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Ref: Boundary Street Hours of Operation Consultation
February 2021

Dear Resident/Business,

Re: Proposed parking changes - Boundary Street, Calvert Avenue and Redchurch Street.

I am writing to advise you that the Council intends to change the hours of parking controls at Boundary Street, Calvert Avenue, Ebor Street, Redchurch Street, Shoreditch High Street, the Hackney section of Bethnal Green Road and Quaker Street to **Monday to Saturday 8.30am - midnight.**

Since the last consultation on the Zone B hours of parking controls in 2011, there have been a number of changes to the design of parking in the area as well as the introduction of sustainable transport initiatives and changes to the social and economic demographics within the zone. Over time this has resulted in a cluster of roads in Zone B experiencing high parking stress making it increasingly difficult for residents to find parking near their homes.

Boundary Street, Calvert Avenue and Redchurch Street are within close proximity to the southern boundary of the borough. Tower Hamlets on the other side have parking controls in place which has caused additional parking stress for permit holders due to vehicles parking on streets in Hackney close to this boundary in order to avoid paying for parking in Tower Hamlets. Along with parking stress, residents have experienced noise nuisance and anti-social behaviour.

Parking Services carried out a consultation with residents and businesses on the cluster of roads identified as experiencing high parking stress. The Council included roads close to Boundary Street to prevent displacement parking outside the hours of operation and create a logical boundary within the zone. The consultation sought feedback to see if residents and businesses were in favour of extending the hours of operation of the parking bays on their road from **Monday to Friday 8:30am – 6:30pm & Monday to Saturday 8.30am - 1.30pm** to **Monday to Saturday 8.30am - midnight**.

Feedback Received

Consultation packs containing a letter, questionnaire, freepost envelope and user friendly maps were sent to 354 addresses within the consultation area. Overall, 19 responses were received which equates to a response rate of 5%. The majority of these responses were received from residents on Boundary Street and Calvert Avenue.

Of the responses received, 18 (95%) supported the proposal to change the hours of operation in Boundary Street, Calvert Avenue, Ebor Street, Redchurch Street, Shoreditch High Street, Section of Bethnal Green Road and Quaker Street to **Monday to Saturday 8.30am - midnight**. One respondent did not answer the question.

The Council also asked whether residents and businesses had any feedback or comments about the proposed changes. In total 15 comments were received from respondents. The general theme of the comments related to the current parking stress, additional police enforcement and anti-social behaviour, as well as comments in support of the proposal.

Recommendation

In line with the consultation feedback and relevant factors set out in the Council's Parking Enforcement Plan 2015-2020, the Council recommends that the hours of operation in Boundary Street, Calvert Avenue, Ebor Street, Redchurch Street, Shoreditch High Street, Section of Bethnal Green Road and Quaker Street are changed to **Monday to Saturday 8.30am - midnight**.

How will this change impact you?

Operational Hours

The change to operational hours from from **Monday to Friday 8:30am – 6:30pm & Monday to Saturday 8.30am - 1.30pm** to **Monday to Saturday 8.30am - midnight** will only affect Boundary Street, Calvert Avenue, Ebor Street, Redchurch Street, Shoreditch High Street, Section of Bethnal Green Road and Quaker Street.

Changes to permits and Companion Badges

There will be no changes to your current permits or Companion Badges.

Visitor Vouchers

Your visitors will need to display a valid visitor voucher, an active visitor e-voucher session or pay and display session on weekdays and Saturdays until midnight when parking on roads within the consultation zone, all parking bays will be enforceable during this time.

What happens next?

The Council is required to carry out a Statutory Consultation where the Traffic Management Order will be advertised on **Thursday 11th February 2021** in the Hackney Gazette. From the publication date of this advertisement there is a 21 day consultation period during which time any person may provide the Council with their comments on the proposed changes. All comments must be submitted by **Thursday 4th March 2021** for consideration by the Council. A report will subsequently be made detailing the comments with recommendations as to whether these will be upheld or not and approved by the Council's Director of Public Realm before any changes can be implemented on the road.

Implementation

March 2021

The changes to the hours of operation will go live on **Monday 29th March 2021**.

Please ensure you adhere to the signs from the date indicated above.

Please contact the consultation team directly on **0208 356 1279** or email consultparking@hackney.gov.uk for more information.

Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gulgun Chelikhhan', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Gulgun Chelikhhan
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Hackney Council