

## The likely impact of BathNES and central government plans on street parking on the Bathwick Estate – for BERA AGM 21 April 2021.

BathNES Council has agreed in principal to change some aspects of residents parking schemes, as part of its overall air quality and transport improvement plans. The main relevant changes envisaged are:

- Change to 7 day a week operation, with Sundays no longer exempted.
- Introduce an emissions related charging scheme for street parking permits. ( Households are currently allowed to purchase 2 annual parking permits; £100 for the first and £160 for the second.) Under the proposed scheme these fees would be halved for zero emission cars, but doubled for the highest emitters, with an additional charge of about 25% for diesels.

These proposals will be subject to further statutory consultation.

### **What is our view about these proposals?**

**Do we think there will be any impact on road parking space availability for residents?** We know that this is currently a particular problem in Forester Avenue and Rockliffe Road.

The Government is also looking (longer term) at the possibility of either banning pavement parking nationally, or giving local authorities powers to do so, mainly to make pavements safer for those with mobility issues or pushchairs.

Such a ban would pose real problems for Forester Avenue. **Would making it one-way (which?) help? Would this be a good idea anyway?**