

# Support Visitor Parking Permits for Hunters Wharf

We are lobbying Reading Borough Council for visitor parking permits for everyone at Hunters Wharf. These would be the half day booklets of twenty tickets which are generally available free to residents. This would allow our visitors to park on Katesgrove Lane and the surrounding areas. Currently because we live in a block of flats with a planning restriction on our parking, we are unable to access any parking permits. However, visitor permits have a different status and the committee could grant us with them.

This would be great for all of us and would alleviate the pressure when friends, partners and families come to visit.

The letter which will be sent is below. If you agree that we should have access to visitor permits then please respond below and we will add names to the request to Traffic Management sub-committee. We would really appreciate your support and will find out around start of March if we've been successful.

Please respond by 16 February if you want to be involved.

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Dear Councillor Page

I am writing to you to ask for your consideration on a parking issue. We would like for you to support us in acquiring visitor parking permits for all residents in our development.

I live at the Hunters Wharf flats on Katesgrove Lane. Whilst I accept that as residents we are only permitted one permanent parking space, an issue arises whenever we wish to have family or friends visit.

This is having an impact on our lives as people try and fit additional cars into a very narrow space making it difficult to enter and exit the site. It is not possible for our visitors to park for longer than two hours between 8am - 8pm on the street, and subsequently, they cannot park at all. This means that visitors with disabilities or mobility issues are forced to park further away in the town centre. Many residents talk about this problem. During the winter the IDR underpass area can also be quite dark.

Katesgrove Lane is extremely quiet most of the time. The only time it is busy is during the school pick up and drop off times. At evenings and weekends you would only ever see a couple of cars parked on the street.

Most visitors only stay for a limited period of time. It is unlikely to have an impact on access to the school but it will be incredibly positive for all residents living in Hunters Wharf.

Residents here completely understand that we live within walking distance of the town centre but sometimes we have visitors from far away, trades professionals or those with mobility issues and need access to the street outside our block.

Yours Sincerely,

We, the undersigned

Do you support visitor permits at Hunters Wharf? \*



Yes

No

Name and flat number (only shared with relevant lead Councillor and council staff) \*

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