

The amount of cars parked around the Lighthouse Cafe in Whapload Road makes life very difficult for people living in Homeport, the houses round the back. Not only are there hardly ever any spaces for the residents to park their own vehicles but there are very often several vehicles parked on the grass area at the side of the cafe and up to the bollards leading to Homeport. If anyone needed an emergency vehicle in one of those houses they wouldn't be able to access one. When you're exiting out of Homeport with a car you can't see what's coming up Whapload Road in either direction so you just have to pull out and hope for the best. If you're exiting Homeport on a bicycle you also can't see in either direction so you have to turn onto the pavement and then one of the people who've parked their car in the way has a go at you for being on the pavement.

If they want the grass area for their own parking they would have to make sure there was access for emergency vehicles, access for the residents of Homeport by vehicle, foot, bicycle and mobility vehicle and would probably need to be resurfaced as cars parking there has caused a dip in the ground where water collects. Also this has caused flooding in Homeport as when it rains heavily the water flows from the huge puddle there into the houses. Several houses in Homeport have had flood damage several times caused by this. There is already a car park on the opposite side of the road to the lighthouse cafe. In my opinion their customers should stick to that and the road on the same side should be double yellow lined as its an accident waiting to happen.

Let me know if you need any further information.