased charges but only subject to previous comments.

Off-street response – Reference number 2602

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2607

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking is already very expensive, I would tend to try to use centres with free parking. This would damage the prospects of local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 2608

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2609

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2610

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2611

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2612

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2613

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2614

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2615

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2616

I object to the proposed changes.

motorist are not a cash cow for inefficient council

Off-street response – Reference number 2617

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2619

I object to the proposed changes.

Will stop people coming to the town, and will affect small businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 2620

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2621

I object to the proposed changes.

Tonbridge high street is already failing! Increasing both times and charges will finally kill off the town!!!

Off-street response – Reference number 2623

I object to the proposed changes.

This will reduce people coming into town and will not be good for already suffering high street. This will also negatively affect people trying to shop in the supermarket or go to the gym or visit the high street in general

Off-street response – Reference number 2624

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2625

I object to the proposed changes.

If you do this you will discourage people coming into the town, a lot of gym goers use the carpark after hours, this will affect the gyms membership uptake as they have also increased prices, times are hard with out the council penny pinching

Off-street response – Reference number 2626

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2628

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2629

I object to the proposed changes.

Why in a trouble time even consider this, the town don't have enough variety to warrant the charges now

Off-street response – Reference number 2630

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2633

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2634

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2636

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking is already too much

Off-street response – Reference number 2638

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2639

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2640

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2643

I object to the proposed changes.

Disgusting! What do you expect local businesses to do when times are tough enough

Off-street response – Reference number 2646

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2647

I object to the proposed changes.

With the current financial hardships we all are suffering with an increase in charges is quite tone deaf.

Off-street response – Reference number 2648

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2649

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2653

I object to the proposed changes.

Again it will deter people from shopping locally - they will go to the big stores that have free parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 2654

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2655

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2656

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2657

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2659

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2660

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2664

I object to the proposed changes.

Again your doing this for your own greed! Which doesn't surprise me but it does anger me.

Off-street response – Reference number 2665

I object to the proposed changes.

The proposed increases are at rates in excess of inflation. Many residents are already struggling with increases to the cost of living and such high increases in parking charges will keep residents away from the town centre, thus having a knock on effect to the businesses operating in the area. This will push yet more shoppers to the out of town retail parks where parking is free of charge.

Off-street response – Reference number 2667

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2668

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2671

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2673

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2674

I object to the proposed changes.

I would rather see the first hour free for places like Martin Square, which are only used by local people. In other areas across the borough a flat rate of £1 for the first hour to encourage local shopping and then to pay after that. If not, you run the risk of pushing people out to large supermarkets that either don't charge for parking or charge a flat fee. This would put more pressure on local business and take money away from the local economy.

Off-street response – Reference number 2675

I object to the proposed changes.

The cost to park is high as it is and the economic climate as it is at the moment people cannot afford to pay more. They avoid the towns because of this and only go in when they have to whereas if you keep the cost down more people will visit for other reason rather than necessity . The retail shops are struggling and need as much footfall as possible- especially the small independent shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 2677

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2678

I object to the proposed changes.

These parking charges will of course impact on our already stretched budgets. Council tax has gone up I believe that councils are not spending money wisely.

Off-street response – Reference number 2680

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2681

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2682

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2683

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2689

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2690

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2692

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2693

I support the proposed changes.

This appear proportionate.

Off-street response – Reference number 2695

I object to the proposed changes.

Currently I shop and eat in Tonbridge rather than Tunbridge Wells because of cost and free parking times and days. This move will turn Tonbridge into a dead town as it has in Tunbridge wells. It will be self defeating

Off-street response – Reference number 2696

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2697

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2699

I object to the proposed changes.

The new parking times & charges are going to cause so many limitations on peoples leisure time.

We have extensive leisure & sports facilities in Tonbridge with the Angel Centre, Sportsgound, Castle, River and walks.

Also for the restaurants/café's for socialising.

As well as regular Church services, lots of regular social community groups take place in Church halls within the town, daytime & evenings.

It could limit volunteer workers within Charity Shops who are unpaid.

We are advised to get out and do sport and socialise for our mental health.

The buses only run at limited times, if at all, on Sundays & Bank Holidays.

It could be very costly for anyone/families wanting to spend the day taking advantage of our Tonbridge amenities.

Off-street response – Reference number 2700

I object to the proposed changes.

In a cost of living crisis, this is something that residents and local business cannot afford.

Off-street response – Reference number 2701

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2704

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2707

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2708

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2710

I object to the proposed changes.

If the plan is to make parking charges fair and equal through the whole of TMBC why is the new proposal for some village car parks to be cheaper than others? Why is the car park in Wrotham less than the car park in Aylesford? Why is parking in Tonbridge more than Martins Square?

Off-street response – Reference number 2711

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2714

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2715

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2717

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2718

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2724

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2725

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2726

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2727

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2728

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2729

I support the proposed changes.

There is no mention of motorcycle parking, new or existing.

Off-street response – Reference number 2731

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2732

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2733

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2734

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2735

I object to the proposed changes.

Increase in parking charge will discourage people to go shopping or have leisure at High Street areas.

Off-street response – Reference number 2738

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2739

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2740

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2741

I object to the proposed changes.

The parking charges are high enough already

Off-street response – Reference number 2742

I object to the proposed changes.

It's expensive enough now. I don't shop in sevenoaks or T wells because of the charges which are extortionate

And you have to use an app as well. I go to out of area shops and restaurants where there are no charges. It is very short sighted policy and eventually there will be no need for car parks as there will be no shops or restaurants!!

Off-street response – Reference number 2744

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2745

I object to the proposed changes.

On the one hand, I support measures which encourage people to walk into town rather than drive, for both public health and environmental reasons. On the other hand, I believe raising parking tariffs in towns such as Tonbridge only kills off the highstreets further, and does nothing to support local businesses. For this reason, I object to the increase in tariffs.

Off-street response – Reference number 2746

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2747

I object to the proposed changes.

Council tax is already high enough, cost of living is awful, no more increases

Off-street response – Reference number 2749

I object to the proposed changes.

We're aying enough

Off-street response – Reference number 2750

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2751

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2754

I object to the proposed changes.

Now is not the time to raise parking charges. People are struggling and this will cause greater financial hardship or encourage them to go elsewhere, where parking is free.

Off-street response – Reference number 2755

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2757

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2758

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking is already very expensive in tonbridge

Off-street response – Reference number 2759

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2762

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2763

I object to the proposed changes.

What exactly would you need to increase the parking charges for?? It's a road that costs no money to maintain if there are standstill cars on it.

Off-street response – Reference number 2764

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2768

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2769

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2770

I object to the proposed changes.

I believe that short term, higher turnover usage should be encouraged, so believe a reduced tariff for 30 minutes should be introduced (say 50p), retaining the existing hourly charges, but agree with increasing 60+ minutes rates.

Off-street response – Reference number 2771

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking shouldnt be chargeable

Off-street response – Reference number 2774

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2775

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2776

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2778

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2779

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2780

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2781

I object to the proposed changes.

It's annoying to have to pay when you live locally. I have two children and have to wait until Sunday to drive to the supermarket to get items.

Off-street response – Reference number 2782

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2785

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2786

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2787

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2789

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2791

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2792

I object to the proposed changes.

I appreciate that the council has a difficult job. I am very concerned that increasing car parking prices will negatively impact on local businesses- hair dressers, restaurants and cafes where people will now have to pay even more. I want to have a relaxing time not feel rushed

Off-street response – Reference number 2793

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2794

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2796

I object to the proposed changes.

The town centre is already in danger of dying with the empty Beales site and threats to town centre leisure facilities. People are already put off using the Angel centre (and high street shops) because parking charges make classes and gym use too expensive. One example is that the Tuesday walking football relocated to Tonbridge Farm during covid and never returned because of parking costs. You must at least offer special dispensation to those using tactive facilities while they remain in town. Other councils manage to offer free limited time parking (Paddock Wood, Southborough) and as a consequence keep local shops and facilities thriving. If TMBC want to kill off Tonbridge town centre, making parking even more prohibitive is an excellent way to do it.

Off-street response – Reference number 2800

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2801

I object to the proposed changes.

It's too expensive already for parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 2802

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2803

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2805

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2807

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2808

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2810

I object to the proposed changes.

West malling car park was free when we moved here 9 years ago.Wonderful.

Please do not make any more changes to parking.you need to support the high street and help shops to survive,we have already lost so many.I had heard you were going to extend the charging hours and include Sundays.I hope this has been cancelled.

It is heartening to see people ,especially theyoung filling the pubs and restaurant on evenings and weekends.I fear parking charges would drive them elsewhere.

Off-street response – Reference number 2811

I object to the proposed changes.

Pushing more people away from local traders, Great Business Sense!

Who is voting for this, please could I have a list of names and addresses so I can ask questions directly of the committee.

Off-street response – Reference number 2812

I object to the proposed changes.

The increases proposed exceed inflation by some margin. Presumably, the costs of running the car parks have only increased by inflation.

Off-street response – Reference number 2813

I object to the proposed changes.

Whilst consultation still live, parking charges increase already advertised on pay machines. Foregone conclusion and lip service only. Appears not democratic as decision already made.

Off-street response – Reference number 2814

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2817

I object to the proposed changes.

The proposed increases would have a significant impact to the Society's members, especially the proposed increase to the 3-4 hour rate bands. These increases have the potential to have a detrimental effect on the total number of our members and guests attending The Society's November afternoon meeting.

The meeting is The Society's headline event, at The Angel Centre, and routinely attracts one of our highest attendances. Anything that adversely affects these numbers, could leave The Society having to question the future of this tradition. We are still struggling to attract the same numbers as prior to Covid.

Off-street response – Reference number 2819

I object to the proposed changes.

Rising costs to operate an area of tarmac with painted lines? Can only be warden wages which are unlikely to have risen comparatively. A rise in charge has already restricted how much time acquaintances can spend attending mental health support services in the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 2820

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2821

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2822

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2824

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2826

I object to the proposed changes.

The high street struggles enough bringing in people to spend money.

With the lack of regular & reliable bus services and public transport to the town for people living on the outskirts of town, we should be facilitating as much as possible fair parking fees.

Off-street response – Reference number 2827

I object to the proposed changes.

Our High Street and Town centre needs more visitors, not fewer. Introducing more expensive parking or getting rid of free parking on Sundays or Bank Holidays will not support local businesses, but drive customers to other places where parking is free.

Off-street response – Reference number 2828

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2834

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2835

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2836

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2837

(no comment supplied)

Parking Charge Proposals Martins Square (REDACTED)

We oppose the proposals to charge for parking in Martin Square because we are likely to face bankruptcy due to loss of clients and staff. The time spent by customers at our premises is proportionately longer than that for other businesses. For example, 50% of our clients visiting for hair colours and beauty treatments are with us for around 4 hours. It is therefore a significant charge to our clients in particular – clients making a short visit to the butcher or post office face a charge of 60p whereas 50% of our clientele face a charge of almost £4 and the other 50% at least £2.

By charging for parking, the Council is therefore indirectly increasing our prices, leaving us zero opportunity to increase our own prices in line with inflation. Like many businesses, our running costs have increased substantially, but due to the nature of our business, we are more affected than other businesses by the huge increases in gas and electricity because we have a greater need for hot water and to keep clients warm with wet hair or, in the beauty salon, where many clients need to remove clothing. We have already been 'swallowing' these additional costs for the past 18 months.

Our margins are therefore already seriously compromised we cannot therefore afford any risk of loss of clients who are likely to use other salons where parking is free (eg Snodland).

We predict we will lose long-term and reliable staff, because they now have to pay parking charges, and because we cannot increase our prices (due to customers parking fees) we cannot increase wages. Our staff will therefore, in reality, and as a direct result of these parking fees, experience a wage cut. Our businesses operate in a market where recruitment of suitably qualified and experienced staff is already impossible. We will lose staff as a direct result of the financial restrictions imposed by parking fees in Martin Square (because they have to pay out large sums for parking, and we cannot afford to increase wages as a result of not being able to increase prices, which is a direct result of council parking fees). Council income increases through parking, and business profits reduce. Result = businesses closing down.

Our profit margins were already seriously compromised. If we cannot increase prices due to the council imposed parking charges, we run risk of folding two otherwise successful shops in Martin Square. The council therefore has a direct hand in the degradation of the commercial area in Martin Square, a place that is now more commercially viable than it has ever been. Whether long term in the Square like ourselves, or a newer investor like the Butchers shop, every one provides vital services which boost the local economy and community. Local people who have the opportunity to walk to the Square for local services, will likely experience all of these small businesses folding up one by one, negatively impacting their lives.

The decisions of business owners to start up in Martin Square, was taken on the basis that client and staff parking was free. The parking prices are so high for hair and beauty in particular, because the time customers spend with us on average, is up to 20 times higher than the other businesses in the Square, it is therefore, our clients who will be most disadvantaged by this. The knock-on effect on our ability to increase prices and wages in line with inflation will be hugely compromised to the extent we fear the loss of 30% of our clients and around 50% of our staff.

The Council talks of wanting to be fair. This scenario for Hairdressing and Beauty is not fair, due to the nature of our work. Staff parking season tickets also do not benefit our staff equally, because some work part time.

Off-street response – Reference number 2839

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2840

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2842

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2844

I support the proposed changes.

These are in line with inflation so don't have any major concerns

Off-street response – Reference number 2846

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2847

I object to the proposed changes.

People are struggling with life and can't afford more costs or increase in cost when wages are not meeting the increases.

Off-street response – Reference number 2848

I object to the proposed changes.

I object to your proposed increases because any increase will drive more people to park within the Slade residential area for the above reasons.

Off-street response – Reference number 2849

I object to the proposed changes.

As a resident of the Slade area, with its very restricted on-street parking, I have to ask guests to park in local car parks and walk to my house when they visit. I do not want them to have to pay even more just to visit me.

Off-street response – Reference number 2850

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2854

I object to the proposed changes.

Not in the current financial crisis we are in. if you have to raise them, can this not be done when the country is in a better economic state and when people aren't paying such inflated prices just to live?

Off-street response – Reference number 2856

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2858

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2859

I object to the proposed changes.

Without full justification that cost have actually increased commensurate with the additional income projected by the increased charges I object to this proposal

Off-street response – Reference number 2861

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2862

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2863

I object to the proposed changes.

There is no need to increase charges during the cost of living crisis.

Off-street response – Reference number 2864

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2865

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2866

I object to the proposed changes.

Cost of living crisis

Off-street response – Reference number 2867

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2870

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2871

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2872

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2873

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2874

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2876

I object to the proposed changes.

I believe parking charges have been raised at least twice in the last two years based on my experience.

Off-street response – Reference number 2877

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2879

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2880

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2881

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2883

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2886

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2887

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2888

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2889

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2890

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2891

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2892

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2893

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2894

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2895

I support the proposed changes.

Providing they are reasonable

Off-street response – Reference number 2896

I object to the proposed changes.

Tonbridge is currently a thriving town. Much of this is due to parking being free on both a Sunday and a bank holiday. If you start charging for these days, less people will come here. One of Tonbridge's attractions is the free parking on these days.

Off-street response – Reference number 2897

I object to the proposed changes.

Cost of living is hard as it is people shouldn't have to pay to be able to do their food shop plenty of other towns don't charge

Off-street response – Reference number 2899

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2900

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2901

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2902

I object to the proposed changes.

Car parks are already too expensive and I avoid using the shops unless I also need to go to Sainsbury's so will get my money back. I often go into town purposely on a Sunday to avoid the parking costs. Instead I will just stay with the options on the industrial estate or go to Bluewater. You are driving people from the high street which is already struggling.

Off-street response – Reference number 2903

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2904

I object to the proposed changes.

Not thinking of the cost of living just want more money.

Off-street response – Reference number 2905

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2906

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking in local villages should be free or with minimal charges to increase traffic into the local businesses that rely on local customers

Off-street response – Reference number 2907

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2908

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2910

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2911

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2912

I object to the proposed changes.

Sure fire way to kill a dwindling high street and the livelihoods of those that work there. So much positive community events take place such as sport on Sunday, don't penalise local residents for improving their health and wellbeing by

taxing them on travelling into the area by car

Off-street response – Reference number 2914

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2916

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2917

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2919

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2920

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2921

I object to the proposed changes.

With rising cost of living - but no additional costs to parking on land that the council already owns, it's a daylight robbery by the council yet again

Off-street response – Reference number 2922

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2923

I object to the proposed changes.

Everything is expensive enough, the high Street is dying. Plus we pay more than enough in council tax. We are being fleeced, again.

Off-street response – Reference number 2924

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2925

I object to the proposed changes.

The cost of parking is already excessive in Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 2929

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2930

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2932

I object to the proposed changes.

Disgusting! Rising cost?? What about our rising costs of council tax and household bills and food. Let alone paying more to park.

Off-street response – Reference number 2933

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2936

I object to the proposed changes.

It reduces footfall on the high street and is causing closure of local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 2937

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2938

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2939

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2940

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2941

I object to the proposed changes.

As I said in my response to the “On-street parking consultation” I feel that increasing parking charges would impact on businesses, and other amenities within Tonbridge, which are already struggling in the current economic climate. Increasing parking charges will encourage people to use the local out of town retail developments, where parking is free. The impact of these increased parking charges would also be felt by other amenities, including the library, charities (eg: Age Concern), clubs (eg: Scouts), support groups, sporting venues, churches and many more. It is also important to remember, that increased charges will have the greatest effect on those on a low income, to whom many of these services are crucial.

Surely, the Council doesn't want to deter people from using Tonbridge centre, by making the parking more expensive, with the net effect of more closed buildings, reducing the revenue for the Council and generally making Tonbridge a place that no one want to go to.

Off-street response – Reference number 2942

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2943

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2944

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2947

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2950

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2952

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2953

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2955

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2956

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2957

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2959

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2960

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2961

I object to the proposed changes.

The prices are expensive enough and discourage shoppers already. If you put up prices then you should introduce 30 mins free parking in all council car parks.

Off-street response – Reference number 2962

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2963

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2965

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2966

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2967

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2968

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2969

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2971

I object to the proposed changes.

I think increasing charges will push more people yo show out of town. Bluewater and Lakeside are free.

Off-street response – Reference number 2972

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2973

I object to the proposed changes.

Awful idea. We need to encourage people to come and support local businesses, high car parking charges are a deterrent. We should be creating happy hours and regular promotions to encourage people to shop locally or we will have more and more empty units in town.

Off-street response – Reference number 2974

I object to the proposed changes.

So when it is important to combat inflation it's important our own councils do not contribute to it.

Off-street response – Reference number 2975

I object to the proposed changes.

We pay heavily for using car parks regularly to shop in the town that we live in. Higher charges will drive out more shoppers at a time when our high street needs the footfall. Car parking charges are in effect 'fines' for coming in to town by car. This is unjust. Large out of town or industrial estate shops are now taking away the very customers we should be encouraging in to town, to independent shops and for leisure.

Meeting a friend for a coffee and a walk round the castle may take two hours, and the parking charge makes it an occasional treat, which is bad for business and bad for well-being. Other towns (eg Paddock wood) do an hour or two of free parking then charge for longer stays. This model would reap enormous benefits for our whole town.

Off-street response – Reference number 2976

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2977

I object to the proposed changes.

I object to the increase as you are making it more difficult for people to just shop locally. All parking machines should accept cash and card (not phone payments only)! It is not fair on local businesses and community spaces, i.e. libraries.

Off-street response – Reference number 2979

I object to the proposed changes.

I think this is a short-sighted action and it will result in more people driving to North Farm or other out of town sites for their shopping thus depressing the Tonbridge High Street further. It is cheaper to park in Tunbridge Wells in covered parking than in Tonbridge so people may be encouraged to shop elsewhere leading to more empty shops and less in business rates.

Off-street response – Reference number 2980

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2983

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2984

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2985

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2986

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2987

I object to the proposed changes.

I think parking is expensive enough in Tonbridge and the increase will not only discourage visitors to the limited shopping offer but discriminate against the less well off. I have no choice but to drive to Tonbridge as I live in Penshurst and there is no public transport option even though I am a pensioner.

Off-street response – Reference number 2988

I object to the proposed changes.

They are reasonable as is. Any increase could deter visits to different areas. No need to be greedy.

Off-street response – Reference number 2989

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2990

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2994

I object to the proposed changes.

Expensive enough already.

Off-street response – Reference number 2995

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2998

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2999

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3000

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3001

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3002

I support the proposed changes.

However additional consideration should be given to reduced fee for electric cars- thus encouraging less pollutant vehicles in the centre of town.

Off-street response – Reference number 3003

I object to the proposed changes.

Tonbridge is a town that does not provide regular high street shops and charging more will drive people further away, I only go into the high every few weeks just for an appointment and may pop into Sainsbury's.

Personally I drive to Bluewater that has all shops that a shopper needs and no parking charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 3004

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3005

I object to the proposed changes.

Local business are struggling, by increasing charges you will reduce footfall thereby reducing their profits and causing them to cease trade. This will leave you without their vast rates paid to the council.

Off-street response – Reference number 3006

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3007

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3008

I object to the proposed changes.

Use council tax more efficiently

Off-street response – Reference number 3009

I object to the proposed changes.

With out of town shopping areas/retail parks now offering a better selection of shops and parking there is already little need to visit high streets. Parking should be free for everyone. Just like it is on other countries.

Off-street response – Reference number 3010

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3011

I object to the proposed changes.

This discourages visits to local central businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 3012

I object to the proposed changes.

Visitors are already parking in residents' streets, occupying the residents' spots. Increasing tariffs risks pushing even more cars on residential parking places.

Off-street response – Reference number 3013

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3016

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3018

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3019

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3021

I object to the proposed changes.

TMBC should be trying to increase the footfall in Tonbridge High Street. We need new businesses and a more varied selection. Increasing prices will encourage people, me included, to shop out of town.

Off-street response – Reference number 3023

I object to the proposed changes.

The council is trying to increase income at the cost to trade in the areas concerned

Off-street response – Reference number 3024

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3025

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3028

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3029

I object to the proposed changes.

You are supposed to be encouraging more people into the town not putting them off with higher charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 3031

I object to the proposed changes.

This will put off more people coming to park in the town. When our high street is already reduced in the amount of shops we have.

Off-street response – Reference number 3032

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3033

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3034

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3035

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3036

I object to the proposed changes.

Charges are already high and for many are unaffordable in the current cost of living crisis. It deters people from shopping or spending time in town which impacts on local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 3037

I object to the proposed changes.

In the current economic climate these charge increases are punitive and inappropriate

Off-street response – Reference number 3038

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3039

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3040

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3041

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3042

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3044

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3045

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3046

I object to the proposed changes.

Charges are already very high and increasing them will prevent people coming into town

Off-street response – Reference number 3047

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3048

I object to the proposed changes.

An increase in parking charges will further damage our high street

Off-street response – Reference number 3049

I object to the proposed changes.

With the costs increasing overall this would not be a beneficial move and would reduce parking reducing overall income to the council

Off-street response – Reference number 3050

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3051

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3052

I object to the proposed changes.

I have a disabled blue badge but in Kinnings Row, there is only one disabled space so if this is not available I still have to pay for parking as I am often more than 3 hours. If you increase your charges, please consider putting more disabled bays throughout the town. Secondly, Sainsburys and Waitrose are only reimbursing a set fee of car parking now (2hrs & £1.45 I believe?). We are already paying too much for fruit, veg, electricity and our home. Please don't add to our burden.

Off-street response – Reference number 3053

I object to the proposed changes.

People will stop coming to Tonbridge, I know I would go and shop elsewhere if there was free parking

Off-street response – Reference number 3054

I object to the proposed changes.

This is entirely greed. As a resident in Tonbridge there is nowhere to park in the town now without payment. I feel like a visitor in my own town (for which incidentally I am already heavily charged to live) when it should be encouraging me to visit and shop. Increased charges again and no all day Sunday and extension till 20.00. I certainly object to this particularly when other areas of the Borough are not charged at all.

Off-street response – Reference number 3055

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3056

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3057

I object to the proposed changes.

You need to support local businesses and forcing people to pay for parking will only deter people. At Lear offer 1-2 hours free and pay after.

Off-street response – Reference number 3058

I object to the proposed changes.

There is hardly anywhere already to park for free for limited time visits. This will undoubtedly make it impossible to pop into town briefly without incurring parking charges and people will go elsewhere taking custom away from the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 3059

I object to the proposed changes.

I think the council make enough from parking already.

Off-street response – Reference number 3060

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3061

I object to the proposed changes.

It seems that very soon if anyone us stuck in a tragic jam that we will be charged for parking. Tonbridge appears to be going downhill. Lots of people complaining about the parking charges. Other councils, up and down the country, don't charge as much , if any at all, and they survive. Why can't Tonbridge survive ? Greed.

Off-street response – Reference number 3062

I object to the proposed changes.

The car park charges are already high. As someone who uses the car parks in Tonbridge 4-6 days a week. In Maidstone, Electric Vehicle Charging is free in their Maidstone Borough Council Car Parks on Ringo. I fail to understand how Tonbridge can want to add charges when they can't even ensure their electric charging devices are working. The chargers in the car park opposite the farmers market has had black bags over it for ages. Come on TMBC fix the existing problems first.

Please don't let Tonbridge become a ghost town like Sevenoaks due to the high charges. Tonbridge high street is already full of coffee shops, vape stores and nail shops- adding further charges will just make people go to bluewater where every shop is available and you can park all day for free!

Off-street response – Reference number 3063

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3064

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3065

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3066

I object to the proposed changes.

Need 1 hour free to encourage use of the town. Then step up charges in round pound amounts.

Off-street response – Reference number 3067

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3068

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3069

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3070

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3071

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking charges are expensive enough and are, in my opinion only just on the border of what is reasonable. Increasing them will only discourage people from visiting Tonbridge to use the shops and amenities. Charges are already too expensive or restrictive for long stay parking so any lack of spaces is because the current charges are acceptable to many people, indicating that current charges are adequate. Why bite the hand that feeds the coins into the pay and display machines? It is difficult to see how the council is not making money from parking and it is staggering that it charges itself business rates on car parks that it owns and operates!

Off-street response – Reference number 3072

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3073

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3074

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3075

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3076

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3077

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3078

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3079

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3080

I object to the proposed changes.

We want to encourage people to the town and I'm not advocating free parking as people overstay and there's more issues but raising the car parking charges will potentially stop people coming to Tonbridge and damage our existing high street. The cost of living is challenging enough as it is

Off-street response – Reference number 3081

I object to the proposed changes.

Unfair with current cost living

Off-street response – Reference number 3082

I object to the proposed changes.

Many of us have had no cost of living rises over the last 2/3 years, increasing parking makes the town more expensive to access

Off-street response – Reference number 3083

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3084

I object to the proposed changes.

While I understand the council's need to raise revenue given the wider context, I'm not sure that blanket increases are the most suitable approach to support the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 3085

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3088

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3089

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3091

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3092

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3093

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3094

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3095

I object to the proposed changes.

The charges are already high enough.

Off-street response – Reference number 3097

I object to the proposed changes.

Why not put speed camera up on Quarry hill instead to gain the revenue

Off-street response – Reference number 3098

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3099

I object to the proposed changes.

Generally, in terms of parking charges it's very frustrating that to pay for parking via the app is more expensive than paying by cash. Also, can there not be a short stay option at Haysden Country Park for those people who just want a quick visit.

Off-street response – Reference number 3101

I object to the proposed changes.

This is a ridiculous idea. I will not be using West Malling if I have to pay for parking. It is greedy of the council and will affect the high street businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 3102

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3103

I object to the proposed changes.

This is an awful idea, why charge for parking when there is no need to. People will not use West Malling to shop if they can't park quickly on the road. This will affect the businesses, people will just go to shop at the bigger supermarkets. I visit the library for social events and am limited to an hour parking on the road, if charges are introduced I will not be able to attend.

Off-street response – Reference number 3104

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3105

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3107

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3108

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3109

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3110

I object to the proposed changes.

It is already prohibitive cost in visiting the high street and will cause the further degradation of our already dieing high street

Off-street response – Reference number 3111

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3112

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3113

I object to the proposed changes.

Parking in tonbridge is already SO expensive- far more than other local comparable towns. Eg 70p for 2 hours in southborough. You will deter shoppers and destroy the high street.

Off-street response – Reference number 3114

I object to the proposed changes.

It's already a prohibitive cost when visiting and will encourage further loss to our already failing high st!

Off-street response – Reference number 3115

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3117

I object to the proposed changes.

All businesses will be affected as customers would rather drive elsewhere where free parking exists. Enough local businesses are struggling as it is.

Off-street response – Reference number 3119

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3122

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3125

I object to the proposed changes.

Towns and villages can only survive if it is easy for customers and clients to access their services. Increasing parking charges will add to increasing pressures on local businesses as customers would be put off by increased parking charges. The lack of public transport and its continued decline means there is often not an alternative option for drivers. The increase in parking fees can only be supported if there is an increase in affordable public transport.

Off-street response – Reference number 3128

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3130

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3133

I object to the proposed changes.

I train and coach volleyball three times a week which will hugely impact my monthly costs with parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 3134

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3135

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3136

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3138

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3139

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3140

I object to the proposed changes.

No need to increase costs

Off-street response – Reference number 3141

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3142

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3143

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3149

I object to the proposed changes.

Traders in the town are in constant competition with retail outlets and supermarkets who can grant free or reduced parking on supermarket bills. The Vale Road shopping area can be accessed for a specified period of time without cost - this again is unfair competition for High Street businesses. In Brittany vehicles are able park for a limit of 2 hours free in designated Blue zones whilst displaying a blue card with clock denoting time of arrival. This makes a huge difference to small local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 3151

I object to the proposed changes.

The charges are already high and an increase will reduce visitors to Tonbridge town centre even further. Tonbridge is still a well used town centre, please don't kill it off with greed.

Off-street response – Reference number 3153

I object to the proposed changes.

Tonbridge and Malling are already charging too much.

Off-street response – Reference number 3154

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3155

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3156

I object to the proposed changes.

Again it adds to the stress of cost of living rise!!.

Off-street response – Reference number 3157

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3159

I object to the proposed changes.

Whilst you must generate income to fund other services the first hour should be free. A rise in the 2 to 4 rate could then be justified. Again, it will support local businesses in these difficult times.

Businesses closing are not good for council income

Off-street response – Reference number 3160

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3163

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3164

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3165

I object to the proposed changes.

It's an unjust tax on local people s pockets

Off-street response – Reference number 3166

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3168

I object to the proposed changes.

I do not support an increase in parking charges for the current car parks unless charges are introduced to all car parks where it is financially sustainable.

Off-street response – Reference number 3169

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3170

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3171

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3172

I object to the proposed changes.

No gain to the local public of rising off street parking, what increase dose the council cost increase to of street parking?

Off-street response – Reference number 3174

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3175

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3176

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3179

I object to the proposed changes.

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Off-street response – Reference number 3180

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3181

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3182

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3183

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3184

I support the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3188

I object to the proposed changes.

There is no justification for off or on street car parking charges in West Malling - ie. High St, Swan St, etc. TMBC does not provide any services for such areas. ie. consistent traffic warden services to monitor unauthorised parking. Ideally, there should be no parking on these streets for anyone other than householders via permit schemes. Car parking should be in car parks and those should be at minimal charge ie. Free on Sundays, free from 6pm until 7am. TMBC is killing trade in WM. This is short sighted; no business, no council tax. This is an attractive town with a strong economy at night time via pubs and restaurants. YOU have already damaged the daytime economy - no free short

period to purchase a newspaper - Newsagent closed. Many people will drive to Parkfoot as the nearest outlet to purchase a newspaper and pint/litre of milk. You cannot bully people into shopping at Tesco and you have contributed to the closure of the newsagent. The lack of joined up thinking is quite astonishing. The hostility your current plans have caused.....'I will never shop in WM'

You think this is a sensible strategy?!

Off-street response – Reference number 3191

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3193

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3194

I object to the proposed changes.

The increase in charge does not seem to align with the “increase in cost of provision”

Off-street response – Reference number 3196

I object to the proposed changes.

This is making people poorer , it is a stealth charge , those who park illegally should be punished through fines , people want to go to work and live not pay fees to live , council tax is already at an extortionate rate , nobody asked or wants parking charges .

Off-street response – Reference number 3198

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3199

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3200

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3201

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3202

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3203

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3204

I object to the proposed changes.

Fees are already high enough and made worse by the obscene 'convenience fee'; it should be cheaper to pay online than at a machine.

Off-street response – Reference number 3205

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3207

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3208

I object to the proposed changes.

I feel I contribute enough of my money to parking and strongly object that the Council wishes to take even more of my dwindling earnings in the form of extra parking charges. The cost of everything is high and many people do not have spare cash. How can we save for anything, if charges are increased.

Off-street response – Reference number 3213

I object to the proposed changes.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3220

I object to the proposed changes.

The town centre is already in danger of dying with the empty Beales site and threats to town centre leisure facilities. People are already put off using the Angel centre (and high street shops) because parking charges make classes and gym use too expensive. One example is that the Tuesday walking football relocated to Tonbridge Farm during covid and never returned because of parking costs. If you persist with these short-sighted changes, you must at least offer

special dispensation or a refund facility to those using ttractive sites in town. Other councils manage to offer free limited time parking (Paddock Wood, Southborough) and as a consequence keep local shops and facilities thriving. If TMBC want to kill off Tonbridge town centre, making parking even more prohibitive is an excellent way to do it.

Off-street response – Reference number 3224

I object to the proposed changes.

I appreciate the need to increase some charges but these are radical proposals. You are just pushing some of us to on line shopping and away from the shops in the town. Bluewater is not far away for those who wish to have an 'all in one place' experience with free parking all day.

Please reconsider these extra charges, perhaps keep the free parking on Sundays and bank holidays.

Off-street response – Reference number 3225

I support the proposed changes.

I am a TMBC resident. Although I support the proposed increases to parking charges in this order, I wish to object to the proposals to extend the chargeable period until 8.00pm and remove free parking on Sundays.

Off-street response – Reference number 3226

I object to the proposed changes.

can't believe you again are targeting small independent businesses with increasing the 12 month parking permits. The £35.00 increase taking the 12 month fee to £290 is out of order.

I support an employee with this fee making it £580 I have to find from within the business. In the current climate and the cost of the living crisis Hair & Beauty and education is not a priority for most people and my businesses are struggling.

I have no option but to pay whatever you increase the permit charges too as again there is no alternative parking option in West Malling.

The Borough Council are determined to stop foot flow in the high street by making it a very unattractive shopping, pampering, wellbeing and social high street. Sadly the takings show that people are showing their feelings with their feet.

Off-street response – Reference number 3229

I object to the proposed changes.

I am quite disappointed that you see the need to increase the prices of parking within West Malling. Parking is somewhat of a pain within West malling and it hasn't helped that for over 4 months of 2023, there was a car that was abandoned and it took so long for the council to remove it, during that period you could obviously not park there, effectively using one of the spaces that could have been used by paying residents in the high street Really feel that if you put prices up people will not come into the village and support local businesses you will be driving people away from popping into the village of west malling

Off-street response – Reference number 3230

I object to the proposed changes.

As a local resident I completely object to these proposals. All local independent businesses are on the verge of being unsustainable as it is, with the new proposals you're basically shutting them down.

I won't even bother shopping in town if they come into effect, I will go further afield like bluewater or twells industrial estate where its free. Greed is the reason tonbridge is struggling, this new proposal has no benefit other than pure greed and makes me want to change how I politically vote. It's disgusting, we need to protect and support what we have before we lose it for good.

I live down medway wharf Road and I'm already concerned about the safety of the flats down there with the new developments, majority of residents are ready to sell up and leave due to the over development, reduced safety and lack of opportunities within the town due to over development.

Off-street response – Reference number 3233

I object to the proposed changes.

I'm writing to say that both my wife and myself are against the introduction of charges in West Malling high street and Martin Square. We believe that both will cause a significant drop in the footfall in both areas as there are plenty of alternative options (why use Tesco WM if the addition charge would mean it's cheaper to use Tesco Lunsford Park, why use the chemist if it's more economic to use the pharmacy in Tesco Lunsford Park etc?).

If ultimately a charge is introduced it would be beneficial to local businesses if the first 30 or 60 minutes were to be free. There are plenty of examples across the country where the introduction of charges has resulted in the loss of "high street" businesses.

The likely short term gain will result in long term pain ultimately reducing parking charge revenue and, in all likelihood, less business rate income for the council.

Similar arguements apply to the situation in Martin Square.

Off-street response – Reference number 3235

I object to the proposed changes.

You state that there will be a rise in the cost of parking. Why? Why does the price have to go up every year? You talk about covering the cost of your services but what services? The potholes in the roads throughout this county and others, are worthy of a 3rd world country.

Why can't the revenue raised from your exorbitant parking charges be used to cover your non-existent 'services'? Pothole damage to my car has cost me £600 this past year. I'm aware that this is to do with parking related matters but you are still the council and the state of the roads is disgusting. When contractors year up a road, why are they allowed to make botched repairs that result in holes and misaligned drain covers? Why are they not checked on using the monies you get from said exorbitant parking fines and charges? This is just another money making racket.

Off-street response – Reference number 3238

I object to the proposed changes.

Thanks for your efforts to raise awareness of this consultation on NextDoor.

I replied with link to my own ND post which includes my alternative ideas, which I've also put in response to consultation. To explain: my proposal is based partly on the success of LB Hillingdon - where we lived for nearly 30 years. Some years ago they introduced a free, residents-only Hillingdon Card, which gave us 30m free on & off-street

parking, plus very preferential rates for longer periods. Over time it transformed the way people used their local shops, & encouraged new & diverse businesses to open & created more vibrant & popular high streets.

Hillingdon is predominantly suburban, with residential areas centred on neighbourhood shops - much like T&M. There were problems with access to & abuse of residential parking - even in streets 15-20m walk from Tube stations. Parking management schemes proliferated - as far as 40m walk from the Tube! (due to knock-on effect of PMCs). When the Hillingdon Card was introduced, this parking problem was largely solved overnight. When residents found they could stop off at their local shops easily & cheaply, without clogging up local streets - they did. Over the years, more shops & restaurants opened, due to the increased footfall. More interesting shops, cafes & restaurants has in turn encouraged non-residents to come into the area - & they pay more for their parking. Some areas now have a very popular & vibrant evening environment. Of course - like everywhere - the pandemic did have an adverse effect but areas are gradually recovering.

Having a 'card' to achieve this may be too much for TMBC - not just cost of card but of new meters. And the 'local shop discount' additional benefits of the card were not very successful. But the same could be achieved with resident parking vouchers, for example. Buy a carnet of tickets, display 1 alone for short, free parking period, or together with a parking ticket to double (say) the parking time allowed.

If you price residents out of their local car parks - they do have other choices & will go elsewhere, with all the adverse effects stated in my post. These will be hard to reverse & their consequences will cost you even more money eg anti-social behaviour. But if you make it easier, not harder - your revenues will improve. You just have to have faith in your residents & businesses!

Off-street response – Reference number 3240

I object to the proposed changes.

Having looked at the parking charges consultation I have to seriously object to the changes to the car park in Western Road, Borough Green. As a retail business owner, the introduction of weekend parking charges will seriously harm the business of the shops in the area. Saturday is the premium trading day and taking away the free parking will be to the severe detriment of the businesses and our customers. We have already seen a high reduction of customer footfall in the area since lockdown and the onset of the current economical difficulties. The taking away of free weekend parking could be the final nail in the coffin for some retailers.

Also, as a permit holder, the changes to only Monday – Friday validity of permits would not be fair for me as I work Tuesday – Saturday so would have to fork out an extra £5.50 per week based on your new pricing proposals.

I hope that this consultation actually takes notice of the feelings of the public in general and is not just a box ticking exercise where the changes just go through on the nod.

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Off-street response – Reference number 1

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 4

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 5

I object to charges until 8pm.

You will ruin Tonbridge high Street if you start charging these additional hours! No one will come to the markets on Sunday or go to local bars for a drink if we have to start paying for parking, everything already costs too much.

Off-street response – Reference number 6

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is a short, term money grabbing idea that serves no benefit other than to raise short term cash for the council but this will be lost by reduced business rates from shops who will go bust because people can't be bothered to visit and be ripped off by the council for parking and this will severely impact people's desires to support local high streets.

Off-street response – Reference number 7

I object to charges until 8pm.

This town is becoming run down. The fact I can park for free to watch my son play Sunday football is important.

Off-street response – Reference number 8

I object to charges until 8pm.

Again money grabbing excuse that will free up spaces yeah it would because no one will pay and visit town anymore so then what would happen to shop owners?

Off-street response – Reference number 9

I object to charges on Sundays.

Increasing the car parking payment times will have a big impact on members who use the Angel centre gym and the swimming pool, especially in the evenings. I think the centre will lose customers, as they will have to pay for parking on top of their membership, when the evening is a popular time for many people to visit the facilities.

Off-street response – Reference number 10

I object to charges until 8pm.

Absolutely object strongly on all points here.

People of Tonbridge well know that parking charges do not apply after 6pm, or on Sundays and bank holidays. This is a good thing for the people and to introduce charges would be detrimental to Sunday shopping and Saturday evening dining for the many restaurants in the town centre.

Furthermore, people can park their cars on a Saturday evening and leave them be until ready to collect on a Sunday. This encourages responsible attitudes to drink driving which removal of is likely to result in more people taking a risk after several drinks over dinner or whilst out with friends.

Off-street response – Reference number 11

I object to charges until 8pm.

I work in retail and it is suffering enough in this town, some people wait until sundays/later to park. Also you are happy enough to charge for resident parking when there aren't enough spaces so these residents have to use car parks when they return from work, this would make them pay twice.

Off-street response – Reference number 12

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 13

I object to charges until 8pm.

This move is also anti-business. Small businesses rely on people who will avoid the town if they cannot afford to part. Residents use the car parks in these hours to save money. People who can barely afford their weekly shop do not need additional parking charges thrown at them. In addition to this, the council should be looking at ways to encourage and enable to community to use alternatives to cars.

Off-street response – Reference number 14

I object to charges on Sundays.

Why does the council want to introduce parking on a Sunday that will likely affect businesses and people and again no clear indication of what the council will do with this additional revenue stream

Off-street response – Reference number 15

I object to charges until 8pm.

Things are so tough financially right now, please don't add another increase to our already struggling lives.

Off-street response – Reference number 16

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 17

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 18

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 19

I object to charges until 8pm.

The hourly charge increase is too high, particularly when coupled with the change to 7 days a week and longer charging periods.

Also once again it seems that the residents of Tonbridge are being unfairly penalised with parking charges compared to other parts of the borough.

In my opinion it should be a lower hourly charge and then these changes would be acceptable.

Off-street response – Reference number 20

I support charges until 8pm.

Parking charges should be in place 24*7*365 to encourage shoppers to look out for alternate transportation modes and to help environment. Also, parking charges should be increased every 6 months.

Off-street response – Reference number 21

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 22

I object to charges until 8pm.

People are really pressed right now. These increases/changes seem too much, especially charging on Sundays and Bank Holidays.

Off-street response – Reference number 24

I support charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 25

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 26

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 27

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 28

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 29

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 32

I object to charges until 8pm.

Once again taxing the motorists, why up until 8.00 p.m, surely most commuters will have gone home by then. I presume the rationale behind this is once again to raise more revenues by fining people who would not adhere to the new proposed restrictions. Is the Council seriously proposing to enforce parking charges on Christmas day. Also assume that you will need more parking enforcement people to enforce these Draconian measures, you may as well go the full hog and make it 24 hours!!

Furthermore, these measures will simply put people of visiting the High Street that is already suffering due to various reasons. Instead of taxing the motorist up to the hilt, why not think of something else like fining the litter louts in Tonbridge, now that's an idea you could make a bomb. It just an easy win, simply raise prices to the motorists. I for one, will never be voting Tory in the Council elections.

Off-street response – Reference number 33

I object to charges until 8pm.

Parking charges are already a lot and should not be increased in tariff or change of hours having to pay for

Off-street response – Reference number 34

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 35

I object to charges until 8pm.

What a joke! Very short sighted - people will just shop elsewhere! Just look at how Tumbridge Wells has died - people would just park on the streets or go further to better facilities.

Off-street response – Reference number 36

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 38

I object to charges until 8pm.

I already pay council tax and road tax and fuel tax I object to being charged for parking too. Also when an issue happens the fines are disproportionately high.

Off-street response – Reference number 39

I object to charges until 8pm.

This would reduce footfall at the local businesses and effectively prohibit certain population from visiting local towns at all - affecting people's life's and health too. Right now on Saturdays all the places within 15 minutes walk from the town centre that allow free parking is absolutely packed (the south side of the Woodgate Way bridge is an example) with cars of the people who do not want (cannot afford?) to pay for parking in town. On Sundays they can park in town and access the businesses which they do. If this proposal goes through it will amount to excluding people from the community. Again that's the opposite of what the council is supposed to be about.

Off-street response – Reference number 40

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 41

I object to charges until 8pm.

Give us a break. I do my food shopping after 6 to save money and go to church on Sundays. BH are for fun. Let us enjoy our town without rinsing us.

Off-street response – Reference number 42

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 43

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 44

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 45

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 46

I object to charges until 8pm.

While i appreciate that the cost to man car parks might need to increase taking away the chance for people with less available funds to park i.e elderly or people on low incomes to have a day where parking is free seems a bit harsh especially in a cost of living crisis that has been going on for nearly 2 years now. I am sure this will also impact the high street in tonbridge even further as there seems to be more shops closed this year than ever. This would be driving more potential business away from an area that desperately needs it

Off-street response – Reference number 47

I object to charges until 8pm.

If you introduce parking fees on a Sunday abd bank holidays you will drive any remaining local trade out of the town to places like bluewater

Off-street response – Reference number 48

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 49

I object to charges on Sundays.

Totally unwarranted to charge on a Sunday or public holiday. This just seems like a money grab by council and will stop people visiting the high street shops for any length of time.

Off-street response – Reference number 50

I object to charges on Sundays.

We are in a cost of living crisis, why make people pay even more. Free parking in Tonbridge on Sundays and Bank hols has always brought people into the town to support Farmers Market and other events that take place in the Summer. Surley we want people to use the high street and town cafes. I think people would think twice about visiting the town. I don't agree with increasing to 8pm but if this happened couldn't the fee be offset against not charging Sundays at least.

Off-street response – Reference number 51

I object to charges on Sundays.

You have already reduced the length of time that can be claimed back at Sainsburys, majorly reducing footfall to the high street. Now you are proposing to charge people on Sundays as well. Please could you explain why you want the few shops that are left, due your high rent prices, to fail?

Off-street response – Reference number 55

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 56

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

Whilst there is some truth in parking difficulties in some car parks around Tonbridge on Sundays and Bank Holidays, this can only really seen around the car parks close to the swimming pool. Congestion and ease of parking at both Botany and Angel car parks is not a problem on Sundays or Bank Holidays so this reasoning is wrong for a blanket change across all car parks. Similarly, no car parks are anywhere near capacity from 6pm onwards, therefore extending times to 8pm is simply a money making exercise and nothing to do with making parking easier.

Off-street response – Reference number 58

I object to charges until 8pm.

I visit tonbridge on a Sunday because parking is free. If parking charges are introduced on a Sunday people will go elsewhere. Free parking helps the high street thrive.

Off-street response – Reference number 59

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 60

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 61

I support charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 62

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

If you want to drive more people away from using any of the high street or surrounding services this is the right way to go about it.

This is similar to what Tunbridge Wells have in place and I stopped going there shopping years ago.

All this will create is pushing people out to shop on the industrial estates which is already congested in the parking and road through. There are limited shopping options in the town already so people will go further afield which more choice and free parking.

If this goes ahead expect to see more shops to close and companies pull away from the town!

Off-street response – Reference number 63

I object to charges until 8pm.

Again, this is just another way to increase revenue.

Off-street response – Reference number 64

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 65

I object to charges until 8pm.

It will kill off the early evening trade for restaurants and supermarkets in the town by charging until 8pm. You will drive shoppers to out of town free parking at shopping outlets if you charge on Sundays. Local businesses will suffer if these proposals go through. Tonbridge can ill afford to lose visitors to the town at a time when the High Street is trying for regeneration.

Off-street response – Reference number 67

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 68

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 69

I object to charges until 8pm.

