Dore village parking general survey

Unedited dump of qualitative responses in general online survey

Text responses to qu 13 updated 22 feb 12

'If you feel that there is a problem not covered above, please give details here.'

Road outside co-op in village needs to be widened with dedicated parking spaces outside (i.e. reduce path width). Cars parken on double yellow lines should be ticketted.

I am a retired resident who lives in the centre of the Village on Townhead Road. I regulary observe the traffic chaos outside my home. Drivers have no consideration for residents pedestrians or other road users. This is demonstrated on the roads and pavements outside the Post Office & Chemist which regularly looks like a car forecourt due to the number of parked cars. Drivers seem to forget this is a pavement and regularly drive on and off at speed which endangers the elderly and children who play and stand here. My concern is that this is an accident waiting to happen if it is not stopped soon.

I struggle on a daily basis getting access to my own driveway as commuters, workers (both staff and delivery vehicles) and visitors to the village constantly ignore road markings which restrict them from parking at the bottom of my driveway. When I politely request that they move to allow me access I am subjected to verbal abuse and in most cases simply ignored and told that they will only be a few minutes or that I can go round them because nobody ever gets a ticket. In some instances I have had to resort to calling the police as the situation has become that bad. My concerns are that should the emergency services be required at either mine or neighbouring property, that it will simply be impossible for them to gain access as drivers are that focussed on parking in the "doorway" of shops that they don't seem to see the chaos that they are causing. I have witnessed numerous bumps and near misses which could quite easily be avoided if drivers were just a little more patient and considerate and abided by the rules of the road, after all they are there for a reason. I fear that should this issue not be addressed in the near future it may result in fatal consequences.

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Shoppers park on Leyfield Road during the day (which is fine) but often park inconsiderately & block our driveway/garage. This means we are either stuck with a car in the garage unable to leave or unable to park on our own drive. Parking on our road is very busy on a Friday & Saturday night when people drive into the village to visit the pub or restaurants. Again, this is not unreasonable as long as they do not block residents driveways.

Some people bring 'home' their large transit vans and park in the parking bays on Causeway Head Road. This causes difficulties because 1) they are too wide for spaces 2) too high and bulky to see round when trying to get out of parking space next too them. Very dangerous as it it hard to see cars coming down the road, and for those cars to see you. These are work vehicles and should be left there. We live the centre and have no driveway or garage. We find ourselves the least considered when any change to the centre is planned and that includes deliveries, parking and noise pollution.

Lack of sensible parking places. E.g. Road outside Co-op could be re-organised to give more parking spaces without blocking the bus

If pavements were reduced in size on Devonshire Terrace Road then pull in parking on a diagonal could be achieved which would provide moire parking. it is not necessary for the pavement to be so wide there. There will never be a change to the parents bringing their children to school - the speed od some drivers is so fast that children are much safer going to school in cars then walking. Speeds on roads should be changed and monitored by police with heavy fines for going over the limit.

It is more of a problem to park when I have my elderly mother with me wishing to shop, as she can't walk far or carry her shopping and she is not eligible for a blue badge, not that that would make much difference, as people who are clearly not disabled often park in the only two disabled spaces that we have in Dore.

During the day the "Keep Clear" spaces outside the Chemist and Post Office often have cars parked or waiting in them. This makes it very difficult to get up and down Townhead Road.

there are 3 problem areas - 1. outside the coop - it wd help if the bus stop was differently sited 2. outside the PO - some cars are there all day and it wd help if the time was restricted 3. outside the church - pking both sides of the rd should not be allowed and there should be some restriction here. Hope that's helpful Pat

living in central dore I don't think residents park on the road through choice, those with drives use them when possible. We get to see how many cars get bumped! Quite an issue with people blocking driveways (partially or completely). Often just "popping to the post office" but a real pain when you need to get a vehicle on/off the drive, particularly when there are spaces 20m further up the road.

Some people park very selfishly thinking the law does not apply to them, particularly on the double yellow lines outside the co-op

Extremely poor parking in connection with the garage, including across pavement, at corners, and with cars for sale parked on the road. Pavement parking.

