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R Thomas,  
Traffic Management,  
Leicester City Council,  
City Hall,  
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To Robin,

I am writing to you to object to the proposed plans to place double yellow lines on the corners of Belmont St, Berkshire Rd, Clifton Rd, Curzon Rd, Denmark Rd, Duncan Rd, Florence St, Grace Rd, Hallaton St, Hampshire Rd, Handley St, Harold St, Islington St, Kempson Rd, Knighton Ln, Landsdowne Rd, Leeson St, Lorraine Rd, Lorrimer St, Manners Rd, Milligan Rd, Old Church St, Park Av, Percy Rd, Richmond Rd, Robin Cl, Vaughan Rd, Vernon Rd and Worcester Rd.

The grounds for the objection are if you place double yellow lines on these roadways you will effectively reduce the availability of parking on these roadways. These roadways are at saturation point already with the residents who live there parking their cars. If you add to that the daily extra vehicular presence of people who work in the surrounding industries, the constant stream of customers visiting the surrounding businesses, supporters of cricket, supporters of LCFC, supporters of Leicester Tigers Rugby Football Club and people who are using these roadways as "Park and Ride" sites it makes it impossible at times to find a parking space, to the point that we the residents of these named roadways dare not leave our dwellings to do our daily needs via our vehicles as we fear that we will not be able to park when we return! I have seen toe to toe arguments between residents and non residents regarding parking and that is happening before you take away parking availability, this is certainly not what we want but it is already happening! There is a family who walk to Braunstone twice daily to take their son to school and they do this with 2 toddlers in tow in rain, sleet and snow through all 4 seasons of the year! It is just not acceptable that we are put in this position that we dare not lead normal daily lives.

Please let me make it clear that I DO NOT object to double yellow lines being placed on the corners of these roadways, in fact i welcome it as due to the huge amount of extra vehicular presence on these roadways the parking of vehicles on these corners is inevitable and unavoidable but presents problems not only for pedestrians but also drivers trying to negotiate these over crowded roadways and pull out from the end of them.

What IDO object to is the order in which these problems are being sorted by Leicester City Council, if you were to sort the parking problems first then you would find that the corners of these roadways would not **NEED** to be parked on and you would only need to place double yellows if you felt the need to reiterate the fact! In fact as a driver you must follow the Highway Code rules 242 & 250 and most conscientious drivers would **IF THEY COULD!**

As a resident of the area for many years i am aware that permit parking has been discussed before and a consultation was made with a result of the residents not wanting the scheme to be put in place. This consultation was made many years ago and i feel that things have got worse regarding parking in the area by about 200%. Besides that, there are certain groups of the named roadways which are infinitely worse than others for parking due to industry, businesses and the locality to main routes into and out of town which are being used as impromptu "park and ride" sites and after a conversation with Mr R Thomas it was indicated that it would be possible for certain pockets of the Aylestone ward to be placed under a parking scheme if the whole of the ward didn't want it but certain pockets did following a consultation.

I am also aware that councillor Clarke and councillor Porter have been spoken to regarding the parking issue on 4 or 5 occasions over a number of years during the surgeries they held and on all occasions they said they would look into the issue. As of yet nothing has materialised from these interactions.

I would urge you, Leicester City Council to postpone the placement of double yellow lines on these roadways until something has been done regarding the difficulties of parking in the Aylestone area for residents.

Yours sincerely,

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