I object to the charges after 6PM since most of the businesses close anyway by 6PM and car parks are used by non business travels like going to park in summer, this will be a big deterrent to go to the parks with kids in summer. I strongly suggest not to extend the charging period beyond 6PM

Off-street response – Reference number 70

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 71

I object to charges until 8pm.

If you want car park running costs to go down, then don't get your staff to work extra days and longer hours. A bit of give back time for your staff and the community

Off-street response – Reference number 72

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 73

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 75

I object to charges until 8pm.

We pay enough, all incentives are going or reducing like the Sainsbury's car park. There are ZERO spaces for children and families in your car parks which is shocking! Why exactly is being maintained, the people you pay to issue parking fines?! I am not in favour of this at all. If you want the high street to survive you need to seriously think about this.

Off-street response – Reference number 76

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 78

I object to charges until 8pm.

I think council need to let residents have some money left to eat. We are already paying council taxes and we are not cash cows.

Off-street response – Reference number 79

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 80

I object to charges on Sundays.

I have never had a problem parking in Tonbridge on a Sunday or Bank Holiday there is always plenty of space. This is just a revenue grabbing scheme by the council and will discourage me from going into town on those days thus depriving local business of customers.

Off-street response – Reference number 81

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 82

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 83

I support charges until 8pm.

Parking should be charged at all times. If people don't like it and local businesses can demonstrate that they are suffering as a result, then it could be reconsidered.

Off-street response – Reference number 84

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 85

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will kill the town in the same way it did in Tunbridge wells, reduce evening usage of the angel centre and encourage more food shopping at Aldi, marks and Spencer or on the industrial estate in Tunbridge wells. I am a member of Tonbridge community singers held in Tonbridge parish church and because of the lack of parking available at the church many of our members drive and park on our practice nights which start at 7pm. We moved to be central to attract more local members , but introducing parking charges will mean we have to rethink where we meet.

Off-street response – Reference number 86

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 87

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will further kill the high street. The council needs to manage the parking more effectively. People need to be attracted to the high street. This is very short sighted.

Off-street response – Reference number 88

I object to charges until 8pm.

As above

Off-street response – Reference number 89

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 90

I object to charges until 8pm.

There are no shops, Cafés or many businesses open on the highstreet after 6pm so this is not a valid argument. It would negatively impact restaurants/bars that remain open.

Introducing pricing on Sundays and Bank holidays is outrageous. Traditionally these days must be protected from charges to ensure visitors during these lower trade days.

Off-street response – Reference number 91

I object to charges until 8pm.

Other towns have much better parking models than this to encourage better throughput through car parks and also boost the towns shopping potential. Many towns offer 2 or 3 hours free parking and a charge after that to encourage shoppers but discourage people parking for the station all day. The shops in Tonbridge are obviously already struggling and declining so I think this will probably prove the end to the town to be honest. I think it will make the council money in the short term but in the long term lose money with the impact.

Off-street response – Reference number 92

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 93

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 95

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 97

I object to charges until 8pm.

I think this will be really detrimental to the businesses on our high street and will reduce footfall in the town centre.

Off-street response – Reference number 98

I object to charges until 8pm.

Parking charges are already too high and do nothing to encourage people to use the High Street. Why doesn't the Council install machines that can accept card/contactless payments direct rather than using Ringo which needlessly adds to parking costs and stops people being able to get a refund from Waitrose and Sainsbury's? Does someone in the Council own shares in Ringo I wonder?

Off-street response – Reference number 99

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 100

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge is a quiet town as it is. If you extend parking charges into Sundays, bank holidays and after 6pm it will be even worse! More people will head to Bluewater for shopping where parking is free, and less people will use Sainsburys and use the supermarkets that are on the industrial estate

Off-street response – Reference number 101

I object to charges until 8pm.

Please don't increase parking charges any further!

Off-street response – Reference number 103

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 104

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

In my opinion this is pure greed by the council. Tonbridge is busy on a Sunday, charging on a Sunday will affect the Farmers market as well as local businesses. I know a lot of people who only go into Tonbridge on a Sunday due to the parking costs.

Off-street response – Reference number 105

I object to charges on Sundays.

This will stop people going out and spending money on the evenings and will turn the place into a ghost town on a Sunday.

Off-street response – Reference number 106

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

Given the high amount of permit parking it's extremely hard for non locals to park and support the local businesses and public areas. By increasing costs of parking, we are putting the support of these businesses at risk.

Off-street response – Reference number 107

I object to charges until 8pm.

Give us a break! Again these should not change unless the parking facilities are being run at a loss! These should be viewed as a service not a money making scheme.

Off-street response – Reference number 108

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 109

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 110

I object to charges until 8pm.

There's not many things that are small bonus's but this is some. Again totally just another method of making more money - I completely object.

Off-street response – Reference number 111

I object to charges until 8pm.

It's nice to be able to visit the town in the evening for a meal or use leisure facilities without having additional costs to think about.

Free parking on a Sunday is great. It enables me to visit shops, cafes, the park without rushing or needing to extend parking. I have never had an issue finding a parking space.

Off-street response – Reference number 112

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 113

I object to charges until 8pm.

Another blatant money raising exercise. There is NO benefit to residents and simple FINANCIAL benefit to the council. It is particularly mean to charge for parking on Sundays and Bank holidays.

Off-street response – Reference number 114

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 115

I object to charges until 8pm.

I am in the Tonbridge Community Choir and charges after 6pm means we may lose members of our choir. I'm sure other community organisations would say the same thing. Councils are very adept at pricing people out of their towns instead of encouraging them. And Sunday parking charges? Lots of people go to Tonbridge instead of Tunbridge Wells on Sundays because it's free parking. Tonbridge will be a ghost town on Sundays with parking charges, like Tunbridge Wells. You reap what you sow.

Off-street response – Reference number 116

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 117

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 119

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 120

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 121

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will impact churchgoers, families attending sports clubs etc. that's not acceptable. This will also impact footfall for shopping on Sundays, are you trying to kill the town??

Off-street response – Reference number 122

I object to charges until 8pm.

Council is devising cheap way of earnings. Sundays & Bank Holidays should not be charged as currently. It gives customers more incentive to go out.

Extending parking charges to 8pm should also include keeping highstreet shops open till 8pm, not just eating joints or bars.

Off-street response – Reference number 124

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 125

I object to charges until 8pm.

We will make sure these changes dont take place

Off-street response – Reference number 127

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

As a Council you should be encouraging leisure and a healthy lifestyle.

Parking costs will massively impact the ability of many users coming into Tonbridge to use the park, swimming pool and surrounding area. Business will be impacted as people will reduce the time (&money) they spend in Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 128

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 129

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 130

I object to charges until 8pm.

Council should stop making road users an scapegoat for its incompetence in managing it's monies. It's shameful that TMBC has decided to increase the charges despite regulatory failing to provide a decent level is serviced. You should encourage more people in town rather than push people away. You should look at alternate way to generate revenue by utilising the council assets and properties effectively.

Off-street response – Reference number 131

I object to charges until 8pm.

More charges are disrespectful at a time when people are struggling to make ends meet and drivers particularly are being penalised by higher costs.

People will either avoid Tonbridge, which will affect businesses, or seek free parking in residential areas.

This is a cynical attempt to rake in more money which will ultimately be frittered away. It is sheer exploitation of hard working people who will probably not see any tangible benefits from the the funds generated. It is nothing but a 'leisure time tax'. This will ultimately harm pubs, clubs and other social activities.

Off-street response – Reference number 133

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 134

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 135

I object to charges until 8pm.

Because the parking charges are already so extortionate, people utilise the free parking times. Taking that away will kill the trade more.

Off-street response – Reference number 136

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 137

I object to charges until 8pm.

Extending the charging period during the week and adding charges for Sundays and Bank Holidays will discourage even more people from coming to Tonbridge, leading to less footfall on the High Street and ultimately to more vacant premises as businesses lose custom.

Off-street response – Reference number 138

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 139

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 141

I object to charges until 8pm.

Appalling during a cost of living crisis

Off-street response – Reference number 142

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 143

I object to charges until 8pm.

I already avoid going into town during the day if I can. This will cause me to avoid town altogether

Off-street response – Reference number 144

I object to charges until 8pm.

Local business needs support to ensure their customers are encouraged to visit the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 146

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 147

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 148

I object to charges until 8pm.

The charges are already killing the high street, driving customers to free, out of town retail parks. Extending the charges even later and on Sundays and public holidays will only go to make this situation even worse. It will also likely end use of some major parts of town.

Off-street response – Reference number 149

I object to charges until 8pm.

Traditionally, meter bays are not chargeable on Bank Holidays. Bringing in Sunday charging in off-street car parks removes a benefit from those wishing to use the Racecourse. Then raising parking charges in tandem and durations seems a stark disregard for the Council Tax payer.

Off-street response – Reference number 151

I object to charges on Sundays.

Free parking is important in these times of financial hardship. We should be considering reducing parking costs to support the town centre rather than putting this extra burden on it.

Off-street response – Reference number 155

I object to charges until 8pm.

Lots of sports clubs will be impacted by these proposed charges

Off-street response – Reference number 156

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 157

I object to charges until 8pm.

Support Business, keep parking free

Off-street response – Reference number 158

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 159

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 160

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 161

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 162

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 163

I support charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 164

I object to charges until 8pm.

All these extra charges will be the death of our high streets. I would rather drive to bluewater and park for free

Off-street response – Reference number 165

I object to charges until 8pm.

I agree with paying on a Sunday, as it's not the 'day of rest' that it used to be. But Paying to park after 8pm is unnecessary and will have a bearing on people who use the town in the evening. If you are going out for the evening and meeting friends, paying to park after 8pm puts everyone in a bad mood and makes them less likely to visit the town again. It will also have a negative effect on the hospitality business which is still suffering in the wake of covid.

Off-street response – Reference number 166

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 168

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is completely unacceptable for council to increase the charges as well as the time and day. As a common people living in Tonbridge already stretched with their budget and council with excuse to increase and impose the charges on common public. It is completely unethical and unacceptable. I strongly oppose this. How the parking works right now. Its enough for the people of Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 169

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 170

I support charges until 8pm.

Sundays and BHs free parking always brings visitors into town which in turn increases our economy; even if they are here to sightsee at the castle/river, they tend to use our eateries and coffee shops so keep it free on Sundays and BHs please.

Off-street response – Reference number 171

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 172

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

The angel centre is struggling to attract users if you start charging to use the carparks after 6pm and on Sundays this will make people think about going elsewhere

Off-street response – Reference number 173

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

This will have a devastating effect on local shops and businesses, people will make the decision to go elsewhere.

Off-street response – Reference number 174

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 175

I object to charges until 8pm.

One day out of seven should be free. Many people attend church or sporting activities on Sunday.

I understand that as a local council you have been starved of funds from central government but this is the consequence of Tory government. Perhaps you should all think about the consequences of your political allegiance.

Off-street response – Reference number 176

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 177

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will kill off any visitors to the town and also people's ability to access after school clubs for their kids due to extortionate costs. Shops will lose business and the town will become a much less pleasurable place to be.

Off-street response – Reference number 178

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 179

I object to charges until 8pm.

Very few shops in Tonbridge are open past 6pm. You are effectively hammering people who do their supermarket shopping after work, and people using their cars when local hospitality businesses. You are particularly targeting families who go out to eat earlier in the evening. Instead of exacting yet more stealth taxes on the Borough's motorists, you should increase the council tax by the amount of your shortfall, so the entire electorate can pay for the shortfall.

Off-street response – Reference number 180

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is a terrible idea. There is a cost of living crisis. Don't increase prices. Keep parking cost low to attract visitors to Tonbridge and for locals. If you do do this you'll kill the town centre and shops will close. People will go elsewhere.

Off-street response – Reference number 181

I object to charges on Sundays.

See answer to number 15 as the same reasons apply.

Off-street response – Reference number 182

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 183

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 184

I object to charges until 8pm.

Really fed up with coucil paying for parades for minorities - non essential, then gouging people everyday to pay for.it.

Off-street response – Reference number 186

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 188

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 189

I object to charges on Sundays.

The transport system in Tonbridge isn't exactly great. To get to and from town is not only expensive but buses are infrequent and in the evening I wouldn't feel safe using public transport. Bank holiday services are even worse. Again you will be driving people away from the town to other places when they would be spending money in our shops and supporting local events. I would nip into town if I could park for an hour without charge instead I visit other places, buy on line or buy with a bigger shop.

Off-street response – Reference number 190

I object to charges until 8pm.

We need to promote the use of the communal resources we have and encourage people to use them to get fresh air and exercise. Introducing parking fees we do the exact opposite.

Off-street response – Reference number 191

I object to charges until 8pm.

The notion that these charges are required is incorrect, and very unwanted by locals and visitors alike.

Which shops exactly are open until 8pm? I can only think of the supermarkets. I would imagine that the people that shop after 6pm, are there only for a short period of time. This is not necessary.

The high street is struggling and needs assistance rather than more charges on the visiting public. We should be celebrating the events that happen in our town rather than cynically seeing them as a untapped revenue stream.

Off-street response – Reference number 193

I object to charges until 8pm.

The free parking is one of the reasons I choose to visit Tonbridge High St on a Sunday. This will deter visitors. Let's not make it more difficult to support our local high street and vibrant community

Off-street response – Reference number 195

I object to charges until 8pm.

The high street already has a number of empty properties and feel concerned this would impact the high street retailers and potentially also restaurants and bars. I am able to walk in to town but only drive on a Sunday to do heavier shopping

Off-street response – Reference number 200

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 201

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 202

I object to charges until 8pm.

Local people should be able to use their local amenities without being penalised. In the current climate it is another nail in the coffin for the small independents and the elderly and those with young children..... also, don't we pay council and road tax already?

Off-street response – Reference number 203

I object to charges until 8pm.

Families should be encouraged to use local green spaces at weekends the provision of free parking does this. It also prevent congestion in local roads. It also helps local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 204

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 206

I object to charges until 8pm.

Brings people into the town, more charged, less people.

Off-street response – Reference number 207

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 208

I object to charges on Sundays.

Give us a break from car parking charges, we currently often shop in Tonbridge on a Sunday due to there being no charges. If charges were introduced we would not bother.

Off-street response – Reference number 209

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 210

I object to charges until 8pm.

The introduction of evening charging is likely to particularly impact the restaurant trade - already struggling with inflation imposed costs. Tonbridge has been unique for not charging beyond 6 pm, Sundays and Bank Holidays.

What is likely to be the knock-on effect of these charges in residential areas close to the town centre? Will it necessary to extend parking restrictions in residential areas?

Off-street response – Reference number 211

I object to charges on Sundays.

Charging on a Sunday will greatly affect footfall to the High Street and I feel the Council should support.

Off-street response – Reference number 212

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 214

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 215

I support charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 216

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 217

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 219

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

I'm not sure of the point of extending from 6pm to 8pm, when you walk through Tonbridge after the shops shut at 5/5.30 it's really quiet. Are there many trying to park then??

I think Bank Holidays should still be free, especially for visitor permits. Many have relatives visiting on the bank holidays. Also it would be helpful if TMBC could actually tweet or put something on their website about parking charges on Bank Holidays as I usually have to chase this up and check on behalf of our residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 220

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 222

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 223

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will massively impact businesses, not just retail but restaurants too

Off-street response – Reference number 224

I object to charges until 8pm.

There are always spaces in the car park in West Malling so this is totally unnecessary. (Ryarsh Lane Car Park) This is pure greed and not a necessity.

Off-street response – Reference number 225

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 226

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 227

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 229

I object to charges until 8pm.

again, the extension to charging periods will reduce the number of people visiting the town during these times. People who cannot afford the parking charges at other times choose to visit retailers during the evenings and on Sundays to avoid the parking charges.

If parking charges are introduced during early evenings and weekends shoppers will use out of town retailers which will have a negative impact on the traders in the town and further demise to the high street.

Off-street response – Reference number 230

I object to charges until 8pm.

Thus will deter me using the small independent businesses the car parks serve. Our high streets will change for the worse

Off-street response – Reference number 231

I object to charges until 8pm.

People are struggling financially and taking away free parking and extending the times will cripple people and businesses will lose out as people won't go there anymore

Off-street response – Reference number 235

I object to charges until 8pm.

I use the Angel Centre and Swimming Pool in Tonbridge and purposely attend classes during times where there are no parking charges. If there was an additional cost of parking this would discourage me from attending as the costs would be significant and I would look elsewhere for leisure facilities.

Off-street response – Reference number 236

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 237

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 238

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 239

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 241

I object to charges until 8pm.

Incentivising parking at off-peak times (e.g. 6-8pm outside of rush hour/school runs when the traffic in town is often gridlocked or Sundays/Bank Holidays) helps to smooth out the amount of traffic in town at a given time. Without these incentives there is a risk that traffic in peak hours will increase further. The statement of reasons on the TMBC website talks about 24 hour supermarkets - this is disingenuous - none of the supermarkets in town open beyond 10pm with Iceland and Waitrose closing at 7pm and 8pm respectively. In the 6-8pm period, both shops and car parks are quieter so there is no need to implement charging. None of the major retailers or facilities in town have significantly changed their opening hours in recent times and therefore there is no need for parking charge periods to change either.

Off-street response – Reference number 242

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 245

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 246

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

As you have mentioned in the consultation notes, on Sundays many of these car parks are used by people partaking in activities around the town. As a member of the baseball club the parking on Sunday is difficult but to start charging, making the facilities even more exclusive flies in the face of everything our community is working towards regarding inclusivity. The lower castle field car park is a hive of activity with a real community of people paddleboarding, playing football, rugby baseball and to attempt to exclude people who cannot pay the charges and are struggling enough as it is does not sit well with me.

Please take this into consideration.

Many thanks

Off-street response – Reference number 247

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 248

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 250

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 251

I object to charges on Sundays.

Nooo please don't do this!

Off-street response – Reference number 252

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 253

I object to charges until 8pm.

What is the justification for extending the charging periods. It's not like car parks are mobbed during this time. The free parking on a Sunday draws people into the town, perhaps many of whom, like myself wouldn't otherwise bother. I might choose to shop at Waitrose or Sainsbury's (Botany Bay Group 1 car parks) on a Sunday simply because I don't have the hassle of getting a ticket. Both of these stores refund the cost so its not about the money on such occasions. It's the aggravation factor.

Off-street response – Reference number 254

I object to charges until 8pm.

I strongly object to this. Putting people off coming into the town after 6pm or on Sundays will deter people even more than they are now! 2 hours free parking will encourage and enrich our slowly deteriorating high street!

Off-street response – Reference number 255

I object to charges until 8pm.

As above. Surely you want to encourage people to come to town? This is pretty outrageous.

Off-street response – Reference number 256

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 258

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 259

I object to charges until 8pm.

Please see comment above - you're just making it less attractive to visit tonbridge, and this will impact whether people go out in the evening. I hardly even drive myself, this is genuinely about the impact on our town

Off-street response – Reference number 260

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will affect everyone visiting Tonbridge also those working that need to park in town.

Off-street response – Reference number 261

I object to charges until 8pm.

It will drive away custom and customers, undermine businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 262

I object to charges on Sundays.

You will completely destroy the town if u decide to do this.

I work at Waitrose Tonbridge and work the hours to avoid the parking charges - some times I think twice about going into work or to Tonbridge so as to avoid parking charges !

This will impact heavily on the money I earn and the colleagues.

I hate to think of the businesses in the area - small business in the area that will close down if you take this action.

You will create more traffic and illegal and parking in the streets surrounding - where people will go to drastic lengths to avoid the parking charges ! They will also idle and pull over on pavements and park in areas out of town that are more residential. Which will in turn make those areas built up and affect local residents.

Tonbridge is a thriving town and Tunbridge wells is no longer a thriving town - because they introduced parking charges. I no longer go to Tunbridge wells and come to Tonbridge to shop. If u do this I will not come to Tonbridge as to be frank - the choices that Tonbridge provides are worthy of a free parking spaces and if u make them payable on Sundays and bank holidays the town will be completely destroyed and go down hill rapidly just as Tunbridge wells has. The damage has been done there -

People still come to Tonbridge

People in the outer areas will travel to other areas to shop - like Eastbourne - crowborough - Bluewater - East Sussex areas !

They won't come to Tonbridge

This is a very very bad idea indeed! Do not make this mistake !

Off-street response – Reference number 263

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 264

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 265

I object to charges until 8pm.

The suggested charging increase is excessive. The proposal to introduce charges on Sundays and Bank Holidays will act as a deterrent to those coming to Tonbridge.

I already only park in Tonbridge on limited occasions. Bluewater is easily accessible from Tonbridge and parking there is free and the choice of shops far wider. If the proposed changes in Tonbridge are implemented, I (and I suspect many other residents) will vote with their feet and only travel into , and park in, Tonbridge when absolutely necessary.

Off-street response – Reference number 266

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 267

I object to charges until 8pm.

See answer above. Nobody will come to the vast restaurants Tonbridge has to offer when they have to add a hefty amount on to their bill. Stop killing our high street- nobody wants this.

Off-street response – Reference number 268

I object to charges until 8pm.

With the cost of living crisis and our town fighting against out of town centres it will stop people coming to our town and using lovely restaurants, pubs and shops which are struggling and for us that work within the town we will cost us hugely to

Off-street response – Reference number 269

I support charges until 8pm.

These are far better ways of covering the increased operating costs than increasing charges. Doing both is unnecessary and this is likely to have less impact

Off-street response – Reference number 270

I object to charges until 8pm.

These should remain as they are

Off-street response – Reference number 271

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 272

I object to charges until 8pm.

There are also many local charity/support/self help groups in Tonbridge at the Christ church near Sainsburys that rely on this free parking in the evening. These are self supporting groups and rely on access to our meetings which includes free parking.

Extending charging period time will also greatly effect restaurant/hospitality business.

Off-street response – Reference number 273

I object to charges until 8pm.

Are you really trying to drive all visitors and shoppers away from Tonbridge for good, because that is what it feels like. TMBC treat Tonbridge as either a cash cow or as an irrelevance, depending on whether its assets can be exploited or not. Extending the charging periods will just drive people away from the town if they have the option to not come here, or make them resentful and exploited if they do have to come here.

Off-street response – Reference number 274

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 275

I object to charges until 8pm.

Insane suggestion. Sunday, evening, bank holidays free parking the only reason to shop in Tonbridge. Public transport provision inadequate to compensate from Hildenborough end of town

Off-street response – Reference number 276

I object to charges until 8pm.

Having recently moved to the area I was shocked at the high cost of parking. To extend the cost to later in the day & bank holidays will have a detrimental effect on the high street & encourage shoppers to go to retail parks with free parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 279

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 280

I object to charges until 8pm.

Charges on these days will result in driving people out of town and away from the leisure facilities. Also many events in the town are on Sundays and the introduction of charges will result in the reduction of footfall for these charity events.

Off-street response – Reference number 281

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 282

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 283

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

Introducing these charges will have a strong impact on many local businesses. With a young child, eating in a restaurant at just after 6pm is perfect timing, and knowing that we don't have to pay for parking helps make the choice to eat out. We would not do this if parking charges were introduced later, and also on Sunday/Bank Holiday's. I do not believe the council understands the positive impact on the economy that free parking has on a town and area. It's an active encouragement to go there.

Off-street response – Reference number 284

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 285

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 286

I object to charges until 8pm.

Negative impact on local businesses and increased parking in surrounding areas

Off-street response – Reference number 287

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 288

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

This is beyond greedy & really not thinking of a family approach for living in Tonbridge. All weekends/ bank holidays when we have family / friends around - Tonbridge council wants to charge for this privilege? Absolutely not.

Off-street response – Reference number 290

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will kill local restaurants etc

Off-street response – Reference number 291

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 292

I object to charges until 8pm.

Allow locals to park on Sundays free of charge and don't put charges on for later periods. We want to get out and support our local towns and villages. We pay enough council tax to have this free parking available

Off-street response – Reference number 293

I object to charges until 8pm.

Please see answer above

Off-street response – Reference number 294

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 295

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will be the end of our high street and a blow for small businesses. I will not use the high street if Sunday parking and evening charges are introduced. We should be encouraging people to shop in our town not driving them away.

Off-street response – Reference number 296

I object to charges until 8pm.

Free parking brings people into the town to shop & use Angel Centre .

Off-street response – Reference number 297

I object to charges until 8pm.

Greed!

Off-street response – Reference number 298

I object to charges until 8pm.

Why do you want to stop people coming to Tonbridge?

Off-street response – Reference number 299

I object to charges until 8pm.

EXTENDING TIMES WHEN VISITORS HAVE TO PARK WILL EXTEND THE MISERY WE SUFFER IN THE SLADE.

Off-street response – Reference number 300

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 301

I object to charges until 8pm.

Parking in Tonbridge is already extremely expensive and prohibits how much my family of 3 young children can access tonbridge and it's amenities. It's extremely helpful to have Sundays and after 6pm that are free for parking. With the cost of living crisis and trying to cut costs as much as possible, those are now the times I am able to come into tonbridge to do grocery shopping, go on family walks in the park etc. Removing them would have a significant impact on both our finances, quality of live and ability to support local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 302

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 304

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 305

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 306

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 308

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 309

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 311

I object to charges until 8pm.

I agree that drivers should be charged on Sundays, but I don't agree with the charges after 6pm and on Bank holidays.

Off-street response – Reference number 312

I object to charges until 8pm.

Shops will suffer greatly, especially on Sundays.

Off-street response – Reference number 313

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 314

I object to charges until 8pm.

In a cost of living crisis all you're doing is damaging the high street and local economy. Think of your constituents not greed.

Off-street response – Reference number 315

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is further squeeze. I know lots of people who will wait to shop on Sundays for the sole reason of the parking charges. Businesses will suffer further if this takes on as people will be discouraged. Lots of sport activities take place on Sundays around this area so again families will be further squeezed

Off-street response – Reference number 316

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 318

I object to charges until 8pm.

Give people a break, and let them afford to go out and enjoy Sundays and bank holidays. Get your money from somewhere else

Off-street response – Reference number 319

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 320

I object to charges until 8pm.

Introducing charges on Sunday and Bank Holidays will destroy businesses. Few shops open on those days, but rely on footfall - charging will stop that and destroy the high street completely.

Off-street response – Reference number 321

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 322

I object to charges until 8pm.

As above charging more and for longer will stop people coming into town and will be detrimental to local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 324

I object to charges until 8pm.

This would sound the death knell of our High Street. For a lot of people the only reason they choose to come to Tonbridge on a Sunday to shop is that parking is free.

Off-street response – Reference number 325

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 326

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will absolutely kill Tonbridge, there will be noone shopping on the high street anymore. Supermarkets should have 2hours free parking, like in most other towns and cities around UK

Off-street response – Reference number 328

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will kill local restaurants and pubs as I will for one go where I don't have parking charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 329

I object to charges until 8pm.

I attend well being and health support meetings at the church from 7pm. If charges were to be introduced as a pensioner I could not afford to attend and my health would be greatly affected.

I also shop on Sunday in Tonbridge to avoid charges. This would have to stop and my interaction with society would be reduced as I would only shop at my local store and chemist in Hildenborough.

I think it would cause problems for many shoppers in Tonbridge with the town being deserted late at night and on Sunday

Off-street response – Reference number 330

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 331

I object to charges until 8pm.

Just a revenue drive nothing for the benefit if residents

Off-street response – Reference number 332

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 333

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is a terrible idea. It will affect not only the shops but also the restaurants. Every time another business closes down you lose the business rates. Isn't it in your interest to keep the town vibrant? Sundays is currently the day that seems busiest in town, largely because the parking is free.

Off-street response – Reference number 335

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 336

I object to charges until 8pm.

The town is busiest on a Sunday because parking is free. By charging, even less people will be visiting shops and cafes etc....instead they will go to bluewater or the industrial estate where parking is free. Which means local businesses will miss out and start to close.....which will give people even less reason to visit.

Off-street response – Reference number 337

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 338

I support charges until 8pm.

As above, if alternatives were in place i would have no objection the price rise. The council needs to raise money, and i believe cars should be discouraged when there are alternatives. However, there aren't. The increase would be far more palatable if we had cycling and bus alternatives that were affordable. The bus into town and back costs my four person family £16. At these prices, the car is the only viable alternative without safe cycle lanes.

I feel that Sunday and bank holiday trading seems to be a thing of the past. There is little discernible difference anymore to trading days, so it makes sense to levy a fee to use the car parks then if money can be reinvested into the community.

Off-street response – Reference number 339

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge is suffering greatly, and becoming a 'ghost town' Retail staff already pay a high rate to park.

This is the final nail in the coffin of a once great town !

Off-street response – Reference number 340

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 341

I object to charges until 8pm.

Again will kill the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 342

I object to charges until 8pm.

It will deter people from visiting Tonbridge during the evenings, Sunday's and bank holidays. The business currently suffer because of the cost of parking putting people off.

Off-street response – Reference number 343

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 344

I object to charges until 8pm.

By charging for parking on Sundays and bank holidays this will have a negative impact as people will then seek free parking in residents bays etc and therefore will cause more carnage, certainly in the Slade in Tonbridge

Off-street response – Reference number 345

I object to charges until 8pm.

Residential streets should still have free parking on weekends but charge in town

Off-street response – Reference number 346

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 347

I object to charges until 8pm.

Every store is struggling to retain customers and they won't be able to attract customers if they have to pay to park.

Off-street response – Reference number 348

I object to charges on Sundays.

Ridiculous idea which will only create even more issues for resident parking in the slade and surrounding areas. If you are going to do this please just make most of central

Tonbridge resident parking all day every day!

Off-street response – Reference number 349

I object to charges on Sundays.

These are the days and times it is most difficult to use public transport as an alternative

Off-street response – Reference number 350

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 351

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 352

I object to charges until 8pm.

Being part of a local sports club which uses this car park regularly, this may cause a decrease in participation due to costs involved in parking at the proposed timings which people may not then be able to afford

Off-street response – Reference number 353

I object to charges until 8pm.

The town will be empty if you go ahead with this proposal.

Off-street response – Reference number 355

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 356

I object to charges on Sundays.

Why? Again pure greed.

Off-street response – Reference number 357

I object to charges until 8pm.

In relation to all of the above, I think it is ridiculous that you're proposing to increase parking charging / tariffs in the Tonbridge and Malling area and it is ridiculous that you're proposing to extend the charging periods as well. It is already too expensive to park in the town and things are already tight enough for people financially in the area without this additional increase. Increasing the prices will only discourage people from parking in Tonbridge and using the local area and I fear that by increasing the prices you're only going to push people out of shopping in this area and instead force them to out of town shopping areas that do not have the same / any restrictions.

It was bad enough when you increased the cost of residents parking permits; with no added benefits to residents such as increased periods of residents only parking but now you're making it even more impossible for people to be able to afford to live in Tonbridge and use the facilities it has to offer. You're only forcing people out of the area rather than incentivising them to come here.

Off-street response – Reference number 358

I object to charges until 8pm.

If the logical is to open up parking space for those using the leisure facilities why not make the car park only available to them in Sunday? This just seems like a case of making money out of those wanting to use the leisure facilities. Taxing them for taking part in outdoor activities

Off-street response – Reference number 360

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 361

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 362

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 363

I object to charges on Sundays.

Changing it to 2000 is just another money grab so admit to it. Charging for Sunday parking will harm all children's sports as well and I would have thought you would like to encourage that.

Off-street response – Reference number 364

I object to charges on Sundays.

As a member of a local sports team who uses the car parks on weekday evenings for training, and Sunday daytimes for matches (lasting 6 hours or more), changing the payment periods would be very detrimental to club participation and attendance. This would cost our members a significant amount to attend each week, along with any visiting players in the league - this would be very damaging to our club, and the reputation of sports in Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 365

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 366

I object to charges until 8pm.

Adding Sundays and Bank Holidays to the parking charge bracket would impact the Slade Residents more, as above. People would park in The Slade bays to avoid the charges in the car parks. Sundays and Bank Holidays are a popular time for Slade residents to have visitors (along with most families)

so changing the conditions of the resident parking scheme to prohibit non residents parking on Sundays and Bank holidays as well, would again adversely affect Slade Residents

Off-street response – Reference number 368

I object to charges until 8pm.

The last slice of good value and the lifeline to many small businesses. Don't kill off our town. The draw to visit off peak will be destroyed. Do you want Tonbridge to thrive or die? I absolutely do not support these greedy charges

Off-street response – Reference number 369

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 370

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 373

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 374

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 375

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge is a thriving town, increased charges may be its downfall

Off-street response – Reference number 376

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 377

I object to charges on Sundays.

I don't understand the rationale behind this proposal. Living on Western Road we often advise family to visit on Sunday (when parking is free) and not clogging up space for local business during the week. Small numbers of local business even open on Sunday in Borough Green...

Off-street response – Reference number 378

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 379

I object to charges until 8pm.

I strongly object to these introductions of extensions to parking again deterring visitors and locals using the towns facilities.

Off-street response – Reference number 381

I object to charges until 8pm.

I regularly use Tonbridge to shop, walk and meet friends during the day and evening. I also use the farmer market and other events on Sundays. This is because I want to support local businesses and keep the high street alive. Tunbridge Wells already have ridiculous parking prices which is why I go to Tonbridge. Please don't be short sighted and lose your high street and wonderful community

Off-street response – Reference number 382

I object to charges until 8pm.

Shops on main street are closed at 6pm, extending the parking charge is putting people off dining out in town on weekdays. Many people do their weekly shopping in town and Sainsbury's/ Waitrose, attend classes in sports centre/ swimming pool on Sundays. Adding a charge on Sundays/PH increases the family expenditure and put people off going to town centre at all. It is killing Tonbridge!

Off-street response – Reference number 383

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 384

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 385

I object to charges until 8pm.

Killing retail and leisure - it will only benefit Amazon, as eventually you will lose rates from buildings also, and will just have more flats in place of shops. Don't turn Tonbridge into a ghost town like Tunbridge Wells.

Off-street response – Reference number 388

I object to charges until 8pm.

Just ridiculous and will ruin tonbridge

Off-street response – Reference number 389

I object to charges until 8pm.

Our high street is already less lively. Adding charges on bank holidays and Sundays will negatively effect the whole town. And as someone on a low I come I rely on post 6pm free parking to shop in sainsburys and again will take my business to a different town if charges are introduced.these charges would be a terrible idea for the town forcing shoppers elsewhere

Off-street response – Reference number 390

I object to charges on Sundays.

My child plays rugby at Tonbridge Juddians on a Sunday and whilst I can just about afford for her club subs I couldn't afford to pay parking on top of this and that would stop her playing, taking part in physical exercise, spending time with friends, socialising and all the other benefits that come from team sports

I also think it would massively impact local businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 391

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 392

I object to charges until 8pm.

Yet again an easy way to make

Money. We are trying to keep businesses going , this will only kill them

Off-street response – Reference number 393

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 394

I object to charges until 8pm.

The current parking charge periods give people who are already on a low income, or with budget constraints, a much-needed opportunity to do their shopping or visit the high street without the additional car parking expense. I think we should be given this opportunity for some much-needed relief wherever possible.

Off-street response – Reference number 395

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 396

I object to charges until 8pm.

Soon you'll be charging for 24 hour service. Shops may be open later but someone popping out at 7pm when it's quieter shouldn't have to pay to pop in somewhere.

Off-street response – Reference number 397

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 399

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 400

I object to charges until 8pm.

It will kill trade in the town

And all the sports groups!

Off-street response – Reference number 401

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 402

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is just another stealth tax on people by a council that cannot manage its budget.

Off-street response – Reference number 403

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is a most unwelcome proposal, which will impact the sustainability of all evening leisure activities in Tonbridge. Having to deal with parking changes is an inconvenience as well as an expense and will also make short shopping trips much less viable.

Off-street response – Reference number 404

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 405

I object to charges on Sundays.

Parking charges make me avoid using the towns facilities.

Off-street response – Reference number 406

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 407

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 408

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 409

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 410

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 412

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 413

I object to charges until 8pm.

I live in Higham Wood, I frequently travel into tonbridge town Center at 6pm to meet with friends or be active or visit the board game café. In this cost of living crisis the free parking is invaluable to accommodate these important Social connections. We also live in a loneliness Epidemic. some late opening shops and courses depend on the footfall. If there were parking charges it would put me in the difficult position to choose at times between going to town or not as the costs add to the costs of being out that late to meet people. That would be especially true if charges were at the same cost as the daytime charges. I also wait specifically for Sundays and bank holidays to use the lower castle car

park to use the park and river for activities being already put of on Saturdays due to the added costs. The same thinking applies to shopping in town and when to use the train station. I love tonbridge as a town above most other cities in this country but since we moved we lost a lot of banks, some bigger shops, and parking charges in the proposed time feel like another reason not to go into town and spend money in the local economy. Surely it is in the interest of TMBC to keep the town center alive and help its communities to be able to connect and the proposed time is when people usually meet so they are not lonely.

Off-street response – Reference number 414

I object to charges until 8pm.

Thievery. Pure thievery.

Off-street response – Reference number 416

I object to charges on Sundays.

Sunday is an imporrant day for recreation, socialising and retail sales. Currently towns like Tonbridge prosper on a Sunday. Introducing charges would likely curtail such prosperity.

Off-street response – Reference number 418

I object to charges until 8pm.

You are killing our high street. People will go elsewhere where they can park for free

Off-street response – Reference number 419

I object to charges until 8pm.

This can have long term consequences. The mental health of people is directly connected with social life and spending time outdoors. Also will affect local businesses. People will go less to the town center instead will be choosing spend time on the countryside.

Off-street response – Reference number 420

I support charges until 8pm.

Better to extend car parking charges than raise tariffs.

Off-street response – Reference number 421

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

These charges will hugely affect the ability of some to continue attending their evening and weekend sporting events and is therefore detrimental to the health and wellbeing of residence especially if you are going to charge from 1minute. If there is say a 2 hour FOC grace period that would assist

Off-street response – Reference number 422

I object to charges until 8pm.

With the increase in the cost of living and many people on the bread line you want add to the misery ,

Off-street response – Reference number 423

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 424

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 426

I object to charges until 8pm.

These proposals are just a money making scheme which will affect local businesses adversely and people wishing to access chemist and shops which includes elderly, disabled and those with families . The public already pay to use car park street parking should remain free as insufficient car parks already

Off-street response – Reference number 427

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 428

I object to charges until 8pm.

I come to fitness classes in the evenings and this would add an additional nearly £3 a session which then makes it very expensive and will result in a lot of people leaving the classes which would be a huge shame.

Off-street response – Reference number 430

I object to charges until 8pm.

This would be a disincentive to people to visit our town and thus impact in our local economy and community. There are many popular all day events that would suffer if this happened. Our high street businesses would suffer due to the impact on footfall.

We need to encourage visitors to our town.

I suggest you need to improve public transport - people would use cars less if the bus services were improved - for example if you want to visit Sevenoaks on a Sunday the train station is too far out of town and there is one bus an hour. You need to make it easier for us to travel by bike and public transport.

Off-street response – Reference number 431

I object to charges until 8pm.

This would deter visitors to the town for social and leisure activities and church services. Similar charges in Tunbridge Wells are destroying the heart of the town. Increase 8 - 6 parking but please don't extend the periods. This would also increase parking in already crowded side roads and defeat the councils objective

Off-street response – Reference number 434

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 435

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 436

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 437

I object to charges until 8pm.

Free parking is the reason so many shops do such a good trade on the weekend and visitors come to events. I am fit and able to park and walk in if I don't want to pay parking charges, but many residents and visitors are not. Also, many residents in TMBC work night shifts outside TMBC, but pay council tax to TMBC. Being able to park for free, whilst working in London overnight, for example, should not be penalised.

Off-street response – Reference number 439

I object to charges until 8pm.

With regard to charging for parking in the evening I'm not sure what this achieves. If it makes people less likely to come to Tonbridge in the evening then the only people losing out are bar and restaurant owners and surely the entertainment industry has had a hard enough time already over the past few years.

Off-street response – Reference number 440

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 442

I object to charges until 8pm.

With an already dying highstreet and participation in grassroots football I think it's selfish to start charging on Sundays since many of the sports clubs are run by volunteers and to start charging later in the evening is an insult to those who work in shops on the highstreet. For example I start work at 6pm and I'm a part time worker for a supermarket therefore I use their carparks and I don't have to pay due to the time my shift starts but with this rule I'd have to pay £2 when the carpark isn't particularly busy either.

If these are the rules you want to set, let there be a public vote within Tonbridge and Malling.

Off-street response – Reference number 443

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 444

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 445

I object to charges until 8pm.

There seems no logic to this. Car parks are full because people have come to enjoy leisure facilities so charge to make space for people who have cometo enjoy leisure facilities.

Off-street response – Reference number 446

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 448

I object to charges until 8pm.

Free parking and parking availability is ALWAYS a reason why shops local to the parking do so well. When people want to "quickly pop to the shops" they do not want to have to pay on top of their shopping costs. It will only deter shopping there and send them to the FREE car parks at the large supermarkets, causing the demise of the local shops. The free parking in Tonbridge after 6pm and on Sundays and Bank Holidays is why the high street is so vibrant at these times. Also, many people are struggling financially so have to shop at these times, or at the likes of Aldi on Canon Lane and at the Home Bargains car park opposite, where the parking is free. It's why the shops there do so well! The small number of shops (not charity shops!) that there are left on the high street will suffer and possibly decide it's not worth the expense of opening, turning it into a ghost town during these times. Additionally, expensive parking charges are not a good way to encourage the uptake of the old Bournes shop in Tonbridge town centre. These proposals are an EXTREMELY short sighted idea and, I suspect, are purely conceived to raise money and not to support Tonbridge shops or residents!

I also strongly object to ANY of the above being redacted before being passed forward!

Off-street response – Reference number 450

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 452

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 453

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 454

I object to charges until 8pm.

I don't understand the argument. If the car parks are full around the swimming pool etc. on a Sunday what is everybody doing? Walking around the river, along the high street? Isn't that what we want the town to be? Thriving, bustling? Don't stop Tonbridge folk coming into the town in the evenings and Sundays. It'll kill the town off, just like the shops!

Off-street response – Reference number 455

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is purely a way to make money. Unfair to residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 456

I object to charges until 8pm.

Re extending the days to Sundays and bank holidays, I see this as a mean way of deterring families, who might go for a walk by the river or use some other facilities, such as the castle or playgrounds nearby. Regarding extending the hours to 8pm, I strongly object to this. I use the Angel Centre to play badminton with other pensioner friends at 6pm. We pay for the use of the Angel Centre. It's our only weekly exercise, but extending the hours to 8pm will inevitably result in our cancelling this as the court fee plus parking charges will almost certainly deter us from using this facility. I cannot stress enough how strongly I oppose this.

Off-street response – Reference number 457

I object to charges until 8pm.

Charge people not in possession of Tonbridge parking permits on Sundays and Bank Holidays.... We live here

Off-street response – Reference number 459

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 460

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 461

I object to charges until 8pm.

I attend an evening exercise class and I couldn't afford to do it if I had to pay over £2 parking charge on top of the class charge. This would be detrimental to my health. Also it's nice to be able to have a wander around Tonbridge or a walk in the park on a Sunday, but I wouldn't do it if I had to pay parking.

Presumably you'd have to be paying staff to cover these extra hours, so that would impact your added income.

I always thought Tunbridge Wells Council were being very mean when they increased the hours, and stopped going there. Please TMBC have some generosity of heart and leave the hours as they are.

Off-street response – Reference number 463

I object to charges on Sundays.

Parking should be free on these days to support local economy for these small towns

Off-street response – Reference number 464

I object to charges until 8pm.

I purposefully don't go to Sevenoaks to eat or drink as I have to pay for parking. I choose Tonbridge and support those restaurants and the none payment of parking is a big pull. Businesses will suffer with these new measures. I use the park on a Sunday for its free parking facilities but will drive elsewhere to walk and exercise if you introduce parking charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 465

I object to charges until 8pm.

I am lost for words and, believe me, that does not happen often. Congratulations!

Off-street response – Reference number 466

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 467

I object to charges until 8pm.

As previously stated we should be supporting local business by getting more people in to Tonbridge not pushing them away to the retail parks/ Bluewater etc where parking is free. Many people choose to shop during these periods so that they don't have to pay the parking charges .. eg click and collect at Argos. Collect after 6pm so that you don't pay a charge.

You are trying to destroy the town by being greedy having seen an opportunity to make money!!!

Off-street response – Reference number 468

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 469

I object to charges until 8pm.

Yet more greed from the council.

Off-street response – Reference number 470

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 471

I object to charges until 8pm.

This proposal has got nothing to do with increasing capacity and everything to do with making money. Any increase in charges will backfire and people will choose to park elsewhere or go elsewhere.

Off-street response – Reference number 472

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is a cheap cash grab which will dissuade locals from visiting Central tonbridge, with an accompany knock-on effect on footfall for local businesses further contributing to the death of the high street.

Off-street response – Reference number 473

I object to charges until 8pm.

I don't see how historic basis and busy Sundays links to extending payment hours and days. I don't understand what the Council are trying to achieve that will benefit the public and local businesses. This sounds like nothing more than a cynical, exploitative move to generate more income.

Off-street response – Reference number 475

I object to charges until 8pm.

See question 15

Off-street response – Reference number 476

I object to charges on Sundays.

I play for Tonbridge Baseball Club, us and our opponents use the lower castle carpark every Sunday. Implementing charges on Sundays would majorly increase the cost for our members and visitors to take part in the sport we all enjoy. I believe charging on Sundays would damage what is a growing sport in Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 477

I object to charges until 8pm.

As above

Off-street response – Reference number 478

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 480

I object to charges until 8pm.

As above

Off-street response – Reference number 481

I object to charges until 8pm.

I object to these changes.

Off-street response – Reference number 485

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 487

I object to charges until 8pm.

As answered above

Off-street response – Reference number 488

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 489

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 490

I object to charges until 8pm.

Bus services do not run full services on these days making transport increasingly challenging therefore, driving is the only option. The town is also buzzing on these days as a result of no charges

Off-street response – Reference number 491

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 492

I object to charges until 8pm.

As above.

Off-street response – Reference number 493

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 494

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 496

I object to charges until 8pm.

As if retail doesn't have a hard enough time anyway. Seriously have you nothing better to do.

Off-street response – Reference number 497

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 498

I object to charges until 8pm.

Again, this will make it less and less likely that people will use their local facilities and support local businesses. Being able to park for free after 6 in west malling is what is keeping the pubs and restaurants alive. I'm honestly surprised the area has survived the introduction of day parking charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 499

I object to charges until 8pm.

Increasing days and times will affect local businesses and impact the already precarious High Street.

The consultation states that retail hours have changed and this is a response to that. There are no shops on the High Street open beyond 5.30 or 6.00pm so this does not justify the extension to parking charges. It will also discourage people visiting on Sundays and Bank holidays affecting businesses.

This is all about making more money for TMBC

Off-street response – Reference number 500

I object to charges on Sundays.

It's more money being wrung out of visitors and locals. It would drive custom away from restaurants and bars too

Off-street response – Reference number 501

I object to charges until 8pm.

I object to the extension of charging time to 8pm plus Sundays and bank holidays on the basis it will detract from people enjoying their free leisure time. I don't want to go to the park for a casual jog one evening, or with my family at the weekend and have to be conscious of how many minutes I have left in parking. I want to fully relax and take my time at leisure activities, which can often extend far longer than originally intended because of the facilities on offer around the park.

You say you want to extend evening parking charges from 6pm to 8pm as more businesses are staying open longer. Are they? Mainly Sainsbury's in Tonbridge, as it has always done. This charge is going to hit the evening hospitality trade in the town a lot. I will be far more inclined to look for a pub or restaurant in T Wells or Sevenoaks (where there is more and varied choice) if I have to pay £3.20 to park for a local one for a couple of hours.

The extra hours of these charges is also going to discourage me from using the tactive leisure facilities at The Angel Centre and the swimming pool at weekends and in the evening. It will be cheaper for me to pollute the atmosphere and drive to Larkfield Leisure Centre and park for free there, or join another health club around Tonbridge that offers the same, or better, facilities but does not charge for parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 502

I object to charges on Sundays.

There should be some periods of free parking for locals and visitors to enjoy equity regardless of income -perhaps consider charging more for large vehicles such as SUV

Off-street response – Reference number 503

I support charges on Sundays.

