

Paper Petition Details

Petition - Residents Only Parking Permits - Benson Close

We the undersigned request that Slough Borough Council implement a residents only parking scheme in Benson Close, SL2 5EH as we are continually inconvenienced by the very limited on-road parking due to non-residents using the parking within the area.

A number of non residents take up a large proportion of the parking available on Benson Close resulting in residents of the street unable to park their cars within the on-street parking facilities available.

Non-resident parking vehicles in Benson Close include:

- Local car garages who use the parking on Benson Close for customers' cars for extended periods of time.
- Non residents going on holiday whom deem the road safe to park on for extended periods of time.
- Non resident commuters who on the way to work park their cars early in the morning until the evening and in some cases for days and nights, in Benson Close as they make their way to the train station to travel to work.
- Non resident shoppers visiting the high street as well as other non resident shoppers who are parking their cars in Benson Close and then walking the extremely short distance to Slough's bus and train station for their journeys.
- Local businesses' employees whom have spaces within their individual estates but park at Benson Close.
- Non residents residing in the newer apartment blocks that have been built have been using the parking spaces in Benson Close. As Lion House is currently being renovated into an apartment complex as is Vanburgh Court, parking will become completely unavailable for Benson Close residents.
- There have also been vehicles that have been stationary for extended period of time with no identified owners.

The above examples have been witnessed by residents of Benson Close and have been confirmed by residents who have approached non residents asking them to leave the parking spaces for residents of Benson Close

We would like to urge the council to grant this request and prioritise the implementation of a residents' only parking scheme in Benson Close for the twelve properties within the Close.

Thank you for your co-operation.

This petition was received on 17th August, 2020.

This petition was passed to the Team Leader, Parking Services on 17th August, 2020.

This petition was responded to by the Team Leader, Parking Services on 15th September, 2020.

Final Results

Number of Signatures	10
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Council Response

Thank you for submitting the attached petition.

I can confirm I recently attended a site meeting with Councillor Hulme and Councillor Ali and discussed the parking issues on Benson Close and the surrounding roads. We can mostly definitely consider a residents permit scheme on Benson Close, however by introducing parking restrictions to a isolated location we are at risk of displacing the obstructive parking that is currently taking place on Benson Close, to the neighbouring roads.

As a result, your ward Councillors and I feel a better solution would be to consider parking restrictions for the whole of Petersfield Avenue as well the neighbouring roads, of which Benson Close is one of these. Your ward Councillors are in the process of obtaining a petition from residents of Petersfield Avenue and as soon as this has been received we will programme this scheme in.

If you have any questions in the interim period then please do not hesitate to contact me.