




Department  
for Transport



# Parking on the pavement

What do you think?

**Tell us  
what  
you  
think**



1. Do you think the  
idea is a good one?

☐ Yes

☒ No

☐ Not sure



## Questionnaire

# Parking on the pavement



Sometimes it can make it hard to get around when vehicles park on the pavement.



We are looking at what we can do about this.

When we say vehicles we mean things like:



- Cars

- Vans



- Lorries or trucks



- Motorbikes



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We have got **3 ideas** about how to help make things better.

We want you to look at our ideas and answer some questions.



Please fill in this questionnaire and send it back to us.



Email it back to us  
[pavement.parking@dft.gov.uk](mailto:pavement.parking@dft.gov.uk)



Post it back to us

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You need to send it back to us by  
**Sunday 22nd November 2020.**

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## About you

**Question 1:** What is your name?



**Question 2:** What is your email address? It doesn't matter if you don't have one.

## Problems with parking on pavement



**Question 3:** Do you think vehicles parking on the pavement is a problem?

☐

**Yes.** Now go to **question 4**

☐

**No.** Now go to **page 9** and read about our ideas

☐

**Don't know?**

Now go to **page 9** and read about our ideas





#### Question 4: Why does parking on the pavement cause you problems?

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I have a visual impairment. This means I find it hard to see

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I have a mobility impairment. This means I have problems walking or getting around

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I push children in a buggy or pram

☐

Other. Please tell us



**Question 5:** Would you leave home more often if there were no vehicles parked on the pavements?

**Yes**

☐

**No**

☐

**Don't know**

☐



# Our 3 ideas

## Idea 1

Make the law easier for councils to make their own rules.



By law, councils can tell people to stop parking on pavements. They can give people fines if they do.



But, the law can be complicated. It can take a long time for councils to make the rules.



We want to make the law easier for councils to make rules about when vehicles can park on pavements.



## Idea 2

We will make the law easier and:



- Councils will be able to fine people who park on the pavement when they don't need to



- Councils will decide when to give fines



This means the rules may be different in each town or city.



We would tell councils to let some vehicles park on the pavement for 20 minutes.

These would be things like:



- Vehicles dropping things off or picking things up from a shop or business



- Emergency vehicles like ambulance, police or fire engines



- Bin lorries



- Road works vehicles



**Question 6:** What vehicles do you think should be able to park on pavements and why?



**Question 7:** When do you think it is wrong to park on the pavement?

**Question 8:** Tick 1 box for your answer to this question.



**If someone breaks the rules and parks on the pavement do you think they should:**



☐ Get a warning. This means they are told it is wrong and not to do it again. If they do they will get a fine

**Or**



☐ Get a fine straight away. No warning



**Question 9:** What do you think are the good things about **idea 2**?



**Question 10:** What do you think are bad things about **idea 2**?





**Question 11:** Do you think **idea 2** would make a change to the **environment**? This might be things like more traffic or less traffic.

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**Yes.** Now go to **question 12**

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**No.** Now go to **page 16** and read about **idea 3**

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**Don't know?** Now go to **page 16** and read about **idea 3**



**Question 12:** What changes do you think will happen?

## Idea 3

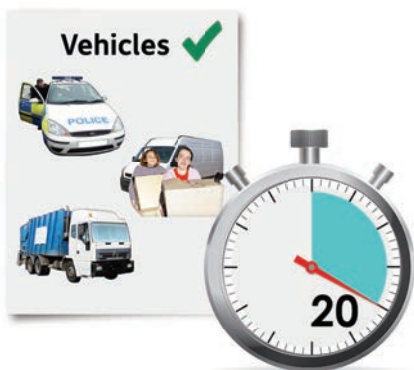
We will make the law easier and ban pavement parking everywhere in England.



But, local councils would still be able to decide on which streets you **can** park on the pavement.



This might be because the street is very narrow. If cars park on the road they might block the street.



We would still tell councils to let some vehicles park on the pavement for up to 20 minutes.



**Question 13:** Do you think we should ban parking on the pavement everywhere in England?

Please tick 1 box.

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**Yes on all roads**

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**Yes but only on roads where the speed limit is 40mph or less.** This includes roads in villages, towns and cities.

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**No.** Now go to **question 15**

☐

**Other.** Please tell us



**Question 14:** If we ban parking on the pavement in England, should we ban parking on verges?



**Verges** are the strips of grass next to the road that everyone is allowed to use.

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**Yes**

☐

**No**



**Question 15:** Do you think **idea 3** would make a change to the **environment**? This might be things like more traffic or less traffic.

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**Yes.** Now go to **question 16**

☐

**No.** Now go to **question 17**

☐

**Don't know?**

Now go to **question 17**



**Question 16:** What changes do you think will happen?

**Question 17:** What do you think are the good and bad things about **idea 3** for:



- Small villages and the countryside?



- **Big villages and places where lots of people live?** not including towns and cities.



- **Town and city centres?**



# We want to be fair

We want to make sure our ideas will not affect people in a bad way because of their:



● **Age**



● **Disability**



● **Pregnancy or maternity**



● **Race**



● **Religion or belief**



● **Sexual orientation.**  
This means who you fancy



**Question 18:** Do you think our ideas will affect people on this list in a good or bad way?

This could be things like:



- It is harder to go to your church or mosque if there is no parking near to it



- Being able to get around more easily if you have a disability

**Please tell what you think.**



**Question 19:** Which idea do you like the most?

Please tick 1 box

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**Idea 1.** Make the law easier

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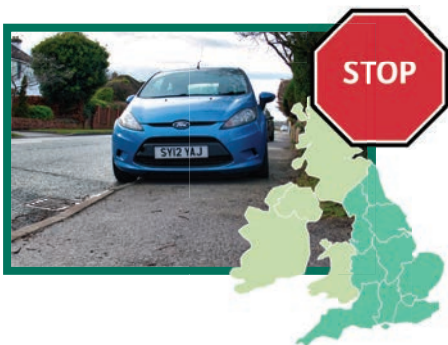
**Idea 2.**

● Make the law easier

and



● Let councils decide whether to fine people who don't need to park on the pavement

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**Idea 3.** Make the law easier and ban pavement parking everywhere in England



## I have another idea.

Please tell us your idea about how to stop parking on the pavement being a problem.



**Question 20:** Is there anything else you want to tell us about vehicles parking on the pavement?

Please tell us.



**Thank you for filling in our questionnaire.**



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