

RUGBY BOROUGH COUNCIL

QUESTION PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 10

COUNCIL – 17 JUNE 2021

QUESTION B

Councillor Mrs O'Rourke to ask the Leader of the Council, Councillor Lowe:

“Can the leader of this Council tell us how many registered on road parking spaces there are currently in Benn Ward?”

Councillor Lowe, Leader of the Council, to reply as follows:

‘On-street parking in the Benn Ward is the responsibility of Warwickshire County Council. It is County Council practice, in all towns, to provide continuous parking bays that cover the length of the restriction. Those bays are more practical than individual bays as it is impractical to cater for the extreme variance in car lengths available today.

As one of the enforcement offences that penalties can be issued for is 'out of bay' they would have to ensure that all individual bays could cater for the longest car available, avoiding unjustly targeting certain vehicles. This would consequently result in a reduction in parking capacity. Therefore, a more efficient use of the highway is enabled with continuous parking bays where the motorist is encouraged to use their common sense in relation to parking considerately.

As such it is not possible to provide a number of parking spaces available, however the restrictions can be viewed online (on a per-street basis) at maps.warwickshire.gov.uk/tro which includes a measuring tool for the length of parking bays.’