



Northumberland

County Council

RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN BY SERVICE DIRECTOR - LOCAL SERVICES

Paul Jones
18 March 2022

Proposed variation for Off-Street Parking Charges April 2022

Cabinet Member: Councillor John Riddle

Purpose of Report

This report sets out the background to the proposed variation of Off-Street Parking Charges at specific locations within Northumberland as part of the 2022/23 budget setting process.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the proposed variation of parking charges be introduced.

Link to Corporate Plan

Living - "We want you to feel safe, healthy and cared for"

Enjoying - "We want you to love where you live"

Learning - "We want you to achieve and realise your potential"

Key Issues

1. The charges are required in order to carry out and maintain a consistent approach to managing and enforcing parking provision.
2. These charges will help contribute towards the costs incurred in the significant capital investment programme being made to improve parking provision in the county.
3. Parking charges help manage the high demand in these locations, make the management and maintenance of these facilities more financially sustainable and generate income that assists in financing future investment in parking services.
4. The proposed increases will need to be in place as soon after 1 April 2022 as possible in order to get the full year effect and benefit.
5. The additional tiering of parking charges in car parks at Holy Island Bamburgh are supported by both Bamburgh and Holy Island Parish Councils

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Background

The increase in charges within the existing tariff structure for on-street and off-street parking has been considered as part of the Council's 2022/23 budget setting process. These Off-Street charges will only apply to the following car parks:

- Links Road, Bamburgh
- Beadnell and Beadnell Overflow, Beadnell
- Craster Quarry, Craster
- Chare Ends, Holy Island
- Green Lane, Holy Island
- Newton Steads, Newton By The Sea
- Low Newton, Newton By The Sea
- Station Yard and Station Yard Overflow, Seahouses
- Druridge Bay Country Park car parks, Morpeth
- Bolam Lake Country Park car parks, Bolam
- Plessey Woods Country Park car parks, Bedlington

It is anticipated that the increase in revenue will contribute to the maintenance and improvements of the parking facilities and provision throughout Northumberland, providing benefit to both local residents and visitors alike.

Implementation of these proposals includes the following preparation work to be completed prior to implementation which is expected to be no later than 25 April 2022:-

- Preparation and advertising of the legal order change – Notice of Variation of Charges
- Car park signage updates
- Tariff updates to Pay by Phone and ticket machine software
- Website information updates

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Full details of the existing charge and the proposed changes are detailed in Appendix A.

Notification of these changes will be advertised as part of the legal process laid down in the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 – Notice of Variation.

NCC Parking Services have liaised directly with the parish councils at Bamburgh and Holy Island and they are both in support of the additional tiering of parking charges that is proposed.

Local County Councillors and town and parish councils in who's areas the car parks are located will also be notified by letter of the changes and they, along with the general public and any other interested parties, will be able to provide feedback on the changes in response to the legal notices, which will be considered prior the final decision being taken on the new charges.

Northumbria Police, other emergency services and relevant statutory consultees will be notified of this new Notice of Variation.

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Implications Arising out of the Report

Policy	Consistent with existing policies
Finance and value for money	Advertising costs for the legal order will be financed from LTP 2021/22. All costs associated with ticket machine software upgrades, car parks signage, etc will be covered by Parking Services and Countryside Country Parks revenue budgets.
Legal	Notice of Variation (TRO_019_17)
Procurement	Amendment to ticket machines tariff software, Pay By Phone tariffs and car park signage
Human Resources	None
Property	None
Equalities (Impact Assessment attached) Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	EIA completed 'EIA Jan 2022 - LS02 Increase In Car Parking Income'
Risk Assessment	None
Crime & Disorder	Regulations in place to carry out enforcement.
Customer Consideration	Increase in revenue will lead to improved parking facilities. Interested parties can provide feedback on the proposed charges in response to the legal notices, which will be considered prior to the charges being finalised.
Carbon reduction	None identified
Wards	Countywide

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Background papers:

File reference - S:\Highways\PROJECT\21\HE Minor Improvements\HE213537D - TROs\HE213537D-63 Variation for Off-Street Parking Charges 2022

Appendix A – Proposed New Parking Variation of Charges.

