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1	There are three disabled parking bays in Plantation Road, but I believe that only one, outside No. 47, is actually used. Could you look in to whether the other two, outside Nos. 35 and 37, are still required? My other point would be why do you propose to put double yellow lines outside the entrance to a building plot adjacent to No. 24. Wont they want to ultimately park their car there?				1
2	The layout shows a disabled bay outside No 35 Plantation Road. I would propose that this bay is removed. Unlike the other two bays in the road, this disabled bay does not have an accompanying road sign, nor does it have a disabled user. It is in fact now used as an ordinary parking space by all occupants on the road. Might I also suggest that the parking vouchers be extended to 4 hours to not deter families visiting the older residents of Plantation Road, of which there are a number.			1	1
3	Please be advised, the marked disabled Bay outside no 35 Plantation Road does not have an accompanying sign on the pavement and, it is my understanding, the resident at that address does not need a disabled bay therefore, this needs to be removed so other residents can park there.				1
4	Now we have seen more details of the above scheme, we have realised there is no benefit to us at all in introducing the scheme in our road. We don't experience parking problems during the day. Problems sometimes occur in the evening when it can be difficult to park near the house. So there is no benefit in us paying for £95 for 2 parking permits when its a "free for all " in the evening. In fact it would be a waste of money for us. Equally when we have friends and family over during the day, a parking scheme would be detrimental to us as we'll end up paying and then they can only park for 2 hours. So we no longer support the scheme and will object to it's introduction in the current proposed format.		1		
5	I have received the proposed extension to Residents Parking Scheme Plantation Road Faversham and would like to comment on this. I see from the map that it is proposed to put double yellow lines across the alley from Kings Road between 28 and 30 Plantation Road. This area is currently used for parking across and so will mean loss of a parking space. Double yellow lines are also proposed on vacant plot adjacent to 24 Plantation Road.I welcome the proposal in general to help allieviate parking problems for householders in the area.	1			

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6	We do not currently have a car but have elderly parents on both sides of the family to stay overnight on occasion. How would we be able to continue this on the new scheme? The vouchers will not work as they are only 2 hours				1
7	Obviously I object to this scheme. I have parked outside my house for 45 years at no cost and now you wish to charge me £45. I get nothing from this scheme. This is another tax on motorists. Objectional behaviour by Swale Council. I would rather sell my car than pay this parking tax. I was not in the country in March so had no chance to respond to your earlier correspondence. I agree with one of your councillors when he raised the point that there were elections taking place, many people may have overlooked your first letter thinking it to be a circular, there was no important stamp on it. I urge you to restart this parking plan process and to gather everyone's view in Plantation Road and not just a total of 17 out of the 60 propoerties that are in the road. My own view is that there is no problem in daytime parking. It is returning home of an evening that may make parking impossible and your plan does nothing to alleviate this and yet you're asking me to pay £45, ostensibly for nothing.		1		
8	I am ambivalent as to whether this goes ahead as parking is not, generally, a big issue during the day, when the restrictions will be in place. However, if it goes ahead, could you reduce the length of double yellow lines proposed from No.13 to No.10. It take up a lot of valuable parking space and why was such a wide drive and dropped kerb allowed to be built outside the property last year?				1
9	Copy of objection letter included in Annex A		1	1	
10	We do not wish to be part of the parking scheme and do not want yellow lines outside of our house.		1		
11	Unlike most of my neighbours who are up in arms about the planned introduction of residents parking, my Husband and I are fully supportive of this measure - the sooner the better! We are fed up of being unable to park in our own street because of staff from Faversham Hospital, shoppers visiting the town centre and carers attending the Faversham Almes Houses all choosing to park in Plantation Road. The only thing I would say is that in terms of the vouchers available for parking - which are apparently two hours and no return within four hours - this isnt going to be particularly helpful for when we have family and friends visiting - either for a day or longer. When we lived in Bromley, their residents scheme was that you could buy books of ten parking vouchers, and this could be used for people visiting all day or staying, and it was one voucher per day which had scratch off panels for the dates etc. Other than that - bring on residents parking in Plantation Road - the sooner the better!!	1			