Given the town is used in the same way on Sunday and Bank Holidays as Saturdays, to me it makes sense to charge for parking. However, the town has seen a marked increase in cars parked on pavements, partly or in some cases wholly parked on pavements in the early evening on the high street. If you're planning to charge for parking until 8pm, you have to also do a much much better job of enforcing safe and sensible parking outside the car parks - otherwise we'll just see the high street turning into an unofficial car park to an even greater extent than it is currently.

Off-street response – Reference number 504

I object to charges until 8pm.

Why in this time if a cost of living crisis are you raising parking to a ridiculous sum on Sundays.

Off-street response – Reference number 505

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 507

I object to charges until 8pm.

I feel this would heavily impact in-town retail businesses. Also, people would start parking in the already busy residential streets in the local area instead, creating blocked roads and increased risk of emergency vehicles being unable to access residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 509

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 510

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 511

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 512

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 513

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 514

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 516

I object to charges until 8pm.

it would put people off go to these places.

Off-street response – Reference number 518

I object to charges until 8pm.

Many people park when it is free after 6, or on Sundays. This takes a lot of pressure off parking at the busiest times during the week days when the car parks are full. Extending the charging time will make the bad situation during the day much worse as there will be no incentive for anyone to wait until after 6 p.m.

Off-street response – Reference number 519

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 520

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 522

I object to charges on Sundays.

Currently my perform my weekly shop at Sainsburys on a Sunday. This is my preferred day because it saves me with from having to muck about with cash. Like many people during covid I basically abandoned the use of cash. Yes there is the option of pay by phone but this is a system that to date I have avoided and have no inclination to adopt. I note that Tunbridge Wells uses pay and display machines from the same manufacturer as you do and these are fitted with readers for contactless cards. If you are to introduce Sunday charges I would want you to introduce these readers. As it stands my inclination would be to move my major shop to Tunbridge Wells. Last I knew the Sainsburys there still has free parking and the council car parks are better geared up for cashless payment. I would still use the high street for minor shops which I can conduct on foot. I am not

entirely convinced by your rationale for the change. If the proposed redevelopment of the Angel Centre into a multiplex and restaurant complex had gone ahead I could see this but currently I am slightly surprised that there is an issue. Re-reading the justification it would seem to me that the case is for Sunday charging at specific car parks not all car parks

Off-street response – Reference number 523

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will stop people from coming into town for the very events and functions that you want to extend the castle car parking for. This will be counter productive. We are not Tunbridge Wells who don't care about their town. The free parking after six and on Sundays and bank holidays is a gift that is within your remit to continue to give the people of our town.

Off-street response – Reference number 525

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 526

I object to charges until 8pm.

Most of the shops are closed by 6 pm so every good reason not to extend the charging period in the town car parks.

I object strongly to the proposed introduction of parking charges on Sundays and Bank Holidays.

Tonbridge has a beautiful park area and leisure facilities for individuals and families. We have Farmers markets, Artisan markets, many events at The Castle throughout the year. You will drive people elsewhere if you charge for parking on Sundays and BH's. Trade in the town will diminish and more shops will go out of business.

Parking on a Sunday in town is a great joy for me. It's so convenient and one of life's little pleasures.

There has to be another way of raising funds. Include it next years council tax bill.

Off-street response – Reference number 529

I object to charges until 8pm.

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Off-street response – Reference number 530

I object to charges on Sundays.

So basically you planning on charging people to participate in local community activities, events and sports all of which is vital to the health and well being of the nation! The Angel Centre is apparently running at a loss so why introduce later parking charges and Sunday/Bank Holiday charges as that will discourage use of health and community facilities even further. It would serve you better if you

concentrate on improving the flow of traffic in the town centre rather than or amusing those that support community facilities.

Off-street response – Reference number 531

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 532

I object to charges until 8pm.

You stated that people leave their cars parked all day on High St this is not a truthful statement the parking wardens regularly are around checking this and if overtime issue tickets just another ripe off from the nasty party to steal our money!

Off-street response – Reference number 534

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge is a vibrant town, by additional charges and costs increasing will deter people from attending the town and bringing their business to the economy.

Off-street response – Reference number 536

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 537

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 538

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 539

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 540

I object to charges until 8pm.

Charging on Sundays and bank holidays will affect footfall in shops and the restaurants in Tonbridge. Bank holidays are bank holidays for a reason not to then charge.

Off-street response – Reference number 541

I object to charges until 8pm.

To enforce this you will either need to invest in new technology to read number plates or pay for wardens to check vehicles.

The costs will surely outweigh the gains.

Greed once again from council.

Off-street response – Reference number 544

I object to charges until 8pm.

If you want to encourage folk to move their cars more regularly then you can have a 1 or 2 hour free if you get a ticket rule on Sundays/after 6

Off-street response – Reference number 545

I object to charges until 8pm.

The high street shops will be negatively affected as people will not want/ be able to! pay to park. Many use the car park for Sainsbury's in the evening and on Sunday. Evening gym users (who have already paid for membership) will be affected and priced out of maintaining a healthy lifestyle.

Off-street response – Reference number 546

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 547

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 548

I object to charges until 8pm.

Making people pay to keep fit, play sports and go to church?! Shame on you TMBC

Off-street response – Reference number 550

I object to charges until 8pm.

Give people some financial respite on quiet days!

Off-street response – Reference number 552

I object to charges on Sundays.

This is just another step to the War on drivers, If you wish to raise capital without increasing Residents Council Tax, I suggest the council takes a strategic look at the corporate directors team who really run the council, Highly paid unelected individuals

Off-street response – Reference number 553

I object to charges until 8pm.

When Medway introduced free parking on Mondays, I visited one of the Medway towns every Monday. Now they stopped it because they were losing money, I don't bother, I just go to Maidstone as you get 1 hour in Sainsburys. The point is, people just won't bother going to that town, there's plenty of other choices for them.

Off-street response – Reference number 554

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 555

I object to charges until 8pm.

Council greed.

Off-street response – Reference number 556

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 557

I object to charges until 8pm.

The argument it's busy and hard to find a place won't change by putting up the price it will just mean poorer families will find it harder to access local services. Parking charges are already staggeringly high and it puts more financial pressure on families who would like to shop in our town and are forced to shop in industrial estates. Using the park or 'shopping local' becomes an expensive luxury rather than a right. This will not help a struggling high street. Further pushing people to shop out of town will ultimately lead to less revenue from parking because it's too expensive. Meet a friend for coffee - oh add another £4 to a catchup for parking. This box really isn't big enough to express my displeasure with the proposal.

Off-street response – Reference number 558

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 560

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 561

I object to charges until 8pm.

Detrimental to local businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 562

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 563

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 564

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 565

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 566

I object to charges until 8pm.

Sundays and bank are the only days that we can park without being ripped off. Sainsbury's is a prime example of a rip off parking service

Off-street response – Reference number 567

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 568

I object to charges until 8pm.

I moved to Tunbridge Wells KW area two years ago but after living in Tonbridge for 8 years and children still in schools there I'm there every day and choose to shop or just go to the cafe on Sundays as don't have to worry about paying for parking, it's tough enough for most people with the cost of living at the moment and it's tough on those businesses and shops trying to survive on the high street. Due to parking charges I never go into Tunbridge Wells town and rather do shopping in Maidstone where I can park for 2 hours at Sainsbury's and then spend £15 and park for free with the

shopping centre right next to it while my son is in Saturday school there. All the councils seems to be working on is to kill the what's left of the high street rather than make it the centre of town full of residents and visitors enjoying themselves. We have enough of the money you are wasting with stupid decisions like the one with removing flowers from the outside castle to make it look awful and then spending even more of taxpayers money to plant them back in there. Maybe employing the right people with the ideas how to make residents living in Tonbridge proud and happy would be best to start.

Off-street response – Reference number 570

I object to charges until 8pm.

Parking is already considerably high making it difficult for many with the cost of living crises! I fear in making these periods chargeable you will be taking away the leisure

Activity time for many in the community which will see an increase in people's mental health! Most activities are expensive enough, with additional charges!

Also this will then mean more parking attendants required or increased hours for current staff!
Everyone deserves a day off!!

Off-street response – Reference number 571

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 572

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 573

I object to charges until 8pm.

Please don't charge for parking on a Sunday, it will discourage the use of our town's wonderful facilities. Having free parking means more people come to Tonbridge on a Sunday, bringing their spending with them!

I also think parking charges after 6pm is a false economy. What about 3 hours free parking (where you have to get your free ticket), charging for those being more than 3hrs. Maybe this could be applied to every car park, 7 days per week, as a compromise?

Use the monies raised in parking fines for those that abuse the 3hr free parking to pay for what's needed on their upkeep and running. Or have you now outsourced that income steam? If so, bring it back in-house.

Off-street response – Reference number 575

I object to charges until 8pm.

Parking chargers will reduce the amount of people who use the local shops and retail businesses reducing rates being paid as businesses close.

Off-street response – Reference number 576

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge has been an excellent place to visit, to go and take part in activities, with great parking availability. I have never struggled to find a parking space when participating in the park run, or taking my sons to their swimming lessons at Tonbridge pool. The park runners in the morning vacate the parking at the end of their run, some may stay for a coffee afterwards (bringing business to local cafes and shops). So there are always parking spaces available after the park run in the lower car parks. By bringing in higher/longer parking charges, you are going to deter people from wanting to spend longer in Tonbridge. Less people will want to attend events if the parking is too expensive. Tonbridge high street has suffered already with the closure of shops due to lack of businesses/high rent costs. I feel that by keeping the costs low, you will keep a thriving area full of activity. I must emphasise again I've never struggled to find a parking space.

Off-street response – Reference number 577

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

Because it is just a money spinner

Off-street response – Reference number 579

I object to charges until 8pm.

Further to my previous comments:

The Racecourse and the river are extremely well used for leisure and recreation, especially during summer weekends and evenings. Increasing the charging hours will penalise these people and deter them from using the facilities. People from outside Tonbridge also use the river for boating, paddle boarding and fishing where stays of several hours are necessary. Extending parking times will deter these people also. Just a money making scheme and not for the benefit of the residents!

Off-street response – Reference number 581

I object to charges until 8pm.

See 15

Off-street response – Reference number 582

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 583

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is pure greed on behalf of TMBC

Off-street response – Reference number 584

I object to charges on Sundays.

Sunday - used by churches who provide a lot of community support.

Off-street response – Reference number 585

I object to charges until 8pm.

Sunday charging has killed T Wells its part of the attraction for people to come and visit the town. People will not come into the town as often and the expected revenue will not materialise and impact on already struggling local businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 586

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 587

I object to charges on Sundays.

SEE ABOVE

Off-street response – Reference number 588

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 589

I object to charges until 8pm.

By making the cut off time for parking charges 8.00 p.m. everyone attending events in Tonbridge will have to pay extra on top of any tickets purchased. Especially in Tonbridge town centre this will increase the number of visitors parking in streets to avoid the charges which causes problems for local residents trying to park overnight.

Off-street response – Reference number 590

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 591

I object to charges until 8pm.

Let us keep it free for families to be encouraged to come to Tonbridge on a Sunday and in quieter periods. People will be put off coming to events at weekends and Bank Holidays.

Off-street response – Reference number 592

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge needs to attract as many people to the town as possible. Regular visitors to the Angel Centre (ie gym users or people attending classes) will effectively be paying a large increase in their gym membership. People will leave the Angel Centre gym. Perhaps this is what the council want to happen to support their wish to knock it down.

Off-street response – Reference number 593

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 594

I object to charges until 8pm.

A truly regressive policy - with no purpose other than to raise money for council services. To suggest that this is being done to control demand and because shops are open later (the only shop open in the evening is the Sainsburys supermarket). For some they are choosing to delay their weekly shop to Sunday or after 6 to save money - if you charge then there will be no incentive to do this and you will find even more pressure on parking at earlier times. You would be better spending time sorting out traffic flow through tonbridge and working out how to manage the increased demand on services due to the increased numbers of residents from new flats and houses.

Off-street response – Reference number 595

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 596

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge benefits as it has free parking on Sundays and bank holidays, unlike Sevenoaks and tonbridge wells. I take my charity donations, which often full a Sainsburys trolley to charity shops on Sundays. This allows me to give large amounts of items and in some cases I've had to take two trolley loads. Introducing charges on a Sunday will make it harder for people to give large donations to charity.

I also belong to Tonbridge rock choir and use the car park near the rugby club. Our choir starts at 7:30 and this all members if our choir and other clubs within the town using the pool, sports centre and other facilities will find this affects their membership. Parents may decide not to take their children to clubs if they have to pay for parking where they are not able to drop them at the door, or have to wait for the club to finish to take them home.

Off-street response – Reference number 597

I object to charges until 8pm.

Fewer shops are open on Sundays and restaurants that have been had hit in the pandemic need to see people coming into town. Nil charges on Sundays also give low income people an opportunity to plan to shop on a cheaper day. Tmbc make plenty of money from car parking, and indeed are raising the normal rates. Tunbridge Wells charges on Sundays, so this point of difference give Tonbridge businesses a competitive advantage that should not be squandered. Tax revenue is already substantial. Maybe Councils should be looking to recover revenue from stateless multinational companies who use council managed road infrastructure to deliver goods and have replaced businesses that used to contributed business rates and then offshore their profits!

Off-street response – Reference number 598

I object to charges until 8pm.

Greedy greedy horrible people you are

Off-street response – Reference number 599

I object to charges until 8pm.

More blatant profiteering by this corrupt council.

Off-street response – Reference number 600

I object to charges until 8pm.

I am not sure that restrictions going to 8.0pm will do anything other than harm the 'eating out ' trade.

Off-street response – Reference number 601

I object to charges until 8pm.

more greed

Off-street response – Reference number 603

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 604

I object to charges until 8pm.

I do support a slight increase in charges but object to the increase in the hours. 6-8pm is a time that many full time workers use for social activities, be that sport eg use of the swimming pool or Angel centre or groups such as WI. All crucial for physical and mental well-being. Increasing charging hours is likely to reduce attendance and involvement in these activities which with the current health and financial crisis I do not think the council can afford to do. Sundays and bank holidays are also days many do activities as a family eg visit the park and I fear by introducing charges will impact on these. Worst case, could a limit be placed on free parking eg offer max 2-3 hrs free on Sunday or bank holiday. As mentioned, I would support a slight increase in charges, if it meant sticking to the current

charging hours ie 8~6pm. Thank you for the opportunity and taking the time to take on board my opinion.

Off-street response – Reference number 605

I object to charges until 8pm.

At the moment, Tonbridge can benefit from the extended parking charge in both Tunbridge Wells and Sevenoaks. If Tonbridge also brings in Sunday, bank holiday and evening charges then there is no benefit to people visiting Tonbridge for shopping and leisure and they will return to Tunbridge Wells and Sevenoaks.

Off-street response – Reference number 606

I object to charges on Sundays.

Church goers on Sundays should not have this cost and imposition to deter them going to worship.

Off-street response – Reference number 607

I object to charges until 8pm.

I am a District Nurse and we community Nurses work 365 days of the year . We can not afford to pay for parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 608

I object to charges until 8pm.

A cynical attempt to make money out of people coming to Tonbridge and supporting the local community.

The Farmers' Market and other events on a Sunday will be seriously affected.

Off-street response – Reference number 609

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 610

I object to charges until 8pm.

Parking is already more than enough for a small town. There is no need to charge in the evenings or Sundays and this would be terrible for small businesses and an already struggling town.

Off-street response – Reference number 612

I object to charges until 8pm.

I feel very strongly that charge periods should not be extended. Many people I know value the opportunity to visit the racecourse and restaurants in the early evening in Tonbridge without paying fees and may not do so if fees apply.

Off-street response – Reference number 613

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 615

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

I think this will affect local business. I will shop online more rather than pay for parking. I think this will affect Tonbridge town centre and you will lose footfall across the board.

Off-street response – Reference number 616

I object to charges until 8pm.

I have rarely had trouble parking on a Sunday and I think the council and just using this as an excuse to charge on Sundays and bank holidays, and later to 8pm, to make more money. I think the principle is wrong, and I don't agree with it. If people genuinely have trouble parking on a Sunday they just need to allow more time or park slightly further away. I don't believe that charging for parking will necessarily change people's behaviour to not drive, this is naive.

Off-street response – Reference number 617

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 618

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 619

I object to charges until 8pm.

Churchgoers should not have to pay to go to worship on Sundays

Off-street response – Reference number 621

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 622

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 623

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 624

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 625

I object to charges until 8pm.

This feels like an extra tax on families who want to provide access to sport/fitness to children/family members as suggested by the government. I have to drive to Tonbridge to access the sports ground and also Tonbridge Swimming pool (as we are now members) multiple times during the weekday evenings and weekends. Extension of payment times and days will impact us greatly. I cannot see this will deter people from parking, only cause more expense.

Off-street response – Reference number 626

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge is a thriving town unlike neighbouring Tunbridge Wells. T Wells is often like a ghost town and the shops are struggling. One of the reasons is the high car parking charges. Increasing the hours of parking charges will adversely affect the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 627

I object to charges on Sundays.

Not good idea at all

Off-street response – Reference number 628

I object to charges on Sundays.

I do my shopping on Sundays and on free parking times in the town due to the “free parking” and I will boycott Tonbridge high street car parks if these charges are introduced and use out of town stores which are free! I refuse to park in Tunbridge Wells now ! This will Kill our high street ! Where did you get your statistics about the free parking making no difference to shopping! It’s an educated guess and not reality ! Shoppers are happy to browse if parking is free but who wants to pay to browse the shops and maybe not even buy anything and be charged !

I understand the attraction of “ easy cash cow mentality “ but it will be detrimental to the high street shops !

Off-street response – Reference number 630

I support charges on Bank Holidays.

I haven’t a problem with extending the charges to 8pm in most car parks but those near the station in Tonbridge will have less people parking in the afternoon because currently those going to London

for the afternoon and evening pay less than in the station car park . This will change if charges are imposed beyond 6pm and you will receive less revenue .

I object to a graded fee on a Sunday near Tonbridge market .as it will deleteriously affect market trading . A flat rate charge for the day may be better at say £1.Tonbridge is historically a market town and everything must be done to keep and support the market .

I also think the car park charge on a Sunday will badly affect businesses open on a Sunday currently and may lead to closures . This needs to be discussed with your colleagues in Economic Development - if there is such a team .

Finally if car park charges are imposed on every day including bank holidays , I would suggest an encouragement for late night shopping and shopping in the high streets of our towns over the Christmas period by making some weekend parking near Christmas free as they do in other local towns . This would be at the council's discretion each year .

Off-street response – Reference number 631

I object to charges until 8pm.

You are taxing residents for trying to exercise in the evening and weekends. Furthermore, residents will no longer visit the town on a Sunday and in the evening further impacting local shops and restaurants. Shame on you Tonbridge. You are killing the town centre.

Off-street response – Reference number 632

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 633

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 636

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 640

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 641

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 642

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 643

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 644

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 645

I object to charges on Sundays.

This is just money grabbing. Please really consider what you are proposing.

Off-street response – Reference number 646

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 649

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 651

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 652

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 653

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 654

I object to charges until 8pm.

Town is already getting a kicking because of parking people just go to bluewater and shop
It's costing too much to browse and all parking is paid predictive of time rather than of time used

Off-street response – Reference number 655

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 657

I object to charges until 8pm.

Pushing people away from shopping or using businesses locally

Off-street response – Reference number 662

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 664

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 667

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 668

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 669

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 673

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 675

I object to charges until 8pm.

The council need to be supporting local business and not determining people from parking free and supporting the business without additional charges. Get off the backs of freeloading motorists with extra costs. Support your residents and businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 677

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 678

I object to charges until 8pm.

Start charging and business's will suffer as people will just shop online.

Off-street response – Reference number 682

I object to charges on Sundays.

People are struggling as it is and cannot afford the increases.

Off-street response – Reference number 683

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 684

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 686

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 687

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 689

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 692

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 693

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 695

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 696

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 697

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 698

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 699

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 702

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 703

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 705

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 706

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 708

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

Just need leave it as it or get permits for people that live around their why punish us who fight put support local businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 709

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 710

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 711

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 713

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 715

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 722

I object to charges until 8pm.

Just money making for the council and hurts visitors and local businesses instead

Off-street response – Reference number 724

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 726

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 727

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 728

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 729

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 730

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 732

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 733

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 735

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 736

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 741

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 742

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 743

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 746

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 747

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 749

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 750

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 752

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 757

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 758

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 760

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 764

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 765

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 768

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 769

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 770

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 771

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 772

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 774

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 776

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 778

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 779

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 780

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 782

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 783

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 784

I object to charges until 8pm.

I cannot believe the greed in a financially strapped society!

Off-street response – Reference number 786

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 788

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 789

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 791

I object to charges until 8pm.

You are killing local business and people Makes me wonder why people in top tier management at tmbc shouldn't take a pay decrease?!

Off-street response – Reference number 793

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 794

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 795

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 796

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 800

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 801

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 802

I object to charges until 8pm.

Public transport is poorly provided across the borough and this is just another tax on the motorists

Off-street response – Reference number 808

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 809

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 812

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 813

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 814

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 815

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 816

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 818

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 823

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 825

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 826

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 828

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 829

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 830

I object to charges until 8pm.

This again will result in less footfall for visitors and local support to the small businesses who are already struggling to survive

Off-street response – Reference number 831

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 832

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 833

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 835

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 838

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 840

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 841

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 842

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 844

I object to charges on Sundays.

People go into towns & villages in the evening for meals & socialising...which isn't cheap. Adding charges before 8pm will stop people using it until that time, there will then be no spaces. All parking, everywhere should be free Sundays & Bank Holidays as this is when people visit friends & families and go out together.

Off-street response – Reference number 846

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 850

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 851

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 852

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 853

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 854

I object to charges until 8pm.

Let's not make visitors' lives more difficult, but encourage increased footfall by NOT introducing extra parking charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 856

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 859

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 860

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 861

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 862

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 865

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 866

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 867

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 868

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 869

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 870

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 871

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 872

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 873

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 874

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 875

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 877

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 880

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 881

I object to charges until 8pm.

Just a money making scheme and should not be implemented

Off-street response – Reference number 882

I object to charges until 8pm.

It's all about Money, people are already struggling especially people on pensions, it's a joke expecting pensioners to live on basic pensions when they worked hard all their life and keep paying parking etc. People who work in government and councils don't know what is pensioners struggle with, perhaps they should be paid the same and see how they cope. Sorry for going on but putting charges on car parks and upping prices in shopping malls is not good.

Off-street response – Reference number 883

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 884

I object to charges until 8pm.

As previously noted.

Off-street response – Reference number 886

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 887

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 888

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 890

I object to charges until 8pm.

Free parking means people will still use the local shops, otherwise, if you have to pay for parking, you'll get people going elsewhere or to major supermarkets.

Off-street response – Reference number 891

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 892

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 895

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 896

I object to charges until 8pm.

Weekends especially Sundays are family days for most families therefore why should children suffer or miss out on important quality fun times such as swimming because families can't afford parking every week on top of the costs of paying for swimming. Our taxes increase every year but I'm unsure what they are going to if we are paying for everything including parking. There should be some benefits for paying taxes and families keep being hit with cost of living crisis and one day a week families try and have a day with their children and parking should be free. Also, the elderly do their shopping on a Sunday and it affects everyone. I strongly object.

Off-street response – Reference number 898

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 899

I object to charges on Sundays.

Most leisure activities in Tonbridge happen during weekends and late night in Tonbridge castle area - the visitors want to park for free so they will choose Slade area to park their cars to avoid charges - something that is already happening. You should only introduce such charges if wardens are working late hours and weekends.

Off-street response – Reference number 901

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 902

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 904

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 906

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 910

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 912

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 914

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 917

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 920

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 922

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 923

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 924

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 925

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 926

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 927

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 928

I object to charges until 8pm.

It's so greedy and short sighted and will ultimately lose the council money as small businesses suffer and close.

Off-street response – Reference number 929

I object to charges until 8pm.

Don't we pay enough council tax to cover this?? What on earth is it all being spent on? We seem to be getting less and less and paying more and more.

Off-street response – Reference number 930

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 931

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 933

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 934

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 935

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 938

I object to charges until 8pm.

Again! Killing business by still charging on public holidays!

Off-street response – Reference number 940

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 944

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 945

I object to charges until 8pm.

We will no longer shop at west malling due to parking charges not allowing a free 30 minutes parking

Off-street response – Reference number 947

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 948

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 949

I object to charges until 8pm.

Sundays and bank holidays are meant to be enjoyed. This is penalising people again

Off-street response – Reference number 950

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 951

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 953

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 954

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 955

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 956

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is an awful decision - again, as I have detailed, the rising cost of living would force people to think twice about going out at weekends due to the obscene parking charges they face.

Off-street response – Reference number 957

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 958

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 959

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 963

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 964

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 965

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 966

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 967

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 968

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 970

I object to charges on Sundays.

The high street will decline even further.

Off-street response – Reference number 971

I object to charges until 8pm.

Again. Not needed.

Off-street response – Reference number 972

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 974

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 979

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 980

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 983

I object to charges on Sundays.

We need to support our local business and not hinder them by putting people off by adding to their steady ever increasing living costs

Off-street response – Reference number 984

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 986

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 987

I object to charges until 8pm.

Again terrible idea that will have a massive impact on our town. The high street is a thriving place at the weekends, especially Sundays, being one of the few high streets in the area that offer free parking it draws custom not only from residents of Tonbridge but also from Sevenoaks and Tunbridge Wells. Short sighted and skeptical attempt to plug the financial holes in over areas of our wasteful council.

Off-street response – Reference number 988

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 990

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 991

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 992

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 998

I object to charges until 8pm.

We pay enough to live in the area we do with awful roads & paths not maintained, council tax increase crippling families. No support for our children with SEN. Yet we now potentially have to pay to park on Sundays and public holidays...

Off-street response – Reference number 999

I object to charges until 8pm.

I strongly object to all 3 ideas. Keep bank holidays & Sundays free!! Also 6pm cut-off should remain.

Off-street response – Reference number 1000

I object to charges until 8pm.

In particular strongly disagree with charging on a Sunday as this would impact people attending churches and places of worship. This is typically when car parks are not full anyway.

Off-street response – Reference number 1001

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1002

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1004

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1005

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1007

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1012

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1013

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1014

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1015

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1016

I object to charges on Sundays.

This encourages people to spend time out with families / just an additional cost on already burdened household budgets

Off-street response – Reference number 1017

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1018

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1019

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1021

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1022

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1023

I object to charges until 8pm.

Crazy! As above, it's a real shame to penalise children and families playing sport

Off-street response – Reference number 1024

I support charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1025

I object to charges on Sundays.

The proposals for extending the charge periods to include 8am to 8pm on Saturday, Sunday and Bank Holidays is unfair to residents in Ryarsh Lane compared to other residents who live close to the Tesco car park. Surely in the interest of fairness, the charging periods for Ryarsh Lane car park should mirror those for the Tesco High Street car park. Sunday is considered by many to be a family day and we often have family visits on a Sunday and currently it does not cost my son or daughter to come and visit me on a Sunday. I also feel that the very popular monthly Farmers Market will suffer if visitors have to pay to park in the Ryarsh Lane car park. I feel your plans will have very negative effects on the attendance figures for our Farmers Market which would probably lead to its demise.

Off-street response – Reference number 1028

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1029

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1030

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1031

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1033

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1034

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1035

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1036

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1037

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1038

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1040

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1044

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1046

I object to charges until 8pm.

This proposal is simply a disgraceful money raising exercise at the expense of local residents and will only do further damage to the Tonbridge economy.

Off-street response – Reference number 1054

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1055

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1056

I object to charges on Sundays.

I object to charging on Sundays in particular, as council car parks are used by those attending places of worship that day. I feel that both Sundays and Bank Holidays are not busy, and the opportunity for free parking encourages footfall from those who would not otherwise bring trade to these towns. People are generally suffering enough as it is under the cost of living hikes.

Off-street response – Reference number 1058

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1059

I object to charges until 8pm.

You will drive my business away from anywhere where parking costs are in place after 6pm Sundays or BHs

Off-street response – Reference number 1060

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1062

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1067

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1069

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1071

I object to charges on Sundays.

Surely the sign that the car parks are well used on a Sunday is a sign that local residents are using the leisure facilities provided by the council for public use and as such, this should be seen as a good thing and something which should be encouraged and supported rather than being penalised for doing so! The introduction of parking charges outside of working hours will deter people from enjoying the local area, taking part in organised activities and using the local facilities as their leisure activities. The majority of shops in Tonbridge town center are NOT open after 5:30/6pm. However, other local businesses (restaurants) are; if parking charges are applied, this is likely to have a detrimental effect on people choosing to dine out at those businesses in favour of ones further out

of town. The Angel Centre (Sainsburys) car park is regularly used by members of the gym to attend those leisure facilities in the evenings after work. Even other councils still provide free of charge parking to those attending the local sports facilities at such as Tunbridge Wells Fusion at St Johns and Crook Log leisure centre, Bexleyheath. This is still very much a rural area with poor public transport options for those further away from the main town and people have to travel by car to be able to attend their local leisure centres; they should not be penalised by having to pay parking charges on top of monthly gym subscription fees to be able to exercise.

Off-street response – Reference number 1072

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1073

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1074

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1076

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1078

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1087

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1089

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1090

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1095

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1096

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1098

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1099

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1100

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1101

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1102

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1103

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1104

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1107

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1110

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1112

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1117

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1119

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1121

I object to charges until 8pm.

High parking charges will affect all businesses in the area, with the cost of living crisis it is hard enough for small business owners and customers alike. A £1 charge for 4 hours on a Sunday or bank holiday would be somewhat acceptable but nothing more expensive than this.

Off-street response – Reference number 1123

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1124

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1128

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1135

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1138

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1139

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1141

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1143

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1144

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1147

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1149

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1152

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1155

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1156

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1157

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1159

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1160

I object to charges on Sundays.

I do not support making any changes to parking charges on a Sunday. The documents fail to mention impacts on church attendance or local farmers markets plus the influx of tourists to the areas which benefit all local shops and amenities.

Off-street response – Reference number 1161

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1164

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1166

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1167

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1170

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1172

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1173

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1176

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1177

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1180

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1181

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1182

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1183

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1187

I object to charges until 8pm.

It would put me off going to places for my leisure activities as I think I pay enough already. Again I would find places to go out of town where I don't have to pay for parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1195

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1196

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1197

I object to charges until 8pm.

Another way to make more money absolutely outrageous at a time where everyone is struggling!!!!

Off-street response – Reference number 1198

I object to charges until 8pm.

There are no shops in Tonbridge open until 8pm except supermarkets. We come in on Sundays as our daughter plays sport. Charging for this will make it less likely that some people can afford to join in with outdoor activities and exercise. This also applies to bank holidays. There will be no reason at all for people to come to Tonbridge for leisure activities.

Off-street response – Reference number 1202

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1204

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1205

I object to charges until 8pm.

You're killing village life.

Off-street response – Reference number 1206

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1207

I object to charges until 8pm.

I object more to the extension to Sundays and Bank Holidays than I do to extending the hours to 8pm.

Off-street response – Reference number 1208

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1209

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1215

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1216

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1217

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1219

I object to charges until 8pm.

People are struggling to make ends meet and additional hours charging will deter users and affect businesses as a result.

Off-street response – Reference number 1222

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1223

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1225

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1228

I object to charges until 8pm.

I thought the council would want to encourage residents to use local facilities but charging for parking after 6pm and on Sundays will have the opposite effect.

Extra parking charges will discourage people from using local restaurants and other facilities in the evenings. We need to keep the facilities we have in our town not have them close through lack of use.

I, and lots of others, attend evening community events at the Angel Centre and other town centre locations and we use the town centre car parks after 6pm. Having to pay for several hours parking each evening would add to the expense and probably discourage some people from continuing with these important leisure activities.

Extra charges will mean people use nearby roads or wherever they can find free parking, which will cause problems for residents who already struggle to park close to their home and add to congestion on the roads.

Would the proposed evening charges be the same as day charges or maybe a small flat rate after 6pm?

Off-street response – Reference number 1229

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1230

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1231

I object to charges until 8pm.

All parking for local facilities should be free to encourage the use of local shops and amenities to support the small businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 1234

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1235

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1236

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1237

I object to charges until 8pm.

People will avoid the area. This will be the final nail in the coffin for the very few last remaining shops in the area. New retailers will look else where. The only people who will win out of this situation are the on line retailers and shopping centres where there are no parking charges, such as Bluewater and other supermarkets with free parking. It is bad enough that the out of town retail areas have limited time parking which is so short there is not enough time to shop and have coffee/lunch. Surely we want to encourage people to the area to spend their money in store, rather than discourage them by imposing more parking restrictions and higher tariffs which will ultimately keep them away and encourage more on line shopping.

Off-street response – Reference number 1240

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1242

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1244

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1245

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1246

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1248

I object to charges until 8pm.

Charging for Sunday and Bank Holiday parking will affect church congregations and visitors to Tonbridge Farmers Market and the Artisan Market as well as the retail sector and visitors to the Castle and sportsground. Evening charges will affect the various groups that have evening meetings in town. More should be done to encourage people to come to Tonbridge rather than discourage them.

Off-street response – Reference number 1249

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1250

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1251

I object to charges until 8pm.

I very strongly object to all of the extended charging times. I do not agree that this is needed. I believe the current arrangements help to spread out shoppers and visitors and also benefit families and those on lower incomes who can choose to park when it is free. Sundays and Bank Holidays are typically times when young families make visits together and these are often those who feel the most pressure on household expenditure. We should not make a day out any more expensive for families.

Off-street response – Reference number 1252

I support charges until 8pm.

If times and days are increased there is no need to increase the charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 1253

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1255

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1256

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1258

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1259

I object to charges until 8pm.

Out of town shopping centres like North Farm are killing the high streets in town centres everywhere. Tunbridge Wells has seen a marked decline in shoppers on a Sunday since it introduced Sunday charging and these proposals will have the same effect in Tonbridge. Many shoppers come to Tonbridge to browse the high street, take in a coffee and perhaps a stroll in the park on Sundays because it's cheaper than Saturday. Parking charges will be the nail in the coffin for these people with a subsequent drop in revenue for businesses - the only benefactors will be Amazon. The notion put forward by the council that "demand for parking on Sundays - not driven by free parking" I hotly contest. The statement also put forward that "it can be extremely difficult to find a parking space on a Sunday for leisure activities" also does not hold water. It will not increase the number of available spaces unless people abandon leisure activities like they have abandoned the high street. This is purely and simply about money generation via the tried and tested "bash the motorist route". The fact it is "hard to park on Sundays" because of leisure activities - if that actually is the case which I also dispute - should be celebrated from the Castle Battlements not discouraged. Exercise and fresh air in the current climate of financial hardship, during a cost of living crisis, when every penny counts, should be free - so stop trying to drive away even more people from a town that is still struggling to survive.

Off-street response – Reference number 1260

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1262

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1266

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1267

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1268

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1269

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1270

I object to charges on Sundays.

I rarely visit Tonbridge due to parking charges in existence already. Introduction of charges will impact local business dramatically.

Off-street response – Reference number 1271

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1273

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1274

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1275

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1276

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1277

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1284

I object to charges until 8pm.

YOU ARE KILLING OFF SMALL BUSINESS.

PLEASE RETHINK.

ALLOW PEOPLE TO PARK FOR A LIMITED TIME AT LEAST FOR FREE

Off-street response – Reference number 1285

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1288

I object to charges until 8pm.

Seriously? What next, charge 24/7?

Off-street response – Reference number 1289

I object to charges on Sundays.

Would you choose to pay for the rest of the, or go to Bluewater where it is free. You're not helping rejuvenate local economies by pushing people away.

Off-street response – Reference number 1290

I object to charges until 8pm.

Research shows that such increase in price and times decreased footfalls to the stress and or shops need shoppers and restaurants customers.

Off-street response – Reference number 1292

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1293

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1294

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1295

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1297

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1298

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1301

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1303

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1306

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1307

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1308

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1309

I object to charges on Sundays.

There is a lot of publicity about people should be exercising more so Sundays and bank holidays are a good time to get out and about. If charges to park are implemented this could deter people from such activities.

Off-street response – Reference number 1310

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1311

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1312

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1313

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1314

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1316

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1318

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1319

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1320

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

I am a member at the gym at the Angel Centre and go twice a week. This would add £25.60 to my monthly gym membership which would no longer make it competitive with other gyms (with free parking) in the local area so I would have no choice but to leave and go elsewhere. You offer a refund on parking to swimming pool customers, why not gym customers?

Furthermore, your machines only take coins which are extremely hard to come by given we live in an almost cashless society. Nat West, Barclays, HSBC, Lloyds bank have all left Tonbridge, how are people meant to obtain coins to pay for parking? Can you upgrade your machines to take payment by card please? I don't want to use the app because this charges me another 10p every time. (The station parking app - APCOA - doesn't add any extra charge by the way).

It seems to me that you are doing everything in your power to make Tonbridge less attractive to people to visit.

Off-street response – Reference number 1322

I object to charges until 8pm.

See my previous comments. This will not attract people to come to Tonbridge to spend a day enjoying the benefits of sports ground, swimming pool, river, High St etc. Rather there will be a negative impact and other nearby towns will benefit

As far as the gym is concerned I think many people will stop using the Angel site and transfer to the industrial estate gym where parking is free.

Off-street response – Reference number 1326

I object to charges on Sundays.

As the (REDACTED), we have a lot of people who drive to the church for our Sunday morning service, and I am concerned that introducing Sunday charging, especially in the (REDACTED) car park which is beside the church, will mean that more people will park on the streets around and not want to use this car park. It feels like a "tax" on churchgoers. Is there a way of starting charging on Sundays from 1.00pm after church has finished, or working with the church to find a way that does not tax people wanting to come to church?

Off-street response – Reference number 1327

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1328

I object to charges until 8pm.

With car park charges on Sundays and Bank Holidays being introduced you must deal with the issue of stopping free parking in the Slade, with new policed rules. Otherwise you will immediately exacerbate our current problem of lack of parking by cars seeking spaces, not wishing to pay fees.

Off-street response – Reference number 1330

I object to charges until 8pm.

You are killing our small towns and independent businesses. When they have gone and the huge multinationals fight you all the way (and win), what will you do then? You should be backing local shops to keep units occupied, business rates coming in and challenge the power of the supermarkets.

Off-street response – Reference number 1331

I object to charges until 8pm.

Critically, the proposal to introduce charges after 6pm, on Sundays/Bank Holidays, or off-street, would see the greatest burden fall on those with the least resources: people and families on low incomes, who may currently park off street or wait until after 6 to do things like food shopping in order to make their money go further, when money is already tight for so many.

Off-street response – Reference number 1332

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1334

I support charges on Sundays.

The council has had its funding slashed by central government and revenue has to be found to avoid cuts to services. The current arrangement incentivises people to travel into Tonbridge on Sundays when almost all the independent stores are closed giving chain stores an advantage.

Off-street response – Reference number 1335

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1337

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1338

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1339

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1340

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1342

I object to charges until 8pm.

There is no justification for the extension of the hours. Most car parks are empty after 6 and spaces are abundant, even by the Angel Sports Centre

Off-street response – Reference number 1344

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1345

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1346

I object to charges until 8pm.

Charging for parking on a Sunday will kill off many of the activities that make Tonbridge the great town that it is.

Sunday is a favourite time for family, sport and social activities.

Think again. It's not all about money.

Cancelling the plans to spend a fortune on redeveloping the Angel Center would save a huge sum.

For now, 'Let's Cut the Town's Clothes According to the Cloth!' ...

Off-street response – Reference number 1348

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1349

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1350

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1351

I object to charges until 8pm.

I think TMBC must recognise these proposals will not meet with universal approval, and should therefore make every effort to avoid being seen as a local authority that uses the motorist as a cash cow. The Aylesford car parks are used by many residents who have no parking space at their homes, and reasonably priced season tickets for these specific residents would seem to be a good solution.

While I am happy to use the RingGo app when parking in TMBC car parks many residents are not so confident, and the ability to pay cash should be retained.

Off-street response – Reference number 1354

I object to charges until 8pm.

All of the proposals will reduce the number of people coming to Tonbridge. Not only will shops suffer with lower footfall but other events held in the town also suffer the same fate. Do you really want a ghost town, where nobody goes?. Is the aim to replace the shops with residential accommodation?

Off-street response – Reference number 1357

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1358

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1359

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

Once again your destroy the town. Your stop people

And push them out off town!

Off-street response – Reference number 1361

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1362

I support charges until 8pm.

Sevenoaks has been charging into the evening and on Sundays for years, but it doesn't seem to affect the number of shoppers. People should expect to pay for town centre parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1363

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1365

I object to charges on Sundays.

As a member of the Angel centre if I have to pay to park evenings and Sundays I will cancel my membership and join another gym which I do not wish to do. The Angel centre is for local residents, whereas Larkfield leisure centre, also built for Tonbridge residents, should be on the same footing, i.e. it is free to park there. I believe it should be free to park at the Angel centre and exercise should be encouraged, unfortunately I live too far away to walk.

Finally it will also affect customers attending the farmers market.

Off-street response – Reference number 1366

I object to charges until 8pm.

Understandable about the parking charges. But many peoples wages are not going up. If your on basic national wage and don't get a premium for working Sundays or bank holidays, then you still don't benefit from paying for parking especially part timers every little helps at the moment with all the cost of living rises. Please have some consideration. This is why people won't want to work as it costs too much to park

Off-street response – Reference number 1367

I object to charges until 8pm.

Absolutely against it, we need to encourage people to visit

Off-street response – Reference number 1369

I object to charges until 8pm.

I object as for the evening you would affect restaurants footfall, I object to Sunday and bank holiday charges, it would affect a lot of businesses. We might as well head to bluewater and park for free and spend the extra petrol

Off-street response – Reference number 1370

I object to charges until 8pm.

You want blood!! I find parking a nightmare as it is with machines that do not work plus on occasions no signal so can't use the app ! The App is already more expensive than the machines!

High Streets are dying!! This will certainly speed the process! I know money is short but things need to be thought in the long term!!

Off-street response – Reference number 1371

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will severely impacts restaurants and other hospitality businesses who rely on people driving and parking in the evenings. It will severely deter people visiting and will be counterproductive to what the council is trying to achieve if more business close due to lack of customers

Off-street response – Reference number 1373

I object to charges until 8pm.

Increasing the parking charge to 8pm is not necessary and would severely impact on the High Street food outlets. Charging on a Sunday and Bank Holiday would also impact on the High Street and leisure activities. Some of the overstay parking issues are caused by the development of flats which are not required to provide adequate parking due to their location close to the railway station. Perhaps the planning rules should be amended and not penalise the impact which will befall the traders by pushing customers to out of town retail units.

Off-street response – Reference number 1374

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1375

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1376

I object to charges until 8pm.

I have to park in the castle car park to visit my daughter as all the roads are permit parking. It already limits my visits with the cost of parking so this would limit me even more.

Also Tonbridge will get less people coming into town if parking goes up and small businesses like my daughters coffee shop will suffer

Off-street response – Reference number 1378

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1379

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1380

I object to charges until 8pm.

I think this is another charge on the motorist

Easy, Picking come to mind.

This will not encourage businesses and customers to come to this town. I have seen a marked decline in the 40 years I've lived here.

Off-street response – Reference number 1381

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1382

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1383

I support charges until 8pm.

My only concern relates to the introduction of charges for parking in West Malling high street. I fully understand the reasons for the introduction but I am concerned about the detrimental effect this will have on the local shops. Many local high streets are struggling to survive and the introduction of charges may worsen the situation. Many patrons pop in to the shops for a very short time, a matter of minutes in many cases. The introduction of a charge for what could be a five minute visit may well put people off. I would like to suggest that the first 30 minutes be free of charge and thereafter, the 1 hr charge be applied for the remainder of the first hour.

Off-street response – Reference number 1385

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1386

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1387

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1391

I object to charges until 8pm.

I have ME but continue to work in the town. I do not qualify for a disabled badge so spend a fortune in car parking charges. I need to park close to the town because of my energy levels. Very disappointed in the council for again hitting the motorists to increase revenue

Off-street response – Reference number 1392

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1393

I object to charges until 8pm.

THE CAR PARK SUPPORTS THE FARMERS MARKET ON A SUNDAY AND ALLOTMENT USERS, DO YOU REALLY WANT TO PUSH SHOPPERS AND RESTAURANT USERS TO OTHER AREAS AND KILL OUR THRIVING TOWN?

Off-street response – Reference number 1394

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1395

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1396

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1397

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1398

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1399

I object to charges until 8pm.

Bank holidays should be free and stay free. It helps to bring people into the areas on public holidays

Off-street response – Reference number 1402

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1403

I object to charges on Sundays.

Charging for parking on Sundays and Bank Holidays is going to a serious negative effect of The Slade area of the town. If these charges come in then The Slade area should become a Residents Only Parking area ALL DAY Sundays otherwise the Residents will not be able to park within the area that we all pay for due to visitors taking any or all free parking within The Slade as a 1st choice rather than using the car parks.

Off-street response – Reference number 1404

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

While I understand the need to increase the charges I dont agree with the need to charge 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Encouraging people to use the car parks on a Sunday for shopping, childrens sports activities, swimming etc and on Bank Holidays for special events should be encouraged for the good of the community and the shop owners. The high street is already in decline and asking car owners to pay more per hour and now everyday just seems a step too far all in one go. If I now need to pay for a Sunday I would consider going into Tunbridge Wells instead where I have to pay anyway as there are more facilities available. Support the high street, dont put more barriers in its way.
Thanks

Off-street response – Reference number 1405

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1406

I object to charges until 8pm.

Charging after 8pm reduces the attraction of eating or drinking in Tonbridge town centre.

It will adversely affect business and worsen the decay of the town.

Charging for Sunday parking further reduces the attraction of coming to Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 1408

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1409

I object to charges until 8pm.

I used to work in tonbridge, but swapped my place of work to crowborough as it's cheaper to drive there and park for free than it is to park in tonbridge. I still shop in tonbridge on a Sunday, but if parking charges were to be introduced, I would not. I can park in paddock wood or crowborough for free. I still know lots of people that work in tonbridge, and their parking costs have escalated as all the free on street parking has been restricted. You'll end up driving workers and customers out of the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 1410

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1411

I object to charges until 8pm.

People may well be using these spaces at these times to make "tasks, leisure activities and events" more affordable in what are difficult times. You show no understanding of the hard times people are currently in and fail to support the members of the communities you serve.

Off-street response – Reference number 1412

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1414

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1415

I object to charges until 8pm.

Increasing or introducing parking charges to towns that are already on the brink of dilapidation will only make things worse. If anything free parking should be increased to encourage shoppers to come into town more often. Is this council actually mad or just plain incompetent with these proposals?

Off-street response – Reference number 1417

I object to charges until 8pm.

The town centre is already struggling. Increasing the charges will deter people from coming into the town, impacting the viability of businesses.

Many people take advantage of the free Sunday and bank holiday parking to visit Tonbridge for shopping and leisure, particularly in summer months. These charges will deter visitors, impacting the spend in the town's shops and other businesses.

Visitors to the Angel Centre gym are likely to move to another gym and the parking costs will add significantly to the monthly gym membership fee.

Off-street response – Reference number 1418

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1421

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1422

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1425

I object to charges on Sundays.

The cost of Policing Sunday parking is unlikely to be covered by the income generated.

Off-street response – Reference number 1426

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1428

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1429

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1430

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1431

I object to charges until 8pm.

Just pure greed and unnecessary. Would 100% put me off parking in town at these times.

Off-street response – Reference number 1433

I object to charges until 8pm.

You state "The changes will also see a fairer and more consistent charging regime apply across our car parks" and want to charge until 8pm in Tonbridge, yet West Malling will still be free after 5.30pm. That's hardly fair! I mostly use the app to pay for parking but Tonbridge supermarkets only refund parking costs on production of a paper ticket, therefore I try to visit after 6pm. I also object to the extra 10p charge for paying by app. Extending the charges until 8pm and charging on Sundays and Bank Holidays will see me, and I suspect many others, choosing out of town shopping over the town centre.

Off-street response – Reference number 1434

I support charges until 8pm.

