

SHEVIOCK PARISH COUNCIL

Notes from the Second Public Meeting to discuss the on street parking proposals for Portwrinkle held at the Memorial Hall, Crafhole, on Friday 13th June 2014 commencing at 7.00pm.

There were 31 members of the public present.

Councillor Kennedy, Chair of Sheviock Parish Council, opened the meeting and thanked all those in attendance for coming. Councillor Kennedy gave an overview of the broad consensus of opinion taken from the first public meeting. The purpose of this second meeting is to try and get a proper consensus and then the Parish Council can take that option forward on behalf of the residents and look for funding. Councillor Kennedy emphasised that the Parish Council does not have any agenda in this exercise; its only role is to be the conduit for the preferred action by the residents of the Parish. If the general view is to do nothing then things would be left as they are.

A map was displayed by PowerPoint, as a reminder of what came forward from the previous meeting, showing the position of the double yellow lines, the double yellow lines with no loading areas, the residents only parking areas, the seasonal residents parking only areas and the seasonal single yellow lines. Councillor Kennedy said that this map was still only a guide for discussion and he opened the floor to debate.

One resident asked what was meant by residents permit parking and how it would be enforced. The top end of Whitsand Bay View (marked in blue on the map) would be a designated 'Residents Only' parking area and residents would be able to purchase permits to enable them to park there. The annual cost of a permit is £25 for the first permit and £37.50 for a second or subsequent permit. Permits can be transferable between vehicles, including that of a visitor. Residents can also purchase Visitor's tickets at a cost of £10 for 10 tickets to use as a scratch card and display in the vehicle showing the correct date scratched off. You have to be a qualifying resident to apply for tickets and they can only be used in contravention of a parking restriction and not for inconsiderate, dangerous or obstructive parking. A traffic warden would come 'on demand' and could be asked to attend if specific problem times were identified but would not patrol on a regular basis because this would come at a cost to the Parish Council. The penalty for illegal parking is likely to be in the region of £80. There was some debate around this being a sufficient deterrent for people intent on having a day out at the beach.

It was asked how residents of the Parish could park in Whitsand Bay View (WBV) to see a friend/relative, drop off/pick up children, have a coffee etc. Councillor Kennedy said that if the visit was to be for more than a few minutes then the visitor would have to use the WBV resident's parking permit for that occasion. Councillor Kennedy said that over the last three years there had been a lot of contact from residents in WBV complaining that they could not get in or out of their driveways and that their visitors had difficulty parking. Councillor Medway pointed out that the idea of the permit parking was to protect and reserve the residents' ability to park.

There was a discussion around increasing the 'no loading' areas to encompass the second and third bends going up into Whitsand Bay View. This would mean absolutely no parking at all in these areas.

It was asked whether residents could use the car park in the event that the space in the 'Residents' Permit Parking' area was all taken. Councillor Kennedy explained that this would not be an option because the area was for public parking and the Parish Council needed the revenue from it for repairs etc, as detailed under the Devolution Agreement.

A Straw Poll was taken on the following:

- a) Using the map that was produced from the first meeting, as detailed in paragraph 2 of this report and Appendix 1, but with the addition of 'No Loading' on the second and third bends of Whitsand Bay View, = 25 in favour and 1 against.
- b) Same proposal as (a) but a vote of Residents of Portwrinkle only=17 in favour and 0 against.
- c) Portwrinkle Residents only -Residents Only parking permits= 4 in favour and 13 against.

Councillor Kennedy said that, in order to demonstrate that everyone in Portwrinkle had a chance to have their say, the above proposals will be put in print form and posted through every letterbox to be returned to the Parish Council. The votes will then be looked at before funding is sought and consultation is started with Cornwall Council.

The meeting closed at 7.50pm.

Signed
Chairman of SheviocK Parish Council

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General Parking restrictions



