

**Question: P18.01**

**Cabinet – 14 December 2021**

**Re: Agenda item 18 – Parking Permit and Tariff Review Oct 21 – Residents' Parking Schemes (RPS) and Permit Parking Areas (PPA)**

**Statement submitted by: Kate Clarke**

Parking for residents in the Clifton Village RPZ here is extremely problematic as the Nuffield Hospital continue to hand out their customer permits to staff members so that they can park. We recently had a visit from a BCC officer and gave him written proof of the hospital manager admitting that staff were using customer permits to get free commuter parking and also claiming that this is being done with the knowledge of BCC.

It is entirely wrong that residents are obliged to pay to park, yet cannot do so as so many spaces are taken up by commuter hospital staff. We have counted up to 25 permits being used on a daily basis. These permits are meant for hospital visitors- not staff. The Council have just renewed the permits for the hospital- in spite of our meeting with the BCC officer- so they have another year to openly break the rules and make a complete mockery of the whole RPS scheme. There is no enforcement of the rules which you created, and the hospital will just continue to hand out parking permits as nobody is stopping them from breaking the rules which residents have to follow. Paula O'Rourke has been extremely helpful as this turning a blind eye to commuter traffic obviously goes against environmental concerns, but she cannot solve this problem without your help. I hope that the Cabinet decides that they have to act as a matter of urgency to stop this flagrant breaking of the RPS rules which is only benefitting commuters, whilst causing significant problems for both residents and patients attending hospital appointments who have nowhere to park.