
REPORT TO:	COUNCIL	AGENDA ITEM: 14
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SUBJECT:	PARKING ENFORCEMENT	REF: MA/PMW
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	SWADLINCOTE & MELBOURNE	TERMS OF REFERENCE:

1.0 Recommendations

- 1.1 That Members approve the introduction of parking enforcement to the additional off street car parks listed below:-

High Street Car Park, Melbourne
Alexandra Road Car Park, Swadlincote
Rink Drive Car Park, Swadlincote
Hill Street Car Park, Swadlincote (by Church)

2.0 Purpose of Report

- 2.1 Members are asked to approve the extension to the current scheme of parking enforcement.

3.0 Background Detail

- 3.1 The report updates Members on a further proposal to extend the number of off street car parks in which Civil Parking Enforcement (CPE) takes place.
- 3.2 On the 10th April 2008 Full Council approved the proposal that the County would enforce the CPE requirement and undertake their own statutory function and manage the enforcement of on street parking. In addition it was approved that the County would additionally manage the enforcement activities in a number of South Derbyshire District Council car parks.
- 3.3 On the 19th February 2009 South Derbyshire District Council (Off Street Parking Places) Civil Enforcement & Consolidation Order 2008 came in to operation revoking previous orders.
- 3.4 The order listed all of South Derbyshire District Council car parks, at start of CPE only four car parks were included for enforcement at that time, these being:-

Swadlincote Bus Station Car Park, Civic Way
Car Park Adjacent to Civic Offices, Civic Way, Swadlincote
East End Car Park, Civic Way, Swadlincote
Market Street/Grove Street Car Park, Swadlincote

- 3.5 The time allocated to Civil Enforcement Officers for these car parks is approximately 4 hours per week.

Proposals

- 3.6 It is proposed to add additional car parks to the CPE scheme, these being:-

High Street Car Park, Melbourne
Alexandra Road Car Park, Swadlincote
Rink Drive Car Park, Swadlincote
Hill Street Car Park, Swadlincote (by Church)

- 3.7 With the increase in enforcement, additional hours will be needed for the CEO to undertake patrols it is recommended that these are increased 12 hours per week.

4.0 Detail

- 4.1 Members have raised various queries on the proposed layout to the car parks. As a result some additional car parking spaces are to be provided at Melbourne. Queries regarding layout and visibility at car parks in Swadlincote have been responded to.

High Street Car Park, Melbourne - Annexe B(i)

- 4.2 This car park is currently long stay in all areas. It is proposed to introduce 5 short stay bays to assist with parking space turnover for the residents and visitors to this area. Improvement works will include the remarking of spaces, including improved bay markings for disabled users, short stay bay marking, marking for recycling banks (currently occupying 4 spaces) & installation of 2 No Parking notice signs. These changes will result in a loss of 6 spaces, the remaining 78 spaces comprising of 6 Disabled, 67 normal & 5 short stay spaces.

Alexandra Road Car Park, Swadlincote - Annexe B(ii)

- 4.3 This is a long stay car park and no alterations are intended. Improvement works will include the remarking of spaces, including improved bay markings for disabled users, marking for recycling banks & installation of 2 no parking Notice signs. These changes will result in a loss of 8 spaces, the remaining 61 spaces comprising of 3 Disabled, 58 normal.

Rink Drive Car Park, Swadlincote - Annexe B(iii)

- 4.4 This is currently a long stay car park. With the completion of the improvements in conjunction with the Hepworth site redevelopment it is intended to allocate 6 spaces

as short stay parking, additional marking to these spaces is required together with the installation of 2 No Parking notice signs. The re-design of the car park has resulted in a loss of spaces, the new layout has a total of 63 spaces comprising of 5 Disabled, 52 normal & 6 short stay spaces.

Hill Street Car Park, Swadlincote (by Church) - Annexe B(iv)

- 4.5 This is a long stay car park and no parking alterations are intended, other than the marking of 1 space for Church use only, to be controlled by the Church with a permit being issued. Improvement works will include the remarking of spaces, including improved bay markings for disabled users, and installation of 1 No Parking notice sign. These changes will result in a loss of 1 space, the remaining 20 spaces comprising of 2 Disabled, 17 normal & 1 permit controlled space.

5.0 Financial Implications

- 5.1 Details of costs involved in improvements are shown on attached table (Annexe C).
- 5.2 With the introduction of enforcement, improvements to signs and lines are required in the car parks at current prices this is £5,544.00. A ring-fenced budget exists, accumulated from the previous years parking enforcement, and this will be used to cover this expenditure.
- 5.3 The increase in CEO hours from 4 to 12hrs will incur additional costs, which will in turn be offset by an estimated increase in PCN's issued.

6.0 Community Implications

- 6.1 The new regime should bring the following community benefits:-

Encourage sensible and safe parking

Make spaces available for disabled users through improved enforcement of disabled bays.

Improved access to business premise with the introduction of short stay bays

7.0 Conclusions

- 7.1 The increased enforcement is self financing and will not incur any costs to the Council.

8.0 Background Papers

- 8.1 Annexe A(i - iii), B(i - iv) and C.