
Cabinet Member for City Services

28 January 2026

Name of Cabinet Member:

Cabinet Member for City Services – Councillor P Hetherton

Director Approving Submission of the report:

Director of Regeneration and Economy

Ward affected:

Foleshill

Title:

Petition E7/25-26 - Bryn Road Separate Parking Zone

Is this a key decision?

No

Executive Summary:

A petition with 47 signatures was received requesting that a Permit Parking Area be created for Bryn Road separate from Zone EW1.

In accordance with the City Council's procedure for dealing with petitions, those relating to road safety are heard by the Cabinet Member for City Services. The Cabinet Member had considered the petition prior to this meeting and requested that the petition was dealt with by letter (determination letter) rather than a formal report being submitted to a meeting, to be able to deal with the matter more efficiently. On receipt of the determination letter, the petition organiser requested that the issue be considered at a Cabinet Member for City Services meeting.

The determination letter advised that the Council takes a zonal approach to residents' parking schemes, incorporating adjoining roads in one zone. This helps to reduce the effects of displacement of parking onto adjacent streets and increases the overall amount of on-street parking available during the hours of operation.

Recommendations:

Cabinet Member for City Services is recommended to:

- 1) Note the petitioners' concerns.
- 2) Endorse the actions which were agreed and set out in the determination letter to the petition organiser as detailed in section 2 of this report.

List of Appendices included:

Appendix A – Location plan and extract from Traffic Regulation Order
Appendix B – Text of Determination Letter

Background Papers:

None

Other useful documents:

None

Has it been or will it be considered by Scrutiny?

No

Has it been or will it be considered by any other Council Committee, Advisory Panel or other body?

No

Will this report go to Council?

No

Report title: Petition E7/25-26 - Bryn Road Separate Parking Zone

1. Context (or background)

1.1 A petition with 47 signatures was received requesting that a Permit Parking Area be created for Bryn Road separate from Zone EW1. The petition was sponsored by Councillor Abdul S Khan.

1.2 The petition reads as follows:

"We, the undersigned residents of Bryn Road, Coventry, are writing to express our deep concern and frustration regarding the recent changes to the parking enforcement zones in our area. For the past three years, Bryn Road has been part of the EW1 parking zone, which has allowed residents to park without significant issues. However, the inclusion of Crabmill Lane in the same EW1 zone has created ever parking difficulties for Bryn Road residents."

Issues Faced by Bryn Road Residents:

1. *Limited Parking Availability: Bryn Road is a small road, and the addition of Crabmill Lane to the EW1 zone has drastically reduced the availability of parking spaces for Bryn Road residents.*
2. *Mobility Challenges: Residents with mobility problems are now unable to park near their homes, causing significant inconvenience and hardship.*
3. *Permit Misuse: There have been instances where Crabmill Lane residents have sold parking permits to individuals from Stoney Stanton Road and businesses, exacerbating the parking shortages.*

Our request: We respectfully request the allocation of a new, separate parking zone exclusively for Bryn Road residents. This will ensure that we can park near our homes and address the unique challenges faced by our small road."

1.3 Bryn Road is a residential road between Crabmill Lane and Stoney Stanton Road. The road is one-way and can be accessed by vehicle from Crabmill Lane only.

1.4 In response to a petition from residents of Bryn Road, a residents' parking scheme was created on Bryn Road. Following a subsequent petition from residents of the adjoining Crabmill Lane, the scheme was expanded to include Crabmill Lane.

2. Options considered and recommended proposal

2.1 The recommended actions in response to the issues raised are as set out in the agreed determination letter response attached in Appendix B.

2.2 The response stated that the Council takes a zonal approach to residents' parking schemes, incorporating adjoining roads in one zone. This helps to reduce the effects of displacement of parking onto adjacent streets and increases the overall amount of on-street parking available to residents during the hours of operation.

- 2.3 This zonal approach is particularly suited to locations where parking demand and generators is shared across multiple streets. The approach not only mitigates the risk of parking displacement to adjacent streets but also promotes operational efficiency and fairness. Incorporating roads into a zone facilitates a more consistent traffic flow and reduces congestion caused by vehicles moving between fragmented areas. This approach also simplifies enforcement and administration. Therefore, it is recommended that the current zone extents are retained in this instance.
- 2.4 With regards to the issue of permit misuse referred to in the petition, the response explained that the Council actively investigate any such reports it receives. If evidence is found of permit misuse, appropriate action is taken, including withdrawing permits from use and excluding the culprits from the scheme.
- 2.5 Residents with restricted mobility who are eligible for a Blue Badge can apply to have an advisory disabled parking bay installed in front of their property free-of-charge.

3. Results of consultation undertaken

- 3.1 The agreed actions have been communicated to the petition organiser and sponsor in the Determination Letter.

4. Timetable for implementing this decision

- 4.1 The Determination Letter was sent on 3 October 2025.

5. Comments from the Director of Finance and Resources and the Director of Law and Governance

5.1 Financial implications

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

5.2 Legal implications

There are no legal implications arising from this report.

6. Other implications

6.1 How will this contribute to the One Coventry Plan?

(<https://www.coventry.gov.uk/strategies-plans-policies/one-coventry-plan>)

N/A

6.2 How is risk being managed?

N/A

6.3 What is the impact on the organisation?

None

6.4 Equalities / EIA?

No specific equalities impact assessment has been carried out.

6.5 Implications for (or impact on) climate change and the environment?

None

6.6 Implications for partner organisations?

None

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Appendix A – Location plan and extract from Traffic Regulation Order



Appendix B – Text of Determination Letter

I am writing with regard to the above petition and your request for Bryn Road to be made a separate permit parking zone.

The matter was discussed with Councillor Hetherton, Cabinet Member for City Services, who has requested that this be dealt with by way of letter rather than a formal report being submitted to a future meeting, so that it can be dealt with more quickly.

The Council takes a zonal approach to residents' parking schemes, incorporating adjoining roads in one zone. This helps to reduce the effects of displacement of parking onto adjacent streets and increases the overall amount of on-street parking available during the hours of operation.

With regards to the issue of permit misuse referred to in the petition, the Council will actively investigate any such reports. If evidence is found of permit misuse, appropriate action will be taken, including withdrawing permits from use and excluding the culprits from the scheme.

I would be grateful if you could please confirm in writing, either by email or letter, that you agree that the petition be progressed by way of this letter. If you do not agree, a report responding to your petition will be prepared for consideration at a future Cabinet Member meeting. You will be invited to attend this meeting where you will have the opportunity to speak on behalf of the petitioners. If no response is received within four weeks of the date of this letter, we will record this as your acceptance of the determination letter and the petition will be closed.