



Northumberland County Council

RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN BY SERVICE DIRECTOR – LOCAL SERVICES

Paul Jones

Proposed Variation to Off-Street Parking Charges 2023

Cabinet Member: Councillor John Riddle

02 March 2023

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 2023/24 budget setting process.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the proposed variation of parking charges are approved as proposed.

Link to Corporate Plan

Living - “We want you to feel safe, healthy and cared for”
Enjoying - “We want you to love where you live”

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.

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4. The proposed increases must be in place for as close to the beginning of the new financial year (1 April 2023) as possible in order to receive the full year effects and benefits.

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Background

The increase in charges within the existing tariff structure for off-street parking has been considered as part of Northumberland County Council's 2023/24 budget setting process. The proposed charges are to apply to the following car parks:

- Links Road Car Park & Links Road Coach Park, Bamburgh
- Beadnell Car Park, Beadnell
- Craster Quarry Car Park, Craster
- Chare Ends Car Park and Green Lane Car Park, Holy Island
- Low Newton Car Park, Low Newton-by-the-Sea
- Newton Steads Car Park, Newton-by-the-Sea
- Station Yard Car Park & Station Yard Overflow Car Park, Seahouses

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.

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 in the local press, on site and on the Council's website and updates to car park signage, Pay by Phone and ticket machine software will be carried out to notify motorists of the new charges.

Local County Councillors and relevant Town/Parish Councils will also be notified 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 once they have been made.

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 Order are to be financed through the LTP 2022/23 programme. Costs associated with ticket machine software upgrades, Pay by Phone updates and car park signage will be covered by Parking Services and Countryside Country Parks revenue budgets.
Legal	Motorists will be required to comply with the Notice of Variation
Procurement	Amendments to ticket machine tariff software, Pay By Phone tariffs and car park signage
Human Resources	None
Property	None
Equalities (Impact Assessment attached) Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	'EIA Increase In Car Parking Income' authorised January 2023
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
Wards	Countywide

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Background Papers:

File reference – S:\Highways\PROJECT\22\HE Minor Improvements\HE223606D - TROs Countywide\HE223631D North Northumberland\HE223631D - 23 Variation for Off-Street Parking Charges 2023

Appendix A – Proposed New Variation of Parking Charges

Author

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DECISION TAKEN

Title of Officer: Service Director, Local Services

Subject: Proposed Variation of Off-Street Parking Charges 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/Parish Councils where these changes are taking place.

Decision Taken: To introduce new variation of off-street parking charges at specific locations in Northumberland.

Signature of Director



Date

07.03.23

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Appendix A – Proposed New Variation of Parking Charges

Car Park Location	Tariff	Existing 2022/23 Charges (£)	Proposed 2023/24 Increase (£)
Links Road Car Park, Bamburgh	Up to 3 Hours	5.00	6.00
	Up to 4 Hours	6.00	7.00
	Up to 5 Hours	7.00	8.00
	All Day	8.00	9.50
Links Road Car Park, Bamburgh (Coaches)	Up to 4 Hours	7.50	8.00
	All Day	11.00	12.00
Beadnell Car Park, Beadnell	Up to 1 Hour	Free	Free
	Up to 3 Hours	5.00	6.00
	All Day	7.00	8.50
Craster Quarry Car Park, Craster	Up to 1 Hour	1.80	2.30
	Up to 2 Hours	3.50	4.50
	Up to 3 Hours	5.00	6.00
	All Day	7.00	8.50
Chare Ends Car Park, Holy Island	Up to 3 Hours	5.00	6.00
	Up to 4 Hours	6.00	7.00
	Up to 5 Hours	7.00	8.00
	All Day	8.00	9.50
Green Lane Car Park, Holy Island	Coaches – Up to 4 Hours	7.50	8.00
	Coaches – All Day	11.00	12.00
Low Newton Car Park, Newton-by-the-Sea	Up to 1 Hour	1.80	2.30
	Up to 2 Hours	3.50	4.50
	Up to 3 Hours	5.00	6.00
	All Day	7.00	8.50
Newton Steads Car Park, Newton-by-the-Sea	Up to 1 Hour	1.80	2.30
	Up to 2 Hours	3.50	4.50
	Up to 3 Hours	5.00	6.00
	All Days	7.00	8.50
Station Yard Car Park, Seahouses	Up to 1 Hour	Free	Free
	Up to 2 Hours	3.50	4.50
	Up to 3 Hours	5.00	6.00
	All Day	8.00	9.50
Station Yard Overflow Car Park, Seahouses	Coaches – Up to 4 Hours	7.50	8.00
	Coaches – All Day	11.00	12.00