



Report of the Parking Manager

Report to the Chief Officer (Highways and Transportation)

Date: 22 October 2019

Subject: Pudsey Parking Places Order

Are specific electoral Wards affected?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s): Pudsey	
Has consultation been carried out?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	

Summary

1. Main issues

- A need for additional short stay parking has been identified at the car park next to Pudsey leisure centre.
- There are also issues with obstructive parking on the land used for Pudsey Market.
- A parking places order is proposed which will introduce new restrictions and enable Civil Enforcement officers to issue Penalty Charge Notices to any vehicles parked in contravention of these restrictions.

2. Best Council Plan Implications

- The proposal will improve the operation of the car parks on a day to day basis. This contributes to improving transport which is an objective for the Sustainable Infrastructure priority.

3. Resource Implications

- All costs can be met from existing revenue budgets in parking services.

4. Recommendations

4.1 The Chief Officer (Highways and Transportation) is requested to:

i) instruct the City Solicitor to:

- a) advertise a draft amendment order to the Leeds City Council (off street parking places) (Consolidation) order 2010 to introduce time limited parking in an area of Pudsey Leisure Centre Car Park, Monday – Friday 8am to 6pm 2 hours no return 2 hours as shown on drawing no. TMW/28/1/761/400A; and
- b) incorporate the land at Pudsey Market as an off street car park Monday to Friday 8am to 6pm for permit holders only as shown on drawing no. TM/28/402/01/01 and, if no valid objections are received, to make and seal the order as advertised.

1 Purpose of this report

1.1 To seek approval for the creation of a Parking Places order relating to Pudsey Market and the car park at Pudsey leisure centre. .

2. Background information

2.1 The Council operates 3 car parks in Pudsey Town Centre offering a total of 264 spaces. Originally none of them had time restrictions. As a result all 3 car parks tended to be used by commuters and it is was difficult for short stay visitors to find a space. In order to provide more short stay provision, some spaces were converted to short stay only with a maximum of 2 hours. There were 27 spaces in the leisure centre car park and 13 in Lidgett Hill. The whole of Robin Lane car park was converted to short stay in 2016 providing another 48 short stay spaces.

2.2 However there continues to be pressure on the car parks and there is a need for further short stay provision. This is especially acute at the leisure centre which requires short stay spaces to support its operations. When allocating a portion of a car park for short stay it is important that the layout of the spaces allows the short stay area to be clearly demarcated and easy to identify for the motorist. An area of the car park in one corner has been identified which links to the existing spaces and has suitable areas for new signs. This will provide an extra 14 short stay spaces taking the total to 41 which is about 30% of the car park.

2.3 Pudsey Market is nearby. It suffers from indiscriminate parking which blocks access for traders and causes difficulties with the operation of the Market. Following discussions with the markets service and Ward members it is proposed to prohibit parking except for vehicles connected with the Market. In order to administer this a permit scheme is proposed so the actual restriction will be Permit holders only. The permit scheme will be administered by parking services in conjunction with the markets service.

3. Main issues

- 3.1 It is proposed to link the 2 schemes in the same report to save on legal and administrative costs. In both cases the changes can be made by way of an amendment to the existing Off Street Parking Places Consolidation Order.
- 3.2 There will be no change to the 3 disabled bays in the leisure centre car park which will be available without time restrictions.

4 Corporate considerations

4.1 Consultation and engagement

- 4.1.1 This proposal was developed at the request of Ward members and the Market permit scheme has been discussed with the markets service.

4.2 Equality and diversity / cohesion and integration

- 4.2.1 An Equality Screening Document has been completed for this proposal and no impacts have been identified.

4.3 Council policies and the Best Council Plan

- 4.3.1 The proposal will improve the operation of the car parks on a day to day basis. This contributes to improving transport which is an objective for the Sustainable Infrastructure priority.

Climate Emergency

- 4.3.2 This proposal only involves minor works and these will not have a significant impact. Increasing the number of short stay spaces should ease congestion as visitors to the leisure centre can find a space more easily without driving to find an alternative space. It will also deter commuter parking. Both of these developments will reduce traffic movements and therefore assist in improving air quality.

4.4 Resources, procurement and value for money

- 4.4.1 All costs can be met from existing revenue budgets in parking services.

4.5 Legal implications, access to information, and call-in

- 4.5.1 The report is an administrative decision which is not eligible for call-in.

4.6 Risk management

- 4.6.1 The main risk is that the restrictions are not enforced effectively. The parking enforcement team already patrol these areas regularly and will ensure that an appropriate level of enforcement is maintained, this can be adjusted as circumstances change.

5 Conclusions

- 5.1 The introduction of new restrictions will allow the improved management of car parking in Leeds City Council car parks in Pudsey.

6 Recommendations

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