

Please contact: Housing Enquiries  
 Our ref: 24/C76  
 Date: 15 August 2024



### Housing Services

Gun Wharf  
 Dock Road  
 Chatham  
 Kent  
 ME4 4TR

Phone: 01634 331170

Email:

[housing.enquiries@medway.gov.uk](mailto:housing.enquiries@medway.gov.uk)

Cllr Adam Price  
[adam.price@medway.gov.uk](mailto:adam.price@medway.gov.uk)

Dear Cllr Price,

### RE: Parking at Baron Close

Thank you for your enquiry regarding the parking at Baron close. We have reviewed the notes from the meeting held on 18/3/24 and the comments within your email received on 29/7/24 and can provide the following response.

Unfortunately, we do not feel we are able to offer a solution here other than what we recommended within our options appraisal report. The option recommended in the report was Option C which proposed leaving the site as is but reviewing who occupies the garages.

The HRA could create a local lettings plan that gives priority for renting these garages to residents residing in and around the area. This could involve reviewing where current occupiers live and offering them any void garages closer to their home. This in turn will free up a proportion of these garages for local residents to rent.

As Rebecca Wilcox previously advised during the initial site meeting held with local ward councillors and residents, parking isn't a right and Housing does not have a statutory requirement to provide it.

As you are aware, both planning and highways will not support any changes to the area in terms of allocated parking or removing paving to accommodate more spaces.

As suggested previously, an alternative to the option recommended in the options report is that residents could purchase late night permits and park in the Strand car park overnight. More information can be found via the link below.

**[https://www.medway.gov.uk/info/200245/parking\\_permits\\_and\\_vouchers/707/ate\\_night\\_parking\\_permit](https://www.medway.gov.uk/info/200245/parking_permits_and_vouchers/707/ate_night_parking_permit)**

Medway Council process personal data in compliance with the Data Protection Act 2018 and the General Data

Protection Regulation. More information on how we process your personal data can be found in our Privacy Notice on the Medway Council Website.



Unfortunately, we are unable to offer any alternative solutions to the options outlined above in this response.

I hope that this response is sufficient for your purposes but if you have any questions or need further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

A solid black rectangular box redacting the signature of Rebecca Wilcox.

**Rebecca Wilcox**  
Chief Housing Officer