

RPZ Consultation 2022 Amendment Report for Formal TRO Consultation Lyme Gardens and Charmouth Road area

(Newbridge Ward, Bath)

An area which includes Lyme Gardens, Lyme Road, and Charmouth Road.

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1. Introduction

1.1 Purpose of Report

Bath & North East Somerset Council has received requests to introduce a new Residents' Parking Zone (RPZ) within the area of Lyme Gardens, Lyme Road and Charmouth Road, Bath, which is being proposed with the support of local ward councillors.

The proposal aims to prioritise on-street parking for residents and provide adequate and accessible parking for residents and visitors to access social hubs within the area, such as shops, pubs, schools, parks, places of worship, and local charities.

RPZs aim to discourage parking by non-residents who may currently park in the area before heading into the city or nearby places of work. By limiting non-residential parking, commuters are instead encouraged to use public transport, including the city's park and ride facilities, or to walk or cycle their journey. RPZs can also help to alleviate parking difficulties for residents where the parking in neighbouring residential areas may already be limited, restricted, or charged-for. Additional benefits are more orderly parking and fewer vehicles driving around looking for parking, resulting in improved road safety, better air quality and less noise and congestion.

The initial proposal was produced as a draft to be shared with the public during an initial informal consultation. This took place between the 5th May to 2nd June (5pm).

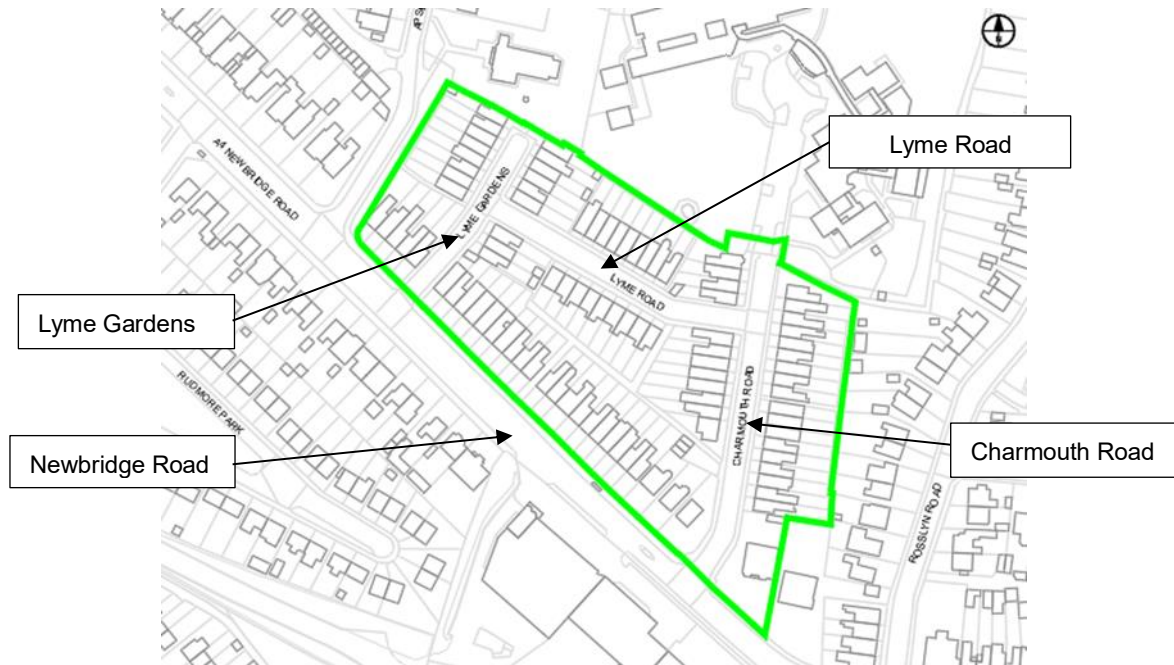
A virtual online event on 16 May from 12pm to 1pm, and an in-person event on 17 May 2022 from 4pm to 8pm at Weston Methodist Church, were held to provide further information and enable consultees to talk to an advisor, view the proposal plans, ask questions, and submit a questionnaire.

After reviewing the feedback from the informal, initial exercise - and following discussions with the local Ward Councillors - we have revised the design and the amendments are detailed within this report.

