

Batheaston Parish Council – Council Meeting 17th January 2023

Summary of Feedback regarding the imposition of parking limits on the Riverside Car Park

Introduction

1. Council decided at its meeting 21st June 2022 to implement a limit on parking of 3 hours, to apply Monday to Saturday, 8am – 6pm. The signs were put in place on 24th November 2022.
2. This was the limit that applied at the car park before it was transferred to the Parish Council in 2017.
3. I have received feedback from approximately 6 people, and below is a summary of the key concerns.
4. Council is asked to consider the feedback and determine whether it wishes any action to be taken, to amend the restrictions or otherwise.

Summary

1. Representatives of a business located on the High Street were concerned about removal of the option for them to park during the whole of the working day.
 - a. “I can speak only for the employees of <xx> of course, when I say most of us travel from outside of the area, so are reliant on being able to use our own vehicles and ideally to be able to park in close proximity to the <place of work>.”
 - b. Request made to give consider “consideration given to the employees of local businesses, perhaps use of parking permits for instance?”
2. From a resident who is “utterly disgusted”, and complains that this is “fine for visitors with their dogs or using it as a park & ride but we who live or work here - what is there for us? Nothing!!! What parking are you providing for us? It was bad enough just getting parking with visitors & their dogs now its only for them. Is that what you call building community?”
3. Others who have telephoned the Clerk, including a resident who lives near the Riverside Car Park, and has used it to park the car when at home.

Richard Maccabee, Parish Clerk

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