



SOUTH
LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE
MEETING –12 OCT 2023
WRITTEN ANSWERS PROVIDED TO
PUBLIC QUESTIONS



1.	Public question from Viv Lockwood
	<p><i>Question: Re. Archer Lane:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Why do traffic monitoring exercises need to be continued in the area?</i> 2. <i>Why does it take 5 weeks to re-open Archer Lane?</i>
	<p>Response:</p> <p><i>Q1: Why does this need to be carried out?</i></p> <p>To understand whether some of the changes (including route choice) that had been observed during the operation of the experiment were maintained, even after the experimental closure came to an end.</p> <p><i>Q2: Does it really take 5 weeks to reopen Archer Lane from the 20th September where a committee decision was made? 24th October is the last legal date the road can be closed.</i></p> <p>The closure is advertised as being removed the week commencing 16th October 2023. The length of time to re-open the road safely has been determined by a combination of the need to develop and deliver communications in the area (including temporary signing providing reasonable notice of when the closure is planned to be removed) as well as working with partners around the availability of a team and specialist lifting equipment.</p>
2.	Public question from: Glyn Hannan
	<p>Question:</p> <p><i>Cars are being stolen due to poor lighting on his estate- this came up at the last meeting and nobody has been out to see them- it seems to have been forgotten. Police representatives at last meeting promised some action including potential extension of double yellow lines. What is happening?</i></p>
	<p>Response:</p> <p>Lighting- Officers liaising with Mr Hannan.</p> <p>Double Yellow Lines- “Thank you for your email below requesting the extension of double yellow lines. In order to add a request to the city-wide list we would need specific locations before any assessment could be undertaken. Please could you provide these locations to my colleague Alex Redman.</p>

There is no signage or road marking which would go on the highway which would indicate that a space is reserved for emergency services vehicles. It might be that there is a sign off the highway but that is not enforceable by Parking Services.

I cannot identify where the reserved emergency services parking space is, but can see that there are two advisory blue badge parking spaces near to 10a Brindley Crescent at this location [8 Brindley Cres - Google Maps](#).

Advisory blue badge parking spaces are used to make other drivers aware that a parking space (on a street) is needed by a person with mobility problems or hidden disabilities.

Advisory disabled bay road markings (painted in yellow) are not legally enforceable by the Council or the police in the same way as disabled bays painted white with a sign and post. You should also bear in mind that advisory disabled bays are not for the sole use of the person who applied for it. As such, they can be used by any driver of a vehicle displaying a valid Blue Badge permit.

Parking Services is not able to enforce this type of disabled bay as it is advisory and works on courtesy and understanding from neighbours/visitors to the area.

We have very few problems with these bays being misused but sadly on occasion we do come across some inconsiderate drivers and sadly there is nothing the Council can do to stop this. The only thing I can suggest is maybe the resident's local Police Community Support Officer could have a word with the person parking in the bay and explaining why it is needed.

There is also another disabled parking space on the land comprising Brindley Meeting Rooms at this location [8 Brindley Cres - Google Maps](#). This is not on the highway and therefore not something which Parking Services can enforce.

I have attached information and guidance regarding H markings that the resident/s may wish to consider. H markings are used to protect driveways and discourage other drivers from parking across a driveway or access to a property but cannot be enforced by the Council's Civil Enforcement Officers.

In the absence of yellow line parking restrictions, any parking or speeding that is causing a danger or an obstruction can be reported to South Yorkshire Police on their non-emergency 101 number, or online at

<https://smartcontact.southyorkshire.police.uk/advice/driving-complaint/>

. Residents can also contact their local policing team, who should take some action via

<https://www.southyorks.police.uk/find-out/your-neighbourhood-policing-team/> .

I trust that this is of assistance.

Best wishes,
Emma

3.	Public question
	Question: <i>Sheldon Road- lady who lives there has mobility scooter for arthritis but can't use it as can't get down pavement due to vehicles parked on it. This hasn't been acted on for two years when it should be a priority.</i>
	Response: Shared with Ward Councillors for Sharrow and NE by Officers.

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