



Zahid Shah

# Match Day Parking Scheme under threat



- Councillor Claire Darke and Zahid Shah examine the Council's plans to make residents pay for match day parking permits

## Wolves Boss wants scheme scrapped

Zahid Shah is extremely concerned by the calls from Wolves Chief Executive, Jez Moxey, for an end to the residents parking permits scheme. Zahid told Focus "While we all enjoy sharing in the success of our City's football team the club have to realise that their neighbours do not want to suffer traffic and parking chaos. The club's recent comments have caused lots of residents to worry. I can assure all residents of St Peters that the Liberal Democrats will do all we can to keep the excellent permit parking scheme."

## Zahid Shah says 'don't mess with Parking Scheme'

Thanks to the work of the Liberal Democrat Focus Team starting in 1999 large parts of St. Peters Ward benefits from a residents only parking scheme during Wolves home matches.

Before the Liberal Democrats began their campaign the area near to Molineux Stadium was a nightmare for parking whenever Wolves were playing at home. Most residents were not able to park outside or anywhere near their homes and emergency vehicles would have been unable to get down the street. Now thanks, to the Liberal Democrats residents, are no longer blighted by football traffic parking problems.

## £10 Charge

Zahid Shah has learned that the Conservative run City Council is planing to levy an annual £10 charge for the parking permits. They claim this is needed to pay for the scheme cost.

Zahid said, "This is ridiculous. The fines paid by illegal parkers should pay for the scheme and any car not showing a permit on a match day should have a ticket slapped on it without hesitation."

Action by Liberal Democrat councillors has stopped the Tories bulldozing it through and forced it onto the agenda of the next full Council meeting on 17th December.

## Petition

The Liberal Democrats organised a massive petition to get the scheme set up in the first place now we are doing another one to protect it. Please sign our petition on the back of this Focus. Get it back to us so that we can show the Council how strongly everyone feels.

**Please sign our petition to keep the match day scheme free to local residents. Get it back to us well before 17th December**

# **Enforcement not charges**

During a recent home game the Focus Team photographed supporters' cars parked illegally just outside the area of the Match Day Scheme. Some were parked on the grassed verges round the West Park turning them into a muddy mess. As the photo shows there are double yellow lines which means parking is equally forbidden on the area beside the road as on the road itself.



*Just one on many cars found parked illegally during a Wolves home game in November*

Zahid Shah said, "If the parking regulations were properly enforced the fines collected from these thoughtless people would help pay the costs of the match day scheme and residents could continue to have their permits without charge.

# **Save the Match Day Parking Scheme**

**We the undersigned call on Wolverhampton City Council to maintain the Match Day Parking Scheme and abandon plans to charge local**

Name	Signature	Address	Email

**Return to: Freepost RRSZ-EATX-GEKC W'ton South West Liberal Democrats  
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