Dore is an excellent village with good schools, good facilities and an excellent community, that's why so many people want to live here and this is reflected in house prices. The slight parking issues are a result of the success of the village. People drive into the village centre to use the facilities. To restrict parking in the village i believe will severely impact its viability. The last thing we want are shops etc closing because that could kill the village/community. Is it really that bad, i don't believe it is. Dore is a large parish and by restricting parking may exclude a large proportion of the parish. We should be encouraging use of the facilities not restricting them.

Motorists park well onto pavements (or on the pavement) inhibiting wheelchair and pedestrean access.

The bus route is a problem, but cannot see there is an alternative. People who work in the shops and have to park tend to take up the spaces which shoppers would otherwise use; they could park further away and walk to their shop.

The Dore Garage uses the roads as their own car park taking up valuable on-road spaces. Shopkeepers don't have enough off-road spaces for their own use e.g. they have one space but two staff cars The bus should be given priority at all

times. There are not 'too many cars' only inconsiderate drivers. People park overnight for the Devonshire Arms and don't move their cars until later the next day.

We have already had our drive entrance widened to accommodate cars parked on the street (otherwise it is difficult fo us to turn in and out of our drive). However, as many of these cars are large 4×4 's it is still dikfficult to get out of our driveway.

!. Parking spaces are poorly designed, more or less forcing people to drive in forwards and reverse out into traffic 2. People who work in Dore block spaces in the village centre all day 3. Church Lane is exceptionally hazardous between the Hare and Hounds and the Dore Grill for motorists, pedestrians and (especially) for those who live there and have to back out into a narrow carriageway made narrower by vehicles thoughtlessly parked directly opposite driveways 4. This stretch being also abnormally congested because of school parking, overflow pub parking, overflow Dore Grill parking, commuter and shopper parking, bellringer parking &c &c &c ought to have double yellow lines at the very least opposite driveways and would be immeasurably easier both for residents and drivers if it were to be made one-way only

Parked cars on both sides of raod often make it difficult for the bus to get through. Parking on Townhead Road near the shops causes severe congestion.

The local garage often have to put cars on the roads as they have minimal on site parking.

Because people drive when there is absolutely no reason to drive

Commuters and shoppers park on our road more and more each year, this will soon cause problems for residents

Too many people now park on the pavement, making access difficult for the disabled and people with young children in pushchairs etc.

I would not want the bus service taken away because of some badly parked cars: the service is a lifeline. I have found parking a problem throughout SW Sheffield but would not want to see strict restrictions in the village centre as this would then just push the problem to the surrounding streets (I saw this in the village I lived in previously).

People driving to the pub on Saturday nights and leaving car in village in morning. Workers in shops parking their cars in spaces and not behind the shops they work in.

Limit car parking time to either half an hour or one hour outside the shops in Causeway Head Rd and the High St would go a long way in solving the traffic problems in our village. The main roads in the village are in an atrocious state of repair and were never designed to carry modern traffic.

Some of the problems are caused by people who simply can't drive very well or are not considerate drivers.

Responses to qu 17 updated 22 feb 12

'If you have a suggestion to improve parking in Dore which is not covered above, please give details here.'

More dedicated parking outside of co-op. Cars can pull in at an angle if path width reduced.

To ease bus congestion a suggestion would be to make High Street (where the road narrows) a one way system therefore eliminating congrestion as it is only one vehicle wide when heavy goods vehicles use this route. This may therefore ease the flow of traffic and prevent bottlenecks.as all vehicles are travelling in one direction so no-one has to giveway,

Time limits on parking around the village would prevent commuters leaving cars all day. It would also restrict parking by some local businesses eg one situated on Kings Croft whose employees park on Vicarage Lane daily for periods of 8 hours and prevent free use of the spaces for mothers delivering children to school and to Dore Nursery. The business on Kings Croft has plenty of land available for parking but the employees are too lazy to use it. Revenue collected from parking fees could be used to benefit the community of Dore and for village projects

Reduce the size of the pavement outside the coop and do parking spaces as pull in, similiar to crosspool changes

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I strongly oppose measures that would increase traffic in Dore e.g. providing more parking spaces. Instead, we should ensure that availble parking spaces are used by local people or outsiders using shops/services. Other suggestions include: - preventing the increasing habit of parking on verges, both in the centre of the village and elsewhere in Dore. This is harming the village character and spoiling a valauble amenity; - better traffic management e.g. making one side of the road restricted parking so as to enable better flow of vehicles

I would strongly object to any proposal which would alter the character of the village such as redesign of Devonshire Terrace.

