

QUESTION NO. 1

Councillor Duveen to ask the Chair:

Parking Fines on Boxing Day

Why are we sending out Parking Wardens to patrol residential streets on Boxing Day?

Would you agree that this is a little over the top and can we exclude Public Holidays by default from our traffic restrictions in future, certainly outside the town centre?

REPLY by Councillor Page:

Waiting restrictions are used to keep our roads safe as well as managing the demand for kerbside space. In a very busy urban environment, such as that in Reading, road safety and demand management is no less important during bank holidays.

Signing and lining of waiting restrictions is determined by national government and they have considered the issue of holiday periods but do not support excluding holiday periods, as this is difficult to sign.