

People are parking wherever they want

Traffic wardens 'non-existent'

A CAMPAIGNING former councillor has called on traffic wardens to be deployed to bring order to the "chaos" of a busy village street.

Former county, community and village councillor of 60 years standing, WO Jones, wants Gwynedd Council to send a battalion of wardens to sort out traffic problems on Bangor St, Felinheli.

According to Mr Jones the village's main road is more reminiscent of Delhi or London at peak travel times, with drivers double parking and parking on double yellow lines, pavements and verges.

Mr Jones, who has raised the matter with highway officials, said: "Some Felinheli residents want something to be done about the chaos on Bangor Street.

"People are parking where they want, one bus had to wait for as long as six minutes because it was unable to drive down the street.

One driver of a local bus company who did not want to be named said: "We are sick and tired of the blockages that are on Bangor Street."

The people who were supposed to be dealing with these issues were traffic wardens but, as far as he was concerned, they were "completely non-existent" he added.

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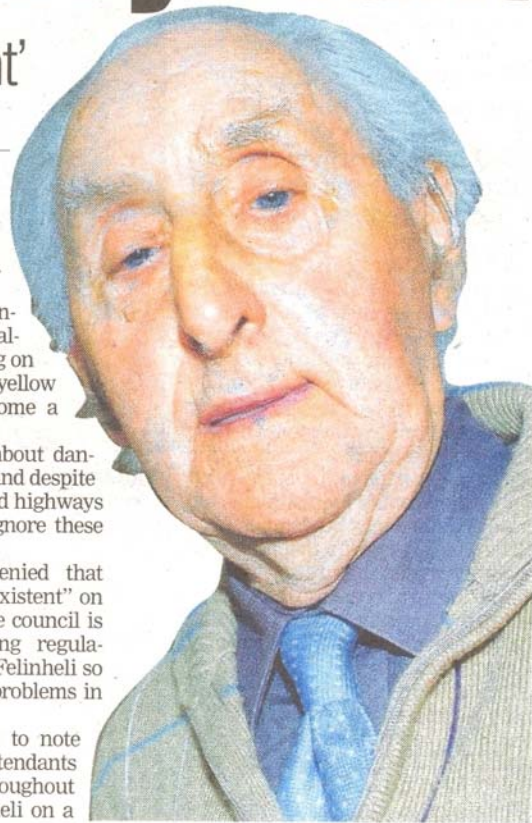
"A friend of mine said to me 'you are more likely to meet a person from outer space on Bangor St, than a traffic warden'."

When the council took control of residential parking almost three years ago parking on pavements and on double yellow lines was supposed to become a thing of the past.

"I have been on and on about dangerous bends and bus stops and despite all of my efforts the Gwynedd highways department seems to just ignore these issues," Mr Jones said.

A council spokesman denied that traffic wardens were "non-existent" on Bangor Street. He said: "The council is currently reviewing parking regulations along Bangor Road in Felinheli so as to alleviate any parking problems in the area.

"However, it is important to note that the council's parking attendants patrol towns and villages, throughout the county including Felinheli on a regular basis."



TRAFFIC CHAOS: WO Jones wants to see more traffic wardens patrolling Felinheli.

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