Reduce pavement out side co-op to allow angled parking as at Bradway shops. Stop Dore garage using roads for displaying cars for sale. And stop them parking cars for their business for long periods, when in for repair. Whilst it is important that they can run their business, they are inconveniencing too many people. They should find somewhere to park vehicles whilst waiting for customers to collect and then bring them back for collection. Inconvenience to them rather than constantly for others in the village.

The bus route could be changed to go along to Dore Station or to meet the 98 at Totley Brook. This might help with the school run if children could use the bus to go to the primary and secondary school.I would also help people to think of the train as an alternative as long as fares are reasonable

Allow parking on one side only on Devonshire Terrace Road. Decrease width of footpath next to the Co-Op store. Could the Dore Club private car park be opened up for non-members? Perhaps daytime only?

See below. (not sure about 'redesign Devonshire Terrace Road' above - would need to know more detail on a proposal for that one. Also - how would you ensure a traffic warden patrols regularly enough? And what authority would a private warden have (as suggested below)? The council should be sending wardens out regularly if they really want to help with the problem of parking on yellow lines.

On road parking system as applied in Sharrow Vale ie first 15/20 minutes free parking thereafter say 20p per 20 minutes up to 1 hour thereafter £2/3 per hour

I wonder if it would be possible to purchase some land at the top of Causeway Head Road/Cross Lane to make a car park for people who are going to town/hospital etc. There is a bus stop - it would take a lot of the parking out of the village centre. It would also need time limited parking in the village to make people use the car park.

It would be good to stop people parking on the grass verges on Causeway Head Rd and elsewhere around the village as this is ruining the verges, not to mention the spring bulb displays that the village society members spent so long planting for our benefit. Nobody seems to care about our village any more. Parking outside the school should be limited to one side of the road only, as it is a nightmare trying to go up or down Furniss Ave at school times

Assuming part of the parking lack of space is caused by commuters parking all day, here is an idea working successfully in Sevenoaks...on the relevant roads have no parking on one side for an hour in the morning and on the other side no parking for an hour in the afternoon, indicated by a single yellow line and signs. Occasional enforcement works, because no one knows when a roaming official will pounce!

To encourage more people to use our shops and so keep them viable, it is necesary to improve methods for people to shop in Dore without using their cars. While providing bike racks might help, I suspect many of the older people who currently use our shops may not own or consider shopping on a bike, so it might not help much. Another possibility is to have a minibus service, similar to the M17 but much more frequent, that does a continuous circuit of the residential roads in Dore, taking people to the centre and picking them up again. Ideally it would pass each point on its route every 20 minutes so nobody would have to wait long. They do this is San Francisco and it works marvellously. Charge a small fixed fee.

Police to assess suitability to drive of each individual in Dore. This would probably remove 50% of cars if enforced

Issue parking permits for Dore residents allowing up to 3 hours parking for business in the village and pay and display for those coming to the village from another area. Restrict parking for dropping children off at school to one side of Furniss Avenue. A campaign to persuade people to walk into the village whenever possible and also for parents to walk is their children to school. I believe this is a huge problem and fear an accident waiting to happen.

A Traffic Warde visiting occasionaly, but at undefined times, I feel would be a deterrent. Yellow lining Townhead Townhead Road up as far as Drury Lane should also be considered as this is probably one of the worst spots. Limited time parking outsde the shops in the High Stree should also be considered.