Much of the parking at weekends is used to support sporting activity. This is particularly the case for the lower castle fields car park. Rugby, football, and other sports are all played on Sunday. Introducing parking charges would impact children's sport.

Off-street response – Reference number 1435

I object to charges until 8pm.

Again, we pay enough

Off-street response – Reference number 1436

I object to charges until 8pm.

Periods of free parking allow individuals who are not so well off the opportunity to make use of the facilities without additional parking costs.

Off-street response – Reference number 1437

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1439

I object to charges until 8pm.

The consultation states it is difficult to park on occasions and blindly assumes users will go elsewhere (where?) if prices are increased. After 6pm. most High Street shops are closed and the relevant car parks barely used. During events, these car parks are close to full and would be regardless of cost.

However, increased costs and charging times are likely to deter users. In addition, as mentioned with the reduced use beyond the current 6pm charge time, the additional cost of employing a sufficient number of wardens to monitor paid parking would likely outweigh any marginal increase in revenue. As a start, enforcing the High Street loading bays from lazy parkers and the pavement parking at the northern end of the High Street by just eat/uber food drivers should be tackled if you are really concerned about parking in Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 1440

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1441

I object to charges until 8pm.

I am a member at the Angel Centre leisure facility and object at having to pay to use the facilities in the evenings which is when the centre has most of it's exercise classes.

Off-street response – Reference number 1442

I object to charges until 8pm.

See above. Why other than increased income. If the shops are open why does this mean you have to pay for parking later? No real correlation.

Off-street response – Reference number 1443

I object to charges until 8pm.

Very little is open in the town past 6pm apart from bars, supermarkets and hairdressers. Extending the charges will negatively impact local residents who have been preciously able to do business around the town at quieter times. Charging for parking on Sundays is reasonable and fair as a lot of those using the spaces are visiting the area.

Off-street response – Reference number 1444

I object to charges until 8pm.

Do the Council actually want people to visit the centre of Tonbridge? I cannot believe they think this is a good idea. It's just a cash cow which will have a devastating effect on the town's businesses and planned events.

Off-street response – Reference number 1445

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1446

I object to charges until 8pm.

TMBC is not analysing the root cause of the issues raised. There is clearly high demand for parking in town centres - with extended and non traditional hours. This is good for business & a thriving community.

However, the council is not properly analysing the problem. What other options are there to serve the community (rather than exploit it)?

Knee-jerk responses such as those proposed are short sighted and inadequate.

Off-street response – Reference number 1447

I object to charges until 8pm.

Greedy and unnecessary you should be ashamed of yourselves

Off-street response – Reference number 1448

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1449

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1450

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1451

I object to and support charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1452

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1453

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1454

I object to charges on Sundays.

The whole policy objectives are unclear. Is it to make more parking spaces available for shoppers and leisure visitors, or to raise more revenue ? To achieve the former you should make the first (say) two hours free of charge and then start charging more steeply. This would achieve your aim of dissuading long term parking but make it better for your preferred users. Your proposal to just charge everybody more is blatant profiteering. Support your High Street - cut parking charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 1456

I object to charges until 8pm.

How are the shop keepers going to cope if all these charges are implemented. People just won't come to Tonbridge to shop!

Off-street response – Reference number 1457

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is an appalling idea. You will be putting off people who use the gym and sports facilities in the evenings for one thing. Events are often put on in Tonbridge on Sundays especially round Bonfire night and Christmas and families will be thinking twice about attending these if they have to pay to park. This will result in less money being spent at these events for stall holders. Many events are also held at the Castle all year and the attraction is being able to drive but not having to pay to park the car. Do NOT extend the charging period or introduce charges on Sundays and Bank Holidays.

Off-street response – Reference number 1458

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1460

I object to charges on Sundays.

These days allow everyone to visit areas in times when money is tight and attracts more visitors to support local businesses, increasing charges and chargeable days is likely to put me off

Off-street response – Reference number 1461

I object to charges until 8pm.

Sunday and bank holiday charging will hinder so many things that encourage people to come to tonbridge at the weekend and a longer charge period will affect people who need to drive to the high street for shopping

Off-street response – Reference number 1462

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1463

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1464

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1465

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1468

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1470

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1471

I object to charges until 8pm.

A sure way to kill the High Street! People will go to out of town shopping centres and malls where parking is free. Many rely on the free parking on Sundays, Bank Holidays and after 6pm.

Off-street response – Reference number 1472

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1473

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1474

I object to charges until 8pm.

We need more support in our town and highstreet. Keeping some days free will hopefully support that. Keep charging and charging more will only put more people off! The last thing we want. It should be free on Saturdays also.

Off-street response – Reference number 1475

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1476

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1477

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1478

I object to charges until 8pm.

The 6pm parking charge works well for the customers of my business. Charging later and raising the cost will adversely affect my business.

Off-street response – Reference number 1481

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1482

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1483

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will drive customers away from Tonbridge at the weeks and Bank Holiday - I use the car park to get closer to my work place at the Angel centre when I have boxes to drop off for my holiday club, or for late staff meeting - to save me having to walk to Sovereign Way North in the dark.

Off-street response – Reference number 1484

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1486

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1487

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1488

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1489

I object to charges until 8pm.

Would prefer to pay a little more council tax and keep car parking charges as they are.

Off-street response – Reference number 1491

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1494

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1495

I object to charges until 8pm.

refer to my previous comments

Off-street response – Reference number 1497

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1498

I object to charges until 8pm.

These initiatives directly oppose the good intention of the Violence Against Women and Girls consultation TMBC is concurrently running, and will adversely affect women and children who wish to be safe. They will turn the town centres into ghost towns and provide the perfect environment to those looking to exploit young people and prey on women & girls. This proposal also will harm businesses and reduce the lively town centre that currently draws in lots of families for sport, who stay longer to enjoy other aspects within the town centre at the same time, spending money in the town centre.

I moved my family to TMBC to grow up in a safe, lively, buzzing town centre where the Council gets things right. A far cry from our previous home town. Tonbridge High Street massively bucks the national trend of high streets suffering from numerous vacant shops, and this needs to be acknowledged, along with the reasons why.

If you look at town centres in Bromley borough, for example, you will see that high streets particularly after 5/6pm are quiet and not safe places to be, particularly after dark. There are challenges with anti-social behaviour, businesses have suffered due to reduced footfall and generally town centres are ghost towns after 5pm. The council are spending a significant proportion of time and money in regenerating visitors to town centres in evenings, and this investment is not providing a lasting improvement to the damage done by removing parking and introducing paid for parking. This is a problem TMBC does not yet have, and does not need to make the mistake of. The British Independent Retailers Association would no doubt have supporting evidence on this, along with other similar Associations.

If there is a council deficit why not consult with residents around what the deficit looks like and how the Council intends to balance the books. Residents are an innovative bunch who might just have the solutions these short sighted parking plans lack.

Off-street response – Reference number 1499

I object to charges until 8pm.

In order to support Tonbridge and people's wellbeing parking shouldn't be increased to 8pm and Sundays. People need to be able to enjoy leisure facilities that often cost money, without having to pay for parking as well.

Off-street response – Reference number 1500

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1501

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1503

I object to charges until 8pm.

I object to all these on the grounds that the purpose of parking charges are to discourage commuters from leaving their vehicles all day in town car parks while they board the train to London for work. On Sundays and Bankholidays and overnight, this is not an issue. We already pay council tax to fund the council so that it can provide services for our benefit. Not so that it can extort more money and make a profit from the very people it is here to serve. Revenue it receives from parking charges, should only serve to run the car parks.

Off-street response – Reference number 1504

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1505

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1506

I object to charges until 8pm.

I live in Tonbridge and i object to these extensions. I think your thinking is floored. You say the demand in parking is not driven by free parking. I would say the demand is driven by the fact that the parking is free and lower parking costs drives visitors to the town which is required to keep the town alive. These charges will threat the town. I also object because this is a tax on exercising in the town. You cannot park for free at the angel centre apart from after 6pm. That is when i go because of this. If you make the parking till 8 then i will have to relinquish my membership of the angel centre.

Off-street response – Reference number 1508

I object to charges until 8pm.

Will just keep people away when all areas need people to visit them.

Off-street response – Reference number 1509

I object to charges until 8pm.

Answer as above

Off-street response – Reference number 1510

I object to charges until 8pm.

I want to see businesses thrive in Tonbridge - not discouraged

Off-street response – Reference number 1517

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1519

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1522

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1524

I object to charges on Sundays.

The introduction of charging on Sundays and Bank holidays is unacceptable, as it is on any day. This having been said, it is ironic that on days when shops and businesses may not be open, an exception may be made. It seems to defeat the object. Local trade is assisted by accessible and free parking facilities.

Off-street response – Reference number 1525

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1526

I object to charges until 8pm.

Again this will only lead to more death of the town centre, which council seems intent on but then wants to spend a fortune on reviving it to score points, can't have it both ways.

Off-street response – Reference number 1527

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1528

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1529

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1530

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1531

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1532

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1533

I object to charges until 8pm.

same as above. Do you want Tonbridge to become a ghost town like TW or not?

Off-street response – Reference number 1534

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1536

I object to charges until 8pm.

See answer to 15.

Off-street response – Reference number 1540

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1541

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1542

I support charges until 8pm.

I object to Sunday parking charges on the ground that church goers will be penalised.

Off-street response – Reference number 1543

I object to charges until 8pm.

Extending parking charges to 8pm seems mainly designed to drive business away from the High Street and town centre in Tonbridge. Pity the hospitality venues (restaurants etc) who are struggling to keep going despite all the doom and gloom in the economy at the moment. It risks simply driving more business away from Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 1544

I object to charges on Sundays.

The apparent introduction of charges to the West Malling High Street will impact on those of us who attend the churches, in addition to the businesses and the Farmer's market.

Off-street response – Reference number 1545

I object to charges on Sundays.

Wouldn't expect to have to pay to attend church on Sundays, or pay to park if going out to eat in the town in the evenings, this will probably decrease support for town restaurants.

Off-street response – Reference number 1548

I object to charges on Sundays.

charges on a sunday will all but kill off the town centre. look around tonbridge high street. it needs to encourage people to shop, not deter them with further charges.

Also, the minimum 4 hour ticket for Haysden park is discriminatory and blocks a lot of visitors ho may only want an hour. Why not make it more accessible financially? parking charges aRE RUINING HIGH STREETS AND NEIGHBOURHOODS.

Off-street response – Reference number 1552

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1553

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1554

I object to charges until 8pm.

I have rarely seen a shortage of parking after nor for extended periods on the weekend. Do you have data to support the extension?

Off-street response – Reference number 1555

I object to charges until 8pm.

You will reduce footfall in the town even further. A stupid idea

Off-street response – Reference number 1556

I object to charges until 8pm.

see the comments above

Off-street response – Reference number 1557

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1558

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1559

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1560

I object to charges until 8pm.

It is so sad that the heart of Tonbridge is being ripped out. By increasing parking charges, people will just go elsewhere. Why are nearby towns able to accommodate free parking but not Tonbridge? Maybe it has something to do with all the new housing that has taken place in the centre of the town with little parking provision in place, the assumption being that residents wouldn't need cars. If people could park away from the community car parks and closer to their homes, I'm sure that they would.

Off-street response – Reference number 1561

I object to charges on Sundays.

Is this genuinely a serious proposal? Is this a proposal with the community and businesses in mind? Hard no. Tonbridge and other towns are suffering with the hollowing out of businesses, increasing and expanding car parking charges would only accelerate this.

This council is out of touch with the residents it is supposed to represent if it is seriously considering this.

Does the council want anyone to visit it's High Streets anymore?

This is short term decision making which is why towns in our area are suffering badly. I feel sorry for the poor traffic wardens you want to stand outside until 8pm at this time of year and on Christmas Day.

If anything parking charges should be more relaxed and affordable so residents spend more time and money in our High Streets. Councils are meant to run to the benefit of the communities they serve.

Please reconsider. Quickly.

Off-street response – Reference number 1562

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1563

I object to charges until 8pm.

Sunday is just like any other day commercially so why not charge on a Sunday. Being retired, I was once criticised for calling into Sainsburys on a Sunday and told I could go anytime of the week. So why should I pay when those in work don't on a Sunday.

Off-street response – Reference number 1564

I object to charges until 8pm.

You need to encourage people to continue using the town not turn them away.

Off-street response – Reference number 1565

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1566

I object to charges until 8pm.

It is greedy to charge for parking in the evenings, on Sundays and Bank Holidays. This will cause resentment against the council and councillors who will be blamed for it.

Also the extended charges will have a damaging affect on retail businesses and restaurants which have to compete with other areas where parking is free at all times, like the industrial estates and out of town restaurants and pubs.

Off-street response – Reference number 1567

I object to charges until 8pm.

Adding charges to these Car parks currently free on Sundays and bank holidays/ after 6pm would be detrimental to the area as a whole for night life, leisure and " fair weather " events and summer enjoyment. Although fees would become evident to the council coffers, the traders, event organisers, restaurants, publicans and restaurants et all would feel the business decline and burden of trade loss

Off-street response – Reference number 1568

I support charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1569

I object to charges until 8pm.

I suspect that those who currently come into Tonbridge High Street in the evening or Sundays will not do so if they now have to pay. It may also reduce the number who shop in Sainsbury's- Aldi in Cannons Lane do not charge for parking. We often shop on a Sunday in order to save money. Is the intention to gradually close the High Street?

Off-street response – Reference number 1570

I object to charges until 8pm.

Every extra cost to the public will reduce footfall in the Towns, which desperately need the trade. Extending the charges because a car park is well used is greedy.

Off-street response – Reference number 1571

I object to charges on Sundays.

The local economy in Tonbridge is thriving in the evening and Sundays due to no parking charges. We should continue to support those industries who rely on this vital trade. Increase the levy on long stays (2hrs plus) within the current timing zones. Furthermore, outsource the current patrolling to a lower cost firm.

Off-street response – Reference number 1572

I object to charges on Sundays.

I would no longer use the town shops as a result and I fee many people would fee the same

Off-street response – Reference number 1573

I object to charges until 8pm.

These measures will deter people coming into Tonbridge for shopping and special events.

Charity events organised by The Lions, Rotary club etc will lose revenue as well. It could diminish the social life of the town.

The Council will also be charging me to attend church which is unacceptable.

Off-street response – Reference number 1574

I object to charges until 8pm.

All you doing making us go to out town shops,you sem think we have botomless money surpley, your government that cut council funds.

Off-street response – Reference number 1575

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1576

I object to charges on Sundays.

My comments are restricted to Tonbridge. I am concerned about the impact of introducing charges on Sundays and Bank Holidays; either putting people off doing leisure activities or increasing the amount of parking on our residential streets. Perhaps you could introduce half-price parking on Sundays and Bank Holidays; or half-price parking for those who are associated with a organised leisure activity (swimming, Tonbridge Juniors Football, use of the Angel sports hall, etc).

Off-street response – Reference number 1577

I object to charges until 8pm.

Times are tough enough for many Tonbridge and Malling residents. Have a heart and leave some times in the week where folks can park for free!

Off-street response – Reference number 1578

I object to charges until 8pm.

The current cut off for paying should be continued. Particularly concerned about the Angel Centre where adding £3.20 to the cost of a class in the evening makes this prohibitive and out of line with the costs elsewhere. Parking at Larkfield Leisure Centre is free so why should those of us who use the Tonbridge facility need to pay. TMBC should be encouraging health and fitness not discouraging it with these hefty parking fees.

Off-street response – Reference number 1579

I object to charges on Sundays.

My view is that this measure will be counterproductive, for the following reasons:

1. The free parking on Sunday attracts people from elsewhere, such as Tunbridge Wells to shop. If the charge is introduced the footfall into retail premises will decline, with the long term effect that businesses will fail, leading to worse retail opportunities for the local residents. There are more than enough empty retail premises in our High Street.

2. I am aware that the Angel Centre is the location chosen by two societies for their shows in the early part of the year. I know that free parking is essential for one of these shows, as they have traders who travel the length of the country to attend. Other visitors to these shows will also be put off if there is an additional cost for parking. The introduction of the parking charge could lead to these shows no longer being held, with no revenue for the Angel Centre. The visitors to these shows quite probably make use of the other retail opportunities in Tonbridge while here.

2.1 One option might be to introduce a free parking scheme for those attending events in the Angel Centre. I have seen these in use elsewhere. The vehicle holder enters his registration number in a terminal at the event, which is linked live with parking enforcement, so that they do not get fined. Typical example: Gillingham sports centre.

3. As the sports facilities in the Angel Centre are used after 1800, adding a parking charge is going to discourage regular membership. See 2.1 for an option.

Off-street response – Reference number 1580

I object to charges until 8pm.

As a Tonbridge resident, we need to get people into the town and making people pay until 8pm or charging people to shop on a Sunday or bank holidays won't encourage people to come into Tonbridge. As Tonbridge is a dying town (and it could be a thriving town with the right support), the council needs to think about encouraging people to stay in the town - whether it's for shopping or leisure.

Off-street response – Reference number 1582

I object to charges until 8pm.

Free Parking after 6 pm helps the retailers who are staying open to survive in this difficult financial environment and encourages consumers to use the local restaurants rather than takeaway and deliver.

Sunday and Bank Holiday free parking are essential to keep the growing community feel of Tonbridge which has never been stronger and these charges are aimed at the events that are making Tonbridge a real community which is currently the best its been for years. Wake up to your community needs.

Off-street response – Reference number 1583

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1584

I object to charges until 8pm.

I believe that increasing charges and making shoppers pay on Sundays and bank holidays with negatively affect our shops! The high street isn't as busy now as days anyway! We need to do positive things to improve our town. This isn't a positive way to support our shops!

Off-street response – Reference number 1586

I object to charges on Sundays.

An extension to 8 pm will have a detrimental effect on social activities in the town in the evening.

I wish to point out that the Waterloo carpark is used by some people who go to St Stephen's church . The parking in the roads around is well nigh impossible, on a Sunday as most residents are parked up . The same applies to the upper castle carpark and the one off Bordyke which are used by the congregation of the parish of St Peter and Paul.

I really question whether trying to charge on a Sunday or bank holiday has much to do with improving access to leisure activities and social interaction in the town as opposed to trying to get yet more money for the council ?

Shocking . Tonbridge pays quite enough in car parking 6 days of the week . Please keep Sundays and bank holidays free .

Off-street response – Reference number 1587

I object to charges until 8pm.

Just another way of ripping off the motorists.

Off-street response – Reference number 1588

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1589

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1591

I object to charges until 8pm.

If charges are introduced at additional times at this car park the residents it is sure to increase the number of vehicles driving down and parking in unsuitable spots in Ryarsh Lane, in particular in the evenings and when events or the Farmers market is being held. It would also be to the detriment of fellow allotment holders who use the facility on a Sunday.

Off-street response – Reference number 1592

I object to charges until 8pm.

These proposals will hit local restaurants etc very hard, leading to even more closures. Your short-term, blinkered approach will kill the goose laying the golden egg. Invest to accumulate. Unlike many towns, there's plenty of parking in Tonbridge - so make it work to your advantage. Reduce/remove short-stay charges, esp for residents! Attract new footfall - don't put existing parkers off!

Off-street response – Reference number 1593

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1594

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1595

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1596

See my previous comments. Charges should be intended to ration a restricted asset, not to raise money.

Off-street response – Reference number 1597

I object to charges until 8pm.

It is not accurate to say in Tonbridge that many shops are open later now than the 6 pm parking charge end period that currently exists. The only 2 shops in Tonbridge that operate later than 5.30 / 6 pm are Sainsburys and Waitrose - the majority close at 5.30 pm. Retail has suffered over the past 3 years and to now bring in yet more charges over a Weekend or after 6 pm is to discourage people from spending weekend or evening leisure time in Tonbridge town centre . We have sufficient car parking - given the car parks off Vale Road in addition to the car parks close to Sainsburys and Waitrose - so I think your argument for over full car parks is tenuous. If you must bring in charges on a Sunday / Bank holiday then consider making them less expensive than Monday to Saturday.

Off-street response – Reference number 1598

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1599

I object to charges until 8pm.

People are struggling.

Off-street response – Reference number 1600

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1601

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1602

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1603

I object to charges until 8pm.

You lot really dont get it. Shopping in Tonbridge is bad enough because shops cant afford the over priced rents so there is not a lot of point of going into town as the shopping is rubbish. But to charge more to park is crazy . Dont we pay enough already. I often go to sainsbury after 6pm or on a sunday but when you increase the prices that will change for me

Off-street response – Reference number 1605

I object to charges until 8pm.

There are no shops apart from Sainsbury's, Waitrose and Iceland that are open later than 6, therefore this fact is not valid. As a result the car parks are not very busy during that time. Charging

for parking on Sunday would decrease the number of people visiting Tonbridge from nearby areas. Moat leisure activities also take place on Saturday so this is also not valid.

Off-street response – Reference number 1606

I object to charges until 8pm.

Why would anyone choose to PAY to eat/drink in Tonbridge in the evening - when there are plenty of other good places to go where parking is free? You'll kill the nighttime trade, cause even more closures, destroy the town & ultimately lose revenue.

As for Sundays & BHs - surely you want to encourage MORE people to visit the town & spend money using the amenities - not put them off & encourage them to go elsewhere? Tonbridge has the advantage of some big car parks - exploit that to encourage more visitors (not less) with free/cheap parking. Reduce/remove short-stay charges, esp for residents! Attract new footfall - don't put existing users off!

Off-street response – Reference number 1608

I object to charges until 8pm.

Completely disagree demand isn't driven by free parking. The only reason my family use the facilities on a Sunday is to avoid parking charges. Completely disagree that it's a struggle to park. There is a short window on a Sunday morning but by midday it's easy to find a spot. Additionally, as a woman I feel safer & reassured knowing I can park for free after 6pm e.g. after dark and can therefore avoid walking home so to our occurring additional cost and hassle of paying for parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1609

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1610

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1611

I object to charges on Sundays.

The rationale being used is a narrative only. This will have impact on business trading and local residents. There is no need to bring this in other than councils looking to drive revenue from their residents who are finding it hard to live at the moment with cost of living challenges.

Off-street response – Reference number 1612

I object to charges on Sundays.

Give local businesses some chance of occasional footfall. Commuter Parker's abusing the car parks is less of a problem on these days

Off-street response – Reference number 1613

I object to charges until 8pm.

a small number of local businesses that are struggling with the increase costs of operating their businesses. The introduction of parking charges will lead to a reduction in footfall which will further impact on their ability to keep operating. Consequently some businesses will close leaving empty spaces as per most high streets.

Off-street response – Reference number 1614

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1615

I object to charges until 8pm.

See full response above. Charging on Sundays and longer into the evening will only penalise people trying to exercise at the Angel Centre along with those wanting to eat in the pubs and restaurants.

There should be some times and days in the week that people can park for free, not everyone will be able to afford this triple increase in charging at a time when budgets are already under huge pressure from the increased cost of living.

Off-street response – Reference number 1616

I object to charges until 8pm.

It appears you are trying to squeeze additional revenue out of an already difficult climate.

Off-street response – Reference number 1617

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1619

I object to charges until 8pm.

The cost of my parkin;g will double. While I will be able to manage I am concerned about those who will not be able eg those on low income, those having to use food larders etc. This will not be good for Sainsbury's as , I imagine, people will go to other shops, whose car park is free, or go online. I am very disapointed about parking charges on Sunday's as I go to Christ Church URCs which is just off the car park. Also, why Bank Holiiday, there are only a few each year. Finally, if we want people to come to Tonbridge to shop and boost the economy and this will not help.

Off-street response – Reference number 1620

I object to charges on Sundays.

I refer you to Tom Tugendhat MP's recent 'Tonbridge Messenger' document in which he addresses the problems affecting Tonbridge Town Centre. Changing from the free to chargeable parking on Sunday's and Bank Holidays will only worsen the attractiveness of Tonbridge as a town to visit for shopping, such as the Sunday Market, and its leisure activities. It will be to the detriment to local High Street, and other businesses, and will worsen the commercial and leisure situations for Tonbridge. The Town needs a boost, not damping down with such increased cost disincentives.

Off-street response – Reference number 1621

I object to charges until 8pm.

Similar reason to those stated above.

8pm extension: this is relevant for super markets in Tonbridge. Those on a low income will be able to avoid parking charges if they shop after 5:30pm extending this to after 8:00pm this gives people an even smaller window to shop for groceries and if there are children in a household this makes 8:00pm a harder time still. The 8:00pm rule also deters people from using the gym at the Angle Center and this will have a knock on effect of increasing obesity and putting more pressure on the NHS. (It will cost the council more money in the long run)

Sunday Charge: Many people visit the High Street on a Sunday to avoid car parking charges. I believe this charge will be bad for the high street. It is also exclusionary to people of faith who may wish to visit a place of worship on a Sunday. We have several in or near the high street.

Bank Holidays: I believe this change will create bad feeling between Tonbridge District Council and residents of Tonbridge. Even Sevenoaks doesn't charge on bank holidays. Again it doesn't help the high street.

Off-street response – Reference number 1622

I object to charges until 8pm.

I only go shopping in Tonbridge on a Sunday as I refuse to pay to park to support local businesses. I am not alone in this opinion. If you make parking chargeable on Sundays and Bank Holidays you will drive away business from the shops that need customers

Off-street response – Reference number 1624

I object to charges until 8pm.

Our Town is alive on a Sunday and at Bank Holidays due to the free parking. The park and recreation areas are used as the parking is free. You will not make money as people will stop coming, you will have to employ more people to monitor the carparks etc.

If you want something to be used make it attractive, i.e. reduce the car parking charges, make the whole weekend free. The more businesses we have in the town making money rather than charity shops that pay no rates the better. Increasing the prices, and charging 7 days a week from 8am to 8pm will kill the town further, and there will be even fewer shops paying business rates.

IT IS JUST MEAN AND SHORT-SIGHTED OF THE COUNCIL.

Off-street response – Reference number 1626

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1627

I object to charges until 8pm.

See answer on question 15

Off-street response – Reference number 1628

I object to charges until 8pm.

Taking away any advantage to shopping in Tonbridge only forces me away from using the town at all.

Cut the bureaucracy and make up your money that way. The public are over-stretched already and further 'taxing' is unwarranted.

Off-street response – Reference number 1631

I object to charges on Sundays.

Same comments as in box 14 above - this will drive people away from the town centre. Why not keep an initial short period free ?

Off-street response – Reference number 1632

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1633

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge High Street is already feeling the full effects of the cost of living crisis, with many local shops and businesses seeing a significant fall-off in trade. Extending car parking charges to days where parking is currently free is likely to lead to further loss in trade, and the same applies to extending the charging period to 8pm.

The words "Scrooge Council" spring to mind!

Off-street response – Reference number 1634

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is not good for the villages, as people will look at finding other places to park ie. On the roads even though there are double yellow lines. Which is what is done now. More money could be made if the council erect CCTV's in these areas and deter legal parking,

Off-street response – Reference number 1635

I object to charges until 8pm.

Free parking after 6 actually draws people in to activities in town, particularly the Angel Centre (gym, exercise classes, Women's Institute, History Society, U3A) and meetings in local churches in the evenings such as choirs, bell-ringing etc. Charging on Sundays negatively effects churchgoers at several town centre churches.

Off-street response – Reference number 1637

I object to charges until 8pm.

Charges should only apply up to 6pm on weekdays and Saturdays

Off-street response – Reference number 1638

I object to charges until 8pm.

As above, why should we have to pay on Sundays and Bank Holidays? We already pay high council taxes.

Off-street response – Reference number 1639

I object to charges until 8pm.

We must encourage people to the high street and our lovely park not put them off with high parking costs. We walk our dog in the park and use the local cafes on weekends and evenings, paying for parking will put us off doing this

Off-street response – Reference number 1641

I object to charges until 8pm.

See comments in 15.

Off-street response – Reference number 1642

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1643

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1644

I object to charges until 8pm.

These will, again, operate against Town businesses, especially for evening meals. We also need to consider tourists and visitors

Off-street response – Reference number 1645

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

At a time where the cost of living has never been harder, why would you think it's a good idea to raise rates and probably deter people from shopping in an already declining town centre? You should be encouraging people to come to Tonbridge. If you're short on money I suspect it's because of how you've wasted it. Stop exploiting the hard-working people of this town before you destroy it entirely.

Off-street response – Reference number 1646

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1647

I object to charges on Sundays.

As a family we visit Tonbridge Park for leisure activities every weekend and I visit the high street, my husband parks all day and uses the train. All together this amounts to a lot on parking charges and if we were to have to add Sundays into the mix it would put us off visiting entirely. I was a member of the Angel Centre gym but ended up leaving because visiting three times per week ended up costing a lot in parking! Please consider what this will mean for families and locals who want to enjoy what the town has to offer.

Off-street response – Reference number 1648

I object to charges until 8pm.

Please please do not do this. As a Tonbridge resident I strongly feel it is imperative parking is free from 6 and free on Sundays and bank holidays. We are all struggling financially and this does not support the residents or local businesses. We want to encourage people to visit our town and the beauty around it not put them off. We need people to visit the town and look after our businesses so we don't end up with a high street where everything has closed down. Please please don't do this now. It is not looking after your residents and their needs.

Off-street response – Reference number 1649

I object to charges on Sundays.

same comments as above plus ,it will probably stop of our congregation coming to church on Sundays

Off-street response – Reference number 1650

I object to charges on Sundays.

I would avoid shopping on a Sunday if charges were introduced. Similarly on a Bank Holiday. The current situation where parking is free marks Tonbridge as quite unique and people from other areas are pleasantly surprised. Many sports events on Sundays, events at the Angel Centre are well attended and risk losing footfall if charges are introduced. Don't make the mistakes of TWBC.

Off-street response – Reference number 1651

I object to charges until 8pm.

Many shops, restaurants and other businesses in the borough are struggling to compete with large towns, etc nearby. One of the small competitive advantages they have is the 'free' parking after 6pm, Sundays and BHs. It's therefore important that this maintained to encourage people and send them to other towns. I often purposefully choose to use Tonbridge car parks during the 'free' periods, and like many other people would definitely reconsider this if there was a charge.

There does seem to be a problem with people parking for long period on Sundays and BHs (nearby flat residents and their guests?), this could potentially be overcome by offering 3-4 hours free parking and charging after that (and also ensuring that all future housing development plans granted approval in the future have ample parking provision).

Off-street response – Reference number 1652

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1653

I object to charges on Sundays.

To attend my church i would have to pay to park on a Sunday. I cant afford this and the church is my support network. This will have such a negative effect on my whole life.

Off-street response – Reference number 1654

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1655

I object to charges until 8pm.

The reasons cited for implementing these changes are not reasonable, in my opinion. Saying your proposal to charge because there is significant demand, not driven by demand, simply indicates that this is just an opportunity for the council to increase its income.

Off-street response – Reference number 1656

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1657

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1658

I object to charges until 8pm.

The best way to kill what was a great High Street. Many if us can only afford to go in to town and shop where parking is free - like out of town supermarkets. Free Sunday parking is a lifeline for us.

Off-street response – Reference number 1659

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1660

I object to charges until 8pm.

As above

Off-street response – Reference number 1661

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is a money making scheme for the council. Targeting the residents with another stealth tax because they can't budget the taxes efficiently and shifting the burden on to the residents. After 6pm you are simply targeting people who want to use the restaurants in town (Tonbridge) There is only three shops open after 6pm and that is Sainsbury, Waitrose and Iceland. You are literally targeting their customers. You are targeting religious groups who go to church on Sundays and you'll make them pay?! You are targeting people who only have one day off work per week because they have three jobs because of the cost of living is making them so poor it is hard for them to spend time with their family. Targeting two out of four hours on a week day where some will do their shopping in Sainsbury because it is quieter and they have mental health conditions where too many crowds make their mental health worse. Where an adult with autism can go shopping at a quieter time but now you are going to charge them for going shopping at 7pm.

The council and these proposals are a joke. You'll no doubt increase council tax AGAIN which you could use to fund whatever it is you are trying to achieve with this. All it's going to do is make Sainsbury leave the town and you'll stop getting visitors on a Sunday just like I never go to Tunbridge Wells any more since they increased their charges. The shops in the centre have closed and no other shop has replaced them. Think how many shops are already empty in Tonbridge and consider if this is the right thing to do or not.

I'm telling you, it's not and it'll ruin Tonbridge more than you've already achieved with high business rates. You need to be focusing more on where my money goes and putting less in your own pockets.

Off-street response – Reference number 1662

I object to charges until 8pm.

I object can understand increase may be needed but object to extra hours Sundays and bank hols

Off-street response – Reference number 1663

I object to charges until 8pm.

Even more ways to kill off business in the high street. I agree parking is a nightmare in the town especially on Sundays but you allow houses and flats to be built without the necessary parking spaces with clogs up the town with cars

Off-street response – Reference number 1664

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1665

I object to charges until 8pm.

As before, with poor public transport parking is the only option. How about directing the money generated from car parking to public transport.

Off-street response – Reference number 1666

I object to charges on Sundays.

Extending hours - within Tonbridge, after 6pm the car parks tend to be lightly used. There would be costs both economic and PR in establishing enforcement and monitoring arrangements. The relatively low occupancy would not indicate that there is much money to be made. Sunday & Bank Hol charging - I accept that there is revenue to be generated here from daytime usage. However, the PR look is not good when set against increasing parking charges for the Mon-Sat period.

Off-street response – Reference number 1667

I object to charges until 8pm.

I think the public pays plenty already compared with other areas, who have free parking, and I think people will think twice about going into Tonbridge and that small businesses will lose out, adding to their present struggles.

Off-street response – Reference number 1669

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1670

I object to charges until 8pm.

I object to any additional charges and costs on motorists , motorists already have heavy financial burdens and we are not just here as a cash cow to milk.

Off-street response – Reference number 1672

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge needs our custom. Providing free parking on Sundays and evenings encourages people into the town. Introducing a later time in the evening will adversely affect those attending evening events. This will impact on the most needy in our town who may wait until a Sunday to do the shopping.

Off-street response – Reference number 1673

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1674

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1677

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1681

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will disincline people to visit our high street.

Off-street response – Reference number 1682

I object to charges until 8pm.

If parking is extended till 8p.m. That would put me off using facilities that I currently use. My limited budget would be too stretched! To help my mobility I regularly go for an evening swim. As I am already paying membership, this cost would mean I had to look elsewhere or give it up altogether.

I understand revenue has to be raised to meet spending needs. Therefore it makes sense to me that this could be done via introducing charges on a Sunday and on Bank Holidays. I would prefer not to pay, but this would be a suitable compromise.

Off-street response – Reference number 1684

I object to charges until 8pm.

Do the council want to kill what little vitality is left in local high streets, this will kill local shopping and businesses will go bust?

Nobody wants these changes, I always thought councils were supposed to look after local interest and do what the people wanted, not go against local wishes, if these changes come in it just proves

the latter and democracy us dead

Off-street response – Reference number 1685

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1686

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1687

I object to charges on Sundays.

Sundays and bank holidays with free parking brings footfall to Tonbridge, stop being so damn greedy!

Off-street response – Reference number 1688

I object to charges on Sundays.

I regularly attend West Malling Baptist Church on Sundays and park in the Tesco car park and I would not relish paying parking charges to cover the three hours I am at the church.

Off-street response – Reference number 1689

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1690

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1691

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1692

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1693

I object to charges until 8pm.

If you want to stop people visiting the town this will absolutely ensure this. People will no longer pop to town on a Sunday, they will instead use retail parks and further congest our roads.

Off-street response – Reference number 1694

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1697

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1698

I object to charges until 8pm.

If parking charges are extended to Sundays and Bank Holidays, I will no longer use these car parks and therefore will not be helping to support local businesses such as cafes.

Off-street response – Reference number 1700

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1701

I object to charges until 8pm.

I strongly believe this will stifle customer use of the high street business during these times. People living outside the town often choose to visit when the restrictions are less. This will promote people's desires to shop/consume elsewhere.

Off-street response – Reference number 1704

I object to charges until 8pm.

Because it's unfair less busy times people who can't afford to pay parking have to pay now it will also put people off coming to Tonbridge to shop visit and effect local economy selfish action

Off-street response – Reference number 1705

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1707

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1708

I object to charges until 8pm.

Cost of living is already expensive and businesses are already struggling. Extending parking charges won't help anyone

Off-street response – Reference number 1711

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1712

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1713

I object to charges until 8pm.

People attending church services will have to pay to park

Off-street response – Reference number 1714

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1715

I object to charges until 8pm.

So I don't think you can reasonably claim that 'costs have gone up' for maintaining car parks. When I think about the car parks in Tonbridge they are pretty shabby. The flowerbeds are not flowerbeds any more. They contain weeds and a handful of shabby shrubs which get clipped twice a year. They look awful.

You wasted money sticking in charging points for electric cars. What a farce and why should the majority subsidise the wealthy?

Look at what has happened to Tunbridge Wells and Sevenoaks now they charge for evenings and weekends. People wanting to shop go to Bluewater! I don't go out in Sevenoaks now. I won't go to the cinema. I'm not paying to park on a Sunday.

If you absolutely have to charge (and I think you will - let's not pretend this consultation is really consultative), then here is my suggestion:

No charging after 6pm.

Sundays and Bank Holidays - £1 all day.

This seems like a very reasonable compromise. It won't hit shoppers and the shops in the town need the shoppers. The town has been really busy for the last week which has been wonderful to see. I think £1 all day on a Sunday helps you to pick up the people who shop on a Sunday - and there are a lot of them - but it makes people think "Well, I'm in Tonbridge anyway and I've paid, why don't I go around the other shops, or out to lunch?" It's a great way to encourage people to stick around and spend.

Off-street response – Reference number 1716

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1717

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1718

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1719

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1720

I object to charges until 8pm.

Having one day (Sunday) and a small window of time (6pm-8pm), helps support the high street and associated business, as well as all the lower income families in the borough. It supports events in the town that provide enjoyment and make it one of the places people want to live, thus increasing the number of people paying council tax and increasing TMBC revenue. Possibly have a lower tariff on Sundays?

Off-street response – Reference number 1722

I object to charges on Sundays.

People must be encouraged and not discouraged to visit. Local businesses need every help they can get

Off-street response – Reference number 1724

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1726

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1728

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1730

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1731

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is just a money making idea not supporting business

Off-street response – Reference number 1732

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1733

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1734

I object to charges until 8pm.

The high streets are struggling enough bringing customers in. This may be the final nail in the coffin. It is greedy and un-necessary.

Off-street response – Reference number 1735

I object to charges until 8pm.

I think that charging for car parks should be enforced when demand is high. Demand is not high after 6pm or on Sundays, and so it doesn't make sense to charge then. For some people the free Sunday parking gives them the opportunity to use the services in Tonbridge without having to pay extra, especially when money is already tight.

Off-street response – Reference number 1736

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1737

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1738

I object to charges until 8pm.

It will discourage visitors from coming to the T&MBC area and drive locals to do their business outside the T&MBC area.

Most of my neighbours now drive to Waitrose at Paddock Wood, Tesco at Pembury or Sainsbury's in Tunbridge Wells for their weekly shop. I do similar but occasionally shop at Sainsbury's in Tonbridge AFTER 6pm. If the time is changed to 8pm, I will do ALL my shopping outside Tonbridge.

Since Tom Tugendhat has become our MP, Tonbridge has deliberately driven away trade from people outside the area (the free 2-hour on-road parking spaces have all gone). Many Tonbridge residents now go out of the town to shop. That is why all the major banks have gone, many shops have gone have gone or have limited opening hours. THIS IS BECAUSE OUR MP AND COUNCIL HAVE DELIBERATELY CAUSED IT. I can drive to Tunbridge Wells, park for free (for 2 hours), go to the bank or have lunch or tea with friends. I can NOT do it in Tonbridge where I live. When I first came to Tonbridge in 1978 we had a brilliant MP and an outstanding council. We now have a useless MP and a hopeless council.

Off-street response – Reference number 1739

I object to charges on Sundays.

It is not clear from the consultation documents, what the benefit to the visitors, residents, and local businesses would be by extending the charging period for parking to 8pm at night, and on Sundays and Bank Holidays.

The document mentions that there is high demand for parking on a Sunday "not driven by free parking", therefore the implication seems to be that charging for parking will not reduce the demand. So is this purely to generate more income?

There is also no mention of how much revenue the extra restrictions might generate; or how it might benefit the Tonbridge community.

Before supporting these changes, I would personally like to see more detail about the proposed changes; especially

- what effect would this have on parking availability

- should this result in fewer cars parked, would this have a positive or negative effect on local businesses

- would a reduction or removal of parking restrictions in fact be more beneficial to the local community?

- what do the carparks generate in revenue currently, how much does it cost to run, how much extra revenue would be generated with the proposed changes, and what would it be used for

- are there any other initiatives planned to reduce car usage in the town, that in turn would reduce pressure on car parks? (e.g. park and ride schemes for visitors, improved public transport, better cycling infrastructure (to encourage safe cycling corridors), and other mechanisms)

Off-street response – Reference number 1740

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1741

I object to charges until 8pm.

These proposals would be very detrimental to our local businesses, who are already struggling.

Off-street response – Reference number 1743

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1744

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1745

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1747

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1748

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1749

I object to charges until 8pm.

People visit Tonbridge in the evenings and on Sundays because there is free parking at these times which makes it unique in the area, which brings increased trade to local shops and businesses, if it changes in line with Sevenoaks and Tunbridge Wells, then why would people continue to come to Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 1750

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1751

I support charges until 8pm.

We need to be encouraging people not to drive so much and making parking more expensive my help with this and generate much needed income for other council services.

Off-street response – Reference number 1752

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1753

I object to charges until 8pm.

I would support these if there was still free parking for locals - on Sundays it can be almost impossible to park near the river/park. Priority to residents should be given like in other places.

Off-street response – Reference number 1754

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1755

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1757

I object to charges until 8pm.

A lot of people use the car parks because they are FREE on these days, it is just pure greed to introduce yet more charges

Off-street response – Reference number 1758

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1760

I object to charges until 8pm.

We and the Council must support local retailers in West Malling (and elsewhere). Increase charges in longer term car parks by all means but do not cut off the short term Parker who provide much needed custom for the smaller shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 1761

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1763

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1765

I object to charges until 8pm.

Will no longer shop in Tonbridge high street

will use out of town shops

Off-street response – Reference number 1766

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1767

I object to charges until 8pm.

A lot of people can't afford to pay to park and hence shop on a Sunday when it is free plus they visit the Castle and Sports ground on a Sunday as parking is free. This will also greatly impact residence because if the car parks are charging then people will find residential areas instead. Very bad idea.

Off-street response – Reference number 1768

I object to charges until 8pm.

You cannot park in Tonbridge for free at any time - this is a tax on tonbridge residents and is unfair. We need to be able to park at a large supermarket or leisure facility for free like the rest of the county and country.

Off-street response – Reference number 1769

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1770

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge and Malling council just appear to be greedy.

Off-street response – Reference number 1771

I object to charges until 8pm.

I respect the fact that traditional "office hours" have changed over the years, although the Council should provide empirical rather than anecdotal evidence to support this statement otherwise they will be building a case based on supposition not fact.

Irrespective of that, extending the parking periods to include Sundays, and into the evenings concerns me.

Firstly: the Council should provide data to support the number of shops which are now open on Bank Holidays, Sundays, and after 18:00 compared to the reference point they are choosing for comparison including the date of the reference point.

Secondly: the Council should look at the associated costs of introducing these extended charges. As an example: many residents choose to use the leisure facilities Tonbridge provides (The Angel Centre for example) in the evenings, at weekends, and on Bank Holidays.

I will use myself as an example: I use the Angel Centre gym three times a week. I tend to go after 18:00 and on Sundays (as do many others) and am afforded the benefit of free parking. I already pay a joint membership fee of approximately £850 a year. After parking, changing, using the facilities, and leaving I am there for around 90 minutes. This would require a two hour parking charge each time I visit. This would equate to approximately £400 a year. Almost a 50% increase in membership cost.

This will discourage me from using the facility. I will either swap to another (which is less money towards the running of the Council facility), or goes less frequently or not at all. If I reduce my hours of exercise my chances of becoming unwell increase and I present a welfare cost.

Thirdly: rather than just come up with ideas to generate additional revenue, the Council should provide proposals to save costs that equal the anticipated increase in income from the proposed increase charging periods.

The projected increase in funds should be clearly articulated against this change, along with the costs associated with implementing it (welfare and others, for example: overtime for traffic wardens to police the increased charging periods).

There appears to be no business case in the consultation documents I have reviewed. Please clearly publish and articulate the cost / benefit analysis of implementing this change. Please also include cost reduction alternatives.

Finally: I assume that as this proposal only includes Bank Holidays, that during other Public Holidays parking will still be free?

Off-street response – Reference number 1772

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is just charging for the sake of it and will stop people wanting to park in the car parks and park on the roads instead.

also affecting restaurants and cinemas and local clubs

Off-street response – Reference number 1773

I object to charges until 8pm.

Just mean minded lazy thinking. This will surely drive business away from the town. I have already minimised visits to other towns where charges have escalated. It's a rip off.

Off-street response – Reference number 1774

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1775

I object to charges until 8pm.

Is the council intent on killing off trade in the Town completely. Our town is already dieing and the selection of shops in tonbridge is appalling (unless you want to shop in charity shops) thanks to the council's mismanaged of council taxes. Charging for Sundays will be the final nail in the coffin.

Off-street response – Reference number 1776

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1777

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1778

I object to charges until 8pm.

Cost of living crisis.

Off-street response – Reference number 1779

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1780

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1781

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1782

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1783

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1784

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1786

I object to charges until 8pm.

The issue is not whether to revise the parking charges; it is to provide modern, reliable parking machines that are suitable for the modern world! They are often out of order, regularly fail to accept random coins, do not give change and do not accept card payments - which is essential in today's world. Increasingly people simply do not carry cash - even less so the correct coinage for the precise amount that particular car parks decide to charge. The app is a very poor substitute, given that it costs more, you cannot get a refund from supermarkets for the shopping time spent at their store, and their ability to function depends entirely on the whims of the local wifi service. Many older people use and always carry payment cards, but not all have smart phones. I am relatively tech savvy, yet I often struggle with parking apps. I would support the revised off-street parking charges...ONLY IF THE PAYMENT MACHINES ARE MODERNISED AND FULLY FIT FOR PURPOSE. Otherwise, I feel that an increase in tariffs will just deter people from using the high street.

Off-street response – Reference number 1787

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1788

I support charges until 8pm.

The main reason for objecting is that even fewer residents will shop in Tonbridge on a Sunday. They will possibly make the trip to Sevenoaks or Tunbridge Wells who seem to be better served with a wider variety of shops than Tonbridge. We seem to be almost overrun with Charity shops, coffee shops and nail bars!!

Off-street response – Reference number 1791

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1792

I object to charges until 8pm.

If anything you should be reducing parking charges on a Saturday to encourage more people to visit local shops and support high street shopping instead of introducing parking charges on Sundays and Bank Holidays - you're killing local shops and just encouraging more people to turn to online shopping so they'll eventually be no high street shops at all!!

Off-street response – Reference number 1793

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1794

I object to charges until 8pm.

They will not support the High Street Shopping

Off-street response – Reference number 1795

I object to charges until 8pm.

Huge impact on leisure activities in the town, parents will not encourage their children to partake in football, rugby, etc due to already overstretched household incomes, impact on mental health. Encourage more shoppers to go out of town where parking is free, resulting in further high street and community decline

Off-street response – Reference number 1796

I object to charges until 8pm.

This proposal may deter people from visiting local town and village centres and make them less competitive and appealing than out-of-town centres. The Council needs to be supporting local shops and businesses through difficult times.

Off-street response – Reference number 1798

I object to charges until 8pm.

The introduction of later parking charge times and Sundays are a mean proposal to further put the burden on those who shop and participate in leisure activities in the town. Shame on you! It will drive people away from activities in the town over the weekend. Just another tax to make our lives harder and force us to eat out, shop and enjoy leisure elsewhere..

Off-street response – Reference number 1799

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1800

I object to charges on Sundays.

Sunday parking charges will cause severe challenges for nearby churches, and particularly on those occasions when they run events exceeding the maximum 4 hour duration.