1.2 Study Area

Lyme Gardens is located west of Bath City Centre and north of the River Avon. The area is primarily a residential area with a school. The proposed RPZ boundary, as presented in the initial consultation in May, can be seen as a green border shown in Figure 1 below.

Figure 1: Zone Boundary Plan



1.3 Consultation outcome

A summary of the responses to the consultation can be found in Figure 2 below. Overall support for the scheme is reasonably high for those respondents that live in the proposed zone. It is the opinion of the local local ward councillors that support does exist for a scheme covering the original area, and that residents should be given further opportunity to consider the benefits of an RPZ during a formal consultation on a revised scheme that takes on board feedback from the initial consultation.

Table 1: Summary of responses to consultation

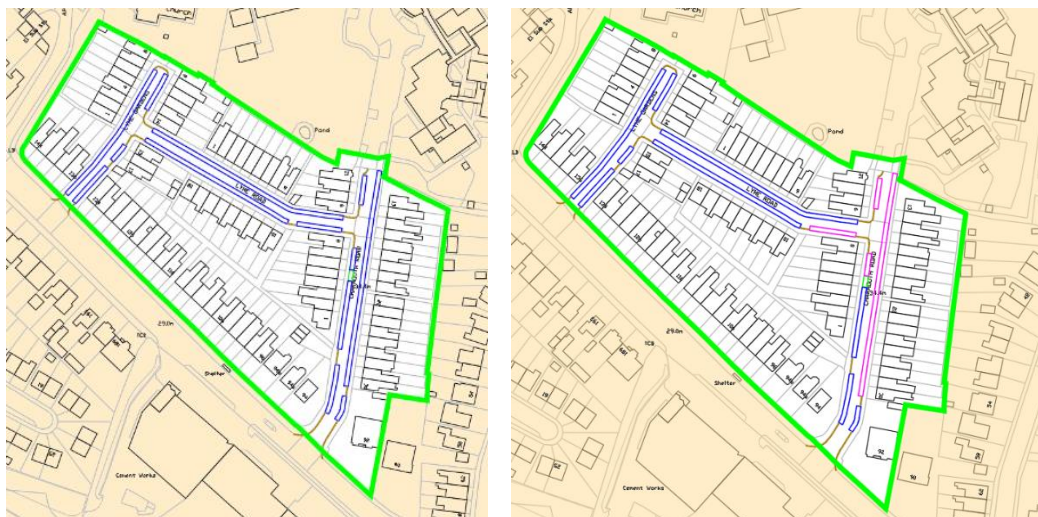
	All respondents		Live in Parking Zone		Live outside Parking Zone	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Support	39	45	32	58	7	23
Partially support	8	9	4	7	4	13
Object	39	45	19	35	20	65
No feeling	0	0	0	0	0	0

1.4 Amendments to be made to the proposals

Below is a list of the amendments requested by residents and/or ward councillors to be made to the proposed RPZ arrangement which we consulted on in May.

- 1) Change the proposals to show the proposed bay on the east side of Charmouth Road as a dual use bay, providing non-residents with parking for up to 30 minutes, no return within 1 hour in this location. This will accommodate pick up and drop off for the school whilst prohibiting non-residents from parking for longer periods.

Figure 2: Charmouth Road and Lyme Road bays as per consultation and amended to dual-use



- 2) Change the proposals to show the two proposed bays on the west side of Charmouth Road near its junction with Lyme Road to dual use, providing non-residents with parking for up to 30 minutes, no return within 1 hour in this location. This will accommodate pick up and drop off for the school whilst prohibiting non-residents from parking for longer periods.
- 3) Change the proposals to show the proposed bay on the south side of Lyme Road near its junction with Charmouth Road to dual use, providing non-residents with parking for up to 30 minutes, no return within 1 hour in this location. This will accommodate pick up and drop off for the school whilst prohibiting non-residents from parking for longer periods.

1.5 Amendments not included in revised proposals

There were no other items considered for amendment.

1.6 Next Steps

The next steps in the project timeline are as follows:

1. TRO Consultation to commence on 22nd September 2022.
2. Final decision 2nd December 2022.

Should there be a decision to proceed:

1. Orders sealed 8th December 2022.
2. Lining and signing works begin on site 30th January 2023.
3. Operational date, commence enforcement 27th February 2023.

Appendix A Document copies

A.1 Appendix A

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Appendix B Revised proposal plan/s

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