Put doubble yellow lines down on townhead road, or parking time resrictions, the traffic there is never smooth and there are people there who are not parking on their own property, specfically some commercial vehicals

Need more disabled spaces throughout the village. The ones that there are are not in a particularly easy place to park or shop from. If there was a car park for people to park who work in the village or catch a bus this would make a lot more parking places available. Cheap (maybe ± 1) day parking at Dore Club and time limited parking on the streets. wouldn't overlap with Dore Club users and would give a place for shop staff and park'n'riders to leave the car without effecting shoppers. Would need permits for residents and some kind of enforcement.

An overall landscape improvement as a longer term project to completely redesign the centre to make it more pedestrian and less car-friendly, at the same tome planning in parking. A sustained campaign of awareness - it is not acceptable to speed or park badly in the village. It just isn't, despite what people think. Use photos on the web site to highlight problem parking. Work through school education and planned systems for walking to school. A bus that goes to the station (and more trains there).

Encourage people not to use their cars for short journeys. Many perfectly fit people take their cars for what would only be a ten minute walk or less each way. Perhaps Dore to Door could carry a regular "advert" saying "Keep fit, ease parking, walk in the village."

Fine Dore Garage for using the road as a car park. Ensure that the Devonshire Arms customers only use their car park.

Negotiating with the Dore Club. We cannot believe that there is such a large under-used parking area in the centre of Dore that is not utilised which would go so far to solving parking problems.

I would suggest a "Park & Ride" area be set uo on the disused playing field out of the village,located between Causeway Head Road,Cross Lane & Hathersage Road. I am not sure about keeping the bus stop where it is but there are always problems on Devonshire Terrace Road.I would like to see the bus route changed so that the bus turns off to Dore on Limb Lane,to Dore village then turn right up Causeway head Road and along the original route back to the City centre,with the end of journey stop in the suggested Park & Ride on Cross Lane.I think this route would not be suitable unless roads & junctions were widened,but it would make a difference to the congestion in the village

1. It should be possible to redesign some existing parking spaces in the village centre so that motorists are not compelled to reverse into traffic - especially outside the post office where an unnecessarily spacious pavement could be turned into parking. This narrow stretch of road is completely unsuitable for kerbside parking which blocks traffic flow each and every day. (Something similar could also be configured outside the shops on Causeway Head.) 2. Church Lane between the Hare and Hounds and the Dore Grill is a constant bottleneck, far too narrow to allow residents to exit their driveways safely as cars are parked often nose to tail and invariably directly opposite those exits. If the stretch cannot be double-yellow-lined in its entirety double yellow lines urgently need to be painted opposite gates. The safety issue is a very important one as twice every day the road is also crossed by young children and teenagers. 3. Added to which traffic flow would be greatly eased if Church Lane were made one-way as far as Drury Lane. 4. Some businesses would suffer (hairdressers, optician, beauty salons for instance) if short-duration timed parking were to be brought in. So we could have a mix of paid timed parking (say, up to two hours) and free 15-minute slots (like the free yellow-ticket slots on ie Sharrowvale Road) to enable people foodshopping or on short errands to do what they need to briskly and drive off again. 5. The Coop obviously needs people to be able to park, but drivers constantly obstruct the bus. It is undeniably convenient to have the bus stop right in the middle of the village but maybe the route could be reconfigured to avoid this bottleneck? Also, there is much empty space in both pub car parks. Drinking and driving is hardly to be encouraged anyway. Might these under-used spaces be taken over (with parking charges going to the pubs?) for longer-term parking?

Alter parking on Townhead Road outside the shops so the cars can be parked at an angle, not parallel to the road (reduce wide pavement)

The principle of 'park & ride' should be encouraged but this needs adequate provision of off street perking and combine this with time limited parking on the village roads.

Some people park to use the 30 bus to the hospitals and university. This is a desirable service for people in Bradway and Totley as well as Dore but they can't access it. The route of the 30 bus should therefore be extended to go down Dore Road and when the SYPTE car park is made, it needs to include the installation of a bus turning circle and traffic lights. This would create a good integrated transport system to connect 97, 98, 30, M17 with the railway station and also buses from Bradway too could join up. This would relieve the need for car parking in Dore and reduce car dependency.

