

Parking space application correspondence

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 23 August 2023 11:51
To: Parish Clerk <parishclerk@melbournpc.co.uk>
Subject: Proposed Disabled Persons Parking Bay: High Street, Melbourn

Dear Melbourn Parish Council

Cambridgeshire County Council has received an application to install a disabled persons parking bay for a resident in High Street, Melbourn. Cambridgeshire County Council has an annual budget to install disabled persons parking bay for those residents who apply and meet the criteria to be considered for a bay.

I have attached a plan showing the location and extent of the proposed bay. Consultation letters have been sent to local residents.

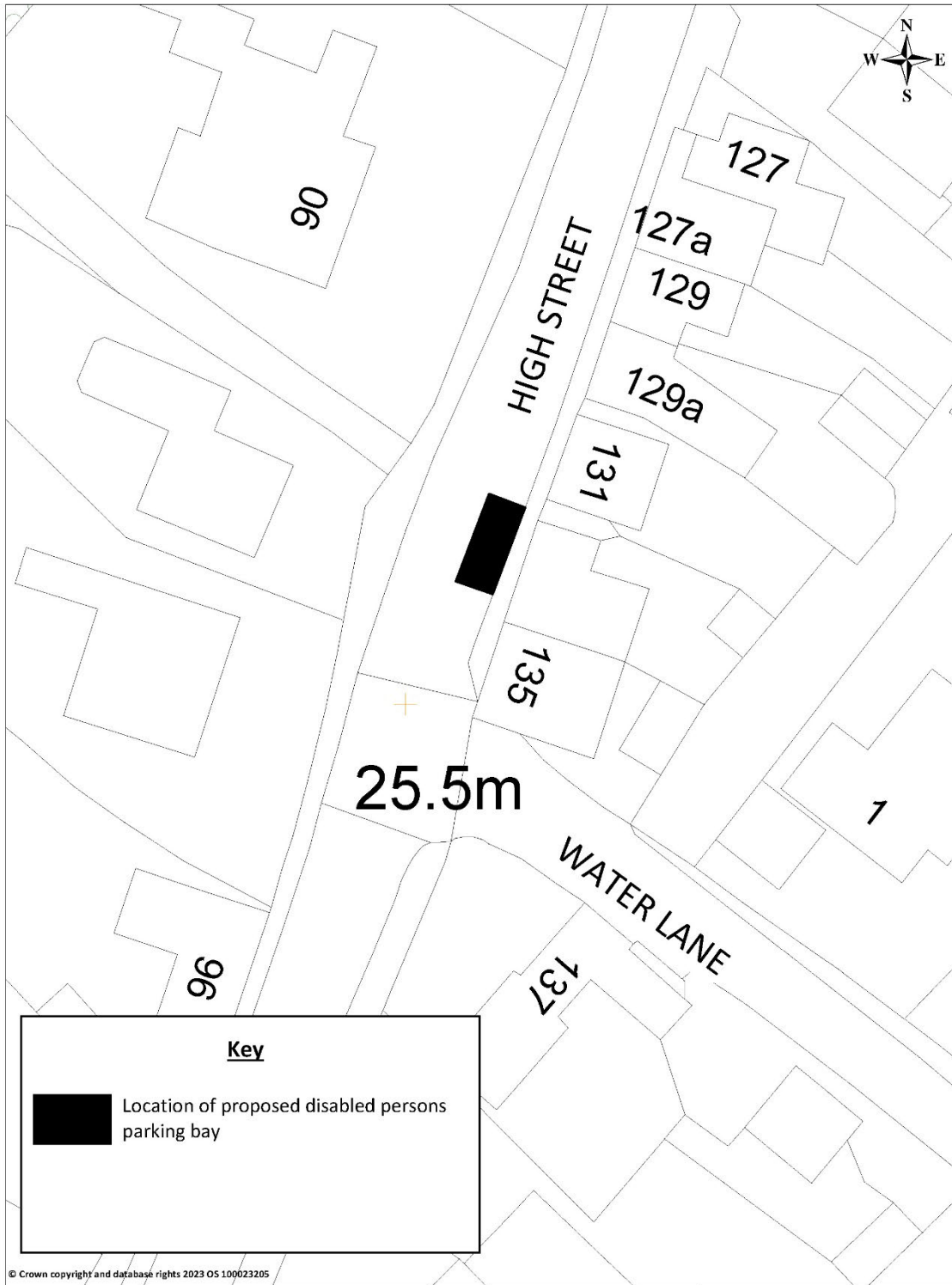
If you wish to make any comments on this proposal we would appreciate them by email to policyandregulation@cambridgeshire.gov.uk no later than the 15th September 2023.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]
Lead Technician
Policy & Regulation

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ORDER TITLE: Proposed disabled persons parking bay: High Street, Melbourn		
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Responses

Thanks [REDACTED],

I have no problem with this.

Kindest regards,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

The attached plan shows that the proposed bay would overlap with an existing solid white line indicating no parking. I do not know why that line is there, it's possible that many years ago there was (very narrow) vehicular access between numbers 131 and 133.

On that basis I object, seeking further clarification from highways as to the status of the existing road markings and what the overall marking scheme would end up as.

[REDACTED]

I have had a look at the area and there was a historical line which has now well faded. Looking at the area there is no access between the houses for a car now.

I support no comment.

[REDACTED]

I agree that the line appears to have no purpose, but presumably the line has a legal basis that needs clarifying?

[REDACTED]

Melbourn Parish Council

Good afternoon [REDACTED]

We are looking at this application and would like clarification re the existing (faded) white line that seems to be in-situ at the moment.

You can see in the image below that there is a mark – are you able to clarify what this is showing as Councillors has asked for clarification before decision.

Many thanks

[REDACTED]

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Hi [REDACTED]

The faded white line is an access protection marking (APM) these are an advisory road marking (not enforceable) that are used to highlight the presence of a dropped kerb access (usually a vehicular access or they are sometimes used to prevent vehicles parking where there is a dropped kerb crossing point). APM's are usually requested by a resident to stop vehicles parking across their dropped kerb vehicular access and there is a fee to have these installed, however having searched our database I cannot find any history of this APM being requested. Having checked back through Google Streetview images this marking was not in place back in 2016 or before that. Given there is only a narrow pedestrian access gate I do not know why this road marking has been installed, there certainly doesn't seem to be any reason for it to remain in situ.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]
Lead Technician
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Hi [REDACTED]

In my opinion there are no obvious reason that the Parish Council should object to this proposal.

Thanks,

[REDACTED]

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Thanks [REDACTED] for chasing this up. is it reasonable to guess that it might be to aid in the turning in/out of 90 or 92 High Street, on the opposite side of the road? have they been consulted - specifically noting that part of the APM will be overridden - with regards to this request?

I also note that the proposed bay will be within 10 metres of the Water Lane junction.

Highway Code Rule 243

DO NOT stop or park:

- opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space

As a cyclist I already have issues turning from the High Street (north-east) into Water Lane owing to the parked vehicles that park outside numbers 133 and 135 interfering with traffic heading SW on High Street. I am not keen on adding a legitimate bay here and in fact would prefer to see the 10 metres NE of Water Lane marked as double yellow lines.

I still, overall, object to this application.

[REDACTED]

7 September 2023

Hi [REDACTED]

I am happy to wait until after the 28th September on this matter. The western boundary of the proposed disabled persons parking bay would be just over 12m from the centre of the junction with Water Lane, as I'm sure Councillors are aware vehicles are prohibited to exit Water Lane at its junction with High Street so the location of the bay would not effect visibility exiting this junction.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]
Lead Technician
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