

STOCKPORT COUNCIL

REPORT TO CABINET– SUMMARY SHEET

Subject: PARKING STRATEGY UPDATE

Report to Cabinet

Date: 22.12.2020

Report of: (a) Cabinet Member for Sustainable Stockport

Key Decision: (b) Y

Forward Plan ☒

General Exception ☐

Special Urgency ☐

(Mark with a Y
if applicable)

Summary:

The purpose of this paper is to seek approval for the revised policy based upon feedback from Scrutiny and Area Committees.

The Council's approach to parking sits at the intersection of a number of competing agendas including responding to the climate emergency, promoting health, wellbeing and active travel, and promoting economic growth. It has become evident through the review process that any parking policies need to navigate between these sometimes competing priorities whilst also accounting for the expectations of residents, businesses and visitors to Stockport, and managing the impacts of population growth and demographic change.

Comments/Views of the Cabinet Member: (c)

This policy reflects the need for flexibility to meet the changing needs of residents and businesses for parking in the borough in view of the finite parking space available. The proposed amendments also ensure that the parking strategy of the Council supports the council's wider aims of increased sustainability in its Climate Action Now Strategy. I therefore request that the Cabinet approve the adoption of the proposed recommendations.

Recommendation(s) of Cabinet Member: (d)

It is recommended that Cabinet review, comment on and approve:

- the revised principles to guide future parking policy decisions
- the proposed methods for demand management for parking schemes.
- the proposal to move all free schemes to paid for schemes as and when maintenance work takes place
- the proposal to charge for a permit as identified in paragraphs 6.2 and 6.3 of the report and to review the costs annually as part of the Council Fees and Charges Report.
- the proposed changes to residents parking policy (Appendix 1) to reflect the revised principle.
- the proposed changes to town centre parking policy (Appendix 2) to reflect the revised principles.

Relevant Scrutiny Committee (if decision called in): (e)

Communities & Housing

Background Papers (if report for publication): (f)

'Urgent Business': (g)

/ No (Please circle)

Certification (if applicable)

This report should be considered as 'urgent business' and the decision exempted from 'call-in' for the following reason(s):

The written consent of Councillor _____ and the Chief Executive/Monitoring Officer/ Borough Treasurer for the decision to be treated as 'urgent business' was obtained on /will be obtained before the decision is implemented.
