



DUNMOW AND DISTRICT CHAMBER OF TRADE

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing on behalf of Dunmow Chamber of Trade regarding the parking situation on our High Street currently.

Concerns were raised at our most recent meeting on 8th February regarding the latest addition of the no loading signs towards the end of the High Street where the new traffic lights have been erected. They are found from White Street to the Fish and Chip Shop.

This is the widest part of the High Street and cars are allowed to stop there as there is a taxi rank located outside HSBC where drivers park and wait for fares. The question has been asked therefore how residents and business owners who have premises along this stretch of road are expected to conduct their business?

As we are sure you can appreciate, business owners need to load and unload items to their shops or offices and this new restriction is prohibiting them from doing this. One Chamber Member was given a ticket at 7pm one evening when she was stopped in front of her shop unloading clean towels for the week ahead.

There was also a disabled parking spot which has been removed making it very difficult for those who suffer with immobility accessing the services at that end of the town. Again, a local business is suffering due to the fact that their customers who used to pull up outside to access their shop cannot do so due to the restrictions.

What seems even more disconcerting is that the changes were made overnight with no discussion or input from the locals that it affects the most.

We would appreciate your comments on this for discussion in our next meeting which takes place on Monday 19th April.

Many thanks and kind regards,

Sarah Cassidy
Secretary
Dunmow Chamber of Trade