

Report to: **Executive**
Date: **18 July 2019**
Title: **Car Parking Order amendments**
Portfolio Area: **Environment Services (Cllr Keith Baldry)**
Wards Affected: **All**
Urgent Decision: **N** Approval and clearance obtained: **Y**

Date next steps can be taken: Consideration by Council on 25 July 2019

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Recommendations: That the Executive RECOMMENDS to Council:

that the Off-Street Parking Places Order be amended to include reference to Electric Charging Points in accordance with paragraph 3.2 to enable future provision and enforcement of the Electric Charging Point bays.

1. Executive summary

- 1.1 The report recommends that the Off-Street Parking Places Order is updated to allow for the future provision of Electric Charging Points, and to allow enforcement of the same.
- 1.2 The recommendation will enable the Council to continue to manage off-street parking in an efficient and effective manner, in line with the Council theme of delivering efficient and effective services.
- 1.3 If the Council does not add this update to the Off-Street Parking Places Order will mean that enforcement will not be possible in respect of Electric Charging Point parking bays.

2. Background

- 2.1 It is anticipated that the Council will receive funding in the next couple of years to install Electric Charging Points (ECPs) in off-street car parks.

- 2.2 To ensure that these are not misused once they are in place, it is recommended that the facility be added to the Parking Order, so that enforcement may be undertaken in response to any such misuse, and to encourage responsible use.

3. Outcomes/outputs

3.1 All amendments to the Off-Street Parking Places Order must be consulted on and, following consideration of this recommendation by the Council, a 21-day public consultation exercise will be undertaken. Should a large number of objections be received in respect of either recommendation, the matter will be referred back to the Executive for further consideration.

3.2 It is recommended that the following wording be included in the Parking Order –

“no parking in designated electric vehicle charging bays unless the vehicle is an electric vehicle, and the vehicle is connected to the electric vehicle charging point and is being charged.”

4. Options available and consideration of risk

4.1 If the Parking Order is not amended to reflect future provision of ECP bays, the Council will not be able to enforce in this respect.

5. Proposed Way Forward

5.1 That the proposed amendment to the Off-Street Parking Places Order proceed in accordance with the recommendation, and following a 21-day public consultation exercise.

5.2 These amendments will ensure that we continue to manage parking effectively.

5.3 Should a large number of objections be received, the matter will be referred back to the Executive for further consideration.

6. Implications

Implications	Relevant to proposals Y/N	Details and proposed measures to address
Legal/Governance		<p>The Council has power to provide off-street parking under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended).</p> <p>The Council has the power to deal with the provision, management and control of car parks.</p> <p>The Council has the powers to provide this service under the General Powers of Competence in the Localism Act 2011.</p>

Financial implications to include reference to value for money		The cost of undertaking a public consultation will be in the region of £500 and can be funded by the Car Parking budget.
Risk		
Supporting Corporate Strategy		Council - delivering efficient and effective services.
Comprehensive Impact Assessment Implications		
Equality and Diversity		No implications.
Safeguarding		No implications.
Community Safety, Crime and Disorder		No potential positive or negative impact on crime and disorder reduction.
Health, Safety and Wellbeing		No implications.
Other implications		None.

Supporting Information

Appendices:

None.

Background Papers:

None.

Approval and clearance of report

Process checklist	Completed
Portfolio Holder briefed/sign off	Yes/No
SLT Rep briefed/sign off	Yes/No
Relevant Heads of Practice sign off (draft)	Yes/No
Data protection issues considered	Yes/No
Accessibility checked	Yes/No