

Bath & North East Somerset Council		
DECISION MAKER:	Cllr Anthony Clark, Cabinet Member for Transport	
DECISION DATE:	On or after 19th August 2016	EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN REFERENCE:
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TITLE:	Fees & Charges 2016/17	
WARD:	All	
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Appendix 1 – Proposed fees and charges for 2016/17		

1 THE ISSUE

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to obtain agreement to a 10% increase in the fees and charges for specified services provided by Parking Services in line with proposals agreed in the February 2016 budget setting by Full Council.

2 RECOMMENDATION

The Cabinet Member approves;

- 2.1 The recommendations for the new fees and charges for relevant services as proposed in Appendix 1.
- 2.2 That these are effective immediately upon approval and to be implemented as soon as is practicably possible to minimise the loss of potential income to the Authority.

3 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCE, PROPERTY, PEOPLE)

- 3.1 This is an update to current charges for existing services; no additional resources are required to implement the recommendations.
- 3.2 Communications to existing customers, where required, is to be undertaken within existing resources.
- 3.3 These charge changes are in line with proposals for generating additional income of £37,500 as agreed in the February 2016 budget setting by

Council and the income generated from these fee changes were included in the budgets at that time.

4 STATUTORY CONSIDERATIONS AND BASIS FOR PROPOSAL

- 4.1 No Equalities Impact Assessment has been undertaken as charges are already in place for the services where an increase of 10% is proposed.

5 THE REPORT

- 5.1 Parking Services offers a range of permits to different customers to allow them to park their vehicles where parking restrictions apply.
- 5.2 Different permits products offer a range of features that include providing motorists with a means to park in on street bays where pay and display is not available in order to provide specific services and providing the convenience of allowing motorists to park in off street bays for a discounted up front charge without having to pay and display every day.
- 5.3 Car park season tickets provide motorists at discounted parking at a saving of up to 50% of the daily charge.
- 5.4 Trade permits allow trade persons to park in any permit holders bay or pay and display bay on street or in car parks across Bath.
- 5.5 Parking Services also provide the means for residents and businesses to request a temporary suspension of the restrictions prescribed by a Traffic Regulation Orders to support the local economy, including for House moves, events, and utilities works.

6 RATIONALE

- 6.1 The charges for these services have remained unchanged since March 2013.
- 6.2 These proposals are in line with the savings proposals for 2016/17 approved by Council in February 2016, which included income generation of £37,500 through these increased charges.

7 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 7.1 To keep existing charges – an increase in charges may result in customer behaviour change which could negatively impact usage of these services and result in decrease income.

(1) This has been rejected as these proposals still provide a considerable saving to customer compared to daily use of off street car parks.

8 CONSULTATION

- 8.1 The Council's Strategic Director of Place and Section 151 Officer have had the opportunity to input to this report.

9 RISK MANAGEMENT

9.1 A risk assessment related to the issue and recommendations has been undertaken, in compliance with the Council's decision making risk management guidance.

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Background papers	<i>n/a</i>
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