

REPORT TO THE EXECUTIVE		Report No. 11
Date of Meeting	6 th December 2007	
Title of Report	Recommendations from the Car Parking Working Group	
Portfolio	Built Environment	
Link to Corporate Priorities	To promote vibrant, safe and inclusive communities - Transport	
Key Decision	No	
Executive Workplan Ref	B366	
Public Report	Yes	

Summary of Report

To inform the Executive of recommendations made by the Car Parking Working Group.

Officer Recommendations

To consider and approve the Working Group's recommendations.

Other than those implications agreed with the relevant Officers and referred to below, there are no other implications associated with this report.

Financial Implications	Legal Implications	Community & Environmental Implications	Human Resources Implications	Equality & Diversity Implications
None	None	None	None	None

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1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Car Parking Working Group was reappointed at the meeting of the Executive on the 12th July 2007.
- 1.2 The Working Group membership comprises of the Portfolio Holder, Councillor Chuck Berry, together with one Member to represent each of the towns in North Wiltshire – Councillors Tony Trotman (Calne), Peter Hutton (Chippenham), Dick Tonge (Corsham), Ray Sanderson (Malmesbury) and Chris Wannell (Wootton Bassett).

2. Options and Options Appraisal

- 2.1 To consider each recommendation individually and approve, amend or dismiss.

3. Working Group Recommendations

- 3.1 The Car Parking Working Group met on 12th November 2007 and made recommendations on the following issues:
- 3.2 **Requests from Town Councils and Community Groups to suspend parking charges**

Within this item, requests received from Town Councils, the Police and community groups to suspend parking charges was considered. A draft policy for the agreement of such schemes was discussed and agreed. The policy outlined the terms and conditions of a scheme, the areas of responsibility for all parties and the various bodies to be consulted before the scheme can be agreed. It was agreed that delegated authority to the Deputy Chief Executive in conjunction with the Senior Parking Officer to grant or refuse permission was required.

Recommended that the draft Removal of Parking Charges for Civic Events Policy (Appendix 1) be adopted as part of the current Enforcement Policy to allow all requests for schemes to be considered based on terms and conditions as set by the policy.

- 3.3 **Free Parking within NWDC Owned Car Parks for Christmas shoppers**

Within this item a proposal to implement free parking on the 15th and 22nd December 2007 was considered. It was felt that allowing free parking on these dates would improve the economic viability of the town centres and encourage people to shop locally.

Recommended that free parking is introduced on 15th and 22nd of December 2007 at all car parks within the district.

Appendices:	Appendix 1 – Removal of Parking Charges for Civic Events policy
Background Documents Used in the Preparation of this Report:	None

Previous Decisions Connected with this Report

Report	Committee & Date	Minute Reference