

✓ RE 1-13b HIGH ST.

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I/we wish to make strong complaint about your parents who are more and more using our small street to park to pick up children -also to use the street as a 'turning point' to avoid the congestion in Thames Avenue when picking up their children at the other school.

Last week there were two cars but this week there were 4 cars park in our tiny road. Today (Friday) - raining - there were 5 cars plus 3 different cars using the road as a turning point !

This is a special street for elderly/disabled with lowered narrow pavement, to aid those of us who cannot use a normal pavement. Two residents are wheelchair - bound, one has dementia, one has terminal illness, one is 99 years old and the rest of us are not very mobile.

Some of the cars using this street are too fast for the narrow road and are dangerous, a couple of cars are slower but still a serious hazard.

There is a lane at the dead end of our road which is used by many elderly and young children, also bikers, and we have watched the danger of doing their multi point turns at this point and seen that this is an accident bound to happen. When they turn, their cars are hidden by the hedge at the lane at one point and cars are so quiet nowadays, that people/children (who often run ahead of their parents) are at serious risk !

It is absolute nonsense that these parents now use (abuse) our small road, how many streets do they actually need !! We lost the no 15 bus through the village years ago as the parents were three deep on the Brow and at times, refused to move for the bus. -they are still 3 deep . They even use Wicks close - but at least that is a normal street and is less of a hazard. What happened to the 5 minute exclusion zone - didn't last long - did it.

We do not want to put up a special road sign to highlight it is 90% elderly/disabled as it could bring attention to undesirable people that we are vulnerable, but it is obvious to your parents that it is used by many who are elderly and young children. It was considered up till now, that this was a safe road and many elderly use it to go to the doctors, Morrisons etc but no longer.

We also have regular nurses attending this street (including myself) who NEED to park ! But it is getting so congested that this is going to be a problem. Trying to find a parking spot will cause these busy nurses to have to search for a spot elsewhere. We also have regular ambulances/Doctors attending. It is an especially narrow road and soon may be parking on both sides. Also a couple of elderly remarked that they 'doze' in the afternoon but are disturbed by the Banging of doors etc.

Would you please put out notices to all the parents NOT to use our road please, it is very selfish and some drive far too fast for safety. You have a responsibility to keep the local residents safe and as I said, it is an accident waiting to happen.

I managed to get a couple of number plates today when there was a line blocking the whole of one side of the street, - there is a large black car driven by a black lady here, who is careful but still turns at the lane and could still cause an accident.

Please treat this seriously, I am not steady on my feet and am very nervous now- this was always a safe street - until now!

I have not mentioned my name/address as some of the mums can be quite nasty according to some people locally when asked to move etc. so forgive me. I do hope the problem is addressed BEFORE it's too late and someone is badly or fatally injured.

Re No 1-13 b High Street. Continued ....

Further list of cars abusing our street. [REDACTED] Blue metallic car - turning/speeding.

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[REDACTED] - this car parks every day and today my neighbour witnessed her parking and going shopping to Morrisons ! Towards Xmas we and the nurses and doctors will not be able to park for these selfish people !

We have had 3 deaths in this street recently and it is very upsetting to have our designated Elderly/disabled street abused like this.

We now have workmen digging up our street with 2 signs telling people Men at Work but still they ignore it.

One of our neighbours witnessed very bad turning with a white car a few weeks ago and when she turned to watch in case a child came out the lane she got nasty signs and words from them. She was so upset she didn't get their number. Two women in car.

We will hold your school responsible if you fail to stop these people and something bad happens and even if you stop them ,more will use it so you need to stop them all.

( I have been approached by a couple of elderly residents who are deeply worried and upset by all this but cannot use a computer to type this- they do not wish to be identified and neither do I in case of nastiness from these selfish drivers ) Some Drivers/Turners we were not able to get their numbers as they drive so fast.

Wicks Close is a normal street which can accommodate all these cars and it would still be safe for the Parkers children to walk through our road to their parents.

These ladies who have asked me to do this have just asked me to double emphasise that we have Doctors/Nurses and ambulances etc regularly calling here and our road is so narrow that it does not accommodate all these parked - U-turn cars. They are starting to even turn down our drives now ! Disgraceful.