Off-street response – Reference number 1801

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will deter me from using high street, swimming pool, parks etc

Off-street response – Reference number 1802

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1803

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1804

I object to charges until 8pm.

I feel this is another blow to local businesses and more cost to local residents. I regularly go to West Malling and shop/ eat out independently on a Sunday and have not had an issue in parking. I will be more reluctant to use local services if there are additional parking charges.

If parking charges are to go ahead, at least consider first 2 hours as free parking. This would usually allow time to use local businesses and support the community without additional charges.

Additional costs in parking cause resistance to use local amenities and support businesses when extra parking costs arise.

Off-street response – Reference number 1805

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1806

I object to charges on Sundays.

One of the best parts about visiting Tonbridge centre on a Sunday is the free parking! It's so convenient. Don't go the way of Tunbridge Wells.

Off-street response – Reference number 1807

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1808

I object to charges until 8pm.

Any increase in parking fees and/or imposing parking restrictions will drive customers away from the high street.

It will be yet another death knell for Tonbridge. Don't do it!!

Off-street response – Reference number 1809

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1810

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1811

I support charges until 8pm.

I agree but you must reduce charges across the board in that case. If you're earning more money on those days, surely you can pass in a discount for people parking at other times during the week?

Off-street response – Reference number 1814

I object to charges until 8pm.

Absolutely unnecessary!

Off-street response – Reference number 1815

I object to charges on Sundays.

Further cash generation.

Off-street response – Reference number 1816

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

One of the reasons Tonbridge is so popular on a Sunday for shopping and leisure is because of the free parking available. I understand the more wealthy areas such as Sevenoaks charging, but not Tonbridge. Tonbridge has a distinctly friendly community vibe particularly on a Sunday and this would be altered by charging people to park and having to pay to walk their dog, visit the shops, take their kids to the park or simply go for a walk around the sports ground. In addition, I cannot see the reasons for charging up to 8pm. This will change the Tonbridge dynamics and I imagine I won't be only person avoiding the town if this is approved.

Off-street response – Reference number 1817

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1818

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1819

I object to charges until 8pm.

Potential consumers of services will always consider their options and where costs and inconvenience are concerned will “vote with their feet”. Hurdles making it difficult for local businesses to trade should be removed rather than enhanced.

Off-street response – Reference number 1820

I support charges until 8pm.

Everyone who uses the parking facilities should contribute to the cost of their upkeep, however consideration needs to be given to if this would deter visitors, especially if a local village/small town has less restrictions as this can impact on footfall and reduced income for local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 1822

I object to charges until 8pm.

Again this is easy enforced money to support the council

Off-street response – Reference number 1823

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1826

I support charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1827

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1828

I object to charges until 8pm.

Like all local areas shopping, etc, is suffering from easy accessibility. Sundays are clearly a very popular time and to then slap on parking charges would discourage folk from coming onto town.

Off-street response – Reference number 1829

I object to charges until 8pm.

Please let the ordinary person go out on bank holidays and at the weekend without this extra charge.

Off-street response – Reference number 1830

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

Again this just smacks of 'money grabbing' by TMBC.

What about the local businesses who are already suffering from a downturn in trade currently or the local residents?

No, no, no to any increase or extension to parking charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 1831

I object to charges until 8pm.

I think that it is wrong to extend the charging times and days. Will the attendants be willing to work the extra hours and Sundays and will the extra revenue cover their salaries?

People attending for instance Christ Church, Tonbridge on Sundays will have to pay to park which in my view is wrong.

Pensioners and the less well off may well go shopping after 6pm and on Sundays to save the expense and should not in my view be penalised.

I assume that Blue Badges will still be accepted.

Off-street response – Reference number 1832

I object to charges until 8pm.

Please give us a break. If you need to raise more income be honest and transparent and increase council taxes

Off-street response – Reference number 1833

I object to charges until 8pm.

Again this takes away the possibility of a relaxing visit to Tonbridge when it will cost more to park your car than to buy a cup of coffee. (£3.00 to park for 2 hours £2.70 to buy a coffee)

Off-street response – Reference number 1834

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1835

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1836

I object to charges until 8pm.

Any change to the current parking charges will kill Tonbridge High Street. The restaurants, cafes are successful because parking is free after 6pm. Sunday is one of the busiest days of the week for shops as free parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1837

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1838

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1840

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1842

I object to charges until 8pm.

Parking while difficult at times generates revenue for the town - don't kill the goose.

Off-street response – Reference number 1844

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1847

I object to charges until 8pm.

I attend west Malling Baptist church every Sunday and evenings midweek and often during daytime for community coffee mornings etc. I can often need to be at church for longer than 4 hours so as well as the additional expense (I am retired and only have one pension) this means I will no longer be able to attend all events at the church. West Malling Baptist church is also used by community groups and also as a polling station so all the changes of increased parking fees and proposed road parking meters will impact people attending and now may not attend .

These proposed charges will Make West Malling even more elitist and upper class as those who are financially well off will easily be able to pay any new and increased parking charges. however those on lower incomes and unemployed or retired will no longer be able to afford to come into West Malling to use the shops , post office or attend church.

Off-street response – Reference number 1848

I object to charges until 8pm.

Residents pay alot of Council tax, and locals should at least get BH and Sundays free. This encourages business to the town and families/ friends to visit on BH without worrying about the parking meter. The current no fee to park policy is very successful.

Off-street response – Reference number 1849

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1850

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1851

I object to charges until 8pm.

Support the business

Off-street response – Reference number 1852

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is purely an introduction to raise additional revenue and hit people in their pockets when a large number of people are struggling to make ends meet.

Off-street response – Reference number 1854

I object to charges on Sundays.

Any extension will stifle the ability to do ad hoc shopping leading to loss of opportunity revenue. Pushing free hours back will lead to busier shopping at sainsburys post 2000 which is usually a quieter experience for those who cannot cope with crowded spaces and sensory overload.

Off-street response – Reference number 1855

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1856

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1857

I object to charges until 8pm.

Outrageous money making exercise. This action will only increase traffic in 'normal' hours.

It will also increase costs in those extra hours as it will require parking attendants to staff those extra hours...either at overtime rates, or on punitive shift changes/demands upon them.

Off-street response – Reference number 1859

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1861

I object to charges on Sundays.

I, a pensioner play badminton once a week at the Angel centre from 6.00pm to 7.00pm this keeps me healthy..the 2 hour's cost for parking (time to book in change and return to vehicle)would be approximately £170.00 per year, which is unaffordable on my pension...Thank you very much TMBC.

I would suggest a parking permit for between 6.00 and 8.00pm for pensioners .

Off-street response – Reference number 1862

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1863

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1864

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1865

I object to charges until 8pm.

Do you want people to use Angel centre sports facilities to get healthy? Do you want people to go shopping on high street on weekend and bank holidays? Then, no, extending the parking time is not a way to attract people. I strongly object to this. I'm Angel centre member and I might quit the membership if I have to pay every time I go to classes and gym.

Off-street response – Reference number 1866

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1869

I object to charges until 8pm.

I believe this would be detrimental to local businesses who are already trying to compete without out of town shopping where parking is free

Off-street response – Reference number 1870

I object to charges until 8pm.

Extending and increasing parking charges will deter visitors and residents alike and will damage the town's economy even more. We need to encourage footfall to help our economy. There are no evening buses and taxis are expensive. It is unfair to make life even more difficult for people. Shoppers at the supermarkets, users of the Angel Centre and potential users of our town's restaurants and pubs would all be deterred from venturing into town after 6pm and on Sundays. Let's be an attractive town that welcomes visitors. Businesses will then have a chance to thrive and, in turn, so will our town. Don't kill it.

Off-street response – Reference number 1871

I object to charges until 8pm.

The council cannot say they are supporting local businesses and residents as they have in some of these suggestions if you now say that later opening hours and leisure days should be penalised. The

council should be supporting the local community and making Tonbridge a thriving town with community activities and an active high street. Removing free parking in evenings, Sundays and public holidays goes against the needs of our community.

Off-street response – Reference number 1872

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1873

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1874

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1875

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1877

I object to charges until 8pm.

I think these parking charges will put people off visiting the local places and could cause some damage to small businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 1878

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1879

I object to charges until 8pm.

The overall effect on the will inevitably drive the foot fall down, lower sales and profits, and destroy the local shops. If businesses die so will your income from business rates

Off-street response – Reference number 1880

I object to charges until 8pm.

Perhaps review the number of business parking permits being granted - in some areas this is creating real issues for local residents. Around the station in Tonbridge for example. I object to raising of prices, especially during a cost of living crisis and when local businesses need the footfall. Ongoing

rail strikes mean some have no choice but to drive.

Off-street response – Reference number 1881

I object to charges until 8pm.

See my answer above

Off-street response – Reference number 1882

I support charges on Sundays.

Extending until 8pm - no. It's only the supermarkets that are open past 6pm.

Sundays - yes, makes sense.

Bank Holidays - no, there're only a few and seeing as we don't have many banks anymore...

Off-street response – Reference number 1883

I object to charges until 8pm.

If these proposals are implemented then I shall avoid shopping in the centre of Tonbridge altogether. I am sure that many people will just use out of town shopping areas where the parking is free. Sunday worshippers at the Parish Church and the other town centre churches will face extra costs at a time when everyone's finances are stretched. Have you costed the implications of these proposals in terms of extra staffing hours for Enforcement officers? I imagine that such staff will expect at least double time on Bank Holidays.

Off-street response – Reference number 1884

I support charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1888

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1889

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1891

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is a grab too far. On a fixed income this is one of the few ways I can save a little money and avoid the traffic congestion.

Off-street response – Reference number 1892

I object to charges until 8pm.

Negative effect on restaurants and pubs for evening trade and totally piss everyone off! Doesn't get my vote.

Off-street response – Reference number 1893

I object to charges until 8pm.

Extending parking period to 8pm will affect restaurants and food outlets. People may chose to go elsewhere to a place they are not charged for parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 1894

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will discourage people from using the car parks in the evening.

Perhaps extending to 1830 would be more appropriate.

Introduction of charges on Sunday would stop people coming into the town and encouraging them into the highstreet. Generating more money for businesses.

This is a short sighted proposal and will have a significant negative impact on the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 1895

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1896

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will discourage people coming to Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council.

Off-street response – Reference number 1899

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1901

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1902

I object to charges until 8pm.

Are you determined to kill the high street.

Off-street response – Reference number 1903

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1904

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1905

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will really put people off visiting the town, harming businesses and the community further killing the high street. No longer can people go out for dinner or a drink for example without incurring yet more costs. Bank Holidays and Sundays encourage those to visit when they cant afford the costs at other times - without any form of good local transport on these days there is no alternative. Please reconsider.

Off-street response – Reference number 1906

I object to charges until 8pm.

In these instances it just seems mean to charge people on these days.

Off-street response – Reference number 1910

I object to charges until 8pm.

On Sundays and Bank Holidays more people are unfortunately reliant on cars due to insufficient bus provision. With increasingly unreliable public transport the most vulnerable residents cannot afford to leave their homes if parking charges are extended - as a disabled person living far below the poverty line but without a Blue Badge I regularly rely on free parking after 6 and on Sundays in order for my carers to assist me in leaving the house, and I am certain many other people are in similar situations.

Off-street response – Reference number 1911

I object to charges until 8pm.

Extension of the charging period and introduction of parking charges on Sundays and Bank Holidays will impact on the parking spaces of the local residents. Non-residents will park in residents parking bays at the time the restrictions are not applicable or park illegally/dangerously on double yellow lines or where ever they can find a 'space'. This is currently happening now. In addition, I have had feed back from friends/visitors that they prefer to come to Tonbridge to shop or for leisure activities because car parks are free from 6pm, on Sundays and bank holidays. If the proposals are introduced, there will most probably be a decline in visitors to Tonbridge, which will impact on the businesses operating in Tonbridge. They would more likely go to Tunbridge Wells as there are more choices of shops, restaurants, etc.

Off-street response – Reference number 1913

I object to charges until 8pm.

Again no more charges. Sunday being a day of rest can give this parking machines a rest too and the same goes for Bank Holidays.

Off-street response – Reference number 1915

I object to charges until 8pm.

The reason so many activities are popular and well supported on these days and times are because the car parking is free. Strangulating car parking fees just prevent community events from being well supported. It also enables the less well off to have off peak times to park and do their weekly shop - this is a direct attack on the most vulnerable in society.

Off-street response – Reference number 1918

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1920

I object to charges until 8pm.

Free evening and Sunday parking gives people relief to go out and also essential to the local businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 1922

I object to charges until 8pm.

Extending the charging period & introducing Sunday & Bank Holiday parking will drive more traffic away from our town and into shopping centres like Bluewater who don't charge for parking. Our local businesses need support from us or they will be forced to close & we will lose our essential high st.

Off-street response – Reference number 1924

I object to charges until 8pm.

The motorist is put upon too much these days, if you tried fining excess speeders in the 20mph zones, at random times of the day, you would easily earn enough to cover expenses, without car park charges!

Study how many abide by the enforceable law that you have placed already in the borough, because that is failing on so many levels, so penalise the few/many, to save us law abiders being squeezed any more, most of us do not need to waste money on frippories, as households are struggling with the cost of living elsewhere.

Off-street response – Reference number 1926

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1927

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1928

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1929

I object to charges until 8pm.

It will cost more to regulate than the revenue generated. Be wise and concentrate your efforts, as councillors, on more pressing matters.

Off-street response – Reference number 1931

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1932

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1934

I object to charges until 8pm.

Sunday and BH should remain free! People are struggling already u need to show compassion. People will go else where on these days otherwise! One thing u could do is make it easier to pay by including contactless payments please, not everyone has cash on them these days and phoning can be really difficult for some folk and apps are difficult to navigate for the elderly!

Off-street response – Reference number 1937

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1938

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1939

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1940

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1941

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1942

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1943

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1948

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1949

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1950

I object to charges until 8pm.

Parking charges are not going to improve any issues. The main problem with so many cars around is that there is virtually no public transport available. If you want to take a bus somewhere you need to wait for too much time. And there are places you can't access by public transport.

Apart from that the introduction of more parking charges is only making worse the difficult situation many of the families are facing right now.

Off-street response – Reference number 1951

I support charges on Sundays.

I don't really see any difference between singular hours or days when it comes to car parking prices. If the a parking space is used it's only fair to pay for it. By extending the costs to 24 / 7 some additional revenue will be gained that could mitegate the need for increased charges over shorter windows during daylight hours. This may be enough to allow for short stay free parking periods.

Off-street response – Reference number 1952

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1953

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

Cost of living crisis...

Off-street response – Reference number 1954

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1957

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1958

I object to charges until 8pm.

Quite miserly and mean to push for this - let people have the occasional freebie

Off-street response – Reference number 1959

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1961

I object to charges until 8pm.

People should be able to park their cars in the evening and overnight without having to worry about charges. Also parking should be free on Sundays and bank holidays to encourage people to visit.and explore local shops and leisure activities

Off-street response – Reference number 1962

I object to charges until 8pm.

There is no benefit to the towns of adding these charges in. The country is in a bad economic situation right now but traditionally these have always been free times. Adding the charge in now impacts everyone for the rest of time, they will never go back down again. This is not a fair way to make more money, increase the charge a little if absolutely necessary, reduce admin costs in the back office. Adding these charges also adds more costs and forces people to work Sundays, someone is going to need to issue tickets on those days so then you will be paying workers on Sundays and hiring more people.

Off-street response – Reference number 1964

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1965

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1967

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1968

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1969

I object to charges on Sundays.

More damage will be done to businesses as people will think twice about eating out.

Off-street response – Reference number 1970

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1971

I object to charges on Sundays.

Give drivers some support and stop increasing prices.

Off-street response – Reference number 1972

I object to charges on Sundays.

The theme here seems to be about making money.

As the cost of everything continues to soar, it should not be the go-to response to make the public counteract the lack of funding.

More pressure needs to put on councils and governments to redistribute funds and our taxes to provide the services we require. When companies make record profits and we see regular reports of obscene exploitations of government spending, massive bonuses, dodgy deals, wasted funds and grotesque, inexcusable expenses by those in parliament, I'm offended by the notion of us making up the shortfall.

Off-street response – Reference number 1973

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1974

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1975

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1977

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1979

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1983

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1984

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1986

I object to charges until 8pm.

Disgusting greedy behaviour. We already pay through the nose for council tax and are trying to support local businesses. TMBC seems determined to kill off the high streets in its area and damage local economy further.

Off-street response – Reference number 1987

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1989

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1991

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1992

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1993

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1994

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 1996

I object to charges on Sundays.

I believe this will discourage tourist visitors and encourage illegal or inconvenient parking on surrounding roads

Off-street response – Reference number 1997

I object to charges until 8pm.

We already pay substantial Council tax. It is heartless and cruel to put up parking charges in the middle of a cost of living crisis. For some people the only time they can afford to shop is Sunday and

you are increasing loneliness and church attendance by this proposal. It is a clear detriment to community wellbeing and community cohesion. I object most strongly

Off-street response – Reference number 1998

I object to charges until 8pm.

Free parking encourages visitors to Tonbridge in the evenings/weekend/bank holidays, if you start charging there are other venues ie pubs with car parks, Bluewater that could be considered as alternatives. I own a business in Tonbridge and take advantage of free parking on Sundays to come in and work, knowing that I won't be charged as I currently have to budget the time I spend in my shop as the car park charges are too high during the weeks. Also churches in towns rely on car parks, if you start charging then this could have an impact on attendance or congregation finding unsafe places to park

Off-street response – Reference number 2001

I object to charges until 8pm.

Introduction of charges up to 8pm and on Sundays / Bank holidays means that more people will make use of the free parking at Aldi, Lidl , B and M , Marks and Spencer etc. It will result in less people shopping at Sainsbury's , Waitrose and in the high street in the evenings , on Sundays and Bank holidays . Yet another blow to high street traders .

Off-street response – Reference number 2002

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2004

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2005

I object to charges until 8pm.

Very few people already drive into the high street areas in the evenings. This will further dissuade them to come

Sunday traffic includes sports teams, church goers, farmers market vendors and purchasers, charity volunteers (eg Lions) etc and will unfairly impact on their lives, well-being and the benefits of their activities

Off-street response – Reference number 2006

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2007

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2008

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2009

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2011

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2013

I object to charges until 8pm.

I can't see how this supports local business or residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 2014

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2015

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2016

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2017

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2018

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2019

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2021

I object to charges on Sundays.

Sundays & Bank Holidays are, as mentioned, rest days for people. Residents like to visit the Borough for shopping, leisure, entertainment and sporting activities. There are people in the Borough who work on these days, visitors to the Borough, potential visitors and drive by people who randomly call in. They all spend money. Having charges for these days is a turnoff and possibly counter productive. Although the initial charges will naturally be 100% new money, economically, it might turn into the law of diminishing returns.

Off-street response – Reference number 2022

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2023

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2024

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2026

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2028

I object to charges on Sundays.

There is not enough in Tonbridge to warrant extending the times and days the charges are being raised as it is

Off-street response – Reference number 2029

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2030

I object to charges until 8pm.

Whilst understanding the need for increasing revenue, these extensions hit churchgoers; evening activities and meetings that usually start around 7:30 to 8 pm, including volunteers who give their time freely for the good of the community; families and children trying to enjoy leisure activities, as well as attractions that the Council also put on. If you want to encourage and attract people to come to Tonbridge to use our facilities, rather than putting them off, then extending parking hours is the wrong way of going about it. People will try to find free parking in residential streets or not bother to come at all.

Another consideration is for those who are disabled or less able but don't yet qualify for a disabled badge. We have enough extra expenditure as it is without being hit in the pocket yet again. I know of people who, even now, don't come into town because they are not able to park close enough to their chosen venue. Will people with disabled badges get free parking at any time, and not just in disabled bays?

Off-street response – Reference number 2031

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is the worse idea you could of come up with it will stop people visiting the town which will be detrimental to our town and cause more shops to close as it is due to the expensive fees more people are travelling to where it is free parking to do their shopping this is just a way of pushing residents away from the town and our town losing shops Permanently but then maybe that is your plan all along for more flats!!

You state shops open for 24hrs we do not in tonbridge have retail facilities open for 24hrs. By making these changes it will become too expensive to park and shop in the town and would make residents shop outside the area which would cripple our failing town. I for one would not be able to afford to pay these fees and by doing away with free parking will stop visitors to the town including myself. There is no way that extra costs involved would amount to the income you would generate by making these changes as most of the car parks are not kept in a satisfactory state for both car park users and pedestrians as it is now and we all know extra income already generated by parking tickets just lines tmhc pockets as will any changes

Off-street response – Reference number 2032

I object to charges until 8pm.

An absolutely absurd decision. It was the one good thing that bought people to the town on a Sunday or bank holiday by not being robbed of money to park in the town. 8-6 is also more than long enough for you to charge us for and to extend it is ridiculous, the charges are already extortionate and your trying to increase them and also charge for everyday and longer. Your money grabbing the residents to line the greed of the council, yet council tax is always going up and the town is going backwards under the current system. Seems more money coming in to you but nothing is being spent on what we want. Another joke decision by tmhc circus

Off-street response – Reference number 2033

I object to charges until 8pm.

When Sevenoaks put their car parking charges to late into the night, I think 08:30 pm or maybe later it was just a money grab and so I don't go to the Pubs or restaurants or the Stag anymore - why bother adding even more cost to what is becoming a luxury night out given the prices these days? Why are you considering it? It looks like a money grab and with the cost of living crisis already affecting many people, leisure and hospitality suffer. Getting people into the Town must surely be more beneficial to keep businesses running and therefore business rates flowing into your coffers than giving us more reasons not to come along. It's good at the moment to come into Town on a Sunday or Bank Holiday and after 6:30 at night and park up, wander around, and spend some money in the High Street and surrounds. This constant money-generating exercise taking more off the very people who would keep the town alive will surely deter getting people from visiting.

Off-street response – Reference number 2035

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2036

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2038

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2040

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2041

I support charges until 8pm.

Extending the charging period is fine. But there needs to be SOME time when it is possible to park for free. And enforcement on Sundays/Bank Holidays must cost double enforcement in normal times, so these are best left free.

Off-street response – Reference number 2042

I object to charges until 8pm.

I think all car parks should be free into the evenings, Sundays and Bank Holidays. This supports local attractions, evening venues and family days out at the weekend/holidays.

Off-street response – Reference number 2043

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2044

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2046

I object to charges until 8pm.

Sunday charges will affect the local retailers and the farmers market.

Off-street response – Reference number 2047

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2048

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge needs to encourage visitors to the town. Especially at evenings and weekends.

Restaurants, pubs and eating houses are suffering enough since covid. Employees are having to pay a lot to park all day. Paying for another 2 hours a day will make a big difference to their pockets.

Off-street response – Reference number 2050

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2051

I object to charges until 8pm.

as above; I completely object to increase parking fees. People pay enough council tax and other bills and can often see little value for money. Parking is a way for the council to show some generosity and awareness of the current economic situation. Many people have had no pay increase, in fact their income might have been reduced in the last 2 years. There is a cost of living crisis so increasing parking fees is most unwelcome. Parking allow residents and visitors to visit amenities, take part in activities, see friends / family or do shopping which is revenue for council and businesses alike.

Off-street response – Reference number 2052

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will simply affect the restaurants and supermarkets as there is nothing else open after 6pm. There are plenty of other supermarkets with free parking eg Tesco at Pembury so people will just go there in an evening and will choose to visit out of town pubs and restaurants which have their own car parks. I often go into Tonbridge on a Sunday simply because the parking is free so just won't bother visiting as much if I have to pay. Bank Holidays families may want to visit the park or swimming pool and make use of the fact that parking is free. There will be less footfall for Tonbridge if charges are introduced. I only go into Tunbridge Wells if I have to due to the parking charges - might as well order online and pay the delivery charge although lots of places if order enough then delivery is free.

Off-street response – Reference number 2053

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

Increasing the chargeable times, along with increased pricing, is a reasonable compromise. But relief on Sundays and Bank Holidays aides use of Tonbridge amenities for working families.

Off-street response – Reference number 2054

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2056

I object to charges until 8pm.

You will kill the town completely by bringing in these changes. I think there should be a 1or 2 hour free parking in the angel car park to encourage shoppers into the town.

Use the same machines as they have in Southborough- you enter your reg - press free parking for allocated time - put your ticket on display in your car. If people go over they get a fine the same as they would if they went over their payed time as now.

No more cost for wardens to monitor than there is now.

This would allow enough time for shoppers to be encouraged to go into town for general shopping.

The cost of living crisis is crippling local business's and families already we cannot have the cost of everything put on us.

We will end up with an empty high street which would be so sad as the town had lots to offer.

Off-street response – Reference number 2057

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is another unfair and unjust taxation on motorists. The High Street is already dying - give it a shot in the arm by relaxing parking charges rather than increasing their applicability.

Off-street response – Reference number 2058

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2059

I object to charges until 8pm.

Charging more / increasing the chargeable hours will only serve to further hurt our already suffering High Street! If you want people to shop in town you need to make it appealing and cost effective for them to do so.

Off-street response – Reference number 2061

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2062

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2064

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2065

I object to charges until 8pm.

There is also significant demand for parking on Sundays – not driven by free parking, but by the opportunity to carry out tasks, participate in leisure activities and attend events on what is for most a non-working day. This is particularly an issue in the car parks serving the castle, the swimming pool and sportsground in Tonbridge where it can be extremely difficult to find a parking space on a Sunday for leisure activities.

Can't you see the contradiction? People use the car park for leisure and you plan to charge them which will make it easier for people to find space for leisure.. if not that's just a load of nonsense..

You are unable to look outside the box and find other ways to raise money... if you were in charge of a business you would be bankrupt. If you had to make it work but being entrepreneurial or lose your business you just might have a chance but I suggest that you don't have the skill set... bring in some people who will make things work.

But you know what, you will think I'm the one who is wrong here which is why you are unable to change

Off-street response – Reference number 2066

I object to charges until 8pm.

Discouraging use of park on a Sunday for residents.

Football & rugby very popular for kids on a Sunday. Charging will put extra pressure on parents who are just trying to provide exercise for kids.

Off-street response – Reference number 2068

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2071

I object to charges until 8pm.

Don't feel this is fair to raise parking charges and to charge later and on Sundays and bank holidays. Feel the cost of so much has gone up. To have one day a week free make's the world of difference to so many people who maybe struggle a little. Some people may park to go to churches on Sundays and if they had to pay to go to church I don't feel this is right.

Off-street response – Reference number 2072

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2073

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2074

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2076

I object to charges until 8pm.

In these times of economic hardship why would TMBC make life more difficult in implementing these changes. Sundays and Bank Holidays bring many more people into town for shopping and recreation and this will potentially reduce that 'footfall'. Extending the parking charge period will also impact the shops within Tonbridge - fewer people will be prepared to pay after 6pm. I believe it will mean people will start shopping in other areas where parking is free - Tunbridge Well industrial estate around to mind.

Off-street response – Reference number 2077

I support charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2078

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2079

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2080

I object to charges on Sundays.

Again the same as the above. I know so many people and tonbridge mums chat group that will go to tonbridge over T Wells because of parking charges. If you begin to charge later after 6 when shops have closed and on Sundays people will STOP coming as regular so tonbridge will lose money for retailers etc

Off-street response – Reference number 2083

I object to charges until 8pm.

With the current cost of living already increasing and making a huge impact on individuals financial battles, not offering free parking on Sundays or even bank holidays does not seem right. People rely on those times to save even a small amount of their earnings. And the extension of parking hours to 8pm is also wrong. I get that stores are open later but this allows for some to make those quick 'pop-in's to local stores after work without having to worry about charges. And I think this will cause an unnecessary upset in the community. Be some form of joy in these uncertain and troublesome times..

Off-street response – Reference number 2084

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2085

I object to charges until 8pm.

I really struggle to see how you know your observation about increased use of car parks on Sundays NOT being due to free parking is correct. I for one know that it is the driving factor for the times I visit the town or park.

Surely after the pandemic everyone was encouraged to get outdoors to stay fit and healthy and it's great to see that our parks and leisure facilities are busy at weekends but especially on Sundays when parking is free. The huge number of people that visit on Sundays to enjoy the park, river and castle is testament to changing habits. People are enjoying the great outdoors and in turn bringing money into the local economy through buying coffees etc.

If parking charges were introduced on a Sunday I fear this would greatly reduce the number of people who choose to come to Tonbridge for sports events etc and I for one, as a regular dog walker (who loves my local park) would be forced to go elsewhere as it's just so difficult to find an enjoyable

place to walk without it always affecting my pocket!

Off-street response – Reference number 2087

I object to charges until 8pm.

I like visiting west malling in the evening. The charges will reduce the number of visits I make.

Off-street response – Reference number 2088

I object to charges until 8pm.

I object to the addition of Sunday charging and after 6pm charging - charging after 6 is just trying to get extra money when no town shops are actually open, and town is busy on Sundays when there is free parking - you will push people out of town.

Off-street response – Reference number 2089

I object to charges until 8pm.

Sunday is the only day our friends and family will visit Tonbridge to shop precisely because of the free parking. You will drive away people to North Farm (free parking) and Bluewater (free parking) further damaging independent retailers and the success of the high street. This will be another heavy blow to the town and should not proceed.

Off-street response – Reference number 2091

I object to charges on Sundays.

As above, this will dissuade people from visiting our town centres

Off-street response – Reference number 2092

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will discourage supporting local business and also families going out together in an already financially challenged climate.

Off-street response – Reference number 2093

I object to charges until 8pm.

My wife and I are members and regular worshipers at West Malling Baptist Church in Swan Street. Although we have the advantage of being able to walk to church many of the congregation live outside the parish of West Malling and need to park their vehicles during Sunday services and any extended events held at the church. In addition, increased & extended car parking charges will harm the business in West Malling town centre in favour of larger stores with free onsite parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 2094

I object to charges on Sundays.

This will be the death of the town. It currently is only thriving on a Sunday because the parking is free.

Shops like Waitrose are having to compete with M&S where parking is free, they will leave the town if we have to pay to visit them after 6pm and on Sundays.

My son does football training in the park in the summer, this is run after 6pm as parking is free for parents. I would have to pay for him to do his football as he's not old enough to walk through the park to the football pitches himself.

Off-street response – Reference number 2095

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2096

I object to charges until 8pm.

Another brilliant idea by the Council. Let's drive everybody to out of Town shopping. I notice Poundland has shut. Soon Tonbridge will be a ghost town. Why don't you try to improve things instead of trashing everything.

Off-street response – Reference number 2101

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2104

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2105

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2106

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2107

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2108

I object to charges until 8pm.

when we go to Tonbridge swimming on weekdays went after the parking charge period, there has never been an issue finding a parking space in the carpark, and extending this time would just add to the cost of using said facility. adding the charges on the free days Sunday and bank holiday would just force people away from the town else where so you would not gain anything.

Off-street response – Reference number 2109

I object to charges until 8pm.

I socialise and spend money in the town after 18:00 hrs and on a Sunday because I work during other times.

The proposed introduction of charges will stop me coming into the town and will effect the local traders.

This will just help finish off are town centre!

Off-street response – Reference number 2110

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2113

I object to charges until 8pm.

I attend an evening group in Tonbridge and as it is located at the rugby club we will have to pay to park. I would expect that groups will take this into account when renewing leases and bookings as it would be better for attendees if you book a venue with free parking. The car park is NOT busy after 6pm so this is a money making scheme for the council.

Some people choose to visit shops, swimming pools, clubs in the evening as it is less busy and parking is free so introducing this will impact the town centre.

It will also impact employees for these places plus restaurant staff.

I often come into Tonbridge on Sunday and there are often local events held which are well attended. I feel that by introducing parking charges this will impact the town as people will go to out of town areas and shopping centres with free parking.

Also until Tonbridge updates it's machines to take card payments, it is not realistic to expect people to have change to pay for increased charges and days that have previously been free.

I think that the introduction of these charges will lead to the demise of Tonbridge high street, as people will go to larger supermarkets in nearby towns with free parking, out of town shops and if they want other shops to places like Bluewater. Surely TMBC should be looking at what they can do to encourage people back to the high street, there are empty shops (the old Somerfield, Peacocks, Beales) and not look at putting people off visiting the town or you will end up like Tunbridge Wells with Royal Victoria Place and bus lanes and transport restrictions which are putting off visitors.

Off-street response – Reference number 2114

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2115

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2116

I support charges until 8pm.

As the above answer but recognising some compromises need to be made.

I genuinely believe an increase and extension to Sundays and Mondays will do more harm in the long run.

Off-street response – Reference number 2117

I support charges until 8pm.

This will allow further revenue as you are seeking, the public will understand that charges apply continuously throughout the year.

Off-street response – Reference number 2118

I object to charges until 8pm.

You should not be reducing demand for parking on Sundays and bank holidays; you should be *encouraging* 'the opportunity to carry out tasks, participate in leisure activities and attend events on what is for most a non-working day' (your words). You are simply discouraging people from using town centres by proceeding with this idea. I hope that the current set of wastrels and charlatans in central government will be ousted in the next year or so and the new team can have the time to finance local councils properly [and so avoid putting more pressure on TMBC to squeeze more and more out of us, the council tax payers].

Off-street response – Reference number 2119

I object to charges on Sundays.

What about the people that live in the areas that need their cars for work and work shifts. We will just be paying for the parking

Off-street response – Reference number 2120

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2121

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2123

I object to charges until 8pm.

The high street is already losing businesses rapidly, extending parking charges to weekends and bank holidays will continue to put people off accessing the town centre and will instead draw them to out of town supermarkets and shopping centres where parking is free, further eroding our local businesses and facilities.

Off-street response – Reference number 2124

I object to charges until 8pm.

I object to having to pay parking charges to attend Church on a Sunday. I feel Sunday charges will discourage people visiting the town for the market, the high street and park and most facilities the town offers. It could be another nail in the coffin for retail.

Off-street response – Reference number 2127

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2130

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2131

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2132

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2133

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2134

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2135

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2136

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge only really has leisure options like swimming pool and Football and Rugby events plus Restaurants. Charging after 6pm and on a Sunday will mean more chaos as people try find free on street parking.

Many people have after school activities or Choir in my case having to have change for parking pm would be extra hassle.

People who commute get picked up after 6pm would be affected too.

Don't ruin one of few benefits town has.

Off-street response – Reference number 2137

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2138

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2138

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2139

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2140

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2143

I object to charges on Sundays.

I use Castle car parks after 6 p.m. every week for choir rehearsals/dining. Also rely on free parking on Sundays for voluntary work. New extended hours would create either extra costs, a long walk or stop me visiting Tonbridge at all and volunteering there. Already deterred from visiting Tonbridge at all by costs. I do not think you want any people in Tonbridge nor support businesses and organisations. I will go elsewhere.

Sundays should be free, period.

You need to extend where possible to encourage people to visit.

Off-street response – Reference number 2147

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is going to be extremely damaging for the high street and also for those who wish to park in the car park on Sunday to go for a walk in the park. The existing charges/ charge time periods are already high and in place a huge amount of the time. Putting these further charges/ charge time periods in place will mean we actively avoid going into Tonbridge and will choose other areas to visit instead such as Tunbridge Wells where you can park on many roads for free for 2 hours Mon-Sat or all day on a Sunday.

Off-street response – Reference number 2148

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2151

I object to charges until 8pm.

The town will be a ghost town no one will want to come into town , with the charges and the extended time.

I work in the town and in the past year I have seen less and less people come to Tonbridge.

It's madness!

Off-street response – Reference number 2152

I object to charges until 8pm.

Because of the absolutely appalling bus services in Tonbridge many people have to drive and park so its unacceptable to increase charges when there is no alternative. Also, free parking on these days increases foot fall in the towns and allows lots of sporting activities to take place. We should be helping people get fitter and make the town more attractive not putting people off

Off-street response – Reference number 2153

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2154

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2155

I object to charges on Sundays.

This will have a negative impact on those who attend churches on Sundays and who attend towns, like West Malling, for a family meal or stroll. I appreciate the need to pay for services but this seems to be a bad way of doing so

Off-street response – Reference number 2156

I object to charges until 8pm.

I usually walk or cycle into Tonbridge town centre. However, when I need to purchase heavy or bulky items I drive, and time my visit for late evening when the car parks are mostly empty. Parking charges would inconvenience me and put me off purchasing from Tonbridge shops - I'd probably switch to North Farm.

Off-street response – Reference number 2157

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2158

I object to charges until 8pm.

I regularly use the Angel centre for exercise activities and meetings for U3A and WI. Some of these meetings start at 7.30pm and it will put people off from attending if the parking charges apply. Being a pensioner who uses the Angel it is quite enough to pay the existing charges, especially if you use the Ringo App. It is a real bonus to not have to pay on Sundays and Bank Holidays and it will only push people to go to out of town shops making the high street a no go area. We have plenty of shops in Tonbridge and T Wells that you do not have to pay to park and I would certainly be making more use of them if this proposal goes ahead.

Off-street response – Reference number 2160

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2161

I object to charges until 8pm.

We want the High Street to survive for shops and pubs this is not going to help and people will go where you can park free. Please don't let our high street businesses suffer you will be 5hecines that will suffer long term as no income from the businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 2162

I object to charges until 8pm.

The difficulty in finding a space on a Sunday should be mitigated by the extension to Upper Castle Field and the additional spaces in the Castle Grounds. Imposing charges may reduce demand, but the true cost is that some families will no longer be able to participate in leisure activities because it will be too expensive for them, or if they do choose to park it's another cost at a time where many families are struggling with day-to-day living expenses.

Off-street response – Reference number 2163

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

People already chose to shop in Sainsbury's on Sundays and after 6pm to avoid excessive charges so introducing later paying periods and weekend and bank holiday charges will be another nail in the coffin for shopping in Tonbridge

Off-street response – Reference number 2164

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2165

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2166

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2168

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2170

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

The council need to be very careful because if you introduce parking fees people will do their shopping elsewhere eg Bluewater where there are no charges!!

Off-street response – Reference number 2172

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge is a dying town. Car parking charges are not helping so increasing them and extending the charge periods is absolutely nuts. If the cost of maintaining car parks is expensive stop charging for them at all. Then you don't need the machines or pay someone to check them. And in the same

action you will encourage more people into the town. There are already numerous charity shops, which don't pay council rates. TMBC need to encourage businesses that pay rates and making it easier and cheaper to park is one step.

Off-street response – Reference number 2173

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge High Street has already suffered from a loss of shops and trade, introducing paid parking on a Sunday and Bank Holidays will drive more customers away. This is just a blatant attempt to raise money over the needs of the local population of Tonbridge. Considering the current economic situation for many people this is another attack on those who are already struggling.

Off-street response – Reference number 2174

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2175

I object to charges until 8pm.

For all the above reasons in item 15, this simply diminishes the use of Tonbridge as destination for a longer period of time than is currently in place and increases staffing costs to cover the extended hours. This will have a negative impact on local business and the use of the high street and surrounding areas.

Off-street response – Reference number 2176

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2177

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is basically a tax on people relaxing, socialising and enjoying themselves.

What miserly penny pinching vindictive taxation proposals to charge to have a social life in our own local towns.

How Scrooge you councillors are becoming. Your proposals to strangle to death and last vestige of a local economy following the pandemic. You literally could not plan your way out of a paper bag. Money will haemorrhage out if our local towns with these pathetic car tax proposals.

KEEP LOCAL PARKING FREE ACROSS THE BOROUGH; then watch our economy grow!!!

Off-street response – Reference number 2178

I object to charges until 8pm.

Introducing charges until 8pm will mean we will no longer come into the town to eat or drink as we can find alternative places to go with free parking ie Hilden manor, carpenters arms. I am always the designated driver as I don't drink alcohol and I'm not prepared to start paying for parking, therefore we will stop visiting the high street for food in the evenings as 8pm is too late to eat.

We will often walk the dogs in the park on a Sunday and then wander round town and get a take away drink and food, we will go elsewhere if we have to pay for parking.

Tonbridge has a poor selection of shops anyway, if you charge for parking on a Sunday, people might as well spend that on petrol and go to bluewater for a decent shopping experience, then you can flatten the high street and fill it with flats which appears to be your long term goal!!!

Off-street response – Reference number 2180

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2181

I object to charges on Sundays.

As an electric car owner with on street parking, I am reliant on using the chargers located in the car parks. Increasing charges makes this more expensive.

Would be happy if there was some form of exception for cars charging in the car parks. (That is charging and not using a charging bay to park in.)

Off-street response – Reference number 2182

I object to charges until 8pm.

Local businesses will suffer if people are charged for parking earlier in the evening and on Sundays. It will also impact on families that use these time to visit relatives. You keep building more and more flats and houses without adequate parking facilities then wonder why people are having to use carparks designed for shoppers.

If you want more footfall in our high street this is the last thing you should be considering.

Off-street response – Reference number 2183

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2184

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge is a unique family town and very fortunate to have retail and leisure (incl parks) in the centre of town. We want to encourage children and adults to be active, to mix with others and to be less sedentary. However introducing parking charges on Sundays and Bank Holidays could deter some from visiting our parks and leisure services etc. Suggestion could be to only charge until 12pm or set a one payment fee (similar to Haysden) - for Sundays and Bank Holidays?

In terms of evening charges. I would support charging until 6pm but not 8pm. We need to support local restaurants and pubs - both pay a vital role in providing jobs and a place for people to socialise. I am a member of the Angel Centre and do not attend daytime classes as I cannot get a refund on my parking ticket (unless I spend over £10 in Sainsbury's). However if I park in the swimming pool car park and go swimming I can get a refund on my parking - (both TMBC car parks, both tmactive centres - does not make sense!!). If evening parking charges were introduced it would significantly increase my overall expenditure and it could be more cost effective for people to consider other sports centres with free parking ie Tonbridge School. We should be encouraging people's health and wellbeing and supporting our local leisure centres which are a vital resource for the whole community. See the Chief Medical Officer's recent annual report about living healthier lives.

Off-street response – Reference number 2185

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2187

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2188

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2189

I object to charges on Sundays.

I do not see a good argument for extending from 6pm to 8pm, particularly since the 6pm stop allows people to do food shopping, go to the gym and entertain visitors at home without penalty. The same goes for Sundays and bank holidays. I have one parking space at home and have to time visitors or park my car a 15 minute walk away. These changes would make Tonbridge less appealing for renting property and visiting.

Off-street response – Reference number 2190

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2191

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2192

I object to charges on Sundays.

You should be supporting people trying to get out for leisure activities such as going to the park, pool, walks... not actively discouraging it by applying further charges

Off-street response – Reference number 2193

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2194

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2195

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2196

I object to charges until 8pm.

To extend the parking charge period will add another nail in the coffin of Tonbridge High Street and it will deter people coming to Tonbridge to shop and or use the cafes and bars.

Off-street response – Reference number 2197

I object to charges until 8pm.

Business will be lost to other areas that do have free parking during these times. Local restaurants and takeaways will particularly suffer if there is evening and bank holiday charging. Sunday charging will disproportionately affect families with children who participate in leisure activities in the town centre.

Any further charges will drive business out of the area.

Not that this consultation will be taken into account by the council.

Off-street response – Reference number 2199

I object to charges until 8pm.

Limiting use of town centres on a Saturday and people leaving cars to safely get taxis home

Also limiting people using town on a Sunday to shop and eat

Off-street response – Reference number 2202

I object to charges until 8pm.

No shops are open in these locations on a Bank holiday or a Sunday

Off-street response – Reference number 2203

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2204

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2205

I object to charges until 8pm.

I oppose the extension of parking fees to include Sundays and bank holidays, as well as later hours. In my opinion, this plan will make people avoid the high street. We frequently choose to use the car park on Sundays and bank holidays since it allows us greater flexibility while visiting the town centre. One of the things that encourages visitors to park there on such days is the free parking. I believe that by putting this into practice, some of the minor advantages enjoyed by locals or guests will be ruined.

It would also be unfortunate to raise the parking fees to 20:00. Visiting after the charges end at 18:00 usually makes me feel more at ease. I would probably gradually replace these buying habits and endorse fewer high street stores if the charges were increased.

These feel like unnecessary changes.

Off-street response – Reference number 2206

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge always has great turn-outs for events in particular, which I think will change, as free parking on a Sunday in particular is a current incentive to park in the town, this introduction of parking charges will drive people / shoppers into the Industrial Estate and have a detrimental impact on local shops, restaurants, cafes and events. Find another way of raising money !!

Off-street response – Reference number 2207

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2208

I object to charges until 8pm.

Again mean and unkind; it will stop people from visiting and be detrimental to shops... charging on a Sunday and bank holidays will make it difficult for Church going folk and those who want to visit the area ...bad idea;

Off-street response – Reference number 2209

I object to charges until 8pm.

I am a member of West Malling Baptist Church if you introduce parking charges on a Sunday this will penalise the whole congregation of members and worshippers and cost us each over £150 per annum just to attend church (at least 2 hours on a Sunday), this will also have a significant impact on our plans to support local community outreach services from our premises during the week to help some of our most vulnerable and poor residents in the local area, we currently provide a warm space, men's retirement group, a community cafe, and are about to offer the free CAP Life skills and money budgeting courses. Your decision would also impact TMBC using our Church as a Voting Station for elections as we do not have any private parking in Swan Street. This is totally unfair and discriminatory against local residents who wish to worship at any of the 3 churches in West Malling. I am young and fit enough to park my vehicle in either the residential areas or St Leonards street and walk the half mile to the church but my mother isn't. Please, please reconsider this decision. Also as we have seen in other towns such as Maidstone where parking charges have steadily increased, this will eventually impact on the local businesses leading to empty units and people choosing to shop and socialise elsewhere out of town to places such as Bluewater shopping centre where parking is free and the facilities are better.

Off-street response – Reference number 2212

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2213

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2214

I object to charges until 8pm.

We pay our taxes including council taxes. Why you want to take away the already small amount of gratuity we have.

Running costs of the parking area? Which costs? The ticket machine? The parking controller. You will be increasing the costs by increasing the charged period.

Off-street response – Reference number 2215

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2216

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2219

I object to charges until 8pm.

To maintain Tonbridge as a day visiting tourist destination, this proposal will have a detrimental effect on encouraging people to come into the town for leisure activities and like Tunbridge Wells become a bit of a ghost town. I oppose the extension to 8pm as this impacts on those using the Angel Centre for fitness activities and will have an impact on those using the restaurants, cafes and bars. I oppose the Sunday and Bank Holiday charging - for the same reasons - we want people to come into Tonbridge for shopping, leisure and sports. Shopping in our already congested out of town centres free parking shopping areas will become even more traffic congested.

Off-street response – Reference number 2220

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2222

I object to charges until 8pm.

Encourage people to support the local community i.e don't charge to park.

I have already changed my shopping habits so I don't have to park & pay

Off-street response – Reference number 2223

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2224

I object to charges until 8pm.

When the facilities next to the Castle Field car park are generally involving physical activity (swimming, playing football and other team sports, skateboarding, using the playground, walking, running and in my case singing) the Council should be encouraging more people to keep active after school and work, and in the evenings. I therefore object to the extension of time proposed for parking charges in this car park as it will deter people from getting involved in these activities later on in the day

Off-street response – Reference number 2225

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2226

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2227

I object to charges until 8pm.

The same answer! It will drive people away, off to Shopping Centres like Bluewater. Pubs and restaurants will suffer and they are having a difficult enough time already!

Off-street response – Reference number 2228

I object to charges on Sundays.

This will discourage people from visiting Tonbridge. Surely you need to ENCOURAGE visitors who will go on to spend money locally rather than go to out of town shopping centres

Off-street response – Reference number 2229

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will kill the independent retailers in the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 2232

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2233

I object to charges until 8pm.

You want our town to become a ghost town??? Look at Tunbridge Wells and how badly their shops are doing!

Off-street response – Reference number 2235

I support charges until 8pm.

Most people can plan their journeys better or walk

Off-street response – Reference number 2236

I object to charges on Sundays.

You're extending a tax, and doing so in this way is the path of least resistance rather than your Council Members undertaking some proper lobbying to increase the annual settlement you get from Government. It's lazy tax hiking and mean spirited. Your statement of reasons set out for the issues at each car park is extremely thin. There are broad statements, but very poor evidence and nothing that is quantifiable to show you have collected specific data as to the usage patterns described at each car park. Is your statement of reasons actually backed up by any expert, fact based report that details the usage at each location?

