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Title of report: Review of On-Street and Long-Stay Parking

Report : To review the tariffs charged on the Council's off-street long stay public car parks and on-street public parking places.

What evidence/data is being used to support this equality analysis? Please select all that apply.:

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What is proposed?: To review the tariffs charged on the Council's off-street long stay public car parks and on-street public parking places.

Why are the changes being introduced?: The Council has made formal proposals to vary the charges that apply on its long-stay public off-street car parks and also the charges and charging hours that apply at on-street public paid for parking places ('pay and display') in the town centre. Formal statutory consultations were carried out in January and February 2024. The purpose of this report is to consider the objection that has been received against the increase in on-street charging hours and, in the case of both proposals, decide whether to proceed as proposed.

What evidence is being used to support this Equality Impact Assessment, and how is it being used?: A qualitative assessment of the proposals and their impacts.

How will this change be implemented?: In respect of the proposed changes to the Council's long-stay off-street public car parks, following a statutory public consultation on the proposals, and if approved by the Council's Executive Committee having taken into account any objections or representations, a new legal order (known as an Off-Street Parking Places Order) will be made in respect of the relevant Council car parks in accordance with the proposals in the committee report, and thereafter the approved changes will be implemented.

In respect of the proposed changes to the affected on-street paid for parking places in the Ipswich town centre area, following a statutory public consultation on the proposals, and if approved by the Council's Executive Committee having taken into account any objections or representations, a new legal order (known as a Traffic Regulation Order) will be made in accordance with the proposals in the committee report, and thereafter the approved changes will be implemented.

Age: No impact

Please provide an explanation of this impact and actions to mitigate any adverse impact, or further promote positive impact.: The proposals in this report do not have any specific impact on this protected characteristic.

Disability: No impact

Please provide an explanation of this impact and actions to mitigate any adverse impact, or further promote positive impact.: Although the Council does not provide free parking for disabled blue badge holders in most Council operated long-stay public car parks, the Council will continue to provide 3 hours free parking in all of its town centre short-stay car parks to assist blue badge holders with access to the town centre for shopping.

In respect of on-street paid for parking bays, blue badge holders are legally entitled to free parking in all paid for parking bays and as such this will assist blue badge holders with access to the town centre for shopping.

Marriage & Civil Partnership: No impact

Please provide an explanation of this impact and actions to mitigate any adverse impact, or further promote positive impact.: The proposals in this report do not have any specific impact on this protected characteristic.

Race: No impact

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Pregnancy & Maternity: No impact

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Religion or Belief: No impact

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Gender Reassignment: No impact

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this protected characteristic.

Sex: No impact

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Sexual Orientation: No impact

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I can confirm the report does meet Ipswich Borough Council's equality objectives: I can confirm the report does meet Ipswich Borough Council's equality objectives

The report helps us to 'eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment & victimisation' in the following way(s): By ensuring that all residents have the facilities to park in Ipswich town centre and blue badge holders continue to have 3 hours free parking in the Council's short-stay car parks, and by ensuring that blue badge holders continue to have free parking in on-street paid for parking bays.

The report helps us to 'advance equality of opportunity...' in the following way(s): By ensuring that all local residents in communities in Ipswich have access to sufficient parking in Ipswich town centre to enable them to take part in shopping and leisure uses.

The policy helps us to 'foster good relations...' in the following way(s): By ensuring that all local residents in communities in Ipswich have access to sufficient parking in Ipswich town centre to enable them to take part in shopping and leisure uses.

The new provisions will be reviewed in the following way(s): No changes will be implemented before the Council's Executive Committee have considered any objections or representations that have been submitted in response to the statutory public consultations that have been carried out. Any approved changes will be reviewed again after they have been introduced.
