Mariners Drive

Email to Councillor Bonfield 12th December 2020:

Hi Mike,

As by my previous email, I have moved recently to Mariners Drive.

We have a tricky issue, in the part of Mariners Drive where we live, there is room for parking by visitors/workmen etc. but for whatever reason people who do not live in Mariners Drive park in the area, I suspect I know why as between Manwell Road and Mariners Drive (for Example Cowlease) there are many houses that do not have parking spaces for them. Whereas I fully understand that it is public highway and anyone can park there, the issue I have is that obviously some of these families have not one but two cars and have taken to parking on the footpath, leaving no room for disabled people, blind people or mothers with pushchairs and anyone else who wants to use the footpath. I have a daughter- in- law who is wheelchair bound and a blind sister, so once we are out of these Covid-19 Restrictions they will be visiting much more and will find these not only restrictive but very annoying.

This issue was brought home to me last night (Friday evening 11th December at about 16:45), it was dark and our doorbell rang, I went to the door to find my elderly neighbour in distress, her Husband had taken a fall and she had come to us for help. I of course went straight round but had to walk in the road as a car was blocking the path, my neighbour who I have said is elderly but also has to walk with a stick also had to walk in the road.

Any help you can give on this matter would be very much appreciated, I was wondering if maybe an official note could be left on their cars pointing out the consequences of their inconsiderate actions.

Kind Regards		