Off-street response – Reference number 2237

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2238

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2239

I object to charges until 8pm.

Will affect local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 2241

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2242

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2244

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2245

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2246

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2247

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2248

I object to charges until 8pm.

The hospitality industry in Tonbridge is the only thing keeping the High Street open. Parking charges will decimate this and end in more boarded up premises.

Off-street response – Reference number 2249

I object to charges until 8pm.

West Malling is dependant on people being able to park, without this all its business's will fail. TMBC should be doing everything possible to support these businesses, not just grabbing a few pence more for parking

Off-street response – Reference number 2250

I support charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2252

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2254

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2255

I object to charges until 8pm.

My objection is particularly in relation to Waterloo Road. By restricting parking in this car park after 6pm and on Sundays there will be increased use of residential parking on the neighbouring roads for events held at the church. This will be disruptive for residents and detrimental to those who rely on cars to access the church. St Stephens is one of the largest churches in the town, but the only one without any parking facilities due to its location. The Waterloo Road car park has been instrumental over the years to help ease on street parking and allowing people to access this place of worship.

Off-street response – Reference number 2256

I object to charges until 8pm.

Charging will drive people away from the town. For trade in the town to flourish reducing the charge would be more effective. Not everyone can afford the extortionate charges and go elsewhere.

Off-street response – Reference number 2257

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2258

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2259

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2260

I object to charges until 8pm.

My comments on these points have been included in my feedback in the box above.

Off-street response – Reference number 2261

I object to charges until 8pm.

After 6pm and on Sundays bank holidays should remain free. Introducing a charge on Sunday's would kill the shopping

Off-street response – Reference number 2262

I object to charges until 8pm.

I don't support charges after 6pm or standard charges on a Sunday. It won't encourage people to support the town centre. I think a better idea if you need to charge on Sundays is a flat fee eg £1.

Off-street response – Reference number 2263

I object to charges until 8pm.

The Conservative party claims to promote the shops and activity in the town centre, this however does exactly the opposite. As a Tonbridge non resident, recent car parking charge increases have definitely put me off of traveling and parking in Tonbridge. This introduction of charges after 6pm, Sundays and Bank Holidays will only result in the town not being visited by non-residents and therefore profit of parking charges will probably not see an increase anyway.

Such a shame for the counsellors to even consider introducing this action.

I will surely ask my friends to object as this is just going to kill the town vibe! Very sad!

Off-street response – Reference number 2264

I object to charges until 8pm.

Charging at the weekend and on Sunday and Bank Holidays would mean that when events are being run on the castle lawn there will be less people attending due to the cost of parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 2265

I object to charges until 8pm.

There should be NO CHARGE AT ALL after 6pm and on Sundays or the High Street shops will suffer and families who want to visit events at the castle or at the park on Sundays just won't go. Events in Tonbridge are generally well supported especially evenings and weekends, adding parking fees to things needing to be paid in addition to the rising cost of living and therefore often of the events themselves will stop people supporting these events and the few retailers that remain in our high street.

Off-street response – Reference number 2266

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2267

I object to charges until 8pm.

The Tonbridge town centre car parks only fill up on Sundays with FREE PARKING! If you want to fill up a shopping trolley with one of the large supermarkets they will pay for the parking ticket anyway. In this climate emergency you have a duty to charge for parking. If these car parks then fall empty on the Sundays, then you know how many unnecessary trips have been made by private motor vehicles and you can use the land for better purposes (like a new leisure centre, like new cycling paths, like a pedestrianised High Street, like a town centre cinema)

I do worry how people without smart phones will manage to pay for parking, with the amounts of change required, and Tonbridge having so few banks.

I don't think it's sensible to charge after 6pm, because this will adversely affect people going to bars and restaurants in the town centre. There are already too many delivery drivers parking upon the footway (see around Havet and G Factory) and customers using the loading bays to collect takeaway orders (outside Taco Bell and KFC)

Off-street response – Reference number 2268

I object to charges until 8pm.

We want to encourage visitors into town. It was shown to have a detrimental effect on the number of people going to tunbridge wells when it was introduced.

Off-street response – Reference number 2269

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2270

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is short-term accountancy think.

In the longer term TMBC's overall income will be substantially reduced. Less parkers. Less let units on the high Street etc., etc.. Downward spiral !

Off-street response – Reference number 2271

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2273

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2274

I object to charges until 8pm.

Just stop it, do some actual good instead of lazy unhelpful policies

Off-street response – Reference number 2276

I object to charges until 8pm.

The link doesn't go to any document that outlines the proposed revised charges, so how can anyone form a view? That said, from the information given, i.e. charge until 8pm and on Sundays and Bank Holidays, these are the considerations. As stated above, this will kill many local activities (including but definitely not limited to church) to the detriment of the community; car parking charges (and extensions) have already had a significant negative impact in many town centres, and with the introduction of them in Larkfield and Aylesford - where there is lamentable provision for public transport - this will be even more severe, destroying many local businesses that rely on pop-in customers, and local activities which are such an important part of people's live and mental health.

TMBC should find other ways to raise revenue, with savings in administration, offices etc., and not expect that the local community will continually accept increased costs without it impacting the very community TMBC is meant to serve.

And yes, I am very happy to discuss this further; I am passionate about the importance of local community on people's well-being, and this does nothing to support that.

Off-street response – Reference number 2277

I object to charges until 8pm.

I object on the following grounds:

1. Changes to off street car parking hours and days will mean that (especially in Tonbridge town centre) to avoid these charges users will inevitably park in residents parking areas during derestricted times making life much more difficult for residents to access parking.

If this part of the plan goes ahead it will be absolutely necessary at the same time to increase the restrictions on public parking times in residential areas to enable residents living near the high street

to find a parking space. Current experience of finding available residents parking in L-Zone...in particular Church Street & Lyons Crescent area is challenging.

2. Many friends and family visit at weekends and bank holidays and this will further increase the cost for residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 2278

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2280

I object to charges on Sundays.

If this country has limited trading hours on Sundays, then parking should be free on a Sunday.

Off-street response – Reference number 2281

I object to charges until 8pm.

These proposal will end up costing working people in the area very large amounts of money and it feels unnecessary especially for those that live around here

Off-street response – Reference number 2282

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2283

I object to charges until 8pm.

I understand that the increase in charging periods will increase council revenue but please consider what the cost! We know that obesity is a problem, that mental health issues are on the increase and that there is a cost of living crisis. Why take away the free parking on Sundays and bank holidays when this gives an opportunity for people to be outside, active, in the community and access shops with a small saving? Free parking on Sundays and bank holidays makes it easier for struggling families to have a free day out. It also allows them to shop for the things they need without extra cost. For those struggling to make ends meet an extra £2 or more a week makes a significant difference! On Sundays it enables people to go to church and access community. These are all the things our society need to boost physical health, mental health and resilience.

For the sake of the community and especially those most affected by the cost of living it is crucial that there are free parking periods.

Off-street response – Reference number 2284

I object to charges on Sundays.

Tonbridge has a lovely selection of restaurants and bars. I feel changing the time to 8pm would be detrimental to the local economy and deter families (especially those with younger children) from

eating out as they would not want to be out so late. A lot of people go out on a Sunday/Bank Holiday to take advantage of what the town has to offer. Parking charges on these days would be an additional cost to what is already an expensive day out. In addition not everyone has access to a smartphone to use the app so they would be able to make use of the parking in Tonbridge on Sundays and Bank Holidays.

Off-street response – Reference number 2285

I object to charges on Sundays.

I visit my church in Tonbridge (St Stephens) and the Waterloo Road Car Park is available free of charge on Sundays in respect of this. Introducing charges, both later and on Sundays would significant increase the cost of attending church - I believe this is unacceptable and adversely affects a specific faith group.

Off-street response – Reference number 2286

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2287

I object to charges until 8pm.

If people are struggling to find spaces it's because this area is so densely populated now that there isn't enough venues, events, shops, swimming, or other such activities for people to use let alone park !! Just another reason to stop building in TMBC due to the lack of space/facilities for people. To many people in this area, that's the problem. !! Although saying this a great money spinning idea for the council !!

Off-street response – Reference number 2288

I object to charges until 8pm.

I object to parking charges , pure greed , and will make west malling a no go area for shopper and destroy small business !!! This should not be allowed and a ugly sight for village with pay machines everywhere !!!!

Off-street response – Reference number 2292

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2293

I object to charges until 8pm.

You are trying to deter people from using their cars. In that case I suggest you improve the transport system.

Off-street response – Reference number 2294

I object to charges on Sundays.

I don't believe extending the charging period and introducing charges for Sundays and Bank Holidays would increase the councils income by a significant amount. However, not extending our charging on Sundays and Bank Holidays could be used as a way to significantly encourage visitors to our High Street at these times. With support, our High Street could return to being a vibrant place to shop with a diverse variety of shops to visit, something that is not provided in some neighbouring towns.

Off-street response – Reference number 2295

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2296

I object to charges until 8pm.

Cost of living keeps rising. Salaries don't. We both work and try to have some nice family time with our two young children. We try to utilise what is around and near us. Towns, parks, etc. but adding parking fees is increasing things and causing us to avoid going out at all. Trying to find free or very cheap family things to do outside the house is becoming harder and harder these days.

Off-street response – Reference number 2298

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is an imposition on already stretched budgets during this cost of living crisis and to my mind is a cynical exercise to get as much money out of people as possible.

Off-street response – Reference number 2299

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2300

I support charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2301

I object to charges until 8pm.

It will just encourage more on street parking

Off-street response – Reference number 2302

I support charges until 8pm.

Charge yes. Make it appropriate and proportionate though.

Off-street response – Reference number 2303

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2304

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2305

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2306

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2307

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2308

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2309

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2310

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2311

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is clearly the council attempting to increase the TAX burden without reason or evidence.

Off-street response – Reference number 2312

I support charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2313

I object to charges until 8pm.

People will think twice about coming into town if parking charges are extended.

Off-street response – Reference number 2314

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge town centre needs people to be enticed into the town to keep it thriving. People choose to go out of town to shop already and to increase the car park fees will just encourage this even more. If no one comes into the town, there will be no fees paid at all! Better to keep encouraging shoppers in by keeping the car park fees as they are and to make Tonbridge a more popular destination.

Off-street response – Reference number 2315

I object to charges until 8pm.

The car parks are not over utilised at these times. There is no need to extend the period.

Off-street response – Reference number 2316

I object to charges until 8pm.

You are making it more expensive for anyone who works in the area which is unacceptable.

Off-street response – Reference number 2317

I object to charges until 8pm.

Extending the parking period from 6pm to 8pm seems simply to gain additional revenue, no additional benefit to the community. Blaming some shops opening later is an excuse, the level of charges is excessive and this is a penal development.

Just because there is demand after charging hours, especially on Sundays is high does not provide the council an excuse for milking extra revenue.

Off-street response – Reference number 2318

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2319

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2320

I object to charges until 8pm.

I live in a flat next to the castle and due to restrictions for new permits my partner and our family and friends use this car park regularly to visit meaning a higher cost in cut throat economic times if this goes ahead. We already suffer from people parking over our drive and not being able to get in at busy times to access our flat because people try to already avoid paying at the car park. This is not what I pay my council tax for so that this increase can be implemented.

Off-street response – Reference number 2321

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will reduce the number of visitors which will have a negative impact on the Kent and Medway economy.

Off-street response – Reference number 2323

I object to charges until 8pm.

If TMBC are to go ahead with charges they should seriously consider giving immediate residents a free permit

Off-street response – Reference number 2325

I object to charges until 8pm.

As a user of the Tonbridge Swimming pool it is great to be able to park to use the pool. If the parking fee is extended it will affect ALL the learn to swim classes at the Tonbridge Swimming Club. The Club is the main customer of the pool and this will have a significant impact on the club and pool users. Swimming is a life skill and life saver. Please do not extended the hours of charging.

Off-street response – Reference number 2326

I object to charges until 8pm.

Living as I do in the heart of Tonbridge and yet working outside the town the current arrangements work very well indeed. I can always get parked when I return home in the evening. Other than as a fund raiser for the Council I don't see the merit in this.

Off-street response – Reference number 2327

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2328

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2329

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2330

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2332

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2333

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2334

I object to charges until 8pm.

My family all travel in one car to save cost. Why charge us for meeting up and using local businesses ruining people's livelihood and lives

Off-street response – Reference number 2335

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2336

I support charges until 8pm.

Less destructive for the high street as it's out of hours

Off-street response – Reference number 2337

I object to charges until 8pm.

To increase charges to 8pm each day and to introduce charges over the weekends as well as the Bank Holidays is deplorable!

Not satisfied with the daytime businesses being affected, now it's the turn of the already fragile night time economy and leisure businesses.

Restaurants and bars have had such a tough time following Covid, this will just add to their woes or potentially be the final nail in their coffin. They already have staffing issues and for that reason close earlier than they used to. With the introduction of the charges more visitors will stay away until parking becomes Free of Charge at 8pm, giving diners or pub goers a potential window of 2-3 hours to enjoy their meal or social event! Alternatively they will visit out of town areas where these restrictions do not apply. More empty units are inevitable, and so the antisocial behaviour will increase and the sense of community will naturally diminish.

The 'basis for this proposal' makes no sense whatsoever!

So it's seems our community are to be penalised for working longer hours to boost our personal, local and national economy.

Shop owners, already forced to schedule their opening hours around the ridiculous parking charges(something that should be subsidised for businesses) , have to find even more money on top of rent and business rates costs. Utterly unfair!

Plus the 'demand' for parking on Sundays is, by the sounds of it, something of an inconvenience to the Borough Council rather than something to shout about and celebrate.

Locals enjoying time outside, family time, exercise and leisure time are now used as cash cows! The wonderful companies who have increased events in the park, at the Castle, on the River etc are now being penalised, with their customers potentially being attracted to other events with free parking.

"There is significant demand for parking on Sundays – not driven by free parking. It is extremely difficult to find a parking space on a Sunday for leisure activities' your proposal states.

An unbelievable statement!

This is due to the popularity of the area enjoyed by people of all ages and backgrounds! Once again encouraging community.

This proposal is being dressed up as helping the 'poor visitors' find a parking space when it is an achieving the exact opposite! Discouraging visitors.

Alternatively encourage walking/cycling /the use of public transport. We're not stupid, we all know this is all about collecting more money from us!!

This statement is utterly condescending!

The 50p rise here and there may not seem like anything major but the consequences are far reaching, effecting everyone in Tonbridge one way or another.

Off-street response – Reference number 2338

I object to charges until 8pm.

the existing free parking is helping to keep the high street viable.

Off-street response – Reference number 2339

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2340

I object to charges until 8pm.

Increasing these charges will have a very negative affect on the town. Already businesses are going under. Increasing charges and charging periods will only make this worse. I only wish the people of Tonbridge were listened to on these issues - you only have to look on Tonbridge Mums & other community Facebook pages to see that no one wants these increases apart from the council, it's very depressing

Off-street response – Reference number 2342

I object to charges until 8pm.

Business will suffer as a result of more charges

Off-street response – Reference number 2343

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2344

I object to charges until 8pm.

Give us a break!

Off-street response – Reference number 2345

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge High Street has too many unoccupied shop spaces, free parking on Sunday and Bank Holidays encourages local residents to use the town. Restaurants and pubs have closed, you need to encourage people into the town rather than inhibit them. The charges the way they are helps keep the community together and encourages people to shop locally, especially with the Sunday Market. Extending parking charges to 8pm will also keep people away. The high street will crumble.

Off-street response – Reference number 2346

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2347

I object to charges until 8pm.

Do you not look at other towns ? Tunbridge wells did this and lost revenue because people decided to go else where because it was cheaper and better !!

Off-street response – Reference number 2348

I object to charges until 8pm.

These parking charges will stop

People coming into do shopping on Sunday,like the rest of the week ,it's killing the high street.I volunteer in a charity shop and have seen the drop in our takings in the last few years as we have no decent shops for people to come into Tonbridge.Sevenoaks has lovely shops and there charity shops take double what we do as people go in there.

Off-street response – Reference number 2350

I object to charges until 8pm.

Please stop trying to rinse more money from us working class people. We already pay enough into the government and earn scraps. Its not our fault our government don't know how to manage our money and keep giving each other backhanders

Off-street response – Reference number 2351

I object to charges until 8pm.

As you have stated yourself in the consultation, normal working hours have changed since covid and so bank holidays and sundays are no longer the only day that people venture out. to add parking charges in places on these days is purely a money generating system which seems wholly unfair for those families who can still only go out on those days. I believe it will severely impact those businesses who rely on sunday/bank holiday opening to bolster their customers as it will deter people going to towns/villages etc on those dates.

Off-street response – Reference number 2352

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2353

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2355

I object to charges until 8pm.

Introducing charges on Sundays is the final straw, and will make me go elsewhere.

This would damage retail or business investment, particularly for an economy which is relatively weak compared to neighbouring towns.

Off-street response – Reference number 2356

I object to charges on Sundays.

I don't mind parking charges being extended for regular working days. I believe it would make sense to have a 30-min free period of parking so that one can nip into the shops if needed. I disagree with the introduction of parking charges on Sundays - I go to church at the other end of town (over 2 miles) and would probably stop doing so, particularly during the winter, as I would have to pay to park my car, or take the bus (either way at least £2 per week which I cannot afford). This would have an impact on the church, which is a fantastic community hub, and my own wellbeing too. I feel Bank Holidays should also be left alone - more for public morale than anything else.

Off-street response – Reference number 2358

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2359

I object to charges until 8pm.

Key supermarkets in Tonbridge (e.g

Sainsbury's) are utilised on a Sunday precisely because the parking is free, and not all families can afford parking charges. Introducing charges risks lowering customer numbers and potentially even closure of such stores close to the town centre. This is short sighted.

Off-street response – Reference number 2360

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will quite frankly kill off high street trade, too expensive now!!! I really feel for all the retailers on the end of this cash grab!!!

Off-street response – Reference number 2361

Completely the wrong thing to do to support the local businesses and community - why deter people ?

Off-street response – Reference number 2363

If parking charges are introduced local people living in the flats etc will park on the road side to avoid parking charges.

Also people shopping in Martin Square will be deterred from using the shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 2364

I object to charges on Sundays.

Need to support children playing sport and this will have an impact on TJFC

Off-street response – Reference number 2365

I object to charges on Sundays.

As a committee member of Tonbridge Junior Football Club where we support over 925 children in Football this will have a huge financial impact on our parents and volunteer coaches. No where else in the county do our teams have to pay parking, this includes Saturdays. The reasons to charge on Sundays feel like this would be to take advantage of the many families using our club who have no choice but to park in pay and display car parks.

Off-street response – Reference number 2366

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2367

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2368

I object to charges on Sundays.

Extending these charges are going to put more financial pressure on locals and put off visitors coming to the town both to visit family, attend local events and sport

Off-street response – Reference number 2369

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is ridiculous and will not help the local economy it is just an act of greed.

Off-street response – Reference number 2370

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2371

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2372

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2373

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2374

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

This will massively impact on business but also sports clubs in the area especially on a Sunday. A complete disgrace!!

Off-street response – Reference number 2375

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2376

I object to charges until 8pm.

Your argument that businesses are open till late is baseless. Go to the high street after 6 and it looks dead. The reason car parks are full on Sundays is because people are able to benefit from free parking. As if inflation and high interest rates were not enough you want to dissuade people to go out to the parks or worse pay for it. What next- charges to open your windows?

Off-street response – Reference number 2377

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2378

I object to charges until 8pm.

As a football coach, I need to be able to bring equipment to the park on Sundays/summer evenings. The increase in charging will essentially mean it will cost me £20 a month in order to volunteer with our local club. This is prohibitive. Most of the car parks are full with families attending games and staying to spend money on the high street. Any charges on Sunday will discourage this activity and could lead to kids being unable to play sports and keep active.

Off-street response – Reference number 2379

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2380

I object to charges until 8pm.

The idea of extending the parking charges till 20:00 will again hit local residents in the area and their visitors. It will also impact the local restaurants and pubs with visitors being drawn to the town. This will also impact local sports clubs who play on a Sunday. One of the few benefits of being in Tonbridge is the free parking on a Sunday and Bank Holiday and introducing charges on these days is

short sighted.

Off-street response – Reference number 2381

I object to charges until 8pm.

The financial impact on families, particularly those whose children play sport, will be significant. And during the current cost of living crisis is unacceptable

Off-street response – Reference number 2382

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2383

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2384

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2385

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2386

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2387

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2388

I object to charges until 8pm.

There is no serious justification for these changes other than the Council's desire/need to raise funds. The rationale provided is flawed and weak. At least be honest with tax payers.

Off-street response – Reference number 2389

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2390

I object to charges until 8pm.

Current Tonbridge Juniors coach, any increase in charges or extension of charging to Sunday will prohibit my involvement with the club and our team would fold, resulting in 16 boys aged 15 being unable to play football in the community.

Off-street response – Reference number 2391

I object to charges until 8pm.

I strongly object to introduction of parking charges on Sundays and extension of charging period. We already pay enough in parking charges in Tonbridge. I don't think that it is unreasonable for there to be a concession on Sundays and after 18:00 for those who would like to participate in recreational activities in the area on Sundays and/or after peak hours.

Off-street response – Reference number 2392

I object to charges until 8pm.

Why on Earth would you do this!!!?

Off-street response – Reference number 2393

I object to charges until 8pm.

Extending parking hours will kill businesses. Sunday and bank holiday charges will kill businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 2394

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2395

I object to charges on Sundays.

This will massively impact our children playing football

Off-street response – Reference number 2396

I object to charges until 8pm.

Why don't you just close Tonbridge!! For the sake of a few quid, the revenue lost to local businesses on these days would be the final nail in the coffin. So you lost a bit of revenue during covid and the government has tightened the purse strings.... Why not try and revitalise the high street to encourage more visitors, rather than drive them away... (not everyone wants a coffee/vape/second-hand stuff). Will traffic wardens still finish at 5:30pm (thought so... no need to buy a ticket after then

then..)

Off-street response – Reference number 2397

I object to charges on Sundays.

These days are often used for charity events

Off-street response – Reference number 2398

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

If certain drivers abuse the system, there could be an introduction of a free parking period of up to 4 hours, then charge for any additional time as the majority of users on Sunday are volunteers for the Football Club etc so any additional costs could prohibit their continued participation as they don't get paid and it is to provide a safe and healthy pursuit for all of the young people in the area. If there are specific events that cause additional volumes of car park users, then you could introduce event parking but again, the price of parking could be included in the event ticket price rather than in the car park itself. Also the ones that rent out to local businesses should divert some of their profits to supplement parking for staff, customers and visitors otherwise it is always the least financially able are covering the "increasing costs" which come from where?!

Our town should be encouraged to thrive rather than be turned into a ghost town if parking and its associated costs, become prohibitively expensive/not possible.

There are also numerous brown field sites around the town that sit derelict which could & should be put to better use. I hope this feedback is of help in the development of our town. Thank you

Off-street response – Reference number 2399

I object to charges until 8pm.

All of these proposals are excessive in my opinion.

Off-street response – Reference number 2400

I object to charges until 8pm.

Same answer as for 16

Off-street response – Reference number 2401

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2402

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2403

I support charges until 8pm.

I'm against the Sunday charge because that is a day we do come into town with the car to do a decent shop, plus when the kids do sports the opposition teams can park for free which is positive. But my biggest issue is that permit parking for residents in the streets where we are finish at 2, and only apply Mon-Fri. Can these have a further restriction added (say 6-7pm) and also apply to weekends too?

Off-street response – Reference number 2406

I object to charges until 8pm.

People will stop coming to Tonbridge, just look at Sevenoaks, it means restaurants will lose money as people will think it's too late to come out for dinner and drinks 6.00 is a perfect time also parking on a Sunday brings people to the town

Off-street response – Reference number 2407

I object to charges until 8pm.

These are essential facilities throughout the year for kids sports activities. Already spend a fortune within the current hours

Off-street response – Reference number 2408

I object to charges until 8pm.

I currently come to Tonbridge during the free parking periods and this will deter me from coming into the town. I already avoid Tunbridge Wells for the same reason. It will make me more likely to go to Bluewater.

Off-street response – Reference number 2409

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2410

I object to charges until 8pm.

I think charging for parking on Sundays is completely wrong. Particularly in relation to the Upper and Lower Castle Fields car parks which are extremely busy at weekends with people attending football and rugby matches etc. If people have to pay they will try and park in the Slade residential area for free instead. It is already difficult for residents to park in the local streets when there are tournaments on.

Off-street response – Reference number 2412

I object to charges until 8pm.

This would deter many people who use the park from parking there and coming into the town to spend their money in the local economy

Off-street response – Reference number 2413

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2414

I object to charges until 8pm.

Free parking encourages shoppers in which supports local traders. We don't want businesses closing due to lack of customers

Off-street response – Reference number 2416

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

This is just wrong in every way. I strongly object to the greed of the council wanting to charge out of hours.

Off-street response – Reference number 2417

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2418

I object to charges on Sundays.

I use the Tesco car park on Sundays to attend church services at the Baptist Church in Swan Street. There are other churches in West Malling and the imposition of parking charges will force people to park in the High Street and cause even more congestion on Sundays. There are very few councils who are so mean to apply parking charges on a Sunday. The increased cost of running car parks can be reduced in the long term by better use of technology which should be considered instead of imposing charges on its residents and visitors.

Off-street response – Reference number 2419

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2420

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2422

I object to charges on Sundays.

This will impact locals - there is not any shortage of space available and would be detrimental to use of businesses outside of peak hours. Free parking on Sundays pulls people onto the high street - learn the lessons from tunbridge wells parking nightmares please.

Off-street response – Reference number 2423

I object to charges on Sundays.

Too expensive. Prohibitive for many. Will deter me from using high street shops. Will lead to more people trying to park in residential spaces in the Slade.

Off-street response – Reference number 2424

I object to charges until 8pm.

It will drive people to out of town shopping away from the high street

Off-street response – Reference number 2425

I object to charges until 8pm.

By increasing the charging periods you are putting in a further deterrent to the use of high street / town centre retailers to the advantage of the likes of M&S and Aldi & others in Canon Lane.

Off-street response – Reference number 2427

I object to charges until 8pm.

St Stephen's Church is a prime example of where this would cause more disruption. As there is no carparking facility specifically for the church, on a Sunday and in the evenings when there are groups on, this would cause more people to park on surrounding residential roads which would cause more disruption to neighbours.

This would likely be the same around the swimming pool. It may also discourage people from pursuing their activities on a Sunday, which would be a big shame for the community, as it is lovely to see Tonbridge Park busy and lively with activities. Ultimately, the swimming pool car park would probably still be busy, so the only difference that would be made would be benefit to the council through additional parking charges, which isn't necessarily in the best interests of the community.

Off-street response – Reference number 2428

I object to charges until 8pm.

Extension of parking charges will encourage more people to park on residential streets.

Off-street response – Reference number 2429

I object to charges until 8pm.

The need to attract customers and visitors, in support of local businesses, outweighs any revenue growth or 'parking balancing' argument. Local authority budgets are threadbare as a result of central Government neglect. Given we're on the cusp of a recession, now's not the time to ask the public to plug the gap.

Off-street response – Reference number 2431

I object to charges until 8pm.

Sundays is the only day that Tonbridge gets customer in there shops.putting parking charges up and on Sundays will kill the high street

Off-street response – Reference number 2432

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2433

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2434

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will be devastating for a town that already has poor shopping options- this will put people off visiting our beautiful town - the later charge will prevent me going to leisure activities as I couldn't afford that on a weekly basis.

A very bad idea - not worth putting people off visiting

Off-street response – Reference number 2435

I support charges on Sundays.

This will not help residents locally unless resident bays (on street parking) in the Slade area are adjusted also, to prevent people parking here instead of the car parks where they avoid paying the small car park fee.

As parents with a young child we are often forced to park a few streets away as spaces have been taken by those attending events at the Rugby field and the sports ground, and often in quite a selfish way, taking up a 2 spaces.

Off-street response – Reference number 2436

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2437

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will damage grass roots sports for children.

Off-street response – Reference number 2438

I object to charges until 8pm.

My husband and I have parked for free on Waterloo Rd, Tonbridge on most Sundays for the last 27 years in order to attend St Stephen's Church. Please do not consider imposing parking restrictions or charges here as it will impose restrictions on who can worship at the church. Nobody should have to pay to go to church. It should be accessible to everyone. Thank you

Off-street response – Reference number 2439

I object to charges until 8pm.

Again, Tonbridge has very little available on street parking that this impacts everyone especially those who are more impacted than others in the cost of living crisis. It doesn't give them any options whatsoever.

Off-street response – Reference number 2440

I object to charges until 8pm.

1. As a member of Tonbridge Music Club I regularly attend recitals which start at 7.30pm. Sovereign Way is the nearest car park. I will thus need to pay for 1 hour's parking, having arrived at 7.15pm. This discriminates against all those supporting a valuable local cultural resource.
2. On Sundays and Bank Holidays it is possible to park in any available space and both shop and have coffee or lunch at leisure without having to worry about exceeding a pay-and-display limit or curtailing activities in order to comply.
3. Payment requires cash which is an increasingly scarce commodity and not always readily available. Ring-Go is both more expensive (which is totally unacceptable) and technically either unreliable or completely non-functional. Any smartphone-based payment system is extremely discriminatory against all those not having or wishing to use such devices. The payment machines need to be upgraded to accept credit card payment as well as cash (at the same rate) BEFORE ANY CHANGES ARE MADE EITHER TO CHARGES OR CHARGING TIMES.

Off-street response – Reference number 2441

I object to charges until 8pm.

Parking charges are already expensive enough and you are causing more people to travel to out of town shopping where parking is free. It's cheaper to go to Bluewater

Off-street response – Reference number 2442

I object to charges until 8pm.

I think it is very important to encourage people to use the Town's shops, pubs and restaurants in the evenings and at weekends and Bank holidays, and to maintain the free provision at these times.

Off-street response – Reference number 2444

I object to charges until 8pm.

Introducing these charges will continue to reduce footfall in town, impacting businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 2447

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2448

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2449

I object to charges on Sundays.

Disgraceful as a coach of the tjfc for a Saturday and Sunday team to expect us to pay £7 per week to park to volunteer in our local community is disgusting and I strongly oppose these you could potentially with the cost of living crisis we're currently eliminate young children from taking part in a sport they love and coaches from volunteering.

Off-street response – Reference number 2450

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2451

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2452

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2453

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2454

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2456

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2457

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2459

I object to charges until 8pm.

I personally avoid travelling to other towns where this has been introduced. This will lead to a downturn in support for local shopping and tourism.

Off-street response – Reference number 2460

I object to charges until 8pm.

Parking costs being extended to 8pm deters people from using the high street at periods when it is less busy, will have an reverse impact on business as well as residents that use facilities such as gyms which as hugely beneficial to mental and physical heath and shops that in the current climate greatly benefit from the footfall.

The including of charges Sunday and bank holiday charges will again deter usage of the high street and cause greater damage to an industry which still suffers and struggles, it adds no real benefit. No costing of what a car park takes to maintain vs income generated is provided to show any need for this change, it fundamentally appears nothing short of a cash grab given the political language used. If the car parks cost more to maintain than income generated which is extremely unlikely a breakdown of this should be provided to price clarity to constituents so truly informed decisions can be made regarding a need for change, if they profit it is not honest to state that they need further income generation to provide sustainability.

Off-street response – Reference number 2461

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2462

I object to charges until 8pm.

Car parks are often empty after 6PM, not there is no obvious benefit to extending this to 8PM

Off-street response – Reference number 2463

I object to charges until 8pm.

Imposing parking charges on a Sunday will have significant negative impact to families who utilise the park, swimming pools and participate in local sports. The impact to the community will significantly outweigh the councils financial benefits.

Off-street response – Reference number 2464

I object to charges until 8pm.

You are trying to squeeze more from an already stretched budget from local people and it is small local businesses who will suffer as a result.

Off-street response – Reference number 2465

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2466

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2468

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2469

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2470

I object to charges until 8pm.

8pm seems unreasonably late to start free parking. Doubtful many people would be shopping at this time. Sundays and Bank holidays are less busy, despite more shops being open. Free parking at these times is a benefit enjoyed by many and introducing charges will just create more misery - something that is often overlooked when making policy decisions. I was previously proud that Tonbridge has resisted going down this route like some other councils (e.g. Sevenoaks). I thought it reflected concern on behalf of the council for residents and town centre users. Things like this make a difference to overall sentiment about the town, its reputation and its council.

Off-street response – Reference number 2471

I object to charges until 8pm.

Most shops still close at 5pm in these areas and offices are normally located in other areas so making parking charges another two hours after this will discourage people, especially those who are affected by the cost of living crisis, from visiting leisure facilities and restaurants.

Off-street response – Reference number 2472

I object to charges until 8pm.

In a time of public hardship and rising costs this just adds more pressure on the public.

Off-street response – Reference number 2473

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2474

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will directly impact grass roots football on Sundays and penalise low income families that use the public park. The council should be encouraging healthier lifestyles at weekends by upgrading the local facilities and extending free parking rather than trying to disadvantage local groups and businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 2475

I object to charges until 8pm.

As above there should be a full cost and benefit analysis made available to the public before proceeding - many families use these car parks to support their children's sporting activities on the weekend - they are also taking the brunt of the wider cost of living crisis and inflation - this is grossly unfair

Off-street response – Reference number 2476

I object to charges until 8pm.

I think that short time parking should be free and longer stays charged to avoid abuse of parking. To introduce parking evenings and weekend will effect evening business and damage businesses who are already hit by current difficult times . Enjoying evenings out is already costly so please do not add to expense.

Off-street response – Reference number 2477

I object to charges until 8pm.

As above. Anyone , who goes to Tonbridge regularly on a Sunday / Bank Holiday as I do, knows how popular it is and I challenge the assumption that this is not at least partly driven by the fact that it is free. How does Tonbridge & Malling Council know that it is not? Where is your evidence?

Has the Council considered at all the medium and long term consequences of introducing these changes and charges?

I,for instance, would go to Paddock Wood Garden Centre instead...if you begin charging on a Sunday.

I think it would affect the footfall at the Farmers' Market...local coffee shops...popular meeting places...we could see more closures...less income in rates...

Many shops are not open later - in fact since the pandemic , and the rise in the cost of electricity , staff shortages etc many open later and close earlier. So I do not agree with the premise upon which you base your proposal.

Such alterations to the current charges would threaten the future of the High Street...there has been enough publicity about the increase of on line shopping...Tonbridge was a success story during the pandemic I don't want to see all that has been achieved - disappear due to what seems to me to be a short sighted, blinkered plan.

Finally Isn't there a plan to re -site the Angel Centre? If so, can't the plan include users only parking? That would help to resolve the issue you raise re lack of parking for people pursuing sports activities.

Off-street response – Reference number 2478

I object to charges until 8pm.

I attend West Malling Baptist Church on Sunday's and for evening meetings. As I play for the morning service I would arrive before the service to prepare. Usually I would be attending the church for three hours. On occasion the church holds special celebration lunches following the morning service. This would have to come to an end on a Sunday if charges and length of stay is introduced. On a limited income and being no bus service on a Sunday what alternative do I have to get into West Malling. I am also concerned that the work of the church in serving the local community during the week through free Warm Spaces and charity coffee mornings will suffer. When we try to support the lonely and those who are struggling with the rising cost of living all are going to be hit by extra costs. I think it is disgraceful to consider introducing charges on public holidays. The town will suffer the loss from the local churches in the Good Friday Walk, Christmas Day services will become a thing of the past. Sunday charges will also hit the Sunday Market both for stall holders and visitors coming into West Malling. Keep parking free for Sunday and Public Bank Holidays and save businesses, freedom to worship on a Sunday without hindrance.

Off-street response – Reference number 2479

I object to charges until 8pm.

Driving local people elsewhere to shop & socialise when the town needs more trade not less!!

Off-street response – Reference number 2480

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2482

I object to charges until 8pm.

I write as a (REDACTED) at St Peter & St Paul parish church Tonbridge

We have only limited parking on the church site and worshippers need to use public car parks to attend services and evening meetings.

Whilst I appreciate the increased cost of maintaining car parks, I am concerned that the extension of car park charges is effectively taxing many of those worshipping at the church.

I think the community impact of these proposals should be considered as well as the financial factors.

Aside from the church, extending the parking charges could potentially have an impact on community events held on Sundays and Bank Holidays by deterring visitors.

Off-street response – Reference number 2483

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is a sure fire way to kill tue High Stret. A short-term gain in income all result in all slapping their backs but in a five year time there will be a session dedicated to "how to save our High Street". By that time it will be too late

Off-street response – Reference number 2484

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2486

I object to charges on Sundays.

The extension of the charging hours, will likely harm our restaurants and evening eateries, which sadly seem to be the only thriving central businesses in Tonbridge (with big name shops and bank having already closed). Similarly, parking charges on Sundays and Bank Holiday Mondays, may negatively the tourism industry and cafes/eateries. We avoid going to Tunbridge Wells due the very high parking charges and Tonbridge is not far behind, so I fear it will put others from visiting Tonbrige and further harm business on high Street; at time when we need to support these businesses. Also, I attend evening Tonbridge Society talks at the Angle Centre, so it may deter people from attending these, so some Societies may look at alternative venues.

Off-street response – Reference number 2488

I object to charges until 8pm.

The proposed extension to parking charges hits people trying to use sports facilities after work and on weekends. The council should be investing in access to local businesses and encouraging the use of sports facilities, not trying to drive people away with ever increasing costs. It simply is not feasible, for example, for a family to walk to the river with a canoe or paddle board and you won't be taking that on public transport either

Off-street response – Reference number 2489

I object to charges until 8pm.

The council needs to run its financing better and be far more creative in its thinking rather than keep impacting the community with evermore increases of charges & restrictions. You will impact the local businesses directly with your proposals and make more less appealing for people to visit. Stop trying

to make peoples lives more difficult than is actually valid.

Off-street response – Reference number 2490

I object to charges on Sundays.

West Malling relies heavily on the evening and weekend economy, and I am aware that a number of businesses have already suffered reduced turnover as a result of previous introductions of restrictions in respect of the Ryarsh Lane Car Park. Extending charging periods to 8pm, to Sundays and to Bank Holidays will only make matters worse, particularly for businesses that have struggled to recover following the pandemic. There has been an observable and significant shift in people's habits with restaurants and pubs much quieter later in the evening and a tendency for people to meet earlier in the evening. These changes will heavily penalise those people and the businesses they frequent.

West Malling also has a thriving Farmers' Market on certain Sundays and the introduction of parking charges on those days will have a significant impact on both visitors and traders, potentially driving both away.

Off-street response – Reference number 2491

I object to charges until 8pm.

I go to church on Sundays in West Malling ,if you start charging this will impact the time i spend in church on Sundays ,going to church is very important to me.

We also have church socials on Sundays and bank holidays ,

Off-street response – Reference number 2492

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2494

I object to charges until 8pm.

My objections are because any such additional parking charges times will deter the general public from visiting the town for both enjoyment and shopping plus exercising for their general health and well being.

Off-street response – Reference number 2495

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2496

I object to charges until 8pm.

Currently we now only shop in West Malling on Sundays, due to the available free parking. Again take this away and we will no longer support the local bussiness in West Malling High Street.

Off-street response – Reference number 2497

I support charges until 8pm.

I understand the need to increase revenue, but sadly the data signal in town is poor and security links for app mean my bank security flaga it regularly and app purchases are slow, unreliable and hugely frustrating. What is even worse,it was not a problem when first introduced. People are obsessed with convenience, if you make it simple and easy, your revenue will improve. I often "pop to the shops" at m&s or Sainsbury's local to avoid having to use the app for Waitrose parking. It's a good £100+ a year you are losing just from me because of poor mobile signal.

Off-street response – Reference number 2499

I object to charges until 8pm.

All above will kill Angel Centre, which I truly love.

So please if there is a plan to build a new Leisure Centre, could you please consider place outside the town, with free parking and facilities fit for purpose similarly to Larkfield Leisure Centre.

Off-street response – Reference number 2500

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2501

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2502

I object to charges until 8pm.

I will generally avoid driving to anywhere where/when there are parking charges. My custom goes where I go.

Off-street response – Reference number 2504

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2506

I object to charges until 8pm.

The reasons given are not evidence based..eg my personal reason for shopping on a Sunday is solely driven by the free parking. I have never been asked/completed questionnaire so there really cannot be correct data as all users have not been consulted on their use.

There have always been available spaces, when I have used the car park, so the suggestion of users of Angel centre not able to park is ludicrous,; it may appear drivers are unwilling to walk from a space furthest from the Angel centre entry??

The committee should consider capacity users of Angel centre and them all arriving in single numbers by car on a Sunday vs a Saturday and compare this; which is again not defined or statics given;

Also is the evidence based on Angel centre users defining the car park for their priority use rather than any member of public -which I understood (was any member of public)- therefore would one be penalised financially with introduction of financial charges to discourage use except late at night- where single (usually) female drivers may feel unsafe in a car park where previous cctv foi requests have been met with no i evidence can be given as cctv does not cover whole car park.

It is, in my opinion, the council trying to gain financially by further extending hours and day charging period using unsubstantiated reasons which would suggest a reduction in town centre visits which in turn will reduce spend per head.

Finally if reducing numbers of car park users is the aim alongside increased revenue...wouldn't improved public transport links and especially walking/cycling improvements be a better achievement??!!

Off-street response – Reference number 2507

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2508

I object to charges until 8pm.

Free parking is a draw to any person going anywhere, why pay when you can park free? Examples pay parking to eat in west malling high street or park free kingshill , pay to shop west malling or free parking kingshill Asda Aldi Larkfield Tesco

Off-street response – Reference number 2509

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2510

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2512

I object to charges until 8pm.

In the current climate it is hard for businesses & shops to survive. Extended parking charges will deter people from using current facilities. Plus this also discriminates against those on tight budgets, those with children or disabilities not able to claim for the blue badge.

Off-street response – Reference number 2513

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2514

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge town centre is struggling as it is. Less people will use the facilities if parking charges and times are increased.

Off-street response – Reference number 2516

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is wholly unreasonable and greedy. Our town has little to draw into it in a Sunday. This will just push people away from our town to the larger supermarkets with their own parking - and will penalise our growing elderly population who can not travel as far away for their groceries. This will be to the detriment of our residents. A wholly terrible and misguided idea.

Off-street response – Reference number 2517

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2518

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2519

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2520

I object to charges until 8pm.

I attend the West Malling Baptist Church on Sundays. This very important to me. If parking charges are put in place it will very reduce my attendance to church. This will apply to many others who also attend the church. We also often have socials and revival meetings on Sundays and invite people from others churches to join us. The number of people attending these functions would most

certainly fall.

Off-street response – Reference number 2521

I object to charges until 8pm.

You need to introduce free parking for retail workers.

Where a parking charge is not fully utilised parkers should be able to suspend and reuse the unused period paid for.

Off-street response – Reference number 2522

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2523

I object to charges until 8pm.

Local businesses are going to suffer. If charges are to increase, which will deter visitors, then local bus services need to be improved.

Off-street response – Reference number 2524

I object to charges until 8pm.

Strongly object - this is the worst of the proposed ideas. Just look at what has happened in Tunbridge Wells (and Sevenoaks!) since they introduced Sunday parking - it has become a ghost town as parking charges deter visitor footfall meaning decreased spend. Allowing free parking on Sundays is a huge benefit and ENCOURAGES expenditure in local shops and visits to cultural events. I have NEVER found it difficult to find a space.

Off-street response – Reference number 2526

I object to charges until 8pm.

As a resident of the Slade it is already increasingly difficult to find a place to park on a Sunday when events are taking place locally. If parking charges are introduced on Sunday's and Bank Holidays then residents of all streets near to the town will be affected as people want to avoid paying to park. The parking near to the Slade school at weekends is dangerous, not only do people park near a junction, but also on a hill making it impossible to drive in or out of the Slade with clear visibility. As with increasing charges to park in Tonbridge, charging for longer hours will drive people to shop elsewhere.

Off-street response – Reference number 2527

I object to charges until 8pm.

This smacks of pure money grabbing. Extending the period of charging absolutely does not help locals living in the areas where they need to park. Again these moves will directly affect local businesses and residents in a negative way if imposed. Council workers have delegated spaces so do not share the same impact. I strongly oppose.

Off-street response – Reference number 2528

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2529

I object to charges until 8pm.

See point 15 comments.

Off-street response – Reference number 2530

I object to charges on Sundays.

As a (REDACTED) of West Malling Baptist Church in Swan Street, West Malling I am very concerned by the introduction of parking charges on Sundays because a significant proportion of our congregation do not live in West Malling but in surrounding villages such as Leybourne, Larkfield, Aylesford, Ditton, Barming and Kings Hill and having to pay at least £2 to attend a service will be a financial burden for some. You will be aware that there is no alternative public transport (buses) on a Sunday.

In addition, a four hour limit will probably preclude some activities such as Fellowship Sunday Lunches.

I hope there are no plans to change the method of payment in West Malling High Street Car Park to phone only as this would not be possible for many older members of our congregation.

Off-street response – Reference number 2531

I object to charges until 8pm.

Evening Extension There are a number of community and social activities that take place early evening- Bowls, Swimming clubs, Choirs. In other areas the introduction of charging for early evening parking has had the unintended consequence of people stopping their involvement in such activities.

Sundays and Bank Holidays. The town benefits from people visiting when it is free to park on both Sundays and Bank Holidays. This results in money being spent in the town. Extending parking charges to these has the high likelihood of stopping people from going into Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 2532

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2533

I object to charges until 8pm.

There are meetings which take place in the town on weekday evenings. A parking charge will put people off attending. Most meetings start around 7.30pm. An extension to 7pm would be acceptable, but not to 8pm.

Sundays are days for family leisure and church attendance. These should not be discouraged by parking changes.

Bank Holidays are time when families can enjoy freedom from clock-watching; parking charges would be unwelcome

Off-street response – Reference number 2534

I object to charges until 8pm.

Each car park should be treated differently, For example Martin Square car park is nearly empty on Sundays and Bank Holidays. Only the newsagent is open in the morning, Only a few residents or visitors to the area use it. Don't force those vehicles onto the roads and so leave the empty car park as a skate board paradise or football pitch. Anti-social behaviour may well follow in the car park desert created by TMBC car parking charges.

Off-street response – Reference number 2537

I object to charges until 8pm.

Increasing parking charges will always impact negatively on local businesses. There is no inflation costs incurred by the council for parking spaces so this increase is unjustifiable.

Off-street response – Reference number 2538

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2539

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

As a regular user of the Angel Centre in the evening and Sundays I object to these extra charges unless there is a scheme to reimburse Angel Centre users, as happens in other locations. I believe this will also have a negative affect on the user base for the centre at a time when they want to increase membership and usage.

Off-street response – Reference number 2540

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2541

I object to charges until 8pm.

Until roads are without pot holes and the general up keep of roads improves it would theft to extract even more money from shoppers or residents

Off-street response – Reference number 2542

I object to charges until 8pm.

Cost of living crisis. Already pay so much in council tax and residential parking Already. Further to this, upping parking and adding more restrictions will discourage people coming into the town. Which will have a detrimental effect on the local towns economy

Off-street response – Reference number 2543

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2544

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2545

I object to charges on Sundays.

The town shops and restaurants depend on the weekend and evening clientele: charging during these periods will significantly increase the cost to these consumers and will either cause hardship or drive some away. If it is as cheap to drive to Bluewater, with its superior shopping facilities, it will dissuade people from coming to Tonbridge, whose High Street is suffering already.

Tunbridge Wells did this several years ago: I no longer will go there. I will shop in Tonbridge during weekdays and readily pay the hourly parking rate whatever it is. I shall think again at weekends and Bank Holidays or in the evening when considering a restaurant meal or visiting High Street shops. Amazon is made to look even more attractive thereby.

Finally, TMBC mounts regular public events at the Castle and its surrounds. Placing a levy on parking for these events, which frequently aim to attract children, will place a burden on young families and very likely cause them to stay away: the cost will be substantial, as the aim is to attract people to the event for as many hours as possible.

Off-street response – Reference number 2546

I object to charges until 8pm.

It will ruin the high street which is struggling now

Off-street response – Reference number 2547

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2548

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2549

I object to charges until 8pm.

