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Dear Resident

**Proposed Introduction of Season Ticket Parking  
Barrells Down Road (part), Chantry Road, Chantry Close (part),  
Elm Road, Pinelands (part), Rye Street (part)**

You may be aware that the Council's proposals to introduce a limited number of business season tickets in the 'Chantry' resident permit zone (RPZ) were advertised formally on 21 September.

We have received a number of inquiries of a similar nature in respect of one aspect of the Council's proposals; therefore I thought it would be helpful to offer clarification to all residents within the 'Chantry' RPZ area at an early stage.

We propose initially to offer no more than fifty season tickets. By creating 'inner' and 'outer' zones and by specifying the road in which an individual season ticket holder may park, we have taken steps to ensure all fifty season ticket holders could not seek to park in just one or two roads. You will also see that business permits will not be valid on Saturdays and Sundays, when resident parking needs are likely to be greatest.

You may note that the Traffic Regulation Order advertised last Thursday allows the Council to vary the number of season tickets issued at its discretion, rather than committing to a specific maximum. It is important this is the case, not least in the interests of residents.

Our guiding principle is that residents are our priority in this process and that they must continue to enjoy every chance of finding parking at or near their home. In arriving at the figure of up to 50 season tickets we have ensured there will still be a very healthy 'buffer' of spaces available to residents and their visitors. In all affected roads Informal consultation with the Chantry Community Association also assisted us in arriving at the current proposal.



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Should the scheme go ahead, we will monitor its effect and should problems occur (which we consider unlikely because of the buffer mentioned above) the Council would consider amending the initial offer. (A similar option would of course apply should it become apparent that a more than generous amount of capacity remained). Retaining that element of flexibility is important and had the Council tied its hands by specifying a number in the Order its ability to move swiftly would have been hampered.

I hope this information is of use and also gives assurance to residents who may be concerned that the Council's proposals risk jeopardising their current position. This is not the Council's intention.

Please take time to study the Council's proposals as set out in the Traffic Regulation Order which may be accessed at the Council's Charrington's House office and on our website. Any comments received during this consultation phase, which lasts until 13 October, will be analysed and given full consideration before the Council decides on its next steps.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'D Kingsbury'.

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