

Report No.

Report to Full Council 24<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Wiltshire Council Car Parking Charges Consultation

1. Purpose of the report

1.1 To advise members of the current Wiltshire Council Car Parking Charges Consultation.

2. Background

2.1 Appendix A provides detail of the consultation which runs until 23 November.

2.2 The consultation can be completed as an individual, or as a representative of an organisation.

2.3 The Appendix has been formatted so that simple "a", "b" or "c" responses could be received by someone responsible for collating the Town Council response

3. Consideration

3.1 Members are asked to decide whether the Town Council should submit its own response, in addition to any responses that individual Councillors wish to submit, and if so, how the decision on the Town Council response should be made.

Cllr John Gundry  
17<sup>th</sup> October 2017

## **APPENDIX A WILTSHIRE COUNCIL CAR PARKING CHARGES CONSULTATION 2017**

"Despite rising operational costs and increasing service demands, Wiltshire Council has not applied any inflationary increases to car parking charges since 2011 and this has resulted in service standards being reduced to levels that are now effecting the management of parking arrangements.

There is also a requirement to invest in new technologies to maximise the benefit of the council's limited resources by automating parking usage, using technology to meet the demand of parking users for quick and easy payments and to bring benefits to the local communities for example greater enforcement of parking orders outside of schools.

A number of options to increase the funding of the Parking Service have been proposed. Each option has been costed so that choices can be made in light of the effects any changes may have on the public, businesses and visitors as well as how that option contributes to the overall council budget shortfall.

Our preferred method to receive comments is through completion of the on-line electronic Questionnaire available through the Wiltshire Council Consultation Portal webpage."

**Link to online survey and documents** here

[http://consult.wiltshire.gov.uk/portal/parking\\_and\\_transport/car\\_parking\\_charges\\_consultation?tab=files](http://consult.wiltshire.gov.uk/portal/parking_and_transport/car_parking_charges_consultation?tab=files)

- Appendix 3 Schedule of Proposed Increased Car Parking Charges
- Appendix 4 Proposed Charges in Currently Free Car Parks
- Appendix 5 Proposed Season Ticket Charges
- Explanatory FAQ in "Supporting Documents" Tab at bottom of page (useful context)

**Commenting** on the consultation

- Link to online Survey after third paragraph on page above and also here <https://surveys.wiltshire.gov.uk/snapwebhost/s.asp?k=150660437934>
- Request for paper Questionnaire : 01249 706131
- Returning completed Questionnaire by email to: [parking@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:parking@wiltshire.gov.uk)
- Returning paper Questionnaire  
Car Parking Survey  
Parking Services Wiltshire Council  
Monkton Park  
Chippenham SN15 1ER

The consultation period is from the 28 September to 23 November 2017.

**QUESTIONS 1 and 2** Personal details, including if you are representing an organisation.

**QUESTION 3**

- a. Increase parking charges in line with inflation (would raise £708K),
- b. or reduce funding of public transport and highways services?

Appendix 3

Malmesbury Station Road Proposed Increases

Sunday and Bank Holiday £0

3 hours £2 to £2.20

4 hours £2.40 to £2.70

5 hours £3.20 to £3.60

All day £4 to £4.50

Malmesbury Cross Hayes Proposed Increases

Sunday and Bank Holiday £0

1 hour £0.50 to £0.60

2 hours £1.30 to £1.50

**QUESTION 4**

- a. Introduce Sunday and Bank Holiday charging at all Wiltshire car parks (would raise £78K),
- b. or raise the money by increasing all car parking fees in that community,
- c. or reduce funding of public transport and highways services?

**QUESTION 5**

- a. Implement charges at car parks that are currently free (would raise £95K),
- b. or raise the money by increasing all car parking fees in that community,
- c. or reduce funding of public transport and highways services?

Appendix 4

Burnham Road Malmesbury (currently free) Proposed Charges

1hr £0.20

2hr £0.70

3hr £1.50

4hr £2.00

5hr £2.50

All Day £4.00

£480 per annum

£240 for 6 months

£120 for 3 months

£40 for 1 month

**QUESTION 6**

Remove town and parish councils' ability to use free parking spaces in November and December?  
Would raise £78K.

- a. Yes
- b. No

### QUESTION 7

- a. Raise season ticket fees (would raise £280K),
- b. or raise the money by increasing all car parking fees across Wiltshire,
- c. or reduce funding of public transport and highways services?

Appendix 5

Malmesbury Station Road Proposed Season Ticket Increase

From £184 p.a. to £480 p.a.

### QUESTION 8

- a. Should residents' parking permits be harmonised across the county and / or with two-tiered charging (to raise 190K or £215K),
- b. or raise the money by increasing all car parking fees across Wiltshire,
- c. or reduce funding of public transport and highways services?

Malmesbury has no residents' parking / limited waiting permits.

**QUESTION 9** Should the grace period of 15 minutes before an overstay penalty charge is incurred be reduced to 10 minutes? Would raise £5K.

- a. Yes
- b. No

**QUESTION 10** Any ideas from local communities, business or commercial concerns about how to raise funds?

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