Parking spaces fronting shops from Kutz to Newsplus should be herringboned to prevent reversing out at right angles to parking spot. There should be a time limit for parking as far too many spots are occupied all day by bus commuters. Two hours should be the maximum allowed at any parking spot in the village.

disc parking system. Time limited and free..

Any scheme would require monitoring by a traffic warden. I feel that any steps which make parking in the village less attractive may cause people to park in residential roads more so a joined up approach needs adopting, not just single measures

Redesign the road in front of the coop (cut back the pavement especially on the bend near the Dev to allow buses to) and put yellow lines for the 6 metres on the right of the road near the junction with causeway head road. Ask the Hare and old school to allow parking at a nominal charge (20 pence). Have yellow lines on the road opposite dore grill and the church yard. Make townhead one way to the junction with Drury.

Utilise pub car parks outside of opening hours

Possible use of existing car parks (e.g. pub, Old School) on pay and display basis when they are available. Any parking policy will only work if it is effectively enforced.

1. A one way system, south on High St, west up Townhead Rd, north on Devonshire Terrace Rd. 2. A significant reduction in the width of the pavement outside the Co-op, allowing cars to park at 45 degrees, removing problems for buses trying to leave Dore. 3. A 20 mph zone from the just before the start of the shops on Causeway Head Road, along High St, Church Lane, Townhead Rd to about the village hall, Devonshire Terrace Road. 4. A flashing speed sign pointing both ways along Causeway Head Road. I know that items 1, 3 & 4 aren't about parking, but they are about traffic in Dore.

Please let us not lose our lovely verges or have parking charges: this will change the character of our village anx simply move commuters to the surrounding roads. Those who can must really be encouraged to walk.

See above.

Responses to qu 19. No updates, checked 22 feb 12 'If there's anything else you'd like to say on the subject of parking.'

Perhaps the car park in the Church hall on Townhead Road could be utilised by visitors paying a small fee to use the facility. All funds collected could then be put back into improving the village facilities,

I would be willing to pay for residents permits if the money was to be allocated to Dore village improvements only

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Would I be prepared to pay towards a parking warden...NO! Dore is a green leafy suburb it will not benefit from town centre parking policies.

Many people use there cars for short distances to the shops, when they could walk. I am guilty of this too. But I here stories that during the day, people are driving away when they can't find space to park at the pub or shops, and so as a community we are losing business. This appears to be a day time problem rather than evenings. Space being used for long periods, prevents the turnover that would support many more businesses.

re question 15 - there should be a category between 30 minutes and 4 hours. I often spend longer than 30 minutes visiting the shops but not more than an hour or so.

please consider the residents. There is always an emphasis on the businesses which is good but our quality of life has been continuously eroded for the convenience of others who may have access to more facilities such as garages and drives than us

Leave space next to the Co-Op for their deliveries - they must dread their visit to Dore. Could traffic cones be used for their use? The bus drivers need to be applauded for their skill in driving between cars. Nothing to do with parking but where are the Dore ducks?

There is a constant problem for villagers not being able to park on both parts of Vicarage Lane due to employees at a nearby commercial site using the spaces from approx 8.00 a.m to 5.30 p.m. Monday to Friday. This causes problems for:- a) visitors to households b) young mothers with infants taking their children to and from nursery c) overflow of social events at the Old School and either of the 2 village churches causes elderly people having to walk an extra distance d) difficulties for Transport 17 and any work or commercial vehicles to use when necesary

Greater restrictions on parking in the centre will simply move the problem further out into residential streets. It is bad enough there already, on Leyfield Road we have workers parking daily and shoppers blocking driveways. Businesses should prioritise providing parking for their own employees and encourage them not to park on residential streets. But tinkering with yellow lines, parking spaces etc won't help whilst more and more residential properties are build placing more and more pressure on the infrastructure of the village and increasing numbers of people are moving into the area who will want to use the facilities in the centre the only real answer is to face up to this - people won't change their habits - look at the number of cars who habiltually park on double yellow lines opposite the bus stop. A car park must be prioritised which is close enough for people to walk in. What about the large car park behind the Dore club being available at busy times eg Saturday mornings?

