

CARA Bulletin

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Local parking issues...Proposed limitation on parking in the 'inner' ring of The Circus.

B&NES Council has given notice that it intends to introduce 'No Parking at any time', governed by double-yellow lines, on half of the 'inner' ring of The Circus (between no.2 and no.15). For further detail of the proposal, please visit: https://www.bathnes.gov.uk/services/streets-and-highway-maintenance/roadworks/permanent-traffic-order-notices/19-006-yarjous.

CARA is supportive of plans to restrict parking in the 'inner' ring as it will help to:

- Reduce traffic volumes, particularly on a Sunday, from non-residents using our residential area for free parking.
- Reduce air pollution. Once non-residents understand that our residential area is not a source of free parking, there should be less traffic that circulates looking for parking spaces.
- Reduce late night noise from revelers who park for free, returning to their cars late into the evening or very early the next day, after with some of their party alcohol-fuelled, often shouting, slamming car doors, accelerating away, waking residents, especially children or the elderly, who then find it hard to return to sleep.
- Reduce parking congestion. Given the expected lower level of non-resident traffic, there should be less competition to residents for on-street parking spaces

However, CARA supports a full parking prohibition, rather than the 'half' currently proposed by B&NES, as even limited parking availability will serve as a 'destination' parking option for non-residents.

What is your view? If you would like to comment on the proposal, either:

- Write to B&NES Council, or e-mail transportation@bathnes.gov.uk. Please respond by August 22nd and quote the reference 19-006.
- E-mail Richard Brown of CARA on mailbox@rbrown.co.uk. CARA will respond to the proposal but would like to know what you think so that we can best represent the views of our members. Please respond by **August 16th**.
- <u>Did you know...?</u> In addition to parking in all on-street resident parking bays and all on-street pay & display bays within the central parking zone, Central resident permit holders are also permitted to park in Charlotte Street Car Park between the hours 5.30 pm to 10.00 am free of charge.

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