

Note of BERA public meeting held at 7pm on November 8th 2018 in St Johns church hall.

Charles Draper welcomed everyone to the meeting and reiterated its purpose, i.e. to hear presentations from the officers about the Clean air zone currently out for consultation, specifically insofar as they impact the Bathwick estate, and with a particular emphasis on the currently drawn boundaries.

Cath Brown and Chris Major from the council presented the thinking behind the proposals (all documents can be found on <http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/bath-breathes-2021-overview/zone-boundary>) They emphasised that this was being done to help protect the health of residents, and that it was key to respond to the consultation open until Nov 26th.

Ceris Humphreys from PERA then gave a presentation which was a cut down version of the document previously provided. They have gone the route of recommending a response to their residents and are lobbying hard for the Pulteney estate to be included in the zone.

A show of hands at this stage indicated that out of the c70 attendees, 32 believed they had non-compliant cars, and 14 of them regularly travelled into the currently drawn zone.

There followed 45 minutes of questions and answers, covering a wide range of views. (During this, one person said that on a recent Sunday he had counted 568 cars in the Estate, 60% of which would be "non-compliant".)

A further indicative show of hands after this debate showed that of those present 29 wished the Bathwick estate to be in the CAZ, 10 wanted to stay outside, none said their view was dependent on whether or not PERA was in the zone or not.

Charles thanked everyone for their attendance especially those presenting, and reiterated that attendance and airing views at the meeting was no substitute for filling in the consultation online or on the hard copy forms.

The meeting closed at 8.30.

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