I think all parking requirements need considering - I agree that parking for shoppers needs improvement; but residents without driveways should not be forgotten about, eg. the residents in the cottages opposite the post office - they have as much right to park on street as anyone else. Maybe a combination of pay and display and residents permits would help

If a system of controlled parking is introduced, the restrictions must be enforced by regular but randomly timed warden patrol.

Pubs could isssue and charge for daytime all day parking

Re #12: We're lucky we've still got a bus! Where else could it turn? The problem isn't the bus but the delveries (and we need them) and the thoughtless parking - that's the only one easily changed!

No 18 needs more description before answering -

There is no point in increasing parking space in the village at the expense of the few safe places for pedestrians to walk, let alone to meet and chat, because people with cars will just use them more frequently to come to the village on occasions when they currently walk or come in on the bus. This has been proved in other places time and again.

I think most people do park sensibly and considerately. Unfortunately, whatever restrictions or alterations are made to parking in Dore, there will always be some people who are determined to park as close to their destination as possible and don't see why they shouldn't be able to, regardless of the effect on others. Also, I think that any limitations involving paying fees for parking will have a detrimental effect on the local shops and businesses. I am lucky as I can easily walk to the village shops, but if I had to drive to pop in, a parking fee would make me think twice.

Trying to educate the over 50's how to change their attitude to the car is a big task for the DVS

At the bottom of Devonshire Road the new tesco express has caused a lot more traffic and people are parking all up the street. Making it harder to park for the residents, and also for disabled people to use the pavements.

ive put it in a para above

People should and are encouraged to use public transport ie to park and ride into town but would it be possible to find a spot on the bus route where they could park without taking up space for shoppers in the centre of Dore?

parking wardens should be provided by the council. they are in the city centre !! Inconsiderate individuals make life more difficult for the rest of us. They think that parking restrictions apply to other people, but not to them !! Centre of Dore can be bad, but also at bottom of Devonshire Road next to Tesco (whoever in their right mind granted planning permission for that !!) an also outside the Post Office at Totley Rise Have a warden patrolling and actually booking individuals to stop the problem

Do a land swap so the garage can re-locate and create an off-road car park in its place with some greening. If time limited parking introduced you'd have issues of street clutter. Could Hare car park be developed for longer stay? Lets have a large park and ride by the station, with more trains or even a tram!

Already drafted my thoughts in a box above. However my parting thought is 'we all want a thrieving community/ facilities, i believe parking restrictions will

destroy this. Motorists should try to park sensibly and residents need to be tolerant'.

It is not only cars that are a problem but also commercial vehicles. There are at least 2 largish vans belonging to residents that park on the road where I live. Also others are parked on Townhead Road which obstruct vision when pulling out of the side road.

Too many drivers regard the footway as a legitimate parking area making it difficult for pedesterians and impossible for parents with prams and infirm people on invalid scooters

Yellow lines outside Dore Grill please. If not all the way down the road then at least part of the way to provide passing places.

A reminder to all staff employed in Dore shops/businesses not to park all day outside their place of employment might well help to ease the situation. I am well aware of some employees working in at least one of the Causeway Head businesses that regularly do this.

The answer to question 18 obviously depends on the amount payable!

The bus is an important facility. Please try to make it easier for the bus to move around the village.

There is a large elderly population of Dore and their needs should be addressed ie many need to use their cars to park near to shops otherwise their alternative is to be housebound and to get other people to do their day to day shopping. Similarly younger, busy people who might use the local shops do not have the time to seek parking and so drive out of Dore to the nearest supermarket. A solution needs to be found ie negotiate with Dore Club for day time use.

