

Pavement Parking prohibition trial

Ward Member Guidance

At its June 2024 meeting Cabinet approved the introduction of a trial prohibition of pavement parking in one area of Swindon. Ward Councillors are to be invited to submit proposals for areas within their Wards to be considered for inclusion in the trial. This Guidance for Ward Members is based upon the scheme details approved by Cabinet and subsequent discussion at the Build a Better Swindon Committee in July 2024.

Application & Broad Criteria

Ward Councillors are being invited to submit applications by 31 August 2024 to Philip Martlew in the Traffic Management & Road Safety Team pmartlew@swindon.gov.uk

Applications should be from Ward Councillors who represent the area being proposed for the trial.

Applications could include parts of individual streets, whole streets or specific areas (eg around a school).

There should be evidence that there is clearly a pavement parking problem to be addressed in that area (eg through social media or by local surveys).

If there are particular issues arising from pavement parking – these should be highlighted (eg outside a school, lots of vulnerable pedestrians or wheelchair users)

There should be evidence of local support for a prohibition on pavement parking (eg through social media or by local surveys).

The trial is being delivered within existing resources. The area should not therefore be too large as enforcement needs to take place within existing staff resources in the Parking enforcement team.

There will need to be consideration of where the necessary signs can be sensibly located – for example if pavements are narrow. Officers can advise on these practical issues.

Applications will initially be assessed by officers in consultation with the Cabinet Member for the Environment and Transport. Cabinet have indicated that there will be one trial area selected for implementation (although this can be reviewed once applications are received).

Further advice

Where Members are considering submitting a request on behalf of their community it is suggested that an informal discussion is arranged at an early stage with an officer from the Traffic Management team to provide advice. Contact Philip Martlew pmartlew@swindon.gov.uk

Timeline of events



Initial applications, together with supporting documentation should be submitted **by 31st August 2024**



Detailed Assessment carried out during **September 2024**



Installation of signs and preparation of legal documents **during October 2024**



Experimental Traffic Regulation Order commences **by 31 October 2024**

Traffic Management & Road Safety Team

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