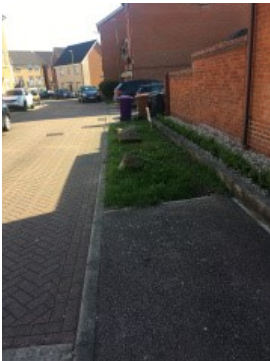


# Objective & Local

## Focusing on Fair, Balanced and Calm Communities

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## Great Ashby Parking Proposal



### AIM

Parking in Great Ashby is a difficult challenge, given there are places with not enough space to park, which is likely to get worse rather than better. The value of Great Ashby will be enhanced, and life helped to be calmer, if the parking challenge is addressed.

Currently, however, there is disgruntlement and conflict between:

- Those who wish to walk unhampered on the paths that (by necessity) are parked on
- Parking on corners, opposite drives or in other ways that create inconvenience for others
- Maintaining the green verges and needing parking space

### CHALLENGE

This conflict can result in neighbour disputes, which becomes challenging because it is unlikely that the police will consider parked cars in Great Ashby would cause a safety issue and, unlike in Stevenage, North Herts does not have a bye law that prevents parking on a verge. Arguments invariably ensue that have no clear means of resolution.

### RESOLUTION PROPOSAL

The overriding proposal is that the Great Ashby Community Council (the GACC) could find ways to help residents in each road collaborate and find calm solutions.

The outline detailed proposal from Councillor Terry Tyler is that the GACC could:

1. Conduct a feasibility survey using a Transport Surveyor to consider options (Cost circa £2-£3k)
2. Have a set of proposals put before the residents for debate and referendum.
3. Consider Borrowing money from the Public Works Loan Board (PWLb) at rates of interest that are very competitive to fund over a sensible long-term period
4. In the interim provide forums for locals to discuss 'Courtesy and Road Use' (for example).

*All the ideas expressed here are personal preferences and predispositions. Before deciding LOL objectively assesses the facts, options and positions of all those concerned.*

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