I find the parking on church road makes this road extremley dangerous to cross particularly with a buggy. It is difficult to see passed the parked cars to ensure that the road is safe to cross and traffic comes at such a speed along the road. Parents dropping their children off or picking them up from school often do this with little consideration for residents of the surrounding streets. My drive is often blocked and I am unable to get out of my drive at all during the morning or evening school run as the street is so congested. There is often gridlock. There also appears to be an increased number of evening events which also causes the same difficulty. This is a difficult issue, I have a daughter myself and I work so I am aware of the time pressures on parents at however i can only see this problem causing a serious accident at some point in the near future.

"Yes" above is a qualified 'yes' - depends on the cost. Other areas to not to my knowledge have to pay extra for wardens so it's a little unfair to ask Dore residents to do so.

Providing for cars creates more car dependency, obesity and detracts from good public and healthy transport options being provided.

question 18we already pay high community charges and get nothing by way of traffic wardens or traffic control.

Personally I think it would be worth thinking about the emotive subject of parking in a slightly wider context - which in this case would be the general traffic flow. My 2p is that there should be a one-way system from Dore Road into the high street (therefore removing the current 'pinch point'), up Townhead Road and then along Devonshire Terrace Road. This may have been considered before (don't know), but if so, then some of the existing parking bays could be redesigned and more efficiencies made given the revised flow of traffic. Also, could better use be made of the existing car parks (at the Hare and behind the garage ?). Don't know who owns them, but maybe an inexpensive pay-and-display set-up could be introduced here - with some of the funds going to the owners of the car parks ? With space at a premium, better use of existing areas would be worth considering. Ta !

thoughtless parking on Devonshire Terrace Rd has delayed the bus so many times to my knowledge, usually by shoppers, "who will only be a minute", but occasionally by long term "parkers",one of which involved the police! The bus is essential for people getting to work, appointments etc., delays at Dore do need to be ovoided. Keep car parking free, this will sustain our very valuable shops and businesses. I cannot help thinking that we all might be using our cars a lot less in the future, lets not destroy too much of our village whilst wrestling with this current situation.

There are simply too many people in the village to be supported by the infrastructure and any measures will have little long term impact as more people seek to live in the area and more gardens and spare land become developed. If the root causes are not identified and addressed than any measures will fail

I think it would be helpful if cars were not patked on the pavement outside the Post Office. This causes problems for people with disabilities (I am not disabled) and for cars parked on the road who are concerned about blocking them in. Also please stop cars parking where it says KEEP CLEAR as there is nowhere to pull in to let other cars pass at the bottom of Townhead Road. . Could cars not park on both sides of Townhead Road outside the Church Hall as sometimes it isn't possible to get through the gap left by them

Don't have parking permits since that taxes residents in the centre and is unfair.

Would be strongly opposed to the use of any greenfield site for parking.

Most of my observations of parking habits when I drive home or am waiting for bus seem to stem from people's lazyness / being in a hurry. Drivers quite readily ignore double yellow lines, park on main road junctions the Co-Op or drop-off / pick-up kids from events at the Methodist church hall. It is also quite astonishing how many people park their cars on the road outside the Hare and Hounds leaving the car park empty too. I'm afraid I don't have any solutions for this but thought I would throw it in the pot for discussion.

What we cannot do is carry on and not do anything so everyone must compromise to sort the traffic problem out.

As yet, nothing has been done to alleviate the dangerous density of parking at the bottom of Dore road which has been ongoing for years despite the council spending over £1,000,000 on land for parking! Therefore the likelihood of effective support being granted by the council for the village is highly remote. The major issue in the village is the product of long term daily parking by those catching a bus to Sheffield in order to avoid parking costs in town. These parking issues were not as bad in years gone by before the council imposed such huge parking costs in Sheffield. Fleecing genuine local shoppers by charging to park is not a solution, merely causing problems for the elderly and infirm local residents who wish to shop in the village. Short term parking, e.g. up to one hour, should be free, with a charge imposed for longer term parking to prevent the daily bus catchers. Local shop workers, etc., could have a pass to exhibit on their windscreens or dashboards, or most could find acceptable parking to the rear of the shops or on side roads further away but within walking distance..

Stop long term parking outside all the shops, this would help local traders enormously.