

WAVERLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

EXECUTIVE - 29 NOVEMBER 2016

Title:

AMENDMENTS TO WBC'S OFF-STREET PARKING ORDER

**[Portfolio Holder: Cllr James Edwards]
]Wards Affected: All]**

Summary and purpose:

The purpose of this report is to request approval to commence the consultation process to amend Waverley's Off-Street Parking Order.

How this report relates to the Council's Corporate Priorities:

The recommendations contained within this report will help to provide Value for Money by ensuring that the use of Waverley's car parks is consistently and fairly regulated. By ensuring the appropriate use of the borough's car parks, the recommendations also contribute towards the Customer Service priority, by maximising the availability and correct use of car parking spaces.

Financial Implications:

The cost of advertising the amendments is around £2,500 and it is proposed that this will be met from existing advertising budgets.

Legal Implications:

Amending the Parking Order is a statutory process, and therefore, although lengthy, the timescales set above are a fundamental requirement of the process.

Introduction

1. This report is requesting approval to commence the consultation process to amend Waverley's Off-Street Parking Order.
2. Waverley's Parking Order outlines the regulations for all Off-Street parking places in the Borough. This is a necessary documentation so that customers understand how to use the car parks, and so that any breaches in usage can be penalised fairly and robustly.
3. Officers have identified that there are several amendments within the Parking Order which are required in order to remove reference to superseded legislation and to clarify the requirements to avoid ambiguity over interpretation when dealing with appeals etc. This review is solely related to rules of usage in the car parks.
4. Annexe 1 to this report lists significant amendments proposed to the Order.

5. The following milestones outline the statutory process the Council is required to follow, and corresponding dates:
- Report for Executive to request commencement of the consultation process- 29 November
 - Advertisement to consult on changes to Parking Order- 6 weeks- to end on 20 January 2017
 - Report to Executive with feedback on consultation and final recommendations - 7 March
 - Full Council approval – 25 April
 - Publish Notice of Intention document- 21 days
6. Therefore, based on this timetable it would be expected that amendments to the Parking Order will come into effect from approximately 22 May 2017.

Recommendation

It is recommended that officers be authorised to commence the process for amending the WBC Off-Street Parking Places Order.

Background Papers

There are no background papers (as defined by Section 100D(5) of the Local Government Act 1972) relating to this report.

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Annexe 1- List of main amendments to Parking Order

1. Clarified that trailers are allowed in a Parking Place, so long as they are displaying a registration of the towing vehicle.
2. The maximum weight limit of vehicles is out of date- has been replaced with a maximum size to not exceed two parking bays length ways, and requires that two pay and display tickets are purchased.
3. Previous version stated it must be the disabled person's vehicle if a disabled bay is used- amended to state that disabled bays may be used if the vehicle is carrying a disabled person.
4. States that if the phone and pay system is not available, an alternative payment method must be used to purchase a Pay and Display ticket.
5. Removal of 'Power to Immobilise' section.
6. Removal of references to 'Visitor Bays' in Council car parks.
7. Inclusion of times when maximum stay applies at Bramley library.
8. Corrections of maps for Meadow, Godalming, Locality Office Farnham, Dogflud Way, Farnham and Leisure Centre in Farnham.
9. Amendments to include Woolsack Way (The Wharf) car park.
10. Removal of coach parking at Meadow car park, except for evenings and weekends.
11. Traffic Enforcement Centre registration fee updated.
12. Removal of Haslemere and Godalming Leisure Centres from the Order.