

Ufton Lane, Sittingbourne - Possible Changes from 2 hour waiting to 1 hour or 30 minutes

Ref	Change to 1 hr	Change to 30 mins	Remain 2 hour	Comments
1			1	I don't think it will make any difference as the people that I'm assuming you're talking about have half hour lessons and I think for a small business like the hair dressers I think it's a bit unfair. We're supposed to be supporting local businesses and this isn't.
2		1		I have returned the request for amendments to residents parking scheme in Ufton Lane Sittingbourne opting that I support the reduction of the current waiting limit to 30 minutes, I live near to the Challenger Centre (No.***) in Ufton Lane and business users of this centre despite having what would seem adequate on-site parking should they organise it properly repeatedly switch vehicles on the road from one side of the centre to the other due to there being a break between the parking bays. The parking restrictions should also be amended to the road and not the individual bay area. Should any of the shorter waiting times be enforced I would assume that this would also be reflected in additional visits by the parking enforcement officers so that any new waiting times can be checked and appropriate action taken for anybody that ignores the waiting times.
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5			1	Our daughter visits most Saturdays from Rochester, and we will have a put a visitors parking card in EVERY WEEK unless it stays at 2 hours parking time.
6	1			We have our own car park here but we do not own a vehicle. We have noticed how bad parking is. We regularly see vehicle owners blatantly parking in restricted areas and even parked on pavement endangering pedestrians. We are always getting vans parked outside our windows. Would consider 1 hour to be appropriate time for most visits. Hope this helps.
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8			1	Why do we have these parking restrictions on Saturdays? When most people are not working and have visitors.
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11			1	We are happy with the existing 2 hour limit as less would cause problems for visitors and trades workers and would require more day permits to be used.
12	1			A reduction will help residents parking at the lower end of Ufton Lane. Thanks for listening.
13	1			I think the recdution of the current waiting should be lowered to 1 hour.
14			1	BUSINESS - Thank you for your letter which was received by us **, West Street, Sittingbourne on Friday 6th October 2017. I support the existing 2 hour waiting limit. While I recognise how frustrating it must be for the residents of Ufton Lane not being able to park although they are displaying a "Parking Permit", I also understand that some services "Service engineers, care workers (including District Nurses), property maintenance companies" and many other people that need to park albeit a short time. I also understand how frustrating it must be to everyone that people who are employed in the local area also use Ufton Lane to park. As a business ourselves, it is extremely costly to park in the local car parks so we do sympathise with everyone. However, could I suggest that Swale Borough council provide residents with a valid permit for service engineers and the like, In London these permits were available to local residents for service people to use, and then a random check could be made, to ensure who the culprits really are. It hardly seems fare to any of us to have to penalise workman, careworkers etc., to parking tickets when all they are doing is their job.
15			1	We here at number ** are in support of the 2 hour waiting limit, and don't want any change. It may be prudent to visit the Lane to see for yourselves a number of residents vehicles parked on hard standing in front of their property's without dropped curbs ?
16		1		My name is ***** and I live at ** Anselm Close and I am responding via email to your recent communication about the proposed residents parking in Ufton Lane. We were assured by Councillor ***** that Anselm Close would form part of the proposals although it does not state it on your letter - clarify please. Parking by local businesses continues to be a problem they should pay in a public car park like anyone else has to and not continue to block places outside of residents homes. We vote for the reduction of the current waiting time to 30 minutes.
17		1		I support the 30 minute limit but this must be policed by Local Authority Parking Wardens. There are still those who flout the rules on the 2 hour limit as no patrols attend.

18			1	<p>Thank you for your quick response to my concerns.As my property borders **** and ***** any restriction to parking in Ufton Lane (although i have double yellow lines round my property) i feel will lead to increased parking in **** which has a two hour parking limit. The new flats and offices being built do not have enough spaces so will be using Epps road for parking.</p> <p>My last question is, is the intention to canvas reducing the two hour limit in Epps Road to one hour. As regards to Ufton Lane i would confirm i would ask for it to remain unchanged</p>
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20		1		I support the reduction of parking to 30 minutes as long as business cars do not start parking in our close.
21			1	I support the existing 2 hour waiting limit as it is sufficient for most visitors and any packing/unpacking and so on. Any less is really not enough for visitors to those without transport of their own.
22			1	I have no off road parking unlike all of my neighbours.
23			1	I don't own a car, but here there are not enough spaces (9) for 13 flats. The new development of 9 flats and 2 retail next door doesn't look as if it is providing the total spaces needed. If I have a visitor we are always looking at the clock. They often have to park on street opposite as I cannot be sure when another residents in these flats will need to park their car. Whilst checking this on line I can buy a book of tickets for my visitors. Will call Monday to do this. (Faversham are given places to purchase these books but not Sittingbourne? I am assuming that as a resident who has no car I am allowed to do this?)
24		1		Due to the yellow lines, visitors/family <u>to my house</u> cannot park. Due to taxis and other cars parking in residents parking as well this takes away this facility so restricts parking for residents/visitors! I would benefit from cars with a residents permit for my house being able to park on the yellow lines outside my house as there are never any available spaces in the allocated resident parking spaces.
25		1		We could do with more ticket inspectors/traffic wardens. Seeing them once a month, and then they don't return the same day, just a waste of time. I would still like to see the 30 minute limit.
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27		1		We think people working locally should use the local car parks. Perhaps the council could provide free permits for workmen for residents to hand out. If we go shopping anywhere else, i.e Chatham/Canterbury/Whitstable, you have to use car parks as they have residents only parking.

