

A BIG “THANK YOU” TO TARRING RESIDENTS

We received an unprecedented level of response from local residents to the road improvement proposals put forward by the Forum Team and wish to express our thanks to everyone who took time to respond.



We are currently reviewing those responses and will take them all “For” and “Against” into consideration when preparing our final submission.



Less than 10% of responses were opposed to the proposals and of those many suggested useful amendments and proposals themselves, which will be incorporated into the final plans.

“HABITUAL” PAVEMENT PARKING



Whilst we are on the issue of traffic, we really should no longer use poor road layout and inadequate road width as an “excuse” for parking on the pavement.

We are all aware that there are locations where, without a couple of wheels on the kerb, traffic would be at a standstill, but.....

Even where adequate road width is available, pavement parking has become the “norm”! This “habitual” and “selfish” act shows total disregard for other road users, particularly Pedestrians and those with disability, quite apart from the damage to both the pavements and the services buried beneath them.

Drivers now “automatically” drive up onto the pavement irrespective of adequate road width. The situation has been made worse by the absence of Traffic Enforcement in some areas and Police suffering resource frustration.

However, make no mistake, IT IS ILLEGAL to park on the pavement. Under the Road Traffic Act “driving” on the pavement IS an offence, so unless your car appeared by “Magic”, we've got you bang to rights!

A “couple of wheels” on the kerb, in a particularly narrow street is understandable, but if you've just got into the habit, please get out of it! Please consider:

1. **Driving on the Pavement is an offence;**

The Highways Act 1835, Section 72; Road Traffic Act 1988, Section 34.

2. **Causing an obstruction of the pavement IS an offence; It impedes the free passage of Pedestrians, and creates particular problems for pushchair, wheelchair users and the visually impaired.**

3. **Parking on Pavements & Verges can cause serious damage to the surface and underground services.**

Pavements and verges are not constructed to carry the prolonged weight of a motor vehicle.

4. **Parking on pavements and verges, has direct impact on the rates we ALL pay. Replacement and repairs to pavements cost WSCC millions of pounds annually.**

Please get out of the “Habit” and where you 'must', use only the more robust Kerb edge.



If you cant get a double buggy past your car when parked. you're causing an obstruction!

THE UNFORTUNATE “FOUL MOUTH” OF YOUTH

A number of people have expressed considerable concern over the language encountered from children as young as 10 or 11 years of age, in Tarring Park.

Two local residents took to social media to air their views, joined by a chorus of like minded people, applauding their intervention. One witness, even saw younger children being taken from the **play area** by their parents to avoid the bad language

The Children are Local and have a parent or two somewhere, who may be horrified by their behaviour. So please ensure that you know where your children are, who they are with and talk with others to know what they are up to.

I know many of you will intervene if you see this sort of behaviour, others would prefer not to, but whatever your stance, **please report these instances to the Police, via 101 or perhaps more effectively these days, via the Early Help and Well-being Team at;**

Adur /Worthing Council, Telephone reporting line - 01273 263356 , or report on-line at:

<https://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/eforms/aw-ext-asb-report.ofml>

TARRING PARK LITTER PICK 10 AM SATURDAY 12th MAY and every 2nd Saturday of the month



The borough's cleaning services do a sterling job but the park can always do with a little help to keep it spick and span.

Whether you:

- Take the dog for a walk?
- Have a 'kick about' in the MUGA?
- Take the kids to the Play Area?
- Have a little light exercise perhaps ?
- Or just, get a breath of fresh air ?

Please give us a hand to keep the park as you would like it to be!

Bring the Children or Grandchildren along they'll love it and get a “sweetie treat” into the bargain!!

THIS SATURDAY 10am - 11am

Litter Pick



Help us to keep Tarring Park litter free. A fun event

Lollipops for the children on the day



As always, we look forward to seeing you at the next TCForum

7pm, Tuesday 8th May 2018,

West Worthing Baptist Church Centre, South Street

Come and meet your local Councillors and NHW Coordinators,

find out more about

“Neighbourhood Watch”, “Tarring Community Forum”,

“Friends of Tarring Park”, “Tarring Flood Group”, “Community Speed Watch”

and other Community Groups.



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