It's bad enough having to pay to use the Angel Centre and swimming pool before 6pm but it means the classes between 6pm and 8pm will be less attractive.

With the increase in monthly cost and the constant cancelling of Aqua classes in school holidays it makes the TM Active membership less attractive. It may encourage more people to move to alternative gyms.

Off-street response – Reference number 2550

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2551

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2552

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2553

I object to charges until 8pm.

Residents of Tonbridge already pay significant charges to park in the town to shop, the introduction of further charges in the evening and weekends/ bank holidays would encourage less people to use the high street which is already struggling. Also, for residents such as myself, it is helpful to have some perks of time you can pop to the shops and know you don't have to worry about paying.

Off-street response – Reference number 2555

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2557

I object to charges until 8pm.

It's extremely expensive living in Tonbridge. The Council already makes an extreme amount of money from charging local residents to access their own town. Increasing charging times and the amount charged is a move against the people of Tonbridge. As a Father who shops in the evenings to avoid

parking charges, this would add another £150+ annually to my expenses.

Off-street response – Reference number 2558

I object to charges until 8pm.

The cost of living crisis has already made things extremely difficult for families these changes would impact many of the local team sporting activities

Off-street response – Reference number 2559

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is sheer greed on the part of the Town Councils and will result in more unnecessary fines just to swell the coffers of councils and it will stop people coming into the town. Businesses will die as a result of this.

Is this what you want to achieve?

Off-street response – Reference number 2560

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2561

I object to charges until 8pm.

I object to the increased parking charges and extended daily charging hours/Sundays and bank holidays as I feel that this will encourage shoppers to go to retail areas where parking charges are not applied. This would cause even more of a decline to our town.

Off-street response – Reference number 2562

I object to charges until 8pm.

By charging for parking on a Sunday the council is reducing the accessibility of sports for young people, who's parents simply cannot afford any extras. Sundays are a day for family time and by putting parking costs in this could significantly reduce the amount of footfall in Tonbridge.

Off-street response – Reference number 2564

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2565

I object to charges until 8pm.

Money grabbing scheme.

Off-street response – Reference number 2566

I object to charges until 8pm.

I disagree for all charges but for public holidays and Sundays is just silly

Off-street response – Reference number 2567

I object to charges on Sundays.

I am part of a local church in West Malling and these changes will make it difficult for people wanting to attend church.

Off-street response – Reference number 2569

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2570

I object to charges until 8pm.

I object to the time changes because it is wrong to say that the high Street shops in Tonbridge are open later than 6PM. Granted the supermarkets (Sainsbury's, Waitrose and Iceland) . Many do their shopping straight from work. A change in the times will either scare people away from shopping in Tonbridge or force them on to side roads or resident parking causing possible parking to pedestrians and other road users

Off-street response – Reference number 2571

I object to charges until 8pm.

Extending charging time around the Angel Centre will reduce footfall, and losses there will probably be greater still. So let parking be free after 1800 and on Sunday to support the Angel Centre balance sheet.

If Sainsbury's extend their opening hours then revisit these charging times.

Include provision for 'one off' occasional events like fairs and markets.

Off-street response – Reference number 2573

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will drive people to take their business elsewhere and have a negative effect on the economy of Tonbridge businesses. A greedy money grabbing proposal.

Off-street response – Reference number 2575

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2576

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2577

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2578

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2579

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2580

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2581

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

Those attending evening meetings and evening services should have access to FREE parking if for eg. West Malling. There should not be Sunday charges, which would penalise churchgoers.

Off-street response – Reference number 2582

I object to charges until 8pm.

What you're proposing should be a criminal offence! This is disgraceful.

Off-street response – Reference number 2583

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2584

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is madness, are you trying to destroy the high St shops

Off-street response – Reference number 2585

I object to charges until 8pm.

As above

Off-street response – Reference number 2587

I object to charges until 8pm.

Not many can afford parking and shopping

Off-street response – Reference number 2588

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2590

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2591

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2592

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2593

I object to charges until 8pm.

You seem determined to kill off Tonbridge high street business and takeaways. They are moving away from the high street to areas with out parking charges and where the council now has serious traffic and pedestrian safety issues fix them (Cannon Lane). MacDonald's, Halfords, Costa, Home Bargains have all moved from the High street over the years ... ever wonder why?

Off-street response – Reference number 2594

I object to charges until 8pm.

Again you are killing the trade on the high street and the community. No one can afford to go there. Soon it will be a ghost town with no shops as they won't be able to stay open with no customers. With the parking charges I have to avoid and shop elsewhere. It is cheaper to go to the industrial estates or bluewater to shop

Off-street response – Reference number 2595

I object to charges until 8pm.

These charges will deter people from supporting local businesses, church and markets

Off-street response – Reference number 2596

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2597

I support charges until 8pm.

I do not live locally, but I do use the Angel Centre for various events, which normally are on Sunday. These events, such as the Model Railway Club and the Cavalier games events generate a lot of interest and visitors, which may be put off by Sunday charges. Also, of more concern is the use of the car park outside the Angel Centre by vans of the Traders at these shows. One of the attractions of the Angel Centre is the free parking on Sundays.

Off-street response – Reference number 2598

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will discourage people from visiting Tonbridge town on Sundays and Bank holidays.

Off-street response – Reference number 2599

I object to charges until 8pm.

The local authority should be looking to help the 'night time' economy and local business - extending the cost of parking to 8pm goes completely against this. Parking should remain free on Sundays to encourage the numerous sporting events (rugby/football/tennis etc) that takes place in the park on a Sunday.

Off-street response – Reference number 2600

I object to charges until 8pm.

The service being axed without any consideration for the elderly or to the members of the public that do not have Bank cards, MOBILE PHONES or unable to use computer to down load the APP or be able to use one.

Then only can do it on your phone, this means a lot of Tonbridge residents will not be able to use the car parks in Tonbridge

ANOTHER RESTRICTION FOR THE ELDERLY NOT BEING ABLE TO SHOP IN TONBRIDGE

This is another nail in the coffin closing small independent shops, we should be encouraging more independent small business which will make Tonbridge an attractive place to shop here, and help to grow the economy.

I understood the government was demanding councils had to cater for members of the public to be able to pay by cash or on a app being Ringo in Tonbridge, by the way in the Waitrose car park there are times you are unable to get a contact to Ringo to pay for your car park (I have known members of the public have to wait up to twenty minutes to get through for a WIFI connection)

With the council adding 20p per hour you are raisin the PARKING PRICES UP BY 14.28%

With the cost of living going up it means the parking prices are going up by 7.1% as it costs 10p to 30p extra to use Ringo App for parking, the supermarkets return you the first hour when you present your parking slip, by using the phone you do NOT get issued a receipt for the prove of parking in the car park, another reason why the council are turning business away from shopping in the High Street.

Just a point of interest we went to Tunbridge Wells centre to do some shopping two years ago I went to the machine and found out it was cards only, I was unable to use the Multi Story car park because I was unable use or understand what we had to do, so we came home have not shopped there since.

Off-street response – Reference number 2601

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2607

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2608

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2609

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

People will likely look to the free parking in the Slade area making it even more difficult for residents and their visitors to park near our house. People may well park on the bend outside Slade Primary School more (as they are now in the habit of doing, and by doing so they create a visibility and hazard problem).

People have enough outgoings at the present time, so increasing their costs will impact their lives.

Please could the parking machines in Tonbridge be changed so that they accept card payments? It is very difficult to find coins now due to hardly any banks in the town. Also Sainsbury's used to refund the money in coins when you shopped, but no longer do this. Not everyone wants to or can use parking apps.

Off-street response – Reference number 2610

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2611

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

Greedy this will keep people away then shops will close

Off-street response – Reference number 2612

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2613

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2614

I object to charges until 8pm.

I am a regular gym user and although I try to cycle as much as possible but this isn't always possible or safe in the dark or inclement weather

Off-street response – Reference number 2615

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2616

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2617

I object to charges until 8pm.

Extending hours of parking and stopping free overnight parking as well as Sundays and bank holidays to be charged will only effect business' in surrounding areas as members of the public will not visit these due to having to pay for parking. Many business' have suffered already due to cost of living etc but this is likely to make it too difficult going forward.

Off-street response – Reference number 2618

I object to charges until 8pm.

Parking charges at these times is purely for income gain and does nothing to improve the community

Off-street response – Reference number 2619

I object to charges until 8pm.

Will stop people coming to the town, and will affect small businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 2620

I object to charges until 8pm.

You are killing Tonbridge...

Off-street response – Reference number 2621

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge high street is already failing! Any increase in charges of time extensions will finally kill it off

Off-street response – Reference number 2623

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

This will reduce people coming into town and will not be good for already suffering high street. This will also negatively affect people trying to shop in the supermarket or go to the gym or visit the high street in general. Times are already tough this will cripple Tonbridge

Off-street response – Reference number 2624

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2625

I object to charges until 8pm.

Do you really want businesses to suffer times are hard as it is with the council penny pinching

Off-street response – Reference number 2626

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2628

I support charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2629

I object to charges until 8pm.

Big mistake in the run up to election, everyone will be taking note of who implemented this if goes ahead. Why punish shops with putting of customers! Stupidity!

Off-street response – Reference number 2630

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2632

I object to charges until 8pm.

People should be able to park for a certain period for free and I feel these are evenings, Sundays and bank holidays.

Off-street response – Reference number 2633

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2634

I object to charges until 8pm.

Extending periods of parking charges will encourage people to shop elsewhere and therefore local businesses will lose out. The Council should introduce a free parking period of 1hour instead, which would enable more people to visit Tonbridge and would also encourage a faster turnover of parking spaces.

Off-street response – Reference number 2635

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2636

I object to charges until 8pm.

Absolute not!

Off-street response – Reference number 2637

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2638

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2639

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2640

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2642

I object to charges until 8pm.

Parking charges till 8pm will impose a surcharge on voluntary clubs and activities taking place in the town centre, many run by volunteers and some for charity (for example, Ton Historical society, Civic Society, the Lions). Members park at 7pm, and would pay, so this fee imposes a surcharge on attending. The impact is to make voluntary activities less viable - while they are still struggling to recover from the pandemic. These evening activities are run by volunteers giving their time freely and should be supported by TMBC not penalised, as they are central to the community spirit of Tonbridge.

The same applies to Sunday parking charges. Tonbridge attracts visitors for its leisure and shopping on Sundays, and the absence of parking charges is a draw, and good for the prosperity of the town. This is a Unique Selling Point that could be used to promote the town, as different from T Wells and Sevenoaks.

Off-street response – Reference number 2643

I object to charges until 8pm.

Disgusting! What do you expect local businesses to do when times are tough enough

Off-street response – Reference number 2646

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2647

I object to charges until 8pm.

If you want to drive away customers and adversely affect the hospitality sector this is the way to go about it, you should be considering how to increase footfall.

Off-street response – Reference number 2648

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2649

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2653

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2654

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2655

I object to charges on Sundays.

Need some freedom of paying for people who are shopping late, doing fitness classes and swimming

Off-street response – Reference number 2656

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2657

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2659

I object to charges until 8pm.

The extension of parking charges to 8pm will make it restrictive for residents who are often forced to use car parks near their homes due to lack of space in residents bays. The introduction of Sunday charging means an increased cost to residents in West Malling town centre who will now have to ask all family and friends to pay to visit them or pay themselves for a 24 hour visitor permit. This is an unfair new cost for residents - £1.40 x 52 weeks of the year for a family member coming each Sunday to visit for lunch! It will also push cars visiting residents to on-street bays to avoid car park charges. Not great to have to ask your family to move their car after 4 hours on Christmas Day if they are forced into the car park as there are no spaces in residents bays even if I do pay for a visitors permit it often cannot be used as there are no spaces. Town Centre parking is needed by residents too. This new scheme is entirely focussed on trade and commercial activity.

Off-street response – Reference number 2660

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2664

I object to charges until 8pm.

You lot really are despicable.

Off-street response – Reference number 2665

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

The same comments as to the proposed increase in charges apply here. Many residents who are struggling with increases to the cost of living cannot afford parking charges and so utilise these free off peak parking periods will be kept way from the town centre, thus having a knock on effect to the businesses operating in the area. This will push yet more shoppers to the out of town retail parks where parking is free of charge. Further, charging Angel Centre and swimming pool users to park at off peak times will keep residents away from using these health and fitness facilities which will have a knock on effect on the health and wellbeing of the residents of the town.

Personally, I currently have a membership at the Angel Centre. I live 7 miles away so walking is not possible. If car parking is going to be charged for at off peak hours (evenings, Sundays and Bank Holidays) then the additional cost to me will make my membership no longer worthwhile - I would be able to join a private gym in the area with far superior facilities (including free parking) for less cost. I expect many users of the Angel Centre (and swimming pool) would be in the same position, thus TMBC will lose many of its members (and the income generated from the membership fees).

If any changes to the car parking charges at the Angel Centre and swimming pool should be considered, it should be that the charges be reduced and/or free for users of these facilities as TBMC are already generating significant income from these users through their membership fees. This would encourage more people in the borough to be physically active and healthier as a result, the importance of which cannot be underestimated.

Off-street response – Reference number 2667

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2668

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2670

I object to charges until 8pm.

It sounds like a money making exercise for the Council.

Off-street response – Reference number 2671

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2673

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2674

I support charges until 8pm.

Bringing in charges for Sundays & Bank Holidays will affect the various Farmer's Markets and special events held on these days.

Off-street response – Reference number 2675

I object to charges until 8pm.

Sundays are driven by free car parking - where is the evidence that they are not? Especially in the towns where people may go shopping and lunch on a Sunday or Bank holiday. Also free parking during week days should stay from 6 pm onwards. To say the shops have changed their hours is incorrect - most retail shops close at 5.30 apart from supermarket which have historically closed at a slightly later time. You are now targeting your charges at people that come home from work and would then have to pay to park near their place of residence or people frequenting local pubs and restaurants for an early drink or meal. By raising the parking costs and introducing further hours you are driving people away from businesses that rely on this trading time.

Off-street response – Reference number 2677

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2678

I object to charges until 8pm.

Bank holidays and Sundays should always be free.

Off-street response – Reference number 2680

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2681

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2683

I object to charges until 8pm.

tmhc are money grabbing due to the fact they cant do what they were elected to do that is to care for those who put them where they are not ROB THEM

Off-street response – Reference number 2689

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2690

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2692

I object to charges until 8pm.

The increase in charges and extension to 8.00pm and Sundays and Bank Holidays will seriously impact churchgoers especially with reference to the Waterloo Road car park. St Stephen's does not have its own car park and many members of the congregation drive to church. There is limited parking space in the roads around (Waterloo Road and Douglas Road) and this will impact on residents in these areas too. It will also impact on evening meetings if the extension is to 8.00pm on every day of the week.

Off-street response – Reference number 2693

I object to charges until 8pm.

The extension charging to Bank Holidays seems disproportionate given the little it would raise and especially given the likely additional costs of enforcement on Bank Holidays.

The proposed extension to the charging period to 8pm from 6pm is not a move that I support. Many citizens use the facilities at the Angel Centre for health and sporting reasons after work, and making this change to the charging period would add a disincentive to pursuing social and health activities. Such a change would disproportionately affect older citizens, many of poor means, who enjoy the stimulation and company of evening meetings of such groups as the Tonbridge Civic Society, and the Tonbridge Historical Society.

Off-street response – Reference number 2694

I object to charges until 8pm.

This doesn't help the local community or businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 2695

I object to charges until 8pm.

You will kill all the reasons people chose to visit Tonbridge

Off-street response – Reference number 2697

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2699

I object to charges until 8pm.

The new parking times & charges are going to cause so many limitations on peoples leisure time.

We have extensive leisure & sports facilities in Tonbridge with the Angel Centre, Sportsgound, Castle, River and walks.

Also for the restaurants/café's for socialising.

As well as regular Church services, lots of regular social community groups take place in Church halls within the town, daytime & evenings.

It could limit volunteer workers within Charity Shops who are unpaid.

We are advised to get out and do sport and socialise for our mental health.

The buses only run at limited times, if at all, on Sundays & Bank Holidays.

It could be very costly for anyone/families wanting to spend the day taking advantage of our Tonbridge amenities.

Off-street response – Reference number 2700

I object to charges until 8pm.

In a cost of living crisis, this is something that residents and local business cannot afford.

Off-street response – Reference number 2701

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2702

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2703

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2704

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2707

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge is my town of choice for shopping and dining out. This is because of the plentiful and free parking from 6pm and Sundays. I would not use Tonbridge high st otherwise.

Off-street response – Reference number 2708

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2709

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2710

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is just a money grab, other car parks around Maidstone and Medway have done this and the towns have either lost business or visitors have parked in side roads causing parking problems for residents.

Given the current cost of living crisis this can't be right?

Off-street response – Reference number 2711

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2714

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2715

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2716

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2717

I object to charges until 8pm.

No one will want to come to Tonbridge and will go to Bluewater or Lakeside .. The Town needs visitors and with these stupid proposals the town will be dead.Well done TMBC

Off-street response – Reference number 2718

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2719

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2722

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

This follows the route that Sevenoaks has taken over the years of gradually eradicating any free parking. We frequently visit towns in France that are thriving centres of shops, markets and restaurants where parking is free and visitors plentiful and small shops thrive. People are happy to spend money and support local businesses and spend more freely where there are no charges. Businesses are successful, business rates are paid. Decrease income for businesses, they close, no rates and boarding up shops/eateries. I do wonder what TMBC really wants for its towns and villages.

Off-street response – Reference number 2724

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2725

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2726

I object to charges until 8pm.

I believe the current parking fees and times are sufficient to control the car parks

Off-street response – Reference number 2727

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2728

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2729

I support charges until 8pm.

There is no mention of motorcycle parking, new or existing.

Off-street response – Reference number 2731

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2732

I object to charges until 8pm.

if there is a further parking restriction in West Malling, then I would not be visiting and will use other free parking areas in the county. This will be a big loss to the town and their trade as a whole.

Off-street response – Reference number 2733

I object to charges until 8pm.

if there is a further parking restriction in West Malling, then I would not be visiting and will use other free parking areas in the county. This will be a big loss to the town and their trade as a whole.

Off-street response – Reference number 2734

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2735

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will only push people to the free-parking superstores that will do more harm to the town centre.

Off-street response – Reference number 2738

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2739

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2740

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2741

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2742

I object to charges until 8pm.

See my previous comments

Off-street response – Reference number 2743

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2744

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2745

I object to charges until 8pm.

My response is written from a Public Health Perspective, as I am a Public Health Practitioner. I do not support the proposal to extend charging periods, or to charge on Sundays or Bank Holidays, in Tonbridge. As described in the text above "There is also significant demand for parking on Sundays - not driven by free parking – but driven by the opportunity to participate in leisure activities [i.e., sports] and attend events [i.e. sports events]". That is to say, the main utilizers in Tonbridge of the car parks close to the Racecourse Sportsground Park and close to the swimming pool, on Sundays and Bank Holidays, are those wishing to participate in sport!!

It's absolutely non-sensical, in an era of obesity and the huge cost of obesity, to remove free parking and thereby put people off coming into town to participate in sport, or put people off support their children to participate in sport. Those participating in Sunday morning rugby, football, running, swimming, walking in the park and many other sports activities would be affected. I fundamentally do not support a proposal which discourages families and others from participating in vital physical activity. I would like to request a comment from the Public Health Team or the One You Team on the proposals to remove free parking in Tonbridge on Sundays/Bank Holidays and thereby put people off coming to the Tonbridge Racecourse Sportsground Park, rugby club, football pitches and the pool, to participate in sport.

Off-street response – Reference number 2746

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2747

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2749

I object to charges until 8pm.

Motorists and motorcyclists are not money -pits

Off-street response – Reference number 2750

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2751

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2754

I object to charges until 8pm.

Introducing these proposed charges will drive people away from using West Malling, harming local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 2755

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2757

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2758

I object to charges until 8pm.

It is extremely expensive in tonbridge and shop opening hours in tonbridge are hardly any different

Off-street response – Reference number 2759

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2760

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2761

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2762

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2763

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2764

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2765

I object to charges until 8pm.

I believe that this proposal is a poor excuse for an opportunistic cash grab and is not beneficial to any stakeholder other than the council itself. My partner and I are members of the gym at the angel centre and the swimming pool. We go to the gym or pool 5 days a week - after 6pm on weekdays and during the day on Sundays. This is mostly driven by the free parking during these hours. Changing these times so that they are chargeable would result in a 100% increase in the cost of these activities, which would likely mean we stop going. I am sure there are many others in the area in the same position. This proposed change only negatively affects the businesses in the area and discourages people from improving their physical and mental health.

The summary text above references that the high demand on Sundays is not driven by free parking. However, a charge will deter people from carrying out tasks, participating in leisure activities and attending events for which you state there isn't currently enough parking. You say that it is extremely difficult to find a parking space on a Sunday for leisure activities, so you are considering charging people to engage in those very leisure activities so that there are less people engaging in leisure activities taking the spaces of people who want to engage in leisure activities? How is that better for the users of the car parks or the surrounding area?

Thank you for your consideration.

Off-street response – Reference number 2766

I object to charges until 8pm.

Given the state of high businesses, the council should be doing everything they can to support them including free parking at times when people have time to actually use the shops!

Off-street response – Reference number 2768

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2769

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2770

I object to charges until 8pm.

It is especially necessary to encourage people to participate in sport, and even with changes in usage hours I still believe most car parks are underutilised on weekdays after 6pm. Also, it is appropriate to encourage people to visit retail venues at off peak times and on non peak days, and introducing charges as planned would negatively affect this.

Off-street response – Reference number 2771

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2773

I object to charges on Sundays.

This will significantly affect local community use. Very unlikely to impact on those visiting Tonbridge to use the river etc or play football/rugby against Tonbridge teams. Would discourage me and my family from using local facilities in evenings and weekends.

Off-street response – Reference number 2774

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2775

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2776

I object to charges on Sundays.

This is a pure money grabbing scheme. Would be detrimental to local restaurants, pubs and shops.

Off-street response – Reference number 2778

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2779

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2780

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2781

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2782

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2783

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2785

I object to charges until 8pm.

anything to to take more money from the motorist again. THINK ABOUT IT ! this needs more planning and being fair to the public.

Off-street response – Reference number 2786

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2787

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2789

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2790

I object to charges until 8pm.

These proposals will have an adverse impact on regular users of Tonbridge Swimming Pool and, in particular, the Angel Centre. I have detailed this in a separate paper to the Council however, fundamentally, regular users of both centres that use the facilities to enhance their personal physical and mental health and wellbeing will suffer a significant financial disadvantage that may result in detriment to the overall health of our local community. These proposals may also undermine the financial model of the Trust that is currently proposing a zero sum Service Fee to operate and manage these vital community services on behalf of the Council.

Off-street response – Reference number 2791

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2792

I object to charges until 8pm.

I strongly object to this proposal. Very short sighted. West Malling is an attractive place to visit and stroll and eat . This will deter people from outside and also lead residents to do their shopping in Kings Hill where parking is free.

Off-street response – Reference number 2793

I object to charges until 8pm.

parking charges deter shoppers and they will go elsewhere and local traders will disappear

Off-street response – Reference number 2794

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2796

I object to charges on Sundays.

As stated above, the town centre is already in danger of dying with the empty Beales site and threats to town centre leisure facilities. People are already put off using the Angel centre (and high street shops) because parking charges make classes and gym use too expensive. One example is that the Tuesday walking football relocated to Tonbridge Farm during covid and never returned because of parking costs. You must at least offer special dispensation to those using tactive facilities while they remain in town. Other councils manage to offer free limited time parking (Paddock Wood, Southborough) and as a consequence keep local shops and facilities thriving. If TMBC want to kill off Tonbridge town centre, making parking even more prohibitive is an excellent way to do it.

Off-street response – Reference number 2799

I object to charges until 8pm.

I object to the extension of the charging period to 8pm for the car park based at Sainsbury's in Tonbridge as most of the surrounding shops are closed so the demand for this car park is very low at this time. This proposed change will primarily impact the users of the Angel Centre gym as most of the classes are scheduled between 6 - 8pm, and as the classes are an hour long users will need to pay for two hours in order to arrive and set up for the classes on time. This will reduce the affordability of the gym. It is not clear what benefit this would achieve since the car park is in low demand at those times.

I support the proposed changes to charge for parking on Sundays and bank holidays as the demand for the car park is high during these times.

Off-street response – Reference number 2800

I object to charges until 8pm.

This has an awful effect for people struggling in a cosy of living crisis and the business that so rely on their business. Please do not extend these hours it will drive people away from an already failing high street.

Off-street response – Reference number 2801

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will damage the local community's ability to gather together especially in these economic times.

Off-street response – Reference number 2802

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2803

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2804

I object to charges on Sundays.

Apart from mainly bank holiday weekends where there may be nearby events there is little in Tonbridge High Street area to attract many shoppers on a Sunday.

Off-street response – Reference number 2805

I object to charges until 8pm.

There should be free parking for at least either 30 minutes or 1 hour. Without this, there will be increased parking on nearby residential roads. If charging is proposed, the rates for over 1 hour to be increased to give the same financial outcome. No data is given to support the need to charge on Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays, nor is any survey data quoted to demonstrate the claimed low turnover, which is not my experience.

Free parking on Sundays in the West Malling High Street and Ryarsh Lane car parks are necessary to support the monthly farmers' markets and church services.

Since one of the objectives is conformity, Ryarsh Lane should be free after 5.30pm as will be the West Malling High Street car park.

On 13 December, I wrote seeking the number of tickets issued in the West Malling High Street for vehicles staying for 30 mins, 1 hour, 2 hours or 3 hours from which one can see the effect of free car parking for 30 minutes or 1 hour would have on the other tariffs if the same financial outcome is required. I have not received any reply.

The consultation document also does not state the increased income expected for each proposal, which is necessary to judge between them.

Mary Portas recommended that market towns should have free parking to assist their viability. When car parking charges were introduced in West Malling, many lost footfall and had reduced income, some closing altogether. This reduced the business rate income to TMBC. This should be factored into the calculation.

It is not easy to follow this method of consultation. For example, the proposals for Ryarsh Lane cannot even be read as the writing is truncated, nor have I seen a series of questions about Ryarsh Lane. The consultation re Ryarsh Lane is thus flawed and should not be used as a basis for decision making.

I have also not been able to find a paper copy of the questionnaire which might have been easier to follow. In addition, I wanted to save my draft comments whilst I considered the matter further, but this hasn't been given as an option and doesn't seem possible. I feel that this method of consultation will therefore deter many from submitting their comments or result in incomplete responses.

Off-street response – Reference number 2806

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2807

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2808

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2810

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2811

I object to charges until 8pm.

It's okay, I'll go to Bluewater, Hempstead or Lakeside.... Free parking!

Off-street response – Reference number 2812

I object to charges until 8pm.

The papers state that the car parking charges increased proposed in section 14 are designed to cover the increase in costs. The changes proposed in this section will increase revenue. Where is this money being allocated? Many people in the town are under some financial pressure. This change will provide an additional cost / barrier to undertaking leisure activities in the town. Such activities improve the physical and mental well being of those involved for all age groups.

Off-street response – Reference number 2813

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2814

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2817

I object to charges until 8pm.

The proposed increases in hours would leave The Society members incurring additional costs for our monthly evening meeting, commencing from 7.15pm, at The Angel Centre. The Society will have to monitor the effect this charge may have on its activities and respond accordingly.

In-lieu of always increasing charges, has the Council considered introducing a Free Parking element within the overall parking period similar to Tunbridge Wells BC parking charges in Paddock Wood and by other local authorities. A number of coastal authorities in South-west England have free parking

after 4.00 or 5.00pm in the evening. This helps stimulates the local late afternoon and early evening economy. The Council should be doing everything to help stimulate growth and vitality within the Borough and all these proposed charges will have the opposite effect.

Off-street response – Reference number 2818

I object to charges until 8pm.

One of the reasons I may drive into town to shop on a Sunday is that there is free parking. I feel the high street, including the pubs/restaurants, would suffer if these charges were introduced.

Off-street response – Reference number 2819

I object to charges until 8pm.

Car parks close to stations provide a safe space for vulnerable people to quickly get to the safety of a car. It should be affordable/free after 6pm as darkness falls. Lots of people will be unable to attend their support groups. Valuable family bonding time may be less attainable at weekends. Not all supermarkets will refund the charge when using their stores.

Off-street response – Reference number 2820

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2821

I object to charges until 8pm.

Any extra charges will discourage people from parking and visiting the town. Will you also introduce card payments at ticket machines as in Sevenoaks and Tunbridge Wells? I also think it is important that the council owned swimming pool continues to refund car parking charges if extra charges are put in place otherwise it will put people off swimming memberships and lessons.

Off-street response – Reference number 2822

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2823

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2824

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2826

I object to charges until 8pm.

As a regular user of the Angel Centre for the benefit of my mental and physical health & wellbeing and a full time worker, I would feel very much less inclined to attend sessions, as the majority are after 6pm.

I am able to park up straight from my place of work, which I drive to and attend sessions that I pay a substantial amount for, in a building not fit for purpose. I would object to paying more on top of the session cost to park. On the weekends when I am not working I am able to cycle or walk. Once again, I would object to attending a health and fitness centre where I pay a membership and then have to pay for parking on top. I would look to taking my money and custom outside of the town to fit in with my work and fair/free parking.

The instructors are paid a minimal wage, as I am sure the centre staff are too and I am sure would object greatly to paying for parking without any subsidy.

With the lack of regular & reliable bus services and public transport to the town for people living on the outskirts of town, we should be facilitating as much as possible fair parking fees.

Off-street response – Reference number 2827

I object to charges until 8pm.

Introducing more expensive parking or getting rid of free parking on Sundays or Bank Holidays will not support local businesses, but drive customers to other places where parking is free. I also choose to visit the pool and gym when parking is free as it helps reduce my costs.

Off-street response – Reference number 2828

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will stop visitors coming to the town.

I am a member of St Mary's Church and I can walk to services but there are a lot of people that can't, this will stop them coming. Also what about the weddings, funerals and baptisms. There are also concerts held in our church at different times and Music at Malling.

We have a lot of independent traders who will loose trade.

Off-street response – Reference number 2830

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2834

I object to charges until 8pm.

I am a member and regular worshiper at West Malling Baptist Church, many of the congregation come from outside West Malling. A number of events take place at the church serving the local community as well as Sunday worship. These events often last a several hours. Paying for parking could and would not only make taking part in worship and these events costly and more difficult but it would also put people off using the local facilities; with so much competition around the area with out of town shops, West Malling traders would suffer greatly.

Off-street response – Reference number 2835

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2836

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2839

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2840

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2842

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2843

I object to charges on Sundays.

Church congregations do much to serve the local community, whether these be young, older, or needing foodbanks. These new charging periods will result in churchgoers having to pay to park when they are in church - and, no, not all are able to walk! So, probably for over 2 hours. This is most unreasonable and I strongly object.

Off-street response – Reference number 2844

I support charges on Sundays.

Charging until 8pm would affect the footfall of local businesses that depend on evening trade. I.e. restaurants and pubs

Off-street response – Reference number 2845

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2846

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

Parking charges are high enough in my opinion.

I strongly object to extending the hours and including everyday.

The parking wardens, in my experience in Tonbridge, have become quite intimidating lately. On a couple of occasions I have pulled into a near empty car park in Tonbridge town centre, turned my car off, picked my phone up to use the Ringo parking app, and I have literally had a warden knocking on my window to ask where my ticket is. This approach is not acceptable.

Off-street response – Reference number 2847

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will affect local businesses. People cannot afford these charges. Locals do not benefit

Off-street response – Reference number 2848

I object to charges until 8pm.

I object to your proposed increases because any increase will drive more people to park within the Slade residential area for the above reasons.

Off-street response – Reference number 2849

I object to charges until 8pm.

As a resident of the Slade area, with its very restricted on-street parking, I have to ask guests to park in local car parks and walk to my house when they visit. I do not want them to have to pay even more just to visit me, especially in the evenings, on Sundays and on Bank Holidays which are the usual and traditional times for visiting friends and family.

Off-street response – Reference number 2850

I object to charges on Sundays.

Introducing charges at these times will absolutely kill off the few businesses which remain in Tonbridge town centre. Charging into the evenings will push people to visit out of town pubs and restaurants for dinner and drinks, instead of businesses in the town centre. Similarly, the Angel Centre gym and Tonbridge Swimming Pool will be affected - I would have to cancel my membership if these charges were introduced, as I cannot afford to pay for parking on top of the membership cost.

Off-street response – Reference number 2851

I object to charges until 8pm.

If you extend the charging period to Sundays and Bank Holidays, you will kill Tonbridge. People will no longer visit events in the town and will not come to shop here and spend the whole day as they do now. Businesses will suffer and eventually close. They already have to pay a lot in Business Rates and if footfall is reduced they will surely close. Please support the very few shops that we do have in Tonbridge. The local council should be working towards bringing our town back to life again, and free parking on Sundays and Bank Holidays will help.

Off-street response – Reference number 2852

I object to charges until 8pm.

Completely unnecessary

Off-street response – Reference number 2853

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2854

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2856

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is unnecessary in Tonbridge

Off-street response – Reference number 2858

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2859

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2861

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2862

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

This impacts business and families having access to affordable fitness activities

Off-street response – Reference number 2863

I object to charges until 8pm.

None of the shops in these villages are open until 8. Why charge beyond working hours? It's just a money making scheme which again will dissuade people from using the area. It is our local area and it gradually being degraded every week.

Off-street response – Reference number 2864

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2865

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2866

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2867

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2868

I object to charges until 8pm.

I find the reason for these increases unbelievable. The impact on the town will be disastrous. Tonbridge car parks are heaving on a Sunday. It will kill the Sunday Market. Charge, and that High Street footfall will be adversely affected. Given the heavy business rates, what else do you fancy doing to kill the town.

If the current ticket machines are not taking enough to cover expenses (and are needing extension of hours and Sunday charging), then the council needs a forensic accountant to review the situation.

Off-street response – Reference number 2869

I object to charges until 8pm.

The proposal to introduce parking charges in the evenings on Mondays to Saturdays and on Sundays, although unsurprising, is still disappointing. As a regular user of Tonbridge swimming pool, I have tended to visit on Sundays and weekday evenings to take advantage of free parking. The addition of parking charges immediately makes membership much worse value for money compared to other

private gym / swimming operators who offer free parking. Could consideration be given to providing Tonbridge Swimming Pool / Angel Centre members and users free or discounted parking while using the facilities e.g. through a permit or through terminals in the premises that users could input their registration?

Parking machines that accept credit / debit cards would also be welcome. I think Tonbridge is rather behind the times in having machines that only accept coins. Machines in Tunbridge Wells and other nearby areas not only accept cards but allow customers to check in and out, thereby only paying for the time period they actually need rather than having to guess in advance how long they will need and therefore be likely pay more than should be necessary. While I appreciate that users can already pay by app, I have personally had a bad experience with another parking app and would much prefer to be able to pay directly by card, not to mention that the app charges a service fee on top of the cost of parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 2870

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2871

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

By introducing parking charges on bank holiday and Sundays you will kill Tonbridge High Street. I'm a retail manager and know full well that Sunday's are a busy day on the High Street as lots of people come into town mainly as it's free parking which is a good thing as they are supporting local businesses. Neighbouring towns such as Sevenoaks, Tunbridge Wells and Maidstone charge on Sundays hence why people choose to come to Tonbridge surely we want people coming to the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 2872

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2873

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2874

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2876

I object to charges until 8pm.

Sunday free parking in west malling supports attendance at Church and also aids visitors joining for baptism services and concert type events. Sunday free parking helps enable the Farmer's Market to

be a success and contribute to local business and economy as well as a thriving village community. I believe parking charges would suppress this and send people out of borough to places like Bluewater which offer a greater range of shops and experiences and free parking

Off-street response – Reference number 2877

I object to charges until 8pm.

It is unfair to penalise people during their leisure time and this may mean they go elsewhere to shop and socialise IE Bluewater

Off-street response – Reference number 2879

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2880

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2881

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2883

I object to charges until 8pm.

I am (REDACTED) Christ Church URC on the High Street next to Boots. Since Sunday bus service is not the same as the rest of the week, most of our congregation (and the RCCG church that also worships here) use the Angel Lane car park on a Sunday morning, which at the moment is free. We also have AA groups, MIND cafe, Brownies & Guides and other groups that meet in the evening who utilise the free parking after 6pm. As a church, we are concerned that the proposed changes to car park charging times to extend to 8pm in the evening and include Sundays and Bank holidays (which would include Christmas presumably) would cause problems for people accessing support and practicing their faith. That may not seem much to people without a religion, but reality is quite a few in our fellowship are older people who have been bereaved and church is their social contact and emotional and spiritual support. As we all found during covid, these things are important for wellbeing- physical, mental and emotional. For some folks, support groups that meet in our building and church community are a lifeline. Introducing an extension of charges could cause an unnecessary barrier for folks accessing support for mental health, addiction and social interaction, as well as spiritual support. Please reconsider.

Off-street response – Reference number 2885

I object to charges on Sundays.

Do we not pay enough taxes and other charges without these extra compulsories?

Off-street response – Reference number 2886

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2887

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2888

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2889

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2890

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2891

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2892

I object to charges until 8pm.

Any charges made from 6 till 8 will affect the restaurants and local pubs. This will be bad for the local trade and small businesses

Off-street response – Reference number 2893

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2894

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge has always been such a better place for parking especially in the summer periods if in change that will stop

Off-street response – Reference number 2895

I object to charges until 8pm.

West Malling Car Park (Tesco's) does not need to charge. There is always space on a Sunday so the only reason for charging is to make money and I do not feel that is the right way to do things. People will park on residential roads which will cause difficulties for residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 2897

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2898

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

Tonbridge is a vibrant family friendly town. Need to support all the activities (eg xmas and St Georges day parades), and evening clubs etc. Council is being money grabbing and cynically treating visitors as cash cows! Deter visitors and Tonbridge will be so much poorer.

Off-street response – Reference number 2899

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2900

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2901

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2902

I object to charges until 8pm.

Car parks are already too expensive and I avoid using the shops unless I also need to go to Sainsbury's so will get my money back. I often go into town purposely on a Sunday to avoid the parking costs. Instead I will just stay with the options on the industrial estate or go to Bluewater. You are driving people from the high street which is already struggling. Bank holidays are for relaxing and not panicking you're going to be back to your car late. By all means wardens should give penalties to those parked obstructively or by the taxis all parked over double yellows at the rank but leave those parked responsibly in bays alone.

Off-street response – Reference number 2903

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2904

I object to charges until 8pm.

Council just wanting more money they don't care about other people we pay enough council tax for the area. You are gonna lose people wanting to come and visit and effect businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 2905

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2906

I object to charges until 8pm.

There are places I reserve going to until the parking is free. Introducing charges on Sundays and Bank Holidays will have an economic impact on local businesses as many people and families in the current cost of living crisis will only be able to visit places when parking fees do not apply.

Off-street response – Reference number 2907

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

I needless charge. Such proposals reflect badly on the council. Money grabbing, and not offering anything in return.

Off-street response – Reference number 2909

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2910

I object to charges until 8pm.

With the restriction of only being able to claim back 1 hour parking at sainsburys it is making it increasingly more expensive to use any other shops or services in Tonbridge. I'm a member of the angel centre gym so if I were to drive and use the gym and then go to sainsburys I would be paying for 2 hours and only getting one hour back now. If charging is introduced past 6pm (when people pop to sainsburys after work) or Sundays then more and more people will go to out if then shops or away from Tonbridge losing more trade. Especially on farmer market days etc. why not put in a small multi-storey car park on one of the sites to increase parking and encourage more people to come. On the Sainsburys site in Worcester Park they did this with great success.

Off-street response – Reference number 2911

I object to charges until 8pm.

We already are suffering with the rise in items in shops so by changing when charging applies in car parks is just adding to this!

By extending the payment times to after 6pm, Sundays and bank holidays the people who will struggle the most are bars and restaurants because people will go elsewhere which in turn will cause Tonbridge to become more of a ghost town than it already is!

The council need to help its residents and the local business and in my opinion this isn't the way forward!

Off-street response – Reference number 2912

I object to charges until 8pm.

Sure fire way to kill a dwindling high street and the livelihoods of those that work there. So much positive community events take place such as sport on Sunday, don't penalise local residents for improving their health and wellbeing by taxing them on travelling into the area by car

Off-street response – Reference number 2914

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2915

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2916

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2917

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2919

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2921

I object to charges until 8pm.

With rising cost of living - but no additional costs to parking on land that the council already owns, it's a daylight robbery by the council yet again

Off-street response – Reference number 2922

I object to charges until 8pm.

Introducing Sunday charges would mean people have to pay for parking when they go to church in Tonbridge town centre. This will push cars onto free streets nearby. It's already annoying that to do a food shop in Sainsburys you have to pay the majority of the time and charging on a Sunday will reduce trade as people are more likely to shop where parking is free. I never have change for the car park to be able to claim my parking back and this pushes up the cost of a weekly shop unless you go on a Sunday when it's free.

Charging later on weekdays and weekends will make it more expensive to visit my friends in town, attend my evening classes at the adult education centre and attend evening church events. It could reduce restaurant trade, pushing people to out of town options where parking is free.

Off-street response – Reference number 2923

I object to charges until 8pm.

The only shop open is Sainsburys, not the whole high street. It will put people off using the Angel centre and the swimming pool. This is a cynical, money grabbing exercise by a council that does nothing for its residents but fleece them. Our town needs to encourage visitors, not rip them off. I bet allowances for councillors go up nicely too.

This will be a punitive step that only serves to swell the council coffers, rather than benefit the town or its residents. There is no justification for it at all.

Off-street response – Reference number 2924

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2925

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is a revenue generator. We already pay too much for parking. The machines don't give change and some are placed with no wi-fi

Off-street response – Reference number 2926

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2928

I object to charges on Sundays.

This would discourage people to visit Tonbridge and is not required please leave it as it is as it works perfectly well.

Off-street response – Reference number 2929

I support charges until 8pm.

Charges should

- cover maintenance costs, and
- ration use.

Prices should be lower during quiet periods, but higher during busy periods.

Have policies that encourage walking and cycling

Off-street response – Reference number 2930

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2932

I object to charges until 8pm.

Stop trying to ruin peoples lives.

Off-street response – Reference number 2933

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2934

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2936

I object to charges until 8pm.

Parking charges are reducing footfall on the high street and causing closure of local businesses. I work from home and actively plan my trips into town based on when I do not pay for extortionate parking

Off-street response – Reference number 2937

I object to charges until 8pm.

Our high street is already struggling, this will only destroy it further. We should be encouraging people into the high street and shops. Not making it more difficult and costly at a time when people are struggling financially.

Off-street response – Reference number 2938

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2939

I object to charges until 8pm.

We need people to come to Tonbridge to shop and use the restaurants and cafes. There are a lot of sports going on and the swimming pool and park are a major draw as is the castle and river. Why not lower the business rates, perhaps enticing more independent shops rather than big companies. How about Beales old shop, three years empty is not really good enough, surely there's someone with the necessary good ideas to use the Beales shop, although I very much doubt Sainsburys will be very obliging. I thank you for providing this chance for us to put our points.

Off-street response – Reference number 2940

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2941

I object to charges until 8pm.

The proposal to extend the periods of parking charges makes me think that the council would like to turn Tonbridge into a Ghost town! I would have thought that the council would like to encourage businesses to be more successful, not shackle them by imposing further parking charges. We should be celebrating that Tonbridge is busy on a Sunday and that people want to come to Tonbridge to enjoy the excellent choice of venues for evening meals, not penalize them by charging for parking.

In the explanation notes for this section of the consultation for the extension to 8pm, it states that "However, retail opening times have changed significantly – many shops are open later and some (large retail supermarkets) are open 24 hours." It can be of no surprise to know that most of the shops on the High Street have closed by 6pm, so not additional income generated from parking charges there and the supermarkets in Tonbridge will refund the parking on a £10 spend in the store, therefore no additional income from there either. What would be impacted by parking charges to 8pm are the sporting venues, clubs, entertainment and hospitality. As an example, we are very lucky to have an excellent choice of places to go out for a meal in Tonbridge and free parking certainly makes a difference when people are deciding where to go.

Another point made in the explanatory notes, is "There is also significant demand for parking on Sundays – not driven by free parking, but by the opportunity to carry out tasks, participate in leisure activities and attend events on what is for most a non-working day." Is this statement based on a survey of people using the car parks on a Sunday? Because without the data, this statement is invalid and therefore should not be considered. Although, if the council is using this an excuse to introduce Sunday charging, then that goes back to my original point, that the council want to discourage people from using Tonbridge centre businesses and amenities.

If there is great pressure on parking spaces, maybe the council should consider adding additional levels to some of the town centre car parks, as has been done in the car park at Tonbridge Railway Station.

I wonder whether the overtime wages of the parking wardens to monitor the proposed extra parking hours would outweigh and extra income generated.

My comments about Sunday charging also apply to Bank Holidays.

Please give Tonbridge a chance to prosper in these difficult times and make a place where people want to shop, have their hair done, have a coffee, enjoy a Pilates class, volunteer at a Charity shop, choose a book in the Library, and go for a walk around the Racecourse Park, without having to worry about how much the parking is costing or if their time has run out.

Off-street response – Reference number 2942

I object to charges until 8pm.

The proposed changes would be detrimental to encouraging people into the town and people would then go to shop elsewhere out of town for free therefore there would more likely be a loss in revenue.

Off-street response – Reference number 2943

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2944

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2947

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2950

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2952

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2953

I object to charges on Sundays.

Free parking at these times is important for our local economy as it draws people into Tonbridge town centre.

Off-street response – Reference number 2954

I object to charges until 8pm.

I have a personal interest in not extending the charging period because it will likely kill attendance at our support group on Monday evening. I support Sunday charging because car parks can get full early and stay full all day.

Off-street response – Reference number 2955

I object to charges on Sundays.

This proposal will deter the public coming to Tonbridge for shopping or recreational purposes late evening and weekends./bank holidays .We need the footfall in the town, to encourage more business operators to remain and develop. There are insufficient "late" transport services into the villages, and people will go elsewhere. Tonbridge is not a second rate town & we need to continue to build on it's attraction not push it back into decline.

Off-street response – Reference number 2956

I object to charges until 8pm.

Paying to park on Sunday could have an adverse effect on the Farmers Market, and extending the time until 8pm means that you would need to employ more parking attendants. Are you going to bring in pay and display at the TMBC offices at Kings Hill.

Off-street response – Reference number 2957

I object to charges until 8pm.

I feel this would have a detrimental affect on the already struggling High Street on Sundays and the various eateries in the evening.

Off-street response – Reference number 2960

I object to charges until 8pm.

Keep it as it is

Off-street response – Reference number 2961

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is ludicrous. You see how the shops benefit on a Sunday during free parking. DO NOT introduce this insane idea.

Off-street response – Reference number 2962

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2963

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2965

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2966

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2967

I object to charges until 8pm.

The Council must want to Kill off Tonbridge to Residents and Visitors alike, making it a Ghost Town like Tunbridge Wells.

Charging for Sunday parking means people regularly attending Church Services will have to pay to park. Sunday and Bank Holidays, visitors to our Castle, our big asset, and River Medway and surrounding grounds will be targeted.

Being a member of Tonbridge Lions, the community events we organise for charity for the benefit of Tonbridge residents, Community Fete, Christmas Festival, St George's Day Parade, Dragon Boat Race etc, our own members and the rest of the public will be penalised.

To extend charges to 8pm is grossly unfair to people attending concerts and social occasions in our town of Tonbridge.

We trust the Council will see reason and let our Town be enjoyed by all on Sundays, Bank Holidays and Evenings without extra charges!

Off-street response – Reference number 2968

I object to charges until 8pm.

A lot of lower paid residents would be discouraged from shopping locally and businesses would suffer.

Off-street response – Reference number 2969

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge does not need any more reasons to drive people away from using the town centre

Off-street response – Reference number 2970

I object to charges until 8pm.

I strongly oppose these changes. Free parking in the evenings and on Sundays helps to boost footfall to the High Street and supports local shops and restaurants. Particularly in the winter when it's dark, it's good to know I can drive down to town and get home safely if I want to go out in the evening.

