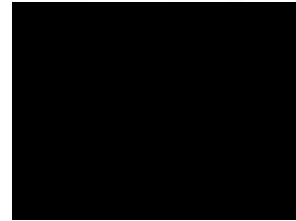


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Dear Sir/Madam,

**Royal Clarence Yard** (page 61): I suggest that Brewhouse Square is not appropriate for parking. Berkeley Homes sold the properties on the understanding that the space would always be kept as a "piazza" and would not be used for parking. It is a well followed walkway and to introduce vehicle movements would be unsafe and hazardous to pedestrians, particularly children who attend the pre-school nursery there. If insufficient parking is leading to problems in attracting expansion of the commercial units, this results from Berkeley's overdevelopment of residential buildings and an alternative solution should be found. Berkeley's initial plans were for a "cafe culture" to develop around the commercial units but if parking were to be permitted in that area, it would effectively rule out any catering outlets facing the square. Parking in Brewhouse Square would only make the area less attractive and would be to the detriment of the environment and all interested parties.

**Bus Station and Falkland Gardens** (page 55): I suggest separation of pedestrians and vehicular traffic. At present it can be mayhem when ferries arrive at busy times, particularly around the taxi rank and pick-up area where people with heavy bags are trying to make their way to taxis and private cars whilst dodging other traffic. Taxis frequently have to queue up in Mumby Road which would indicate that present arrangements for them are insufficient. All vehicular traffic could be concentrated in a redevelopment of the present bus station area south of the pedestrian crossing while leaving the present taxi/pick-up area as a well laid out pedestrian area. Also suggest some form of traffic calming or realignment of the road in the area from the pedestrian crossing to the Castle Tavern which is virtually a blind bend and is often taken at excessive speeds for the visibility and prevailing conditions.

This is a marvellous opportunity for our borough and I hope you find the above points helpful in making your decisions.

Yours faithfully  
W J C Clarke.

