Parking in Edinburgh – A need for change?



Tell us what you think

Consultation closes 31 October 2015

Web: www.edinburgh.gov.uk/parkingconsultation Email: parkingactionplan@edinburgh.gov.uk





Why are we considering changes to the parking system in Edinburgh?

When parking isn't managed it can make crossing streets more difficult, slow traffic including bus services and have an environmental impact. It also makes it harder to park for people with 'blue badges' and makes cycling more difficult.

On Sundays, many people park on main roads, causing congestion and problems for bus services. Also, some parking space that is available during the week for shoppers is occupied by commuters. In the evenings when residents return home they have to compete for space with other users.

In some central areas all parking bays are either residents only or 'pay and display'. This division can make it harder both for residents to park near their homes and for shoppers, and other visitors to find a space. In addition, many residents can't currently buy parking vouchers allowing their visitors to use residents' parking bays.

What is proposed?

The main actions include:

- extending parking controls to cover weekends/Sundays and into the evening. Residential areas further from the city centre with controlled parking would keep Monday to Friday only controls
- the roll out of shared use parking places which are more flexible as they can be used by permit holders and pay and display customers

- the introduction of visitor permits in the city centre
- improving information for customers
- protecting bus lanes, cycle lanes and junctions from inconsiderate parking to encourage more people to walk and cycle
- developing a parking pricing strategy
- liaising with partner organisations to ensure we have the knowledge and ability to meet our customers' needs.

Further Information

You can find a map of the Controlled Parking Zone with the areas concerned and view a list of frequently asked questions on the Council's website at www.edinburgh.gov.uk/parkingconsultation

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We want to know what you think about the parking proposals for Edinburgh and are interested to get your experiences of parking in the evening and at weekends.

A number of information events and activities have been organised. Council officers will be available at these events to answer your questions.



Venue	Date	Time
Community Drop-in Event, City Chambers	28 September	2-5 pm
Business Drop- in Event, Roxburghe Hotel	5 October	11.30 – 2.30 pm
Drop-in Session, Portobello Library	29 September	3-5 pm
Drop-in Session, Morningside Library	30 September	11- 1 pm
Drop-in Session, Drumbrae Hub	6 October	11-1 pm
Drop-in Session, Stockbridge Library	12 October	5- 7 pm
City Centre Road Show, St James Centre	15 October	9.30 – 12 pm







Public Exhibition



An exhibition of the proposals will be available in the Central Library, George IV Bridge from 21 to 30 September 2015.

Contact us

To give us your views on the proposals for the draft parking action plan or if you have any questions, send your comments:

Online:

Go to www.edinburgh.gov.uk/parkingconsultation and complete the questionnaire to give us your views email: parkingactionplan@edinburgh.gov.uk

In writing:

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All comments must be received by 31 October 2015

Your comments and suggestions will be considered in detail and findings will be reported to the City of Edinburgh Council's Transport and Environment Committee in early 2016.



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