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Dear Michael Newsham

**PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF A BUS SHELTER AND EXTENSION TO CLEARWAY RESTRICTION AT TRIANGLE COMMUNITY CENTRE, DICKENS ROAD, IPSWICH**

In response to your letter dated 30<sup>th</sup> January 2019 please see below my comments regarding the proposed installation of a bus shelter and extension to clearway restriction at Triangle Community Centre, Dickens Road, Ipswich.

**1. EXTENSION TO CLEARWAY RESTRICTION**

An extension to the clearway restriction as set out on the plan would completely cross the access to my property including the dropped kerb and this will have an adverse impact on the quality of my life. I would no longer be able to park my car on the roadside outside my property and in front of the dropped kerb, details of my concerns are set out below:

- a) Although I have access to off road parking there are occasions when it is necessary for me to stop on and park my vehicle on the roadside outside my property where the proposed extension is planned. I need to stop on the roadside when access to my driveway is blocked, i.e. the refuse collection operatives leaving the bins in the way of my access and I am unable to drive onto my driveway until they have been removed. Meaning that I need to regularly stop in front of my property to remove the bins before driving onto my driveway. I am concerned that I would risk incurring a penalty fine for stopping in the proposed clearway extension. In addition to this it is necessary to park my vehicle outside my property at the roadside during periods of inclement weather, i.e. heavy snow and icy conditions when I am unable to drive my vehicle onto my driveway and have no option but to leave it on the roadside until the snow and ice has cleared. This is a possibility every year during the winter months and I would risk a penalty fine if my vehicle is stuck on the roadside outside my property. The above two concerns are causing me considerable anxiety.

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- b) There is very limited parking in the street nearby and I am concerned that family and friends and trades people undertaking work on my property will be impacted as they would no longer be able to park on the roadside outside my property. My driveway can only accommodate small vehicles therefore anyone with a larger/longer vehicle, i.e. family member who has a truck and regularly undertakes work in and around my property including gardening work and is not able to park his vehicle on my driveway as it is too long and would obstruct the pavement. In addition to this loading and unloading by trades people and delivery operatives would be impeded. There is no other access to my property and there are generally vehicles parked on the roadside to the right (when facing the road) of my property from the boundary up to the junction at Copperfield Road at most times of the day and night.
- c) To accommodate two vehicles on my drive way enabling easy access to the road I would need to remove the fencing from the front of my property and the dropped kerb would need to be extended, should the appropriate planning permission be granted; and this would incur a considerable cost to myself.
- d) In addition to the above I am concerned that the extension to the clearway could devalue my property and should I wish to move in the future and I would have difficulty in finding a buyer.

In view of the above comments and concerns I do not support the extension of the bus clearway across the access to my property and I hope that alternatives or compromises can be explored and a solution can be found to resolve the situation that is acceptable to everyone.

## 2: INSTALLATION OF BUS SHELTER

I have no objections to the installation of a bus shelter but my concerns are as below:

- a) The previous bus shelter was removed due to vandalism. The young people in the area constantly loitered in and around the shelter, jumping on top and generally causing a noise nuisance. The damaged shelter was subsequently removed.
- b) Would the proposed shelter would be of vandal proof design and what would the proposed action of the council would be if the shelter were to suffer from vandalism?

I look forward to hearing from you regarding both of the above matters.

Yours sincerely



Valerie Woodhouse (Ms)

## Michael Newsham

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**From:** Craig Smith [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 08 February 2019 09:20  
**To:** Michael Newsham  
**Subject:** Bus stop 87 Fountains road

Regarding your proposal in increase the length of the bus stop at 87 Fountains road is not going to help parking, your proposal to increase the length is going to take away two car parking places and parking is at the moment a nightmare, this will now mean cars will park directly outside no's 22 & 24 and they will park on both road a footpath meaning it will be more difficult for pedestrians and parents with pushchairs to pass by.

Secondly why do you need to change the time on the clear way, clearly this is only for rush hour.

For me as a resident in Fountains road I feel you have far to many stops already it is completely unnessecary for so many each at short distance between each one.

Another point is the size of bus, originally there were small buses but now you have changed to larger buses and this makes it very difficult to negotiate the road and obviously the need to increase the length of your stops.

Shame these stops or not removed altogether as I have said above there's too many surely people can walk a few more yard to the next one. Even better remove the whole route.

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Dear Mr Newsham

I wish to formally object to the ***proposed extension of bus stop clearway restriction – 87 Fountains Road, Ipswich***

Our property is occupied by my wife and I and our son. There are two cars at our property, the same as many others in the area. We already experience difficulty parking at times and feel that these proposed changes will be of huge inconvenience for several reasons I outline below:

- Most importantly, I will lose the ability to park outside of my home. Considering this bus service only runs once every hour Monday to Saturday, finishes at 6:20pm and has no Sunday or bank holiday services, I feel this is a totally unacceptable inconvenience.
- By extending the bus stop you will be further restricting access and parking for *all* residents in this area, elderly, disabled or otherwise, from parking at the front of their properties. I feel this is unacceptable.
- The bus stop is not a frequently used stop. Very rarely are there any people waiting at it and I cannot recall the last time there was ever a 'queue' of people waiting. More often than not the bus will go past without stopping. Therefore what is the necessity of extending a hardly used bus stop rendering the space vacant yet unusable for the vast majority of the time?
- Another point raised is the space made available for manoeuvring, however there is already a dropped kerb outside of number 79 which means this space is always clear of vehicles and has been for the last 15 years, so why is there suddenly a problem?
- The extension of restriction operating times by a further 2 hours per day, all for 2 buses which only require 2 minutes of pick up time will further inconvenience residents parking outside their own homes.
- Not having any off street parking available will adversely affect the value of my property and others in the area

I trust that you will take the time to read my concerns and hope you understand that if these proposals go ahead, they will be of huge inconvenience for many residents in the area.

We would welcome a response from you in relation to these concerns.

Yours faithfully

Mr & Mrs A Rodger  


## Michael Newsham

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**From:** veldagirling1 [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 13 February 2019 17:32  
**To:** Michael Newsham  
**Subject:** Bus stop

Dear Mr Newsham I am sending g you this email to disagree with the proposed bus stop on Belstead road it's bad enough trying to get out of our car park as you have to edge forward into the main road to see what's coming up the road it would be even harder with a bus stop there as my line of sight would be obstructed from the other side of the road

Sent from Samsung tablet.yours faithfully MRS V Girling