

Consultation regarding the Experimental Order introduced as part of the School Safe Environment Zone under Public Notice 'Swindon Borough Council (Waiting and Loading Restrictions and Parking Places Consolidation Order 2021) Experimental Order (No.1) 2024':

The following comments were received via email from 2 residents and were also addressed to Swindon Borough Council and to Cllr M Courtliff in response to the consultation as set out above. The comments below were circulated to all Parish Councillors via email and whatsapp; the photos labelled 'Inverary Road Parking Evidence September – Jan 2025' accompanied the email in green:

Hello

I fully support & endorse the evidence and points raised by Mr Callaghan.
Furthermore, there have been multiple instances of cars parking face on to the tennis court fences, completely blocking the new pathway.

As we have pointed out continuously, the plans will do, and have done absolutely nothing to improve the peak time traffic situations and have only imposed unwarranted restrictions on local residents, their visitors and visiting trades.

Kind Regards

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With reference to the above and to the various exchange of correspondence between Nov 2023 – Jan 2024 ([@Mcourtcliff2@swindon.gov.uk](mailto:Mcourtcliff2@swindon.gov.uk) – this was with your predecessor Councillor Ford, copies can be provided upon request). I have just uploaded the following comments on SBC's website to object to this proposal. As mentioned in these comments I refer to evidence to support this view which I have attached to this email – please ensure that this is fully considered when reviewing this proposal further.

Regards

Statement of Reasons provided in Swindon Borough Council (Waiting and Loading Restrictions and Parking Places Consolidation) Order 2021 (Variation No 1) Experimental Order 2024 dated July 2025

The above order was introduced in July with the following reasons provided:

- a. For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road, or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising;
- b. For facilitating the passage on the road, or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians),
- c. For preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs,
- d. to assist with the free flow of traffic,
- e. to improve the environment for local residents

As the proposed parking restrictions are constantly being ignored, how have the risks of danger to persons or other traffic using the road been improved?

What evidence is there to substantiate that the introduction of this scheme has improved facilitating the passage on the road for both vehicle and pedestrians? - Before the implementation of this order the average speed recorded as (peak M-F 7am -9am, 12.5mph and off peak M-F 10am -4pm, 14.6mph) – what improvement has there been in this data following the introduction of these trial proposals?

What evidence is there to substantiate that this scheme has improving the amenities of the area? Residents are aware that Inverary Road was resurfaced before this plan was implemented. What other improvement have been made?

What evidence is there to suggest that the free flow of traffic has been improved following the introduction of this scheme. Evidence collected by residents confirms the view that the same issues noted before this scheme were introduced still exist today.

How has this scheme improved the environment for local residents? More restrictions have been in-force meaning reducing available spaces for residents/visitors.

The perception from us, as residents, is that this trial scheme has not made any positive difference whatsoever to the parking/traffic issues in Inverary Road. All concerns previously raised during the initial consultation period October 2023 – January 2024 have borne out. There has been absolutely no improvement in the traffic congestion during school drop/off pick up times. During these times vehicles are now ignoring the no waiting restrictions and continue to block in residents.

As can be seen there are multiple instances where photographic evidence exists to confirm that this is not being adhered to.

We look forward to responses to the following specific questions:

How many FPT's have been issued in Inverary Road as a result of violations to the new proposed No Waiting/No Loading restrictions?

How many FPT's have been issued in Inverary Road as a result of violations to School Keep Clear Markings outside of Ridgeway School have been made?

How many FPT's have been issued in Inverary Road as a result of violations to School Keep Clear Markings outside of Wroughton Junior School have been made?

How many FPT's have been issued in Boness Road as a result of violations to the new proposed No Waiting/No Loading restrictions?

How many FPT's have been issued in Kennet Road as a result of violations to the new proposed No Waiting/No Loading restrictions?

How many FPT's have been issued in Kerrs Way as a result of violations to the new proposed No Waiting/No Loading restrictions?

On how many occasions during the trial enforcement order have traffic enforcement officers visited this area – and what times of days were these visits?