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Parking Shop (Parking Problems)  
Watford Council  
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Date: 5<sup>th</sup> December 2016

ADDRESS WITH PROBLEMS: ROSE GARDENS WATFORD HERTS WD18 0JB  
PARKING ISSUE WITH SCHOOL PARENTS BLOCKING THE PAVEMENTS / DRIVEWAYS AND ROAD  
EVERY DAY BETWEEN: 8-30 - 9-30 AND 1500 – 1600.  
NEW PROPOSED TRAIN STATION VICARAGE ROAD PARKING RESTRICTION REQUIRED FOR FUTURE.

We would like to report the continuing problem with parking in the road with parents from Laurence Haines School. Vehicles park in the morning and in the evening causing safety issues.... The problem needs urgent attention.

There is a safety issue for parents and children walking to school, because vehicles park and block the pavement every day, and cause congestion in the road, creating gridlock in the road. Parents with pushchairs and children have to walk in the road, because of this, raising safety issue with a serious accident pending at any time, which could cause a child losing his life.

1. **PAVEMENTS:** Vehicles continue to park and block the pavement, restricting the freedom of movement, there is a serious danger of injury. Parking on the pavement can be selfish and dangerous, putting pedestrians - especially those with disabilities or using pushchairs - in danger. If a vehicle is blocking the pavement then people often have no choice but to walk in the road where they are at much greater risk of being involved in an accident.
2. **VEHICLES:** Between 8.30am – 9.30am and 15.00- 16.00 Vehicles use the road on mass and cause a hazard, which is problematic for all residents and persons using the pavements on foot.
3. **WALKING:** Laurence Haines School encourage children to attend school via walking, thus saving the environment.
4. **PREVENTING SERIOUS ACCIDENT:** We need to act now to prevent a serious accident.
5. **RESIDENTS PARTIALLY SIGHTED:** Safety on pavements is essential for the partially sighted. We have residents who are in this category who continue to have problems.

6. **DISABLED PERSONS:** The Local Authority promotes the equality of disabled people; parking on the pavement limits their mobility.
7. **SCHOOL LAURENCE HAINES:** Seek to encourage parents to walk their children to school and think of the Environment.
8. **DRIVEWAYS BLOCKED:** Continuing problem with dropped kerbs being parked on causing problems for ingress and egress for residents access their off-road parking.

**This is an important necessity for the sake of all residents in Rose Gardens Watford, and all visitors. We need to have parking restrictions implemented. (Restrict Parking time periods)  
This is now urgent before a serious accident or incident happens which will be  
Life Threatening!**

**We have in situ restricted parking between the hours of 8am – 18.30 for non-K permit holders.... (We need no parking for any permits between 8.30 – 9.30 and 1500 – 1600. This will also help emergency vehicles that have to access the road.)**

We have vehicles from Vicarage Road / Holywell Road and within walking distance of the school driving their children to Rose Gardens and parking, when they should be walking. We have parents using disabled badges parking on the double yellow lines also making the issue even more dangerous.

We have the support from 95% of the complete road of Rose Gardens, WHO HAVE SIGNED THE PETITION FOR SUPPORT AND ACTION URGENTLY REQUIRED.

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We, the undersigned, support and concur the above letter, and would like to bring the problem regarding (details of the above problem) to your attention and suggest recommendations to improve the situation. We need restriction similar to the Cassiobury Estate...E.g. Shephreds Road Watford Herts.

**(No parking in Rose Gardens between 8.30am – 9.30am and 1500 – 1600.)**

Kind Regards

Stuart Taylor