

CAR PARK INCOME DATA MONITORING – OCTOBER 2021 TO SEPTEMBER 2022

Summary: This report and Appendix provides members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee with details of the level of car park income earned by the Council over the last year

Options considered: This report is presented to Members for information and discussion.

Conclusions: Income from the Council's Off-Street parking charges continues to show moderate growth. However the recent growth in costs of repair and maintenance works for the car parks will reduce this growth in real terms.

The recent growth in income is expected to continue. However there are many external factors which are difficult to predict and may increase or reduce the income from car parking.

We need to ensure we continue to invest in maintenance and development of car parks to maximise future revenues.

We need to examine the cost base of the car parking provision to identify efficiencies and improvements in the way car parking is delivered.

Recommendations: **The Overview and Scrutiny Committee is asked to consider the information and data as appropriate to inform preparation of the 2023-24 budget, in relation to the proposal not to change car parking charges in the next financial year (2023-24).**

Reasons for Recommendations: Income from off-street car parking charges allows for the continuing provision, management and improvement of those facilities. This provision of car parking facilities is essential to support residents and the local economy.

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS AS REQUIRED BY LAW

(Papers relied on to write the report, which do not contain exempt information and which are not published elsewhere)

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1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee last year considered a report detailing car park income. Further to this report it was recommended that an annual car parking usage and income report would be provided at the end of the tourist season.

2. Car Park Income Comparisons – October to September 2021 and 2022

- 2.1 North Norfolk District Council operates 30 Pay and Display Car Parks in locations across the District – with three charging regimes Standard, Coastal and Resort. During 2021/22 financial year the net income generated for the Council through the car parking service was £1,907,766 (excluding season ticket and penalty charge income).

- 2.2 The car park charges were amended this year with effect from July 2022. Excluding coaches and season tickets/permits, the charges levied between 08:00 and 18:00 in the different car parks is as follows:

- Standard (inland towns exc. Holt) – £1.20 for first 2 hours; thereafter additional £0.80 per hour; max charge £6.00 per day; £24 for 7 days
- Resort (largely town centre car parks in coastal towns and Holt) - £1.50 for the first hour; thereafter £1.20 per hour; max charge £8.50 per day; £34 for 7 days
- Coastal (largely long-stay car parks associated with beaches / attractions) - £1.80 per hour; max charge £8.50 per day; £34 for 7 days

- 2.3 Income figures for all car parks for the period October to September 2021 and 2022 are provided at Appendix 1 for information and comparison purposes.

3. Corporate Plan Objectives

- 3.1 The provision of car parking facilities directly support a wide variety of economic and social activities within the district
- 3.2 The income from off street parking is a significant contributor to the finances of the Council.

4. Medium Term Financial Strategy

The income raised from car parking charges provides a significant income to the Councils medium term financial strategy, which offsets the costs of providing car parks and keeping them maintained.

5. Financial and Resource Implications

The costs and income relating to car parks form a significant part of the Councils budgets and it is important that charging levels are set correctly so that all direct and indirect costs of providing the car parks are captured.

6. Legal Implications

There are no legal implications arising directly from this report

7. Risks

This report does not in itself raise any issues in respect of risks.

8. Sustainability

This report does not in itself raise any issues in respect of sustainability.

9. Climate / Carbon impact

This report does not in itself raise any issues in respect of climate/carbon impact.

10. Equality and Diversity

This report does not in itself raise any issues in respect of equality and diversity

11. Section 17 Crime and Disorder considerations

This report does not in itself raise any issues in respect of Crime and Disorder.

12. Conclusion and Recommendations

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