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Parking Controls by Falconwood Station

Dear resident,

I am writing to you regarding plans from the Royal Borough of Greenwich to install parking controls on Rochester Way and Welling Way near Falconwood Station. The plans would see the installation of Pay and Display meters on Welling Way and on Rochester Way from Welling Way to Riefield Road, as well as a two hour maximum stay parking limit on Rochester Way from the junction of Crookston Road to Welling Way.

As local residents you will be aware that these are non-residential roads where people parking are either visiting Oxleas Wood, Oxleas Meadow, and Shepherdleas Wood or commuters using Falconwood station. By introducing these charges, the primary, and intentional, consequence of this action by the Royal Borough of Greenwich is to displace this parking onto nearby residential roads close to railway stations such as yours.

Displaced commuters will then primarily park on roads in Eltham Park that do not have existing parking controls, again such as yours, creating pressures where they did not previously exist. The Council will then use these increased parking pressures as an opportunity to hold a new consultation on parking controls asking residents whether they wish to join the existing Eltham Controlled Parking Zones (in Council speak CPZs), with the hope this will cause residents to respond in favour of controls. This is the first step for the Council in achieving their previously confirmed ambition to cover the entire borough with CPZs, generating additional revenue at the cost of hard-working local residents.

If you wish to object to Greenwich Council's attempts to introduce controlled parking charges across Eltham by stealth, I would encourage you to respond to the Council's consultation on the proposed parking controls by Falconwood Station. You can do this by emailing parking-design@royalgreenwich.gov.uk with comments and objections prior to the 24th August.

I hope residents find this update helpful. Although I am no longer your councillor, I still live in our community and want our Woolwich-centric Council to pay attention to the needs of Eltham residents. If you have any issues that I can help bring to the Council's attention, please email me at charlie@elthammatters.co.uk.

Best wishes,

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