



**REPORT of
DIRECTOR OF SERVICE DELIVERY**

**To
FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE
16 APRIL 2019**

**INTRODUCTION OF A CHARGE FOR A SECTION OF THE MALDON DISTRICT
COUNCIL OFFICE CAR PARK**

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 To update Members on the introduction of a parking charge for a section of the Council's car park at Princes Road and to seek delegated authority to introduce the charges following consultation.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- (i) that Members note the consultation on the introduction of a section of the Council's car park at Princes Road has commenced
- (ii) that the Director of Resources in consultation Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Finance and Corporate Services Committee is given delegated authority to respond to consultation responses and implement the parking scheme at Princes Road

3. SUMMARY OF KEY ISSUES

- 3.1 At the meeting of this Committee on 27 November 2018 (Minute No. 664 refers) Members resolved the following;
- (i) that the principle to introduce car parking charges in the current visitor car park at Maldon District Council offices be agreed;
 - (ii) that Officers undertake a formal consultation on the proposed amendment to the Traffic Regulation Orders for vehicles parking in the 20 visitor spaces at Maldon District Council offices and report back to a future meeting of this Committee.
- 3.2 Consultation on the introduction of the parking charges has commenced and is due to conclude on 6 June 2019. Officers will review any comments received and respond accordingly. Following the completion of the consultation exercise and considering any relevant responses it is intended to create the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) and introduce the charges as outlined in the November 2018 Committee report.

4. CONCLUSION

- 4.1 Approval of recommendations in this report will enable the introduction of charges to be made without delay after the consultation period. The delegation relating to consultation responses will allow the Director in consultation with the Chair or Vice Chair of this Committee to respond and resolve any queries arising from responses.
- 4.2 The Council Office Car Park is used during the weekday period as largely a permit parking area. The spaces impacted upon by the introduction of weekday charging are currently used for general parking at the offices. The whole car park site (including permit areas) is chargeable at weekends and this will remain in place.

5. IMPACT ON CORPORATE GOALS

- 5.1 This fulfils the goal of Delivering good quality cost effective and valued services.

6. IMPLICATIONS

- (i) **Impact on Customers** – Visitors who choose to use the car park will be affected by the implementation of charges.
- (ii) **Impact on Equalities** – Visitors who choose to use the car park will be affected by the implementation of charges.
- (iii) **Impact on Risk** – It is essential that there is full compliance with the TRO process to mitigate against risk to the organisation.
- (iv) **Impact on Resources (financial)** – The income generated from parking charges should offset the cost of installing pay and display machinery.
- (v) **Impact on Resources (human)** – Officer time is required to deliver the consultation process.
- (vi) **Impact on the Environment** – There are no environmental implications.

Background Papers: None.

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