Off-street response – Reference number 2971

I object to charges until 8pm.

I think the increased charging hours will hit pubs as people will go out later to avoid parking charges. I also think introducing charges on Sunday and Bank Holidays will push people to shop elsewhere. I for one will go to Bluewater or Lakeside as they are both free to park.

Off-street response – Reference number 2972

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2973

I object to charges until 8pm.

Awful idea. We need to encourage people to come and support local businesses, extended car parking hours are a deterrent. We should be creating happy hours and regular promotions to encourage people to shop locally or we will have more and more empty units in town. It's good that businesses are open beyond the charging period, it creates positive impact on the town, it's economy and vibe. It's awful to see the town dying and becoming silent in late afternoon/early evening, why would you want to encourage that? Similarly, on Sundays and bank holidays, we have people visiting our town from other places, sightseeing, checking out the castle, the park, Haysden. It's a great tourist destination, why would you penalise people by extending the car parking charges period? It's short term thinking completely not envisaging the impact on our economy and attractiveness for visitors.

Off-street response – Reference number 2974

I object to charges until 8pm.

If people have reasons to use local business/facilities/amenities, to see that as an opportunity to take more money off people is disgraceful, the 'people' already pay for amenities, it's what that vast amount of council tax is for, if services cannot be provided maybe that money should be withheld.

I for one often pop into Wetherspoons for a cheap meal after work, if I then have to pay parking it is no longer a cheap meal and I won't do it.

Off-street response – Reference number 2975

I object to charges until 8pm.

I very strongly object to these proposals. The after six parking charge would hit those coming in to town to socialise and use our remaining pubs and restaurants. These businesses keep the liveliness and character of a town and create vibrancy. Also, many people, me included, would stop past the

shops on the way home from work to pick up a few things. The convenience of it being free makes it an easy thing to do. Families are so financially squeezed, paying for later parking would stop children using sports clubs such as Weald gymnastics, the angel centre, or the sports ground to walk, run and cycle in.

Off-street response – Reference number 2976

I object to charges until 8pm.

Being a member of the angel centre tonbridge and using every day between 1600-2000 hrs this adds more money which alongside the monthly membership will make it a better and cheaper options at the other gym operating in Tonbridge with free parking, so the increase and extra days would cause me to cancel my membership as soon as

Off-street response – Reference number 2977

I object to charges until 8pm.

Parking charges should remain up until 6pm and West Malling High Street should remain as short term parking for 1 hour to maintain the "turn over" to enable shoppers to visit short term, this also helps the shops. I no longer visit Tesco in West Malling to do my main shop as I now have to pay, in fact, I hardly go to West Malling these days. I will visit Nationwide, Post Office or Tesco as and when I have to and use the 1 hour free parking as I'm usually gone within the hour. It also costs a fortune if you have booked a restaurant. I feel the Council is trying to kill off all our local shops and high streets and will force businesses to close. Is this what you want?

Off-street response – Reference number 2979

I object to charges until 8pm.

Of late many Tonbridge car parks have been emptier and this increase in charging hours may simply be the last straw added to the cost of living, which means that people shop more online or in nearby retail areas with no parking charge.

Off-street response – Reference number 2980

I object to charges until 8pm.

I attend early evening meetings in Tonbridge Christ church our group use the Angel car park and the increase of payment required until 8pm would adversely affect many of the group members

Off-street response – Reference number 2982

I object to charges until 8pm.

I use a support group on a Monday 7/8 and members may not come if they have to pay to park

Off-street response – Reference number 2983

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2984

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2985

I object to charges until 8pm.

Extending the parking charges on weekdays will stop people from dining out and affect the restaurants in town, also greatly affect people who need to shop in Sainsbury's and Waitrose on weekday evenings.

Introduction of parking charge on Sundays and PH are severely destroying the business on high street, as people will tend to shop in retail park nearby instead of going into town.

Off-street response – Reference number 2986

I object to charges until 8pm.

The free parking on Sundays and bank holidays bring people into town helping to support local businesses. If people have to pay they simply not come to town or use the local residential area particularly the slade area where residents already struggle to park on their own street despite having to pay for their residents permit. As you don't need a permit on a Sunday visitors to the high street will try to park on the roads instead of paying for the car parks

Off-street response – Reference number 2987

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is such a negative move. I know elderly friends who shop on Sundays or evenings to avoid paying parking for reasons of financial hardship. It will certainly discourage me from driving to Tonbridge and I will go elsewhere where the parking charges are less punitive. I think parking is expensive enough in Tonbridge and the increase will not only discourage visitors to the limited shopping offer but discriminate against the less well off. I have no choice but to drive to Tonbridge as I live in Penshurst and there is no public transport option even though I am a pensioner.

Off-street response – Reference number 2988

I object to charges until 8pm.

Whilst I appreciate the need for the council to raise money these proposals will have a detrimental effect on visits to the Borough. People will be put off from and simply go out of town.

Off-street response – Reference number 2989

I object to charges until 8pm.

I will be shopping elsewhere if this happens.

I often pop into Sainsbury's on my way home (6.30pm). Or into town on a Sunday. Because of the free parking. I wouldn't do this if I had to pay. I would shop in the industrial estate.

The town will suffer.

Off-street response – Reference number 2990

I object to charges until 8pm.

As a registered Charity in the centre of Tonbridge we always try to hold special events for our Gymnasts and their parents on Sundays, because of the free parking locally. Having to pay for parking on Sundays would adversely influence the number of people who would attend our events. We try to make the sport of gymnastics affordable for all people in the community but adding parking charges as well is going to put people off coming to our events.

This, of course, doesn't only effect us but the Tonbridge markets and The Angel Centre and the shops that open on Sundays.

Off-street response – Reference number 2991

I object to charges until 8pm.

I attend a support group in Tonbridge and the extension to parking charges will have a massive effect on attendees to that group.

Off-street response – Reference number 2992

I object to charges until 8pm.

The AI Anon evening meetings on Mondays (7-8 pm) at The Christchurch United Reform Church on The High Street provides the vital support to those affected adversely and often severely by an addicted partner, relative, friend or colleague. This support is not provided in a way that truly works by any other agency such as counselling, NHS or Social Services etc. We need to ensure that free parking for our meetings is provided to properly enable us to continue this work dealing with the family disease of alcoholism and other addictions which can often lead to the recovery of the addicted person as well. A small price to pay/allow indeed! Also held on a Wednesday evening is the Alcoholics Anonymous meeting which would suffer the same fate and restriction for attenders.

Off-street response – Reference number 2993

I object to charges until 8pm.

Local support groups for Alcoholics Anonymous and Cocaine Anonymous members use this car park at 6:30 pm onwards. Saving the local community the damage of these drugs and keeping vulnerable people safe. Not very many others use this car park other than local residents. The amount this saves local community money and protects from crime. The local businesses would also be supported outside of these paid hours. Please keep things as they are and support these important groups and the local good that it does.

Off-street response – Reference number 2994

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2995

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2998

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 2999

I object to charges until 8pm.

I use the car park behind Sainsbury's just off Tonbridge High Street for an Alanon Support Group at the local church every Monday night between 7-8pm. Approximately 30-40 people attend every week and this will affect all of us.

Off-street response – Reference number 3000

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3001

I object to charges until 8pm.

Are you trying to kill our town I read earlier its up for the most depressing place to live in Kent. I don't think it is but perception by visitors is important

Off-street response – Reference number 3002

I object to charges on Sundays.

I object to the proposal in it's present form & additional consideration should be given to:

Reduced fee for electric cars- thus encouraging less pollutant vehicles in the centre of town.

'15mins grace period, no return within an hour' This will permit drop-offs & subsequent pick-up of vulnerable/young persons from either shopping, sporting, scouting/girl-guiding activities; where the person might need to be 'checked-in'.

To introduce charges on a Sunday at the same price as all other days is unfair & unnecessary. Suggest prices are at 50% on these days to reflect the likely demand profile. Presumably parking enforcement would presumably be required; what is the cost of this both financially and also in reduced morale for the attendants?

I do not think that Bank Holiday should see any charges. From my experience, car parks are not widely used on a bank holiday's due to the limited activities. The few business that are open would suffer. Presumably parking enforcement would presumably be required; what is the cost of this both

financially and also in reduced morale for the attendants?

Off-street response – Reference number 3003

I object to charges until 8pm.

Again this will put people off using what local shops Tonbridge has left.

Off-street response – Reference number 3004

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3005

I object to charges until 8pm.

Local business are struggling, by increasing the days on which parking charges are required you will reduce footfall thereby reducing their profits and causing them to cease trade. This will leave you without their vast rates paid to the council.

Off-street response – Reference number 3006

I object to charges until 8pm.

I fully object to all three proposals of extending the parking charging times.

You highlight the fact that many people use the sports facilities out of hours, meaning they will be penalised for exercising at a time when there is a huge government drive to get everyone as active as possible. I train at the Angel Center on a Tuesday evening from 8-10pm and play matches on a Sunday meaning the cost of playing is going to increase significantly across the season. The volleyball club will incur huge costs for referees who will potentially be there for 4 hours if officiating, meaning out club fees would also have to increase.

There aren't that many businesses bar restaurants and pubs and Sainsburys that are open after 5pm so those mentioned above that have been massively affected post-Covid are going to hit by this.

Off-street response – Reference number 3007

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge High Street is dying on its feet as a desirable shopping destination. Free parking encourages visitors. Don't give them even more reason to go elsewhere. If you have to pay you're more likely to go elsewhere or out of town.

Off-street response – Reference number 3008

I object to charges on Sundays.

Use council tax more effectively

Off-street response – Reference number 3009

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3010

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3011

I object to charges until 8pm.

Parking charges out of peak times and at the weekend will discourage 'out of hours' sport and socialising, both of which support mental health.

Off-street response – Reference number 3012

I object to charges until 8pm.

These charges would push even more cars onto the residential parking places such as the Slade. Please introduce restricted parking on neighbouring residential streets on Sundays and Bank Holidays as well. I live in the Slade and frequently arrive home on a Sunday at around 10:30am to find all the residential parking places, as well as the double yellow lines, occupied by cars belonging to parents who brought their children to the rugby games in the fields nearby. I cannot park my own car until the Sunday rugby games are over. Please introduce restricted parking on Sunday and request the club to create enough parking for the parents if they are to continue to organise these rugby games, so the residents don't have to suffer. Thank you.

Off-street response – Reference number 3013

I object to charges on Sundays.

I live in Havelock Road, which is part of the Slade area of Tonbridge. The Slade is made up of narrow Victorian roads which are already congested and it is often difficult for residents to find a parking space. The Lower Castle Field car park is very busy, particularly on Sundays when parents are taking their children to football/rugby and my concern is that if this car park is no longer free, these people will be searching for other places to park, eg in nearby residential roads. Unfortunately, these vehicles are usually large, eg Range rover, large SUV type vehicles which are not suitable for the narrow roads.

If the Council intends to go ahead with their proposal to charge for Sundays and Bank Holidays they should consider reviewing the current arrangements for residents parking and extend these restrictions to cover Sundays and Bank Holidays to limit the amount of non-residents who are able to park in our roads.

Off-street response – Reference number 3016

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3018

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3019

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3020

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3021

I object to charges until 8pm.

This will kill the high street. A shortsighted policy that will do nothing to help trade in Tonbridge. This will encourage people to go out of town, Bluewater being a good example. We desperately need to attract new shops and shoppers. People would come from miles around.

Regarding the extension to 8pm, you will severely penalise those residents who enjoy getting out to clubs and activities. My choir is trying to attract new members, this will severely hamper this.

Regarding Sundays, this will really penalise people who attend the various town churches for worship.

Off-street response – Reference number 3022

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3023

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is destructive of tourism and trade to small towns and must be stopped

Off-street response – Reference number 3024

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3025

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3028

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3029

I object to charges until 8pm.

Very few shops are brave enough to open later but those that do will really suffer by extending the time to 8pm

Your plans are very shortsighted. There was a good article in the Daily Telegraph recently saying that parking charges are discouraging shoppers and trade. A brave council would reduce or eliminate charges so as to support businesses and shoppers.

Charging till 8pm will affect many residents who are involved in clubs to support the town.

Charging on Sundays and Bank Holiday is so wrong. Let's help people to enjoy Tonbridge on relaxation days. They bring in much needed revenue to shops, cafes and restaurants.

.And this is a penalty on those who worship on a Sunday.

Off-street response – Reference number 3030

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3031

I object to charges until 8pm.

I moved to this town as it is a friendly place to shop at but introducing these extra charges shows how greedy the council are. We already struggling with other bills and now increasing parking is just down right greedy! The only shops open after 6pm are the main big supermarkets and the gym. Gym is a major draw and is needed for everyone mental and physical health. Sometimes I drive to the gym due to weather or lateness and I will have to rethink if I do come therefore cancelling my gym membership!

I often shop after 6pm due to working and kids so come after 6pm but this would add to my weekly shop!

Off-street response – Reference number 3032

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3033

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3034

I object to charges until 8pm.

Residential areas in tonbridge such as Meadow Lawn see an influx of non-resident parking in the evenings when permit restrictions do not apply as it is. Extending the charging hours in these car parks will drive more people to these areas. I am unlikely to get a parking space on my street if I return home after 10am or 4pm

Off-street response – Reference number 3035

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3036

I object to charges until 8pm.

Strongly object. Everything is monetised. It will means more people will try to park on residential streets. It will impact on Sunday trading and local businesses. It should be possible for local people and visitors to come and enjoy the town, visit amenities and local businesses on one day per week and on Bank Holidays without being charged to park. Similarly after 8pm. It is just squeezing money out of mostly local people at every opportunity and there being no public access to the town. There needs to be a sense of community and provision for people without a charge for every possible thing.

Off-street response – Reference number 3037

I object to charges until 8pm.

After 6pm there is no problem with finding spaces to park. To extend charges till 8pm will cause confusion and is entirely unnecessary. It will be a disincentive to people enjoying activities in the town in the early evenings. The excellent leisure activities and events on Sundays and Bank Holidays are a jewel in the crown of Tonbridge and draw people to the town to spend money with local traders. The introduction of charges on Sundays would be counter productive. The same arguments apply against the proposal to introduce charges on Bank Holidays. You will presumably incur extra costs for the wages of traffic wardens which you hope to cover from increased parking fines. Don't destroy the community spirit of Tonbridge!

Off-street response – Reference number 3038

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3039

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3040

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3041

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3042

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3043

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3044

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3045

I object to charges until 8pm.

The High Street is already suffering massively. This will negatively impact all businesses, shops and events in the local area.

Off-street response – Reference number 3046

I object to charges until 8pm.

We want to see the town centre grow with support from residents and also visitors. Sundays are very much for family time & adding the cost of parking to a day out would stop people coming into town.

Charging to 8pm would stop people coming into town to supermarket shop after work and also stop them coming into socialise early in the evening when some, especially the older generation, would prefer to eat out

Off-street response – Reference number 3047

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3048

I object to charges until 8pm.

Again, this proposal will damage local businesses.

Off-street response – Reference number 3049

I object to charges until 8pm.

The current time allows off peak visits to supermarkets and leisure centers which reduces peak time congestion in these car parks and benefits a lot of local businesses in Tonbridge which would be adversely impacted as people may choose to park in other boroughs / councils.

Collecting Parking on Bank Holidays just seems predatory and Sundays has restricted trading hours anyway for local businesses. Allowing free parking on Sundays brings footfall and traffic towards these businesses which would otherwise go elsewhere or continue during peak times during the weekend causing negative impact to the local area in terms of congestion and other parking spaces

Off-street response – Reference number 3050

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3051

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

The shops and businesses are under enough pressure getting people to come in and spend money. This would destroy our town permanently. I have lived here all my life. Having free parking helps Sunday trade and evenings to allow restaurants to survive. Please look at the past of what Tonbridge is meant to be please do not destroy it.

Off-street response – Reference number 3052

I object to charges until 8pm.

I am a member of St Peter and St Paul Parish Church and attend the church on Sundays and of an evening. By making people pay for parking you are creating a barrier to socialisation and encouraging isolation. Although there is a small parish car park, this has been made smaller through a different council proposal. Please do not create barriers to social activities when so many older people are struggling to get out of the house. Secondly, I live in a village (Golden Green) where there is NO BUS SERVICE on Sundays or Bank Holidays so many people in the village, including myself rely on using cars and the free parking to get into town affordably on these days.

Off-street response – Reference number 3053

I object to charges until 8pm.

Again, driving people away, your plans will kill the town for sure, we already are lacking decent shops, the time will gone where people won't visit Tonbridge for what is left and will go elsewhere

Off-street response – Reference number 3054

I object to charges on Sundays.

This proposal is greedy and unfair on residents of Tonbridge. If revised charges are to be introduced they should also be the same in other residential areas in the Borough and so far that is not the case definitely a NO from me.

Off-street response – Reference number 3055

I object to charges until 8pm.

Everything is so expensive & more parking increases will mean I won't be able to afford to go out.

Off-street response – Reference number 3056

I object to charges until 8pm.

I don't see any reason to extend parking charges to 8pm, we do not have enough entertainment in the town to warrant this and I think it will deter people from coming to the few places that are open. Losing the free parking on a Sunday will effect a lot of local businesses especially the monthly farmers market...I think less people will attend if they have to pay for parking. This will also effect the traders who need to park their vehicles during the trading hours of the market (there isn't room for all traders to park on site!)

Off-street response – Reference number 3058

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge is one of the least attractive town centres already to shop. Almost the only time I go to visit the town, go to a café, walk or shop is on a Sunday or evening. If free parking at those times is taken away it will only encourage people to go elsewhere away from Tonbridge. Instead of penalising people who can ill afford more costs, try investing in the town, which has been non-existent and dire for decades, and make it a more attractive place for locals and others to want to visit, then the town might increase it's income!

Off-street response – Reference number 3059

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3060

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3061

I object to charges until 8pm.

If you start charging fir later and for Bank Holidays then you you will have a higher wage bill for the ticket wardens as well as bad feeling in the car users. Tonbridge residents already pay premium prices for petrol. So it would be a double whammy. You will sion get voted out.

Off-street response – Reference number 3062

I object to charges until 8pm.

The car park charges are already high. As someone who uses the car parks in Tonbridge 4-6 days a week. In Maidstone, Electric Vehicle Charging is free in their Maidstone Borough Council Car Parks on Ringo. I fail to understand how Tonbridge can want to add charges when they can't even ensure their electric charging devices are working. The chargers in the car park opposite the farmers market has had black bags over it for ages. Come on TMBC fix the existing problems first.

Please don't let Tonbridge become a ghost town like Sevenoaks due to the high charges. Tonbridge high street is already full of coffee shops, vape stores and nail shops- adding further charges will just make people go to bluewater where every shop is available and you can park all day for free!

Off-street response – Reference number 3063

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3064

I object to charges on Sundays.

If you do this, people will be going elsewhere and Tonbridge town centre will die. Free parking on Sundays and Bank holidays allows families to utilise the sports ground and go for walks along the river to the lakes, the barrier, into Leigh, go shopping, have coffee, eat in the restaurants, without worrying about going over their parking time and being fined

Off-street response – Reference number 3065

I object to charges on Sundays.

It's important to keep Tonbridge an attractive location for shopping, tourism and events.

Off-street response – Reference number 3066

I object to charges until 8pm.

Bad for night time economy

Off-street response – Reference number 3067

I object to charges until 8pm.

This sounds like sheer greed. Visitors and residents are an easy target when wanting to use tonbridge and its facilities. We like to come to town on a Sunday but won't anymore to pay nearly £3 for 2 hours! I'm sure we won't be the only ones and it has been shown that free parking in areas

encourages people to come and shop. Its the local businesses that will suffer in the high street environment that us already hard for them to try and survive.

Off-street response – Reference number 3068

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3069

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3070

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3071

I object to charges until 8pm.

As an elder of Christ Church URC which backs onto one of the main Tonbridge Car Parks (Sainsburys), I strenuously object to this. Many community groups hiring space in our building cater for the most vulnerable in society and operate in the evenings. Charging them for parking will dissuade them from getting the support they need, having a real, tangibly negative effect on their wellbeing. Similarly on Sunday, many of our congregation are elderly, on fixed income, and having to pay for parking when attending Church is a real concern for them, particularly as you are also proposing increasing charges - a “double whammy”. I urge you to seriously reconsider this proposal.

Off-street response – Reference number 3072

I object to charges until 8pm.

These extensions will damage Tonbridge, and is an example of a shortsighted council who doesn't have residents interests at hand. The current situation gives encouragement for people to come into Tonbridge for events and entertainment. Justifications include that the car parks are often full. That is incorrect. On any Sunday there will be spaces behind Sainsburys and Waitrose. The busiest periods are during the day when charges are already in place. Charging after 6pm and on Sundays and Bank Holidays means my family and many I have spoken to will spend less time and money in town. I am staggered that this has even been proposed. It seems designed to make Tonbridge less attractive and damage our high street. If someone asked me how Tonbridge could be damaged, I would say to introduce car parking charges. This should not be allowed.

Off-street response – Reference number 3073

I object to charges until 8pm.

Outrageous to extend and add parking charges.....you will not benefit the people of Tonbridge by doing this.....stop being greedy for money by making our lives harder;

Off-street response – Reference number 3074

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3075

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is a terrible idea especially in West Malling. Why the need to charge people until 8pm is beyond me, the council just want to make more money. It's just preventing people using West Malling in their leisure time. The car park in West Malling is never full so this is pure greed on the councils part. I totally object to this, maybe think of introducing more permit bays for the residents and not charging customers wanting to use the shops and amenities in the high street. Again, it will be the businesses that suffer as people will just go to the big supermarkets instead.

Off-street response – Reference number 3076

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3077

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3078

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3079

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3080

I object to charges until 8pm.

Sundays, bank holidays and after 6pm parking should remain free.

Off-street response – Reference number 3081

I object to charges until 8pm.

Will stop people using area and affect shopping activity on local areas and business also unfair as some people can't afford parking charges so will shop at those times

Off-street response – Reference number 3082

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3083

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3084

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3085

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3088

I object to charges on Sundays.

I am of a certain age and need a car to be able to enjoy the library and warm spaces and company this will stop me doing this we have no busses from Ryarsh I worry not being able to meet people and socialise it will stop me from going to westmallng and Larkfield

Off-street response – Reference number 3089

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3091

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3092

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3093

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3094

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3095

I object to charges until 8pm.

Extending the hours and introducing charges on a Sunday will make using the facilities in the town centre less convenient and will impact mine and others spending on the high street. This seems like a very greedy move by the council.

Off-street response – Reference number 3096

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3097

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3098

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3099

I object to charges until 8pm.

Our high street is suffering enough without discouraging people even further to visit. It's likely that people will think twice about using the car parks if the charging periods increase, pushing people to use out of town shopping more, where there is no charge to park. If they do come into Tonbridge it will also make people look to park in free residential areas where it's unfair for the residents to have more cars parked on their roads. We should be encouraging people to come into Tonbridge and be able to park for free rather than making them pay even more.

Off-street response – Reference number 3100

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is a terrible idea - do you want to ruin Tonbridge in the way that Tunbridge Wells was ruined especially with the introduction of parking charges in a Sunday .

Sporting activities, social clubs and cafes, restaurants (the hospitality industry is suffering anyway) all rely on people being able to park easily without charge after 6pm and on Sundays . Haven't all these

organisations - and supermarkets - got enough to contend with at present ? Just leave things alone - please

Off-street response – Reference number 3101

I object to charges until 8pm.

Pure greed, why do this when the car park is hardly used anyway. Ridiculous idea.

Off-street response – Reference number 3102

I object to charges until 8pm.

TMBC cannot expect to have vibrant towns like West Malling if all you are doing is discouraging shoppers/visitors by stopping the very limited free parking on bays and extending current charge periods in the week and especially weekends. Small businesses are already struggling with increasing costs across the board.

Off-street response – Reference number 3103

I object to charges until 8pm.

Another greedy idea of the councils to make more money. This is crazy how will you monitor this, will you be sending out traffic wardens to check on weekends and evenings. You would be better off sending them out on the roads outside the fish and chip shop and restaurants picking up takeaways on Friday and Saturday evenings. There are always spaces in the car park, its pure greed.

Off-street response – Reference number 3104

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3105

I support charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3107

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3108

I object to charges until 8pm.

This seems incredibly short sighted and, frankly, stupid. I have lived in tonbridge until the age of 25 and now live in Bristol but visit regularly and often go shopping. The shopping part of the town is already becoming worse- putting charges until 8pm and on Sundays and bank holiday seems entirely excessive, greedy and just money-making. There are very very few shops open past 6pm, and even if people are using these spaces for leisure activities, the vast majority also pop into the shops or a cafe

at the same time. This will just be a deterrent for people to come shopping in tonbridge - bare in mind free parking at very close and good shopping districts within 30 minutes. In a cost of living crisis, what are you thinking?! I have lived in many areas and cities in the UK, and have never had to pay for parking on evenings/sundays/BH. If the major cities who actually have shops open most evenings don't charge for these hours, why on earth would Tonbridge?!

Off-street response – Reference number 3109

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3110

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3111

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge High Street is already dying , this will add to its demise.

Off-street response – Reference number 3112

I object to charges until 8pm.

By increasing the parking charges to 7 days a week and to later and bank holidays will have a detrimental effect to events that go on in the town, it will deter tourism and locals to actual come into our town

Off-street response – Reference number 3113

I object to charges until 8pm.

See answer above. This is daylight robbery

Off-street response – Reference number 3114

I object to charges on Sundays.

Parking costs are already exorbitantly high and are a huge factor in dissuading people in coming to Tonbridge!

Off-street response – Reference number 3115

I object to charges until 8pm.

People visit because it is free - this is highly valued by people

Off-street response – Reference number 3116

I object to charges on Sundays.

I am a member of St Stephens church and on Sundays, due to distance and now back problems have need of parking in the Waterloo Road car park. The proposals would make my attendance at church difficult (I am on a low wage) and would force me and many other members of this well-attended church seek parking in the Meadow Lawn area.

This car park is not near the shopping centre and is used more by commuters. While I understand the Council's need to cash in on Sunday trading, I feel my freedom to worship is impinged by this proposal.

Off-street response – Reference number 3117

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3118

I object to charges until 8pm.

This has no relevance in terms of overuse of car parks and is purely a moneymaking idea.

Off-street response – Reference number 3119

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3120

I object to charges until 8pm.

Seems a bit stingy and money grabbing to charge on Sundays and bank holidays to me. The fees on a Sunday are paying for what exactly? We are encouraged to go out use the facilities of towns but changing on these times is a step too far.

Off-street response – Reference number 3121

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3122

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3123

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3125

I object to charges until 8pm.

Towns and villages can only survive if it is easy for customers and clients to access their services. Increasing parking charges will add to increasing pressures on local businesses as customers would be put off by increased parking charges. The lack of public transport and its continued decline means there is often not an alternative option for drivers. The increase in parking fees can only be supported if there is an increase in affordable public transport.

Off-street response – Reference number 3126

I object to charges until 8pm.

The extension of car parking charges will effect the cost of various evening clubs and activities in Tonbridge and the will probably make people think twice about visiting on Sundays

Off-street response – Reference number 3128

I object to charges until 8pm.

I understand parking charges have to increase but I do not agree with charging for parking after 6pm and on Sundays. A lot of sports take place in the park on a Sunday for a few hours. It is vital everyone has the opportunity to take part. A lot of people's finances are already stretched and bringing in new charges will stop some families from taking part in sport as they won't be able to pay for parking. Thank you.

Off-street response – Reference number 3130

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3131

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3132

Having two parallel consultations is confusing. In addition, multiple screens have to be accessed to see all of the consultation documents, and it is not possible to refer back to them when compiling comments. A single document would have made it easier for people to comment, along with the facility for saving draft comments. It would also have been helpful to receive an acknowledgment of submissions, including the submitted text which is lost when the submission is submitted.

The public notice of the Order says that charges will be increased in Ryarsh Lane, for example, by 10p to 60p for parking up to 30 minutes, up to 40p to £3.80 for parking up to 4 hours, yet parking is currently free after 3pm. The Order is therefore incorrect.

The Order also does not say how a printed copy of the consultation document can be obtained for those not able to access the on-line version, but only refers to the fact that the Order and Statement of Reasons can be obtained. This discriminates against those who cannot use computers.

The section of “Changes to car park charging periods” in which the changes for Ryarsh Lane are partially obliterated and illegible.

There is no place in the consultation document to indicate whether respondents support or object to the proposals for Ryarsh Lane.

For all the above reasons, I feel that the consultation is flawed.

According to Para 8.02 of TMBC’s Constitution, the Report to the relevant Committee should, when recommending a decision, should evaluate realistic alternatives prior to decisions being taken. I would hope that the alternatives outlined in this submission will be considered.

Off-street response – Reference number 3133

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

I train and coach volleyball three times a week which will hugely impact my monthly costs with parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 3134

I object to charges on Sundays.

the extension to 8pm and also to Sunday parking will have a negative effect on sporting clubs and also the Sunday farmers market... any charges introduced will cause a decline in footfall which will be devastating to the town centre

Off-street response – Reference number 3135

I support charges until 8pm.

Currently, independent businesses in Tonbridge are more likely to be closed on Sundays than chains like the supermarkets and Boots etc. I would like to encourage people to shop in the town at the times when these valuable businesses are open as they make the town interesting and worth visiting.

Off-street response – Reference number 3136

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3137

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3138

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3139

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

We can't afford any free parking anymore in tonbridge

Off-street response – Reference number 3140

I object to charges until 8pm.

Give us all a break!! Paying to park your car to go to church?? Really?? And into evening?? Bad enough in the day completely unnecessary

Off-street response – Reference number 3141

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3142

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3143

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3144

I object to charges until 8pm.

Again this is detrimental to EVERY business in West Malling who are ALL struggling to make ends meet. This will again put people off coming and enjoying an evening out in the restaurants and pubs. They can go to a pub elsewhere that has free parking.

Off-street response – Reference number 3145

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3147

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3149

I object to charges until 8pm.

We need our town to thrive and continue to be a place that we all want to use, tourists to visit, using local community attractions and activities, Castle, riverside evening events, park, restaurants, bars swimming pool and Angel centre gym etc. Charging after 8pm, Sundays and Bank Holidays adds a significant costs to visits.

Off-street response – Reference number 3150

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3151

I object to charges until 8pm.

The introduction of charges into the evening and on Sundays should be resisted, the current approach encourages people to visit the town centre out of main times and ensure Tonbridge remains a vibrant town centre.

Off-street response – Reference number 3153

I object to charges until 8pm.

Why do the council persist in hammering motorists. You should be encouraging more people to use the shops. We might get better quality shops. The machines are old and frequently out of order.

Off-street response – Reference number 3154

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3155

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3156

I object to charges until 8pm.

Again it's a relaxing time for family's to spend together. This should not be added. Again business will suffer and people can't aff The extra!.

Off-street response – Reference number 3157

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3158

I object to charges on Sundays.

I oppose parking charges on Sundays; I attend church some weeks and the free parking does much to ease congestion that would otherwise arise. Introducing charges would decrease the quality of life for multiple people.

Off-street response – Reference number 3159

I object to charges until 8pm.

The current charging periods are fair, just leave them as they are. Again, protect businesses and encourage people to attend our Sunday Markets etc

Off-street response – Reference number 3160

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3161

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3163

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3164

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3165

I object to charges until 8pm.

Sundays should be an invitation to come into the area ..a relaxed day

Charging 8 -8 removes that goodwill gesture

Off-street response – Reference number 3166

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3167

I object to charges until 8pm.

An extension of parking charges will introduce an additional cumulative inflationary impact on the community on top of the proposed increases that reflect significant cost inflation.

Extended retail opening hours reflect demand which may well be driven by the availability of free parking in the evenings, at weekends and on bank holidays despite arguments made to the contrary.

In addition, an imposition of new charges will also impose an unnecessary financial levy on leisure activities, favouring those that can afford the costs.

I believe these proposals will further drive activity from the centre of town towards out of town locations where free parking is available, eroding the viability of local businesses.

Perhaps a targeted limitation on length of stay might address the problem of cars being parked for long periods, without the need for imposing yet another financial penalty on residents.

Off-street response – Reference number 3168

I support charges on Sundays.

I believe that there is a requirement to charge for parking on Sundays as currently free parking encourages visitors into the towns on the one day that many independent shops are closed.

I do believe that there should be free or cut price permits issued for car parks adjacent to places of worship for a period of time while the residents attend the relevant services in the same way that some parents are able to park for free at school pick up times. This is a policy used successfully at other councils.

Off-street response – Reference number 3169

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3170

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3171

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3172

I object to charges until 8pm.

I as a local (6yr) have not had issues parking in town on Sundays or bank holidays and do not see an issue, shops are not open till late but only restaurants and pubs , these businesses have different public hours as that's when they trade.

Off-street response – Reference number 3174

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3175

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3176

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3178

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3179

I object to charges until 8pm.

I object to the introduction of later parking charges as well as the charges on Sundays and bank holidays. It will stop people using the high street, which is already underused, and build resentment as it has in Tunbridge Wells.

Off-street response – Reference number 3180

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3181

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3183

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3184

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3186

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3188

I object to charges until 8pm.

It is completely unacceptable that parishioners who need to attend church in WM with a car, are penalised. This results in the churches being penalised financially. Not only does this apply on a Sunday but also to any attendances during the week, for services, funerals, weddings, memorial events, concerts, the Music at Malling annual festival. Again a short sighted approach on your part but also who exactly are you representing when you give thought to such proposals? People of faith and of no faith are outraged.

Off-street response – Reference number 3191

I object to charges on Sundays.

Always aimed at the road users, we pay enough through road tax !!

Off-street response – Reference number 3192

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3193

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3194

I object to charges until 8pm.

I just can't see why this is necessary, who is asking for this? What is to be gained by doing this? (other than money for the council?)

Off-street response – Reference number 3195

I object to charges until 8pm.

I attend a support group in Tonbridge High St on Monday evenings from 7-8pm, for which I and several other attendees rely on being able to park for free in the Angel car park in front of Sainsbury's. If charges were extended to 8pm that would have a detrimental impact on attendance at our support group, which is self funded and plays a vital role within the community.

Off-street response – Reference number 3196

I object to charges until 8pm.

This is making people poorer , it is a stealth charge , those who park illegally should be punished through fines , people want to go to work and live not pay fees to live , council tax is already at an extortionate rate , nobody asked or wants parking charges .

Off-street response – Reference number 3197

I object to charges until 8pm.

As someone who frequently uses the Angel Centre, Racecourse Park and pubs specifically in the evenings and Sundays, the charges for car parking would be significant on me and my friends, and would be a deterrent.

Off-street response – Reference number 3198

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3199

I object to charges until 8pm.

Tonbridge needs to keep free car parks on Sundays and Bank holidays to keep attracting people into the town rather than other places with free parking like Bluewater.

Off-street response – Reference number 3200

I object to charges until 8pm.

I coach and train at 8pm on Tuesday nights and on Sundays. Charging at these times would be a disaster for our club

Off-street response – Reference number 3201

I object to charges until 8pm.

I use the Farmers Market on Sundays in Tonbridge and West Malling If charges are levied on Sundays I will park further away so I don't incur these punitive charges The Sunday charges will also effect pubs , restaurants and the stall holders especially in West Malling

Off-street response – Reference number 3202

I object to charges on Sundays.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3203

I object to charges on Bank Holidays.

The government are currently trying to get the nation fit. I use these car parks for my training and sport matches. You are therefore going against the government's by charging me to be active. Make the right choice please

Off-street response – Reference number 3204

I object to charges on Sundays.

This will discourage people coming into town at these low traffic times, increasing pressure at other times.

Off-street response – Reference number 3205

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3206

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3207

I object to charges until 8pm.

(no comment supplied)

Off-street response – Reference number 3208

I object to charges until 8pm.

I have to pay to park in Tonbridge car parks 4-5 days a week for work, in effect working the first half hour just to pay

for parking for the day. I travel before public transport operates so have to drive. I then use Tonbridge pool afterwards

and condense my leisure time to an hour, again for the purposes of paying to park and am grateful for the free hour

provided. Whereas I treat myself to a longer session on Sundays or later on Saturdays because it has been free, and

the benefit mentally to swim and relax without constraints of parking costs cannot be understated.

Off-street response – Reference number 3209

I object to charges until 8pm.

I am a retired person with limited income and if the change is implemented I am likely to be no longer able to use the Angel Centre. It seems somewhat hypocritical for TMBC to provide non profit making facilities on the basis of a Leisure Trust yet seek to increase income by subjecting users of the trust facility to increased parking charges.

I am a retired, regular user of the Angel Centre (5 - 6 times per week). I mostly use the centre later in the day or weekends. The centre is important to me and I use exercise to help with both my physical

and mental health. The effect of the proposal more than DOUBLES my cost of membership and hence I am greatly concerned.

Cost of membership £45 / month

Cost of parking 2hrs x £3.10 x 24 £74.40

Following the recent announcement regarding the future of the Angel Centre I am also aware that the Centre is operating at a deficit and surely the impact of increasing charges can only worsen this situation.

Could I also ask for clarification regarding this consultation. The notice in reception first appeared in reception between Christmas & New Year (I first noticed it on 30 Dec '23). The consultation period ends 7 Jan 24; which given this is a holiday period seems insufficient. I would also question why, given that the trust holds contact details for members there has not been an attempt to proactively advise and consult with members.

At very least it would seem fair and appropriate to give Angel Centre members a concession or a refund of the parking charge. Provision of Activity and Leisure Facilities are a vital part of our community and empower people to take ownership of their health and well-being, reducing potential impact and cost to society overall. I think TMBC recognise this, but pressures on finance should not be permitted to adversely affect the overall ambitions of the authority.

As an aside, Tonbridge High Street is already a failing proposition and I can't see the change proposal doing anything other than making this situation worse.

Charging from 6 - 8pm will impact many hospitality business' in the town - have any of these organisations been consulted with? I have copied this email to our local MP Mr Tugenhat who I am sure will already be aware of the concerns.

Off-street response – Reference number 3210

I object to charges until 8pm.

I am a regular gym user and would probably have to cancel my membership and join snap fitness if I had to pay a parking charge after 6pm or on a Sunday. The increase in cost would really hit me hard. It would be a great idea if the angel centre could give the parking fee back, as the swimming pool does. Furthermore, can't the ticket machines take credit / debit cards. Finding coins proves incredibly difficult in an age when fewer and fewer people carry cash.

Off-street response – Reference number 3211

I object to charges until 8pm.

Parking charges for people using the Angel gym should certainly be subsidised.. it is completely unfair when paying a gym membership and parking on top . Most gym's have free parking can you please explain how you justify this?

Off-street response – Reference number 3212

I object to charges on Sundays.

As senior citizens who struggle during the cost of living crisis and tend to go shopping at Waitrose or Sainsbury's in the evenings and on Sundays to avoid parking charges and queueing, we shall be going

to Aldi or M&S if you insist on charging all hours in your car parks, and I imagine many more local shoppers will be doing the same.

Off-street response – Reference number 3213

I object to charges until 8pm.

I accidentally found out that Car parking charges are increasing again and the charge period being extended to 8pm and Sundays - this is on top of gym membership increases and no doubt increases in council tax.

I think this would be a bad thing, it is expensive enough to park in Tonbridge already and it's time to stop penalising the motorist, furthermore this would impact my decision to continue my

membership at the gym and join another where at least parking is free.

No doubt there will be many other members who feel the same as me, I hope you will not increase the charges especially as the council should be encouraging trips into the town to regenerate the high street, how will this help. Having a full and vibrant high street would increase income for the council through business rates and my suggestion would be to make the first hour of parking free with a reduction thereafter, this would help the town no end. I hope you will listen to the feedback

Off-street response – Reference number 3215

I object to charges on Sundays.

You also make reference to increased Sunday trading - perhaps you could enlighten me as to what has changed?

Off-street response – Reference number 3218

I object to charges until 8pm.

Today I happened to see the smallest notice of consultation that can be legal. It is hard to believe you want feedback on a largely unpublicised plan to massively increase the duration of parking charges in Tonbridge - a town that has already lost much of its customers over the last 15+ years. If your intention is to swell the coffers of the council at the expense of the town's viability as a shopping centre then I am sure you will be successful at least in the short term.

The puerile arguments in the consultation make no mention of consequences of increasing the fees and increasing the time they apply for instead there is a complete lack of balance. If there is a single recurring theme in TMBC it is that the council sees the population of the area as a source of income to pay for the consequences of inept decisions, not as people who deserve a decent service.

Parking restrictions and charges as proposed will stifle growth, limit investment and annoy people looking to save money by parking outside High Street hours - why go to Sainsbury's at 7pm when it costs the same as the rest of the day?

I look back at what I have written and struggle to believe I have voted Conservative in every election since 1979. I am therefore copying our Conservative MP into this in the hope he can persuade the council to behave as if they care about Tonbridge as a local centre of commerce.

Off-street response – Reference number 3221

I object to charges until 8pm.

Car parking in Tonbridge is already expensive. Extending the charging period will only impact already cash strapped families and discourage use of the town and its facilities. Parking at Larkfield Leisure Centre, for example, is free of charge. Why is Tonbridge always seen as a cash cow for Tonbridge and Malling If the council are not careful Tonbridge will turn into an overpriced concrete jungle. I hope these proposals are quashed as they are unfair, unrealistic and will only serve to alienate the population of the town.

Off-street response – Reference number 3222

I object to charges until 8pm.

I'm extremely disappointed to see that the council is not only increasing the cost of parking in Tonbridge but most distressingly extending the charging time by 2 hours every evening and now Sundays and public holidays too. It's vital for me as a long term resident and frequent user of the leisure centre, pool and local shops that this is reconsidered due to the cost of living crisis. People supporting local businesses and taking exercise should not have to bear yet another cost especially in their hard earned evenings and rest day. This is not to mention the lifeline free parking on Sundays and evenings is for families such as mine with young children and those working in the local area. I urge the council to reconsider this policy.

Off-street response – Reference number 3224

I object to charges until 8pm.

I appreciate the need to increase some charges but these are radical proposals. You are just pushing some of us to on line shopping and away from the shops in the town. Bluewater is not far away for those who wish to have an 'all in one place' experience with free parking all day.

Please reconsider these extra charges, perhaps keep the free parking on Sundays and bank holidays.

Off-street response – Reference number 3225

I object to charges until 8pm.

I am a member of the Angel Centre gym in Tonbridge and so far it has worked out a cost-effective fitness option for me because I tend to come after 6.00pm when it is free to park in the adjacent car park. As soon as I factor car-park charges between 6.00 and 8.00pm into the equation, it is no longer cost-effective for me to attend and I will probably have to cancel my membership. TMLT's and TMBC's revenues and public health mission will be adversely affected if other people feel the same way as I do. I also tend to do my big Sainsbury's shop on Sundays because it is free to park then, and add in a trip to one of the coffee shops in the high street. If charges are introduced, I will

use a different supermarket that offers free parking, most likely in Tunbridge Wells, and not bother visiting Tonbridge or its high street. Retailers' revenues and the vibrancy of Tonbridge as a location will be adversely affected if other people feel the same way as I do.

I hope you will reconsider these proposals.

Off-street response – Reference number 3227

I object to charges until 8pm.

The idea of increasing the parking charge period to 8am-8pm seven days a week is crazy it will put another nail into the coffin of Tonbridge High Street as a place to shop.

Many people take the opportunity of the Sunday no parking charge to do their shopping in Tonbridge, if these changes to the charge periods are introduced people will start to shop elsewhere on Sundays.

A further issue is for the family's, players and supporters of Tonbridge Junior FC whom are using Lower Castle Field car park, that will put an increasing burden on the parents of the players.

Off-street response – Reference number 3230

I object to charges until 8pm.

As a local resident I completely object to these proposals. All local independent businesses are on the verge of being unsustainable as it is, with the new proposals you're basically shutting them down.

I won't even bother shopping in town if they come into effect, I will go further afield like bluewater or twells industrial estate where its free. Greed is the reason tonbridge is struggling, this new proposal has no benefit other than pure greed and makes me want to change how I politically vote. It's disgusting, we need to protect and support what we have before we lose it for good.

I live down medway wharf Road and I'm already concerned about the safety of the flats down there with the new developments, majority of residents are ready to sell up and leave due to the over development, reduced safety and lack of opportunities within the town due to over development.

Off-street response – Reference number 3232

I object to charges until 8pm.

Thank you for this chance to comment on changes. I am puzzled by the extension of hours and more importantly the Sunday changes

The high street is already in decline given the number of

Empty shops

Charity Shops

Shops with limited opening hours

Major banks closed

No post office

The introduction of Sunday charges and extend hours cost will force more people onto the units on the industrial shopping area

At peak times it take on average 15 minute to reach the traffic lights at the end of the ring road By forcing more cars to use the shops in this area EG B AND M HOME BARGINS . ALDI ETC you will kill the high street

All of the areas listed above are all free parking zones

It seems that the people of Tonbridge are being punished by the continuing miss management by this council

Off-street response – Reference number 3236

I object to charges on Sundays.

You like kill peoples enjoyment now going charge on Sundays in tonbridge, is our fault your government has cut your funding, get onto government.

Off-street response – Reference number 3237

I object to charges on Sundays.

I hope you will seriously listen to residents of West Malling and take on board comments.

1. Keep the business carpark free in the evenings & on Sundays. This will aid The Farmers Markets, and everyone needing to load and unload for the nearby allotments.
2. If parking charges are going to be brought in the PLEASE make purchasing tickets easy for disabled and sight impaired users. Phone apps are not an easy option. They are impossible to use if you can't see very well.

Off-street response – Reference number 3239

I object to charges until 8pm.

I work for coral betting shop on west malling high street. Us as staff members find parking a nightmare seeing as we do shift work til 10pm.

We have just received your proposal to extend times etc. we believe this will make matters worst for an already busy high street, especially having to pay til 8pm and Sundays. As a business can we apply for a parking space? Even 1 space would help us out? The person coming into work at 2pm is finding it very difficult to find a parking space especially on weekends.

Off-street response – Reference number 3243

I object to charges until 8pm.

I wish to comment on the above, but firstly stress my disappointment that this consultation notice was posted at the busiest time of the year - the lead-up to Christmas and New Year preparations and activities - when the general public, in the main, just don't pause and notice things, most assuming that the pale cream notice near a parking machine is merely telling us of an increase in charges in the future. Only on close inspection is the whole case revealed. So many people I have spoke with this week were astounded to hear that the bottom part of the notice was something else entirely, so haven't responded.

As I don't have internet/email I cant tick boxes but my comments are as follows;

The proposed new area / swings adjacent (illegible) grandparents and visitors with children, it is also a "breath of fresh air", enhancing the entrance view to the castle itself with a wider green view.

Extending weekday charges to 8pm - long after shops are closed will impact those wishing to come into Tonbridge for choir meetings, WI meetings, Church meetings etc.

Extending the charges to include Sundays and traditional bank holidays will affect a) shops which benefit from the fact that people can wander freely and actually investigate the offerings of shops they never normally visit when they are rushing to accomplish targeted shopping before their parking ticket expires, and affect b) family life. At a time when the health authorities and local GPs are greatly concerned with the public's mental and physical health/well-being, the precious opportunity for a chance in busy lives to have freedom to "take your time" unhindered by normal restraints cannot be underrated. For the less able who cannot be rushed, the vulnerable and the disadvantaged families the benefit of this concession is immeasurable and needs to be recognised and acknowledged. Simple things, such as the opportunity to spend hours in the local park, enjoying a long stay using the play equipment, ball games on the playing field, stopping for a picnic etc, make a difference and help people cope when times are difficult.

c) Sunday worship - The simple act of worship in the several churches/chapels situated in the heart of Tonbridge will be affected - i.e. paying to attend church!

As many churchgoers I come in to Tonbridge centre for the morning family service and also the evening 6pm service. No doubt those worshippers who go to Holy Communion at 8am on a Sunday will face "overnight parking" charges as they need to arrive before 8am?

For the reasons I have stated, I strongly disagree with this form of money-making by the Council and urge you to re-consider and seek other ways to raise revenue.

Off-street response – Reference number 3244

I object to charges until 8pm.

Comments supplied but due to size constraints cannot be entered - see individual supplied responses

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