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DECISION TAKEN

Title of Officer: Service Director, Local Services

Subject: Proposed implementation of new Variation of Off-Street and On-Street Parking Charges at specific location in Northumberland.

Consultation: Legal Notice of Variation will be advertised countywide. Statutory Consultees including, Northumbria Police and other emergency services will be notified as part of this process, along with those local County Councillors and Town and Parish Councils where these changes are taking place.

Decision Taken: Introduction of new Variation of Off-Street Parking Charges at specific locations in Northumberland as detailed.

Signature of Director



Date

18th March 2022

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Appendix A – Proposed New Parking Variation of Charges for Off-Street Car Park

Car Park/Location	Tariff	21/22 existing	Existing TF Code	22/23 increase	New TF Code
Chare Ends CP, Holy Island	3 Hours	4.50	TF6	5.00	TF16
	4 Hours	N/A		6.00	
	5 Hours	N/A		7.00	
	All Day	7.00		8.00	
Green Lane CP, Holy Island	Coaches - 4 Hours	7.00	TF8	7.50	TF8
	Coaches - All Day	10.00		11.00	
Station Yard CP, Seahouses	1 hour	Free	TF5	Free	TF5
	2 hours	3.00		3.50	
	3 hours	4.50		5.00	
	All Day	7.00		8.00	
	Coaches - 4 hours	7.00		7.50	
	Coaches - All Day	10.00		11.00	
Links Road CP, Bamburgh	3 Hours	4.50	N/A	5.00	TF13
	4 hours	N/A		6.00	
	5 hours	N/A		7.00	
	All Day	7.00		8.00	
	Coaches - 4 Hours	7.00		7.50	
	Coaches - All Day	10.00		11.00	
Beadnell CP Beadnell Overflow CP	1 Hour	Free	N/A	Free	TF12
	3 Hours	4.50		5.00	
	All Day	6.00		7.00	
Craster Quarry CP	1 hour	1.50	TF4	1.80	TF4
	2 hours	3.00		3.50	
	3 hours	4.50		5.00	
	All day	6.00		7.00	
Low Newton CP	1 hour	1.50	TF4	1.80	TF4
	2 hours	3.00		3.50	
	3 hours	4.50		5.00	
	All day	6.00		7.00	
Newton Steads CP	1 hour	1.50	TF4	1.80	TF4
	2 hours	3.00		3.50	
	3 hours	4.50		5.00	
	All day	6.00		7.00	
Druridge Bay Country Park: Main Car Park View point car park East Chevington car park	Up to 1 hour	Free	TF10	Free	TF10
	Up to 2 hours	1.60		2.00	
	All Day	3.00		4.00	
	Minibus	6.00		7.00	

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Picnic site car park	Vehicle & Trailer	6.00		7.00	
Watersports car park	Coach/HGV	10.00		11.00	
Bolam Lake Country Park: Low House Wood Car Park Boathouse Wood Car Park West Wood Car Park	Up to 1 hour	Free	TF10	Free	TF10
	Up to 2 hours	1.60		2.00	
	All Day	3.00		4.00	
	Minibus	6.00		7.00	
	Vehicle & Trailer	6.00		7.00	
	Coach/HGV	10.00		11.00	
	Plessey Woods Country Park: Main Car Park Overflow Car Park	Up to 1 hour	Free	TF10	Free
Up to 2 hours		1.60		2.00	
All Day		3.00		4.00	
Minibus		6.00		7.00	
Vehicle & Trailer		6.00		7.00	
Coach/HGV		10.00		11.00	

Permit Name	Duration	Current charge	New charge
Country Park Parking Permit	12 month permit	35.00	50.00
	6 month permit	N/A	30.00