

Council Meeting – 7th February 2024

Remaining Written Answers Provided To Members' Questions

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Questions of Councillor Brian Holmshaw to the Chair of the Transport, Regeneration and Climate Policy Committee (Councillor Ben Miskell)

Q.5 How will the gap in the designated cycle route at Glossop Road be resolved for cyclists to allow them safe turning and access to the Hallamshire hospital? While we wait for the Active Travel Plan for this area to be completed and the plan implemented what measures are going to be put in place to improve this situation and help save lives?

A.5 See answer to question 7.

Q.6 Will this be a designated cycle crossing?

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Q.7 Cars turning suddenly and unexpectedly out of smaller roads put cyclists in danger every day while they are cycling along Glossop Road to work in Sheffield, at the hospitals or attend appointments at the Childrens, Charles Clifford, Weston Park and Hallamshire hospitals. Pedestrians are similarly affected at road junctions. While we are waiting for the Active Travel Plan what measures are going to be in place to improve this situation and help save lives and reduce injury?

A.7 There is currently no active travel funding allocated for this area. Regarding road safety. We would love to be able to respond to all request, but we are data led and at this time there are other areas in the city that need our immediate attention. For now, we will keep this area on our radar for future considerations.

Q.8 Dutch style junctions where vehicles have to slow down before exiting a road have been proven to save lives and reduce the number of injuries caused by road vehicles. Will the TRC committee pilot a Dutch style junction scheme for the wide road junctions around the Hallamshire hospital, and apply for money to implement this when large scale funding comes up?

- A.8 This style of junction is to be used in current schemes on site and is planned for other Transforming Cities Fund (TCF) related schemes. Where appropriate, this measure will be applied as future schemes are developed.

Questions of Councillor Angela Argenzio to the Chair of the Waste and Street Scene Policy Committee (Councillor Joe Otten)

(Answers to some, but not all, of the questions below were provided at the meeting on 7th February. All the questions, with answers, are set out below. The questions not answered at the meeting are highlighted in yellow.)

Some areas of my ward of Broomhill & Sharrow Vale, because of their geographical locations near shopping amenities, the hospitals or the universities are subject to quite heavy traffic and parking facilities are used to the max. Please could you provide information for the following three areas:

Q.1 In the area between Botanical Road, Clarkehouse Road, Thompson Road and Ecclesall road (but excluding parking on the A625):

- (a) How many on road parking spaces are available?**
- (b) How many of these are residents parking only within certain hours?**
- (c) What are the restricted hours for residents only spaces?**
- (d) How many parking permits are currently issued to residents?**
- (e) How many (if any) properties have been issued with more than 2 permits?**
- (f) Are any permits to businesses or houses on Ecclesall road allocated to roads between Botanical roads and Thompson Road? If so, how many?**
- (g) How frequently (how often) is enforcement deployed to the area?**
- (h) How many fines were issued in the last municipal year to cars parked illegally in resident only spaces during the relevant hours?**

A.1 It is important to note that Parking Permits are allocated to “zones” and are not for a street. The area between Botanical Road, Clarkehouse Road, Thompson Road and Ecclesall Road is in the Botanical Zone. This permit type is also allowed access to parking in the Sharrow Vale centre, Endcliffe and Stalker Lees zones. A permit holder therefore has much greater access to spaces than the ones provided for in this question. The figures relate to the specific question, but it needs to be noted this is not representative of the actual potential demand use in the areas identified.

- (a) There are 349 marked on street bays.

- (b) There are 294 permit holder only bays.
- (c) Restricted hours are Monday to Saturday 08:00 - 20:30.
- (d) 289
- (e) See table below.-

Jan 23- Dec 23	Botanical Road	Clarke House Road - Broomhill	Thompson Road	Ecclesall Road (Botanical area)
Total Number of Resident Permits Issued	24	9	63	7
Number of Properties with over 2 resident permits	0	0	0	0
Number of PCNs issued – permit only bays	17	0	156	0

- (f) 30 Resident Permits
- (g) Enforcement is deployed daily Monday to Saturday to the permit areas along Ecclesall road. Variance in demand will impact on the frequency and length that officers spend on these specific streets.
- (h) 173

Q.2 In the area between Southgrove Road, Clarkehouse Road, Broomgrove Road and Ecclesall Road (but excluding parking on the A625):

- (a) How many on road parking spaces are available?
- (b) How many of these are residents parking only within certain hours?
- (c) What are the restricted hours for residents only spaces?
- (d) How many parking permits are currently issued to residents?
- (e) How many (if any) properties have been issues with more than 2 permits?
- (f) Are any permits to businesses or houses on Ecclesall road allocated to roads between Southgrove roads and Broomgrove Road? If so, how many?
- (g) How frequently (how often) is enforcement deployed to the area?
- (h) How many fines were issued in the last municipal year to cars parked illegally in resident only spaces during the relevant hours?