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12	I am in receipt of your recent letter in connection with the above and would like to lodge my objection. Out of many houses in Plantation Road, I see only 17 have bothered to reply, one of which was my objection so are people really bothered about having a residential parking scheme? It appears not to me. Have houses in South Road and Cavour Road also been petitioned as I see Cavour Road is not being included in the scheme which only pushes the parking problem elsewhere? We have a big problem with people who work/shop in town parking here during the day which may help parking DURING THE DAY only but as the scheme ends at 5.30 p.m. there will still be a mad scramble for parking spaces when the residents come home at night. As residents are allowed 2 tickets, this will increase the allotment of cars being able to park in our road as I am sure many of the houses that have no cars will also apply for tickets to cover family and friends. I do concede this may stop the households with 3 or 4 vehicles parking in Plantation Road but it will only push the problem to Kings/Cavour/Nightingale Road. Will the people who live in South Road be able to apply for a permit? We have 4-5 vans (commercial vehicles used for business) but who live in South Road park in Plantation Road at the moment and this causes a big problem as they block out light and take up more than 1 car space. The drives over the road from me will now have double yellow lines outside which takes away another 3 possible parking spaces as the residents with drives will no longer be able to park their cars directly outside their own drives. I cannot see this scheme helping at all and resent having to pay £45 for a permit, on top of my council tax, to only have the hope of a space.		1	1	
13	I am opposed to this scheme for a couple of reasons.yes it is a busy road but it is caused by people parking in the road to go to work in the town,I counted six cars this morning and that is the tip of the iceberg,I resent paying for a parking permit which even then doesn't guarantee me a space.i have a company car which can and does get changed frequently,which means I will have to contact you with a different registration number regularly.i really can't afford to pay this extra fee on top of my council tax.i have lived in this road for over 28years and I'm happy here it's a lovely safe area.why should I have to suffer additional costs at other people's gain.if I had enough frontage to my house i would apply for a dropped pavement for off road parking but sadly I haven't enough room,I suggest that maybe someone should monitor this road for a period of time so you can see the issues I have mentioned.unfortunaly you are penalising the wrong people		1		

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14	We have your communication with regard to the above proposed parking scheme, and would like to submit our comments as follows:- With no guarantee of a parking space, why do we pay £45? If a parking permit is given, will cars still continue to park on the pavement and cause destruction thereto? The disabled parking bay outside No. 35 has not been operation for several years, the wall plate having been removed many years ago. In your communication you refer to a "consultation with residents...". We would like to mention that, as the consultation has only been done by communication. Residents have not been given the opportunity to attend any meetings with regard thereto.		1	1	
15	Thank you for your written communication on the Proposed Extension to Residents' Parking Scheme Plantation Road, Faversham which I received on Friday, 4 th August 2017. Your opening paragraph means nothing to me as I have never been consulted on this matter. As such, I am unsure of what you are attempting to achieve by this extension. I have lived at No * Plantation Road since October 1984 and observed many changes to parking habits in this road. Plantation Road (from the Cavour Road junction to South Road) has always been a very popular alternative to the public car parks. Even though it is sometimes annoying when I cannot park my car near to my house, I cannot see how my quality of life will be improved by this proposed extension. As your communication refers to a "proposed extension" I assume the Conditions of Use for permit holders will be in accordance the Swale Borough Council leaflet, "Residents'/Businesses Parking Faversham". If this is correct, item 4 of the "Conditions of Use" will undoubtedly cause some concern – quote - <i>"These spaces are indicated by white carriageway markings and all 4 wheels of the vehicle must be located within the parking bay"</i> . Following an unpleasant conversation with a police constable in October 1984 when I had no alternative but to park my car with two wheels on the pavement, I have always parked my car with all four wheels on the carriageway. If everyone parked correctly in Plantation Road, we would not have broken pavements but vehicle access would be very restricted. Parking will always be a problem in our very special town and, in my opinion, extending this type of scheme only moves the problem to another residential road.		1	1	

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16	I apologise for the late submission of my comments on the parking scheme. I have been away and would dearly like to have my views registered in favour of this scheme. I live at * Plantation Road. The parking here is terrible. I have a little ***** whilst my neighbours each have 2 large estate cars. Since moving here ** years ago parking has become a complete nightmare. I feel trapped in the house in the evening because if I go out there is often nowhere to park when I get home. Very frequently people who do not live in my road (or in Faversham) park their car outside my house and go off on holiday. I see them getting their suitcases out of the car and walking off towards the station. This is completely unacceptable. If Plantation Road does not accept the scheme it will only get worse as people who are displaced or unable to park in School Road or Saxon Road will come and park here. Ideally, people without permits should not be able to park here overnight because that is when its most congested - when people start to come home from work after 4.30. I would also ask you to get rid of the disabled parking bays in the road. They are not needed anymore as residents have either passed away or have gone into a care home. Please, Please, Please - take my views and those of other residents who are exasperated at not being able to park near our homes or even in Plantation Road into account. In recent years I have had three slipped discs and a fractured pelvis and I cannot carry my shopping long distances!				
17	Shouldn't have to pay for a pass to park in our own road. £90 a year for us.			1	
18	No guaranteed space, not beneficial to me or road as a whole			1	
19	Could impact on parking in Cavour Road		1		
	Petition Signatures Without Comments			22	
	TOTALS	2	9	29	5