

PARKHILL PARKING SCHEME

CONSULTATION FAQs

- **Will the parking scheme guarantee I will get a parking space?**

It is not possible to guarantee a space even with a permit. However, the proposed parking controls would make it easier to find a space by reducing the numbers of commuters who take advantage of the free parking to park all day or by prioritising space on residential streets for residents.

- **I pay council and vehicle tax, why do I have to pay for a permit as well?**

Your council tax pays for a wide range of essential services required by all residents across the City. This scheme is an additional service over and above the Council's basic provision and is specifically designed to help you and your neighbours. For these reasons we believe that the people who benefit should pay towards the costs. The money from parking charges and permits would go towards the cost of administering the permit scheme, enforcement and towards developing similar schemes in other areas of the City

- **What about my visitors?**

Visitors would be able to park in a parking bay and either pay the relevant parking charge or display a visitor parking permit which are available for purchase by residents within the parking scheme. Trade visitors could apply for a trade parking permit voucher if they are doing work at a property within the parking scheme, this allows them to park in any bay signed for the use of permit holders in the parking scheme.

- **Do Blue Badge owners need parking permits?**

No, Blue badge holders are exempt from payment and the requirement for a permit.

- **Why are you proposing less parking than there is now?**

Currently some parking is on the footway or on both sides of narrow roads. This can obstruct people, especially those using wheelchairs or with pushchairs, can damage pipes and cables buried in the footway and block access for larger vehicles. Parking spaces can only go where they are completely on the carriageway and leave enough space for a large vehicle such as a Fire Engine or delivery lorry to pass. Consequently, the number of parking "spaces" in the area would be less than it is now.

FURTHER INFORMATION: If you have any questions that aren't covered by the leaflet/
website/ FAQs, you can email parkingschemes@sheffield.gov.uk