A.2 It is important to note that Parking Permits are allocated to “zones” and are not for a street. The area between Southgrove Road, Clarkehouse Road, Broomgrove Road and Ecclesall Road is split between the Broomhill Zone and Broomhall and Groves Zones. The Broomhall and Groves permit type

is also allowed access to parking in Broomspring Lane car park. A permit holder therefore has much greater access to spaces than the ones provided for in this question. The figures relate to the specific question, but it needs to be noted this is not representative of the actual potential demand use in the areas identified.

- (a) There are 180 marked on street bays
- (b) There are 88 permit holder only bays, and a further 92 that can be used by permit holders and Pay & Display.
- (c) Restricted hours are Monday to Saturday 08:00 – 18:30.
- (d) 248
- (e) See table below

Jan - Dec 23	Southgrove Road	Broomgrove Road	Clarke House Road - Groves	Ecclesall Road – Groves zone
Total Number of Resident Permits Issued	68	34	3	11
Number of Properties with over 2 resident permits	0	0	0	0
Number of PCNs issued	14	59	0	0

- (f) See table below – figures are for 2023

Business permits	4
Resident permits	9
Books of visitor vouchers (25 daily use permits)	9

- (g) Enforcement is deployed daily Monday to Saturday to the permit areas. Variance in demand will impact on the frequency and length that officers spend on these specific streets.
- (h) 73

Q.3 In the area between Northumberland Road, Crookesmoor Road, Crookes Valley Road and Harcourt Road:

- (a) How many on road parking spaces are available?
- (b) How many of these are residents parking only within certain hours?
- (c) What are the restricted hours for residents only spaces?
- (d) How many parking permits are currently issued to residents?
- (e) How many (if any) properties have been issues with more than 2 permits?
- (f) How frequently (how often) is enforcement deployed to the area?
- (g) How many fines were issued in the last municipal year to cars parked illegally in resident only spaces during the relevant hours?

A.3 It is important to note that Parking Permits are allocated to “zones” and are not for a street. The area between Northumberland Road, Crookesmoor Road, Crookes Valley Road and Harcourt Road is split between the Broomhill Zone and Crookesmoor Zone. A permit holder therefore has much greater access to spaces than the ones provided for in this question. The figures relate to the specific question, but it needs to be noted this is not representative of the actual potential demand use in the areas identified.

- (a) There are 232 marked on street bays.
- (b) There are 148 permit holder only bays, and a further 74 that can be used by permit holders and Pay & Display.
- (c) Restricted hours are Monday to Saturday 08:00 - 18:30.
- (d) See table below:

Jan - Dec 23	Northumberland Road	Crookesmoor Road (Broomhill zone)	Crookes Valley Road	Harcourt Road
Total Number of Resident Permits Issued	2	112	5	102
Number of Properties with over 2 resident permits	0	0	0	0
Number of PCNs issued – permit only bays	2	26	0	73

- (e) Info above
- (f) Enforcement is deployed daily Monday to Saturday to the permit areas. Variance in demand will impact on the frequency and length that officers spend on these specific streets.
- (g) See below

Jan 23- Dec 23
Northumberland Road – 1
Crookesmoor Road - 31
Crookes Valley Road - 0
Harcourt Road - 73

Questions of Councillor Kurtis Crossland to the Chair of the Transport, Regeneration and Climate Policy Committee (Councillor Ben Miskell) – To be answered by the Chair of the Waste and Street Scene Policy Committee (Councillor Joe Otten)

Q.2 On average, how many people use the free city centre Wi-Fi per month?

A.2 The specific usage figures for the Sheffield City Centre Wi-Fi have taken a little bit of time to produce because the provider, Idaq, use their infrastructure to support both the free Wi-Fi and some of their other customers - so additional analysis was required. The free Wi-Fi is provided in the city centre in buildings such as Moor Market but also other venues including Ponds Forge and Town Hall and around the Tudor Square area.

In summary, since the scheme was launched there have been 210,000 accounts used – prior to Covid peak usage was around 21,000 devices a day – it is possible that a user could use more than one device which could mean that individual users could be slightly less.

However, Covid reduced the usage to almost zero due to buildings being closed and few people visiting the city centre during lock down. Currently, usage figures are between 1,000 and 5,000 users a day but there is a strong seasonal pattern with typically up to 10,000 users a day with more people visiting the city centre during the summer with usage increasing during major events. Many of the users are students and with increased student accommodation in the city centre a number of students are using the service.

We will have to look again at the service as some of the service is dependent on equipment on the roof of the Moorfoot building and the provider faces some other challenges in maintaining the service. The service is currently provided at no cost to the Council, but since the event of Covid this is challenging from a commercial perspective.