

## **Appendix B - Consultation Literature**

The following is a copy of the public consultation information and questions.

Starts:

### **Background**

Within the Councils approved Budget for 2024/5 the agreement in principle to amend some of the charges and discounts to parking and moving traffic contravention penalty charge notices (PCNs) was made.

We are seeking your views on the proposal, how you think it might affect you and any comment you wish to make.

The Council undertakes parking and moving traffic enforcement to:

Increase compliance

Support wider transport policy and other policy objectives

Ensure the parking spaces provide convenience (turnover), ease of access, support local business, safeguard space for deliveries and support the vitality of town centres

Improve road safety

Ensure space for people with disabilities and those who depend entirely on car use

The Council is also under an obligation to run its' enforcement operations efficiently, effectively and economically. This means to take steps to encourage payment and pursue debt when payment is not made.

### **PCN Charges**

The purpose of penalty charges is to dissuade motorists from breaking parking and moving traffic restrictions. Ideally, there would be 100% compliance, with no PCNs issued.

A PCN is reduced in price by 50% if it is paid within 14 days of issue.

The current regime in Havering also means that if a challenge or appeal to a PCN is received within the 14 day discount period, and is unsuccessful (ie that the Council has considered there are no grounds for cancellation), the 50% discount is re-offered for a further 14 days.

The Council is of the view that re-offering the discount has led to a very high number of speculative challenges. To remove it would significantly reduce challenges and the cost of administration in the back office processing team and mean only those with genuine reasons for challenge, would challenge.

The Council therefore intends to remove this re-offered discount and we would like to hear your views on this:

Name

Address / postcode??

What are your main reasons for visiting Havering:

- Live here
- Work here
- Shopping
- Eating / drinking out
- Social / entertainment
- Travel through the area
- Other

What are the main forms of transport you use when you visit Havering:

- Car
- Motorbike
- Bicycle
- Walk
- Public transport

I am generally familiar with parking rules, I understand parking signs and stick to the rules wherever possible:

- True
- False
- Neutral

I am generally familiar with moving traffic rules (like banned turns, bus Lanes, no entries and weight limits) and stick to the rules wherever possible:

- True
- False
- Neutral

I agree that parking and moving traffic enforcement helps ensure people stick to the rules:

- True
- False
- Neutral

Too many inconsiderate or dangerous parking and moving traffic offences go unpunished and I would like to see more enforcement in my area:

- True
- False
- Neutral

Considering Havering's proposal to remove the 50% discount to a PCN following unsuccessful challenge / appeal I:

- Strongly support the proposal
- Support the proposal
- Neutral – no strong views either way
- Object to the proposal
- Strongly object to the proposal

Please let us know any comments or concerns you have about the proposal to remove the 50% discount to a PCN following unsuccessful challenge / appeal:

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Please let us know any other comments you have about parking and moving traffic contravention enforcement in your Havering:

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Ends.