



The Bear Flat Association

for those living and working in the Bear Flat neighbourhood of the city of Bath

BFA options for Hayes Place

‘This large space is currently dominated by road space and cars. Instead, it should become a focal point for the community.’

A VISION FOR BEAR FLAT CENTRE

In our paper, *A Vision for Bear Flat Centre**, we envisaged changing the character and appearance of Hayes Place, by reducing the amount of space given over to highway uses and putting people as pedestrians first.

Since the paper was published last year, we have consulted the community and taken expert advice. Now we have some options for you to comment on.

All the options show how space can be released for wider pavements, amenity areas, seating and tree planting. Hayes Place could be a delightful spot that people want to come to and linger in, so bringing more footfall to the traders.

BFA accepts that:

- two-way traffic needs to be retained to serve both Hayes Place itself and through to Holloway and Beechen Cliff Road;
- some short-term parking to serve the shops may be needed in (or close to) Hayes Place; and
- there needs to be room for cars and vans to turn round (so avoiding going to Holloway or Beechen Cliff Road to turn)

But it IS possible to meet these traffic needs

AND create a safe and attractive place, a focus for Bear Flat.

Please give us your views.

*<https://bearflat.org.uk/a-vision-for-bear-flat-centre/>

Hayes Place: three options



Option 1

Parking:

- zero general
- 1 lay by (pharmacy van)
- 1 blue badge

Trees:

10

Amenity:

Good space for events, seating etc



Option 2

Parking:

- 3-5 general
- 1 lay by (pharmacy van)
- 1 blue badge

Trees:

10

Amenity:

Some space for events, seating etc



Option 3

Parking:

- 5-7 general
- 1 lay by (pharmacy van)
- 1 blue badge

Trees:

10

Amenity:

Little space for events, seating etc

Currently there are 8-10 parking spaces in Hayes Place, plus 1, 2 and 3-hour zones immediately adjacent on Holloway and Beechen Cliff Road.

The options illustrated show amenity space mainly on the east side (Andrews side). It would also be possible to have the amenity space mainly on the western side (Good Bear/pharmacy).

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- **Does Hayes Place at present have any drawbacks for you?**
 - **What sort of area would you like Hayes Place to be?**
 - **What would you most like to have provided that is not there now?**
 - **Would you support the loss of some or all the parking in Hayes Place itself to make a safer and better place?**
 - **Do you prefer one particular option, and if so, why?**

Please send views to planning@bearflat.org.uk

Comments would be most useful if submitted by 28 April.

Next steps

BFA will revise these drawings to reflect what you say in response to this consultation.

The options will then go to B&NES Council.

Councillor Winston Duguid has agreed to put this forward for Liveable Neighbourhoods funding in May.

Note

This consultation is about the Bear Flat Association's ideas.

Any actual changes to Hayes Place would be, of course, a matter for the Council to decide. They would consult about whatever scheme they eventually proposed.

Nothing can be done without funding and Winston's bid may or may not be successful.

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