

## THE PROBLEM

One of the most frequent complaints we receive is about inconsiderate parking.

### PARKING ON PAVEMENTS

Some motorists park fully on the pavement or up against street furniture blocking pedestrians and other road-users from getting past. This is a particular concern for emergency vehicles and buses, as well as people with buggies or disabilities. Parking on pavements can also cause damage not only to paving slabs, but also to underground services. Motorists should already know that parking on pavements where there are double yellow lines is also an offence.

### OTHER PROBLEMS AND OFFENCES

- Parking on or over double yellow lines or zig-zags
- Parking across drive-ways blocking access
- Parking too close to junctions



## DON'T PLONK IT – PARK IT!

### IF YOU HAVE TO USE A CAR

Ask your school about 'Walking Buses'. These are safe, healthy and environmentally friendly ways of walking small and large groups of children to and from school from agreed and safe drop-off and collection points.

Park your car or drop-off at local car parks. Many shops, supermarkets and pubs for instance are happy to let parents use their car-parks during drop-off and collection times.

Consider car-shares to reduce congestion and free-up safe parking spaces around schools at drop-off and collection times.

### ALTERNATIVES TO YOUR CAR



There is a range of safe, healthy and environmentally friendly ways to travel to and from school. This includes using public transport, cycling and walking and you can access advice about different options and plan your journey via the following websites:

[www.letzgogreen.org/parents](http://www.letzgogreen.org/parents)  
[www.transportdirect.info](http://www.transportdirect.info)  
[www.walkit.com](http://www.walkit.com)

Bike to school – ask your school about bikeability training and bike parking. You can also get advice, training and even information about loaning bikes from [www.birmingham.gov.uk/cycling](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/cycling)