Bath & North East Somerset Council		
MEETING/ DECISION MAKER:	Cllr Mark Shelford, Cabinet Member for Transport Cllr Charles Gerrish, Cabinet Member for Finance and Efficiency	
MEETING/ DECISION DATE:	On or after 21 July 2018	EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN REFERENCE:
TITLE: Changes to Parking Allocation		
WARD:	Abbey and Lansdown	
AN OPEN PUBLIC ITEM		
List of attachments to this report: Appendix 1 – Central Zone Proposed Permit Holder Only Bays		

1 THE ISSUE

1.1 This report outlines changes to parking allocations in line with the hierarchy of kerb space in the Parking Strategy and their financial implications.

2 RECOMMENDATION

The Cabinet members are asked to:

- 2.1 Note the changes to parking as proposed and outlined in appendix 1 in line with the hierarchy of kerb space.
- 2.2 Support the implementation of the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to allow the changes to be implemented.

3 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCE, PROPERTY, PEOPLE)

- 3.1 The adopted Parking Strategy proposed a charging strategy to discourage long stay parking. These charging proposals were incorporated into the financial plan and Parking Service's budget is predicated on income from these spaces at the new charges.
- 3.2 Reallocation of parking from pay and display to residents only will remove the income from those specific locations. Vehicles that are no longer able to pay and display in these locations may redistribute to other pay and display

locations, such as nearby Charlotte Street, resulting in no financial loss to the Council.

- 3.3 Associated risks from the proposed change are:
 - a) Reduction of capacity leading to a risk of non-availability at peak times
 - b) Loss of specific parking availability in these areas may result in behavioural change in customers leading to use of alternatives, such as Park & Ride or Public Transport.
- 3.4 On street and off street income will be closely monitored to identify the financial impacts of the change.
- 3.5 Following the implementation of the Parking Strategy a net reduction in paid for parking spaces will impact on Parking Service's ability to achieve set budgets in the current and future financial years. If a reduction in income is identified this pressure should be incorporated into the financial planning assumptions for consideration when setting the 2019/20 budget.
- 3.6 The Parking Services income target for pay and display in 2018/19 is £8,495,502. The income target for 2019/20 including further savings is £8,724,802.

4 STATUTORY CONSIDERATIONS AND BASIS FOR PROPOSAL

4.1 Change to parking allocation is subject to the TRO process, which includes public consultation.

5 THE REPORT

- 5.1 In February 2018 the council adopted the Parking Strategy which set out a hierarchy of kerb space and a commitment to put residents first.
- 5.2 The Parking Strategy states "Where it is deemed safe, on-street parking will be allocated using a balance approach to meet the demands in accordance with the Hierarchy of Kerb Space." The hierarchy of kerb space promotes residents parking needs above short and long stay parking.
- 5.3 Demand for space for residents parking in the central zone currently exceeds capacity by approximately 30%.
- 5.4 In line with the commitment to put residents first, the proposals remove 37 spaces from pay and display parking and reallocate them to dedicated residents permit holders only. This will improve the ability of residents to locate parking close to their homes; however, this will reduce the availability of parking for visitors to the central area.
- 5.5 The removal of pay and display parking has an impact on Parking Services' budgets as set out in the financial implication above.
- 5.6 In order for the proposals set out in Appendix 1 to be approved by officers and implemented through the TRO process, the financial implications set out above must be agreed to.

6 RATIONALE

6.1 The Parking Strategy clearly sets out the hierarchy of kerb space and the commitment to put residents first.

7 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 7.1 To not agree to the proposals as set out in Appendix 1.
 - (1) This was not accepted as the proposals are in line with the Parking Strategy and the commitment to put residents first.

8 CONSULTATION

8.1 The proposals will be consulted upon through the statutory TRO process and all objections considered.

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	Parking Strategy – <u>www.bathnes.gov.uk/parkingstrategy</u>

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