

CARA Bulletin

17 January 2019

Local issues

• **Planning application**. There is a new planning application in the CARA area that relates to the former Edgar Modern Fine Art gallery in Bartlett Street where the new owners wish to change the use from 'retail' to 'mixed use' to facilitate the operation of a Mexican restaurant and bar, open from 12.00 to 02.00 daily.

If you would like to view, or make a comment on, this application (planning reference number: 18/05679/FUL), please visit:

https://isharemaps.bathnes.gov.uk/data.aspx?requesttype=parsetemplate&template=DevelopmentControlApplication.tmplt&Filter=^refval^='18/05679/FUL'.

Please note that the last date for making comments is 31st January.

• Parking enforcement. Members will be aware of the new 'Residents Only' parking spaces in The Circus (south-east and north terraces) and Bennett Street. Since the spaces 'went live' in October we have seen very limited, almost non-existent enforcement by the Civil Enforcement Officers (CEOs) against non-resident motorists.

We have raised the matter with B&NES Council to ensure that residents have full access to the allocated spaces.

B&NES has responded and advised that they will a) ensure that all CEOs are aware of the changes and b) reinforce the need to enforce consistently.

As background, B&NES rotates CEOs around Bath to achieve a number of outcomes, including benchmarking contravention levels in different areas, to prevent familiarity with certain vehicles/owners and risk accusations of favouritism (an issue that comes up regularly nationally) and to prevent boredom within the staff.

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