

Single Member Cabinet Decision

Executive
Forward Plan
Reference**E2911****Allocation of Parking Permits in Controlled Zones**

Decision maker/s	Cllr Anthony Clarke, Cabinet Member for Transport
The Issue	The existing policy for the eligibility of parking permits within controlled parking zones was adopted in 2006. The operational application and implementation of the existing policy, over the past 10 years, has highlighted a number of issues which have been clarified within the revised policy.
Decision Date	14 November 2016
The decision	The Cabinet Member agrees that the revised policy is adopted and that delegated powers are given to the Divisional Director for Environmental Services, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Transport, to vary the policy to reflect current circumstances and needs when appropriate.
Rationale for decision	<p>The review and update to the policy ensures that the Council is able to manage the expected future increases in parking permit demand within controlled parking zones as vehicle ownership continues to rise.</p> <p>The provision of parking permits to new development proposals within the city is contrary to the objectives and policies within the Council's Core Strategy.</p>
Financial and budget implications	<p>No additional resources are required to implement the policy. All necessary changes can be made to the Council's database for parking permits without further cost.</p> <p>This updated policy provides permit entitlement for new developments in zones where the current demand for spaces does not exceed the potential supply. Any additional income generated by this is limited by the potential opportunities for new developments within each zone and it is not therefore possible to predict this.</p>
Issues considered (these are covered in more detail in the report)	Social Inclusion; Customer Focus; Sustainability; Equality (age, race, disability, religion/belief, gender, sexual orientation); Other Legal Considerations
Consultation undertaken	Cabinet colleagues; Other B&NES Services; Section 151 Finance Officer; Monitoring Officer.
How consultation was carried out	Consultation was carried out through the circulation of the draft policy documents to those above for comment and consideration.
Other options considered	To continue with the existing policy – this was rejected as the city as a whole has moved on and the Decision is out of date or not clear

	<p>enough to allow decisions to be made without the risk of challenge.</p> <p>To remove the policy and issue all properties with permits – this was rejected as the parking pressure is growing due to rises in car ownership and reductions of available space in some areas due to redevelopment or public realm improvements (e.g the Saw Close development). The Council is committed to reducing the impact of the motor car in the whole of Bath and North East Somerset.</p> <p>Introduction of an upper limit to the number of permits available to residents within a controlled parking zone and the management of this through waiting lists. This could result in lengthy waiting lists, especially in zones with high demand and additional administration.</p>
<p>Declaration of interest by Cabinet Member(s) for decision, including any dispensation granted:</p>	
<p>Any conflict of interest declared by anyone who is consulted by a Member taking the decision:</p>	
<p>Signatures of Decision Makers</p>	
<p>Date of Signature</p>	<p>14 November 2016</p>
<p>Subject to Call-in until 5 Working days have elapsed following publication of the decision</p>	