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HINCKLEY AREA COMMITTEE 7 OCTOBER 2019
COUNCIL 5 NOVEMBER 2019

WARDS AFFECTED: Hinckley wards

OFF STREET PARKING PLACES ORDER - VARIATION OF CHARGING TIMES

Report of Director Environment and Planning

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To inform members of the intended proposal to vary the Off Street Parking Places Order.

2. <u>RECOMMENDATION</u>

2.1 That Council:-

- a) approves the proposed variation to the Off Street Parking Places (Hinckley and Bosworth) Order 2014.
- b) delegates authority to the Head Of Street Scene Services to publish a notice of proposals in relation to the Off Street Parking Places (Hinckley and Bosworth) Order 2014 as detailed in section 3.
- c) delegates authority to the Head of Street Scene Services, subject to there being no objections received within the relevant statutory period, to make the order and publish the notice of making.
- d) requires that where there are objections received, a written report be produced by the Head of Street Scene Services detailing the objections and that authority be delegated to the Director of Environment and Planning and the Executive Member with responsibility for Car Parks, in conjunction with the Legal Services Manager, to consider such objections and consider whether the variation to the order should be confirmed or not.

3. BACKGROUND TO THE REPORT

3.1 The Council is able to control parking within its administrative area through the production of an Off Street Parking Places Order under the Traffic Regulation Act 1984. The variation to the Order recommended within this report sets out the terms

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and conditions for use of Council owned car parks, and the charges and penalties which apply to those using the car parks. Once made, it would form the legal basis from which all future charges and enforcement actions are made.

- 3.2 The proposed variation introduces 264 free parking spaces after 3pm to support Hinckley Town centre, and 133 free parking spaces prior to 8.30am to support residents where there is limited on street parking.
- 3.4 Free parking after 3pm would apply on the following car parks giving good coverage across the town centre:
 - Trinity East Car Park
 - Castle Car Park (former Co-op site)
 - Lower Bond Street Car Park
- 3.5 Free parking before 8.30am would apply to
 - Lower Bond Street Car Park
 - Thorneycroft Car Park
- 3.6 Charging periods on all other pay and display car parks would remain as 8am 6pm Monday to Saturday inclusive.
- 3.7 Consultation on changes to the order will take place in November / December 2019.
- 4. <u>EXEMPTIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ACCESS TO INFORMATION</u> PROCEDURE RULES
- 4.1 This report is to be taken in open session.
- 5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS [AW]
- 5.1 The loss of income is estimated to be £31,600 in total, based on the times of free parking in the car park noted being:
 - Free after 3pm, reduction in income will be £30,100
 - Free before 8.30am, reduction in income will be £1,500

This can be funded for up to four years from the Special Expenses Area earmarked reserve, if continued after this period the costs would fall on the general Fund. Costs to vary order / amend signage can be covered from existing revenue budgets, and where practical will be combined with other variations to the order to minimise costs.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS [FA]

6.1 The Council has the statutory power to vary and make off-street parking places and control those places under section 32, 35 and Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. The legal implications are referred to in this report.

7. CORPORATE PLAN IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 The variation to the parking places order supports the following Corporate Plan aims:
 - Places: ensure the transport and community infrastructure can support growth.
 - Prosperity: support the regeneration of our town and village centres.

8. CONSULTATION

8.1 The variation to the Order will be open to public consultation for 28days of the notice of proposals, or, if later, the end of the Council's compliance with the publicity and deposit rules. Objections must be in writing and state the grounds for objection. responses received will be fully considered before the making of the variation to the order.

9. RISK IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 It is the Council's policy to proactively identify and manage significant risks which may prevent delivery of business objectives.
- 9.2 It is not possible to eliminate or manage all risks all of the time and risks will remain which have not been identified. However, it is the officer's opinion based on the information available, that the significant risks associated with this decision / project have been identified, assessed and that controls are in place to manage them effectively.
- 9.3 The following significant risks associated with this report / decisions were identified from this assessment:

Management of significant (Net Red) Risks		
Risk Description	Mitigating actions	Owner
Failure to make and implement the	Ensure Order is promptly	Caroline
Order – loss of revenue and control	advertised, made and	Roffey
over parking	implemented	-

10. KNOWING YOUR COMMUNITY – EQUALITY AND RURAL IMPLICATIONS

- 10.1 No changes are proposed to the provision of free car parking for blue badge holders.
- 10.2 The increased number of permits available for residents should assist residents living near the town centre.

11. CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

- 11.1 By submitting this report, the report author has taken the following into account:
 - Community Safety implications
 - Environmental implications
 - ICT implications
 - Asset Management implications
 - Procurement implications
 - Human Resources implications
 - Planning implications
 - Data Protection implications
 - Voluntary Sector

Background papers: None

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