

Residents meeting – Heslington Lane/ Heath Moor Drive parking issues

Background:

Many residents in the area have raised concerns about the increasing levels of local parking, particularly at the time of discussions around the Heslington East University development. Certainly the Council/University/Police failed to take full account of the views expressed back before further development started.

I hope that by working together now as a Fulford community we are most likely to be able to come up with a solution that works for most residents in the area.

If the Council/University/Police fail to take account of residents views this time the parking issues will simply continue to increase.

Previous Actions:

Following previous local meetings, we have requested that the local police team (PC Anna Daniels and PCSO Leon Dryden) monitor the parking in the area. They have agreed to watch for parking that is dangerous or blocks pedestrian access. Previously they did send letters to the owners of cars asking them to park considerately in a residential area.

Current situation:

Recently, following representations from residents in Heslington and Fulford, the Council has advertised to place restrictions on the whole length of University Road and Heslington Lane (near the far end of Heslington chicanes). This is welcomed and likely to be installed shortly, but may move the parking that is currently there elsewhere.

Heslington East Community Forum:

At the sametime the Heslington East Community Forum has commissioned a report looking at the parking issues on streets near

the University, including in parts of Heslington Lane/ Heath Moor Drive.

There is no timetable fixed for comments, but this is the opportunity for us to send our comments now to the Community Forum/Highways/University. We could present our views to a meeting of the Heslington East Community Forum.

Views:

I personally have no fixed views as to a solution, but our most likely chance to get our views heard is if we can agree some basic principles of what we would like taken forward as an area. I have started speaking to some of your neighbours and a number of suggestions have been put forward as solutions - which could be put forward from us individually or as a combination:

- Good neighbour area/signs/contract
- University to free up parking spaces and build new Heslington East car park
- University to remove, reduce or freeze parking charges
- To investigate the cap/amount of parking available on campus
- Yellow lines specific locations.
- Residents parking zones (supported by the University)
- Anything else

Feedback:

I will be pulling together all of your feedback to present to the Heslington East Community Forum. It might be useful to have another meeting to agree what we are going to say?

You can send any comments/questions to:

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