

Annex A Kilkenny Car Park – Variation to WODC Parking Order Consultation Feedback

Consultation period: 15 July – 5 August 2026.

Name	Resident / Business / Councillor / Other	Location	Comments
Cllr Simon Watson 19/07/2026	District Councillor for Carterton North-East.	Carterton North-East	Thank you for consulting me as Ward Cllr for Carterton North-East on the proposed variation to add Kilkenny car park to the Off Street Parking Order. I publicised the proposal to residents via local social media to gather local views and wanted to feed these into the consultation alongside my own observations as the local ward member. Overall response was strongly engaged, with the post reaction split (22 likes/supportive reactions to 2 angry) indicating that most residents who reacted are not opposed to some form of management, but the substance of the comments shows the majority would prefer the car park to be actively managed for motorhome/campervan use rather than restricted outright. Recurring themes included: • Many residents felt overnight motorhome/campervan use has not caused problems in practice - no litter or mess reported, and several long-term residents said they have never witnessed an issue. • A significant number suggested the Council embrace rather than restrict this use: providing basic facilities (water, chemical toilet disposal, bins) and charging a reasonable overnight fee (figures suggested by residents ranged around £3-4), used to fund monitoring/cameras and upkeep. • Some residents pointed out that if motorhomes are displaced from Kilkenny, they are still road-legal and would simply park overnight on residential streets or elsewhere in the country park, which several felt would be a worse outcome for residents. • Several questioned how the restriction would be enforced given WODC's parking warden coverage and asked whether the cost of enforcement had been weighed against the scale of the actual problem - a few asked whether any survey/evidence of a genuine issue exists. • One suggested the problem could be solved by the installation of a height barrier at the entrance. • One resident raised drug dealing in the car park as a bigger concern than overnight motorhomes. Alongside this, I would ask the Council to give particular weight to two points that matter most directly to my residents:

			1. Impact on residents living immediately adjacent to the car park - who bear any noise, disruption, or amenity impact directly, and whose views should carry particular weight regardless of the wider balance of comments. 2. Concerns raised separately with me by some younger residents about camping/overnight parking taking place directly next to the children's playground. I understand this concern and would ask that the Order, or any subsequent management arrangements, have specific regard to the proximity of the play area. Given the strength of feeling that a managed/paid provision would be preferable to a straightforward restriction, I would welcome clarity on whether the scope of this Order allows for that kind of approach to be considered (e.g. designated bays, charging, facilities) rather than only enforcement/restriction, and how residents' evidence on enforcement cost versus benefit will be considered. I am happy to discuss further or to share the fuller resident comment thread if that would assist your assessment.
Cllr Rosie Pearson 20/07/2026	Green Party District Councillor	Brize Norton & Shilton ward	Thank you for consulting me on the new parking order. My response will begin with a brief recap of the history. In May 2025, somebody reported to County Councillor Toyah Overton (copied in) that a vehicle had been parked for some days in the car park and was leaving waste lying around. Cllr Overton passed the information on to me, and I enquired as to who would be able to stop this. I was told that the car park was not "on the parking order" Upon further enquiry, I was told "nobody has the jurisdiction to enforce parking as technically no rules cover the vehicles parked there". Subsequently, in a phone call, I questioned whether "no rules" meant no rules including littering, and my memory is that I was told that no, nothing could be done about littering, except as a criminal offence involving the police. It seemed extraordinary that a WODC car park had no enforceable rules covering it, and so I pressed for it to be included in "the parking order" like all the other car parks in the district. At this time, there was no discussion of what the rules would be - just that there should be some, and that they should be enforceable. I imagined that it would be included in the parking order, and that subsequently the appropriate rules would be worked out.

			I did notice that when this went through Exec, a time limit of 6 hours was suggested, and immediately thought this seemed unduly restrictive. But I (wrongly) understood that the decision had already been made and, as it was a busy time, I did not comment. Now that we are being consulted, and as I am one of the instigators of this change, I have to say that I am not wholly supportive of the time restriction, or indeed the strict bar on overnight camping. Brize Norton parish council has only received one complaint since the new car park opened. Are there other complaints received by WODC or other bodies? If not, the total ban on overnight parking seems unnecessary. We need to be able to enforce rules on littering and bad behaviour, but I don't really see why a well-behaved campervanner who left no waste should be banned. From a brief look, it doesn't appear that other car parks do have such strict rules, but I might be wrong. I may write again having consulted more residents, but this is an outline of where I am on this at the moment.
Jo Webb 15/07/2026	Parish Council	Clerk to Brize Norton Parish Council	Following on from your public notice published in the Witney Gazette on July 15th, 2026, we would respectfully bring to your attention that Kilkenny lane Country Park, including the car park, is in Brize Norton and not Carterton. For avoidance of any doubt: • We have attached a map of Brize Norton Parish Boundary, which is also the designated area for Brize Norton Neighbourhood Plan. • We have attached a map taken from the communication you sent to Brize Norton Parish Council on 15th July which correctly designates the car park as "Kilkenny, Elmhurst Way, Brize Norton". • We would refer you to Brize Norton's Neighbourhood Plan, Policy ENVI, which designates Kilkenny Lane Country Park as one of four "Local Green Spaces" in the Parish of Brize Norton. With the above in mind, could you please amend your documentation to provide the correct information to WODC officers and members of the public.

Jo Webb 04/08/2026	Parish Council	Clerk to Brize Norton Parish Council	Thank you for inviting Brize Norton Parish Council to respond to the off-street parking places proposal for Kilkenny car park. The Parish Council has no objection to adding the Kilkenny car park to the list of car parks controlled by WODC. However, as previously mentioned, we would point out that although the Kilkenny Car Park map is correct, i.e. it is designated "Kilkenny, Elmhurst Way, Brize Norton", two other documents are incorrect. The Draft Order, Part II, schedule 6.I and associated table should read Kilkenny - Brize Norton. The Notice of Proposal, paragraph I, should be "Add the Kilkenny car park, Brize Norton to the parking order.
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