

Torpoint Town Council

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Subject: Complaint Regarding Taxi Building and Parking Issues on Fore Street - Designated Taxi Spaces Empty

Dear Torpoint Council

I am writing to express my serious concerns regarding the recent opening of the new taxi building on Fore Street and the subsequent parking issues that have arisen.

Since the building's opening, taxis have consistently been parking in the public parking spaces along Fore Street, rather than utilising the designated taxi parking areas. This is causing significant disruption and inconvenience for residents and local businesses.

Specifically, this situation has resulted in:

- * Reduced parking availability for local businesses: Customers are finding it increasingly difficult to park, which is negatively impacting the trade of local shops and services.
- * Reduced parking availability for residents: Residents are struggling to find parking near their homes, causing unnecessary stress and inconvenience.
- * Increased walking distance for vulnerable individuals: My wife, who is pregnant, is now forced to walk significantly further to our residence and to access our vehicle. This is causing her considerable discomfort and strain.
- * Empty Designated Taxi Spaces: It is also important to note that the designated taxi parking spaces provided are consistently empty, which makes the taxi drivers use of public parking even more unnecessary.

This situation is unacceptable and needs to be addressed urgently. The purpose of designated taxi parking is to prevent exactly this kind of disruption.

The current situation is clearly unsustainable and is having a detrimental impact on the local community.

I request that the council take immediate action to:

- * Enforce the proper use of designated taxi parking areas.
- * Implement measures to prevent taxis from parking in public parking spaces.

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* Consider increasing the amount of free public parking available to compensate for the reduction caused by the taxi's actions.

I look forward to your prompt response and a resolution to this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Jake Powell
Fore Street Resident