28			1	Please register my support for the existing 2 hour waiting limit to remain. Due to the council's refusal to give residents in Nativity Close and Anselm Close two permits per house, two-car households are already very restricted if they want two workman at their houses at once or a visitor and a workman. There is no choice but to use Ufton Lane. This would make the situation even worse. If the waiting time is reduced in Ufton Lane, I would request that houses in Nativity and Anselm be given two permits per household in line with other roads in the scheme. This proposal will also just lead to residents having to pay more for visiting parking permits which is also unfair.
29		1		The council should have started the parking at 30 minutes as groups of estate agents are moving their cars every 2 hours. This is missing revenue for the council. There are sometimes up to 4 vans parked also.
30		1		Also need to restrict voucher sales, as there are houses with 3 cars, one using a constant supply of vouchers! And it'll get worse with the new flats.
31			1	No issues parking during the day. Issues with parking are in the evening.
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33			1	I believe a 2 hour waiting limit is essential, so we can have family and friends visit without too much restriction. If this is cut shorter, maybe the visitor day passes should be made cheaper or free to compensate for this.
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35	1			A lot of opportunist parking could be reduced if enforcement officers were around on a daily basis and throughout the day instead of once or twice a week. All resident parking also have access to visitor parking permits so most of what you suggest would be eliminated.
36	1			I support the reduction of the waiting limit to one hour This will be in line with other Rds such as Park Rd, William St & Frederick St
37	1			Perhaps introduce a scheme to give vouchers/permits to those such as care workers who frequently need to visit a property in the area.
38			1	I live at *** Ufton Lane(between Epps Rd and Homewood Av). I do not find it an issue to park during the day. Parking is only an issue during evenings and weekends. There are numerous spaces available on the even side of the road as I write this email. However I can appreciate that this might not be the case on the lower (one way part) part of Ufton Lane so perhaps restrictions need to vary depending on the part of the road. Also I very rarely see parking attendants along the road, if the restrictions are reduced, will they be consistently enforced?

39		1		The problem is not commuters but other residents without permits who deliberately move their cars every 2 hours to take advantage of the free 2 hour waiting period, and others who park inconsiderately taking upto 2 bays with one car. I'd like to see the hours extended to 9pm as I have witnessed on a regular basis, residents from nearby streets moving their cars into this zone just a few minutes past 4 in order to take advantage, thereby making it impossible for those residents who do purchase a permit to park when they come home from work in the evenings. It would also be helpful if the permits included Sundays.
40		1		Fed up of no parking spaces for visitors even when we use the permits. Business use - using most of spaces.
41			1	I support the existing 2 hour waiting limit.
42			1	We support the existing 2 hour waiting limit.
43		1		I support the reduction of the current waiting limit to 30 minutes; in fact I would go further and completely abolish waiting time at all, 24/7. Daily permits are available to buy. I am sick and tired of struggling to find a parking space anywhere near my house. I work shifts, and it is extremely frustrating to come home at around 23.00hrs, and having nowhere to park. The road is littered with badly parked cars without permits. Currently there is nothing I can do about this, but if people are taking advantage of the current situation, should they not at least buy a permit? I have to. Further to this, I would like some clarification regarding the parking of vehicles at no's * and *. Both of these properties enjoy off road parking, using what appears to unlawful "driveways" . There are no dropped kerbs or double yellow lines etc as there are in front of legal drives in the Lane. Although residents are entitled to park in front of these properties, this would deny these people access to their so-called driveways, and cause friction between residents if cars are parked there (even though they are allowed to!) It is a difficult situation , as these people are getting away with it, and probably think that they are actual driveways (despite the fact that there are clear parking lines marked on the road) and that the council appear to have turned a blind eye. So....clarification please, as just to rub salt in the wound, the people at * in particular quite often do not even use their illegal driveway in the evening, but park in the lane,denying spaces to people who have bought permits! I therefore recommend that either dropped kerbs and double yellow lines are put in place, or they purchase parking permits and play "parking roulette" like the rest of us have to.
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47	1			It would be great to just be able to park, I have a disabled mum who has limited ability to walk and I can never get parked near the house. I also feel you should limit the permits per household to only 2 per house.
48		1		(1) I believe the restrictions should be 24/7 and 365 days a year. (2) Why are parking permits issued to people with off road parking to the detriment of those residents without that luxury? (3) Why are new permits still being issued, when it's obviously no extra parking is available? Is it just a way of obtaining extra money? (4) I believe the parking zones are way too big and should be restricted to roads only for the residents of those roads. (5) A few years I objected to the removal of 3/4 parking spaces by the Kent Highways Dept. I came up with an alternative vision which I shall repeat. The roads south of the A2 between Burley Road and Albany Road should be a series of one way roads with traffic calming measures to stop motorists using the said roads as "rat runs" and/or race tracks. Then more space could be provided for parking. For instance in my area of Ufton Lane (between Addington Road and Connaught Road) angled parking bays could be introduced in front of the terraced houses. I think you could get two bays in front of each house.
49			1	Please don't make life even harder for residents. We didn't want the scheme in the first place. It's hard enough already when we have tradesmen round working on the house, not to mention guests. Stop making money out of people that just want to park outside their own homes.
50			1	I refute the comments regarding businesses parking regularly. Since moving into Ufton Lane 3 years ago the parking in Ufton Lane is a constant ebb and flow, leaving plenty of spaces available. I see no reason for changing the existing waiting limit.
51			1	Please keep
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