

Do you want a 1,400
Space car park in
Bathampton meadows?

SAY NO



Now





The Petition

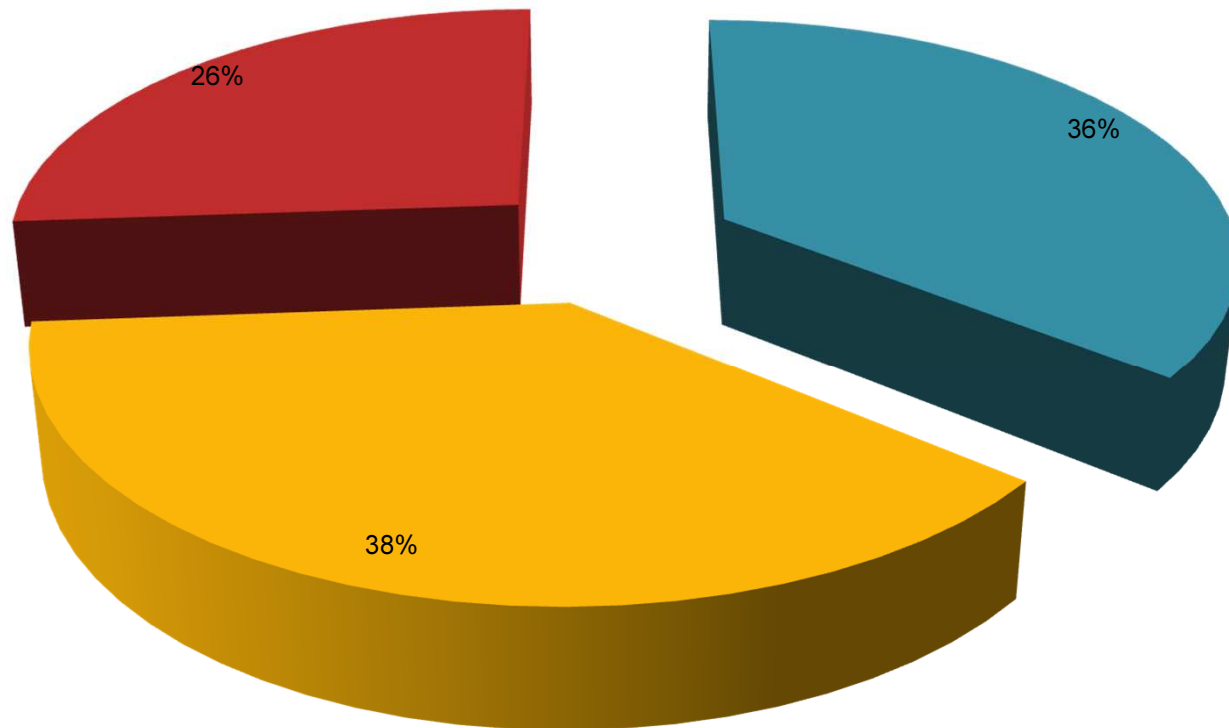
- 11 614 signatures so far, on-line and hard copy
- Raised in Parliament by Jacob Rees-Mogg
- Submitted to 10 Downing Street 21 March

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Geographical spread of signatures

Distribution of Signatures

■ Bath ■ East of Bath ■ Others





Gepgraphical Spread explained

- Bath (all postcode areas which fall within the city boundaries)
- East of Bath (Batheaston, Bathampton, Bathford, Corsham, Freshford, Frome, Bradford on Avon, Devizes, Melksham, Trowbridge, Warminster, Shepton Mallet, Box, Chippenham etc.
- Others (London, Bristol, Wells, Birmingham, Yeovil etc. incl. foreign visitors,

Who Cares?

- Residents in BaNES and surrounding counties
- 133 primary school children from Bathampton Primary School
- Tourists from The USA, Australia, Germany, Poland, France, Italy, Spain, Hungary, Canada, Spain, Norway, Sweden, Bulgaria, Romania, New Zealand Denmark etc





Most common words associated with the Park and Ride

**“travesty, Green Belt, bad idea,
AONB, environmental disaster,
flooding, destroy, ruin, detrimental,
beautiful, historical significance,
appalling proposal, vandalism,
Charmy Down, irrevocable,
ludicrous, protect, heritage, green
setting, wildlife”**



Comments

- **“Impact to wildlife and landscape would be devastating.”
(Bath resident)**
- **“This is one of the few remaining open green spaces that is easily accessible from the city - do not destroy a visual beauty for a political effort that is being pushed in the wrong location. Good luck getting buses back along London road in rush hour to actually deliver drivers back to their cars!” (Bath resident)**
- **“We are visiting Bath and walked the wonderful, natural meadow last night.... I have wanted to visit the English countryside for a long time and I cannot imagine what it would be like with a carpark right in the middle of the meadow.” (Visitor from Dallas, USA)**



Comments

- **“It would be inconceivable to concrete over the Roman Baths, so why destroy an equally important historic landscape?” (Spanish visitor)**
- **“Bath needs to protect these meadows, once they are gone 'sorry' just won't do” (Bath resident)**
- **“Cant believe the council would want to Tarmac over one of their greatest assets.”**



Comments

- **“I once supported P&R schemes. In fact, I was one of the people campaigning to bring them here. Alas, studies have shown that, not only do they not solve the problem, they add to it. They attract additional traffic to the local area without any sign that congestion gets less in the areas that the P&R was supposed to alleviate. If I can admit I was wrong, isn't it about time politicians did the same?” (Bath resident)**
- **“...my son is 11 and bikes this way to see friends, it wouldn't feel safe with a 1400 space car park there.” (Batheaston resident)**
- **“I wouldn't even use the park and ride!” (Devizes resident)**



Comments

- **“...Everyone knows that traffic can queue for miles on the A46 trying to get into Bath. Surely Charmy Down would be a more logical site? ... When will BANES councillors and council officials listen to the residents that elected them and pay their wages.”(Batheaston resident)**
- **“We are custodians of this beautiful land. We have a responsibility to protect it. It was not given to us by our forebears, but lent to us by our children.” (Bath resident)**



The Future

By 2030 *“the industrial age of energy and transportation will be over”*, swept away by *“exponentially improving technologies such as solar, electric vehicles, and self-driving cars.”*

“It took only 13 years for societies to transition from complete reliance on horse-drawn carriages to roads teeming with primitive automobiles. “ (Tony Seba)

“BMW will likely phase out internal combustion engines within 10 years.” (Baron Funds)

Why this,



when this is our legacy?!

