

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Parking Annual Report 2018-19</b>		
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	<b>8 October 2019</b>		
<b>Report of:</b>	<b>Executive Director, Economy, Environment &amp; Culture</b>		
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**FOR GENERAL RELEASE****1. PURPOSE OF REPORT AND POLICY CONTEXT**

- 1.1 To note and approve the publication of the Parking Annual Report 2018/19 on the performance of Parking Services for submission to the Department for Transport, Traffic Penalty Tribunal and for general publication under the provisions of the Traffic Management Act 2004.

**2. RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 2.1 That the Committee endorses the publication of the Parking Annual Report for 2018/19 under the provisions of the Traffic Management Act 2004.
- 2.2 That the Committee authorises the Head of Parking to produce and publish the report, which will be made available on the Council's website and to stakeholders.

**3. CONTEXT/ BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

- 3.1 The City Council took over responsibility for civil parking enforcement from Sussex Police on 16 July 2001. The Traffic Management Act 2004 (the Act) came into force on 31 March 2008. The Department for Transport's Statutory Guidance issued under the Act provides that in the interest of transparency, the Council should produce and publish an annual report with the aim of informing debate on local parking issues.
- 3.2 Last year's annual report (2017/18) received national recognition when it was declared 'best overall report' by the independent Parking Annual Report Review Group established by PATROL (Parking and Traffic Regulations Outside London). The award ceremony held at the House of Commons follows ten successive years of Brighton & Hove being shortlisted for the award.

The 2018/19 report will include details of:

- The number of Bus Lane Penalty Charge Notices increased from 9,686 in 2017/18 to 75,029 in 2018/19. This increase is due to the introduction of 24 new bus lane cameras which has allowed more coverage of bus lane

enforcement throughout the city. Over the last year the number of bus lane Penalty Charge Notices issued in bus lanes has halved from 10,000 per month initially to around 4,500 per month currently.

- A successful bid for £468,000 from the Office for Low Emission Vehicles (OLEV). This will provide 75% funding for 4 rapid taxi hubs. The remaining 25% will be provided through private investment following a tender exercise. A successful bid for Innovate UK funding for chargers.
- The addition of new parking schemes following consultation with residents.
- The expansion of the Disabled (Blue) Badge team's operations following national changes to the eligibility criteria. They now also handle Concessionary Travel applications.

### 3.4 Income and expenditure appears in the tables below:

Income by source	2016/17 (£)	2017/18 (£)	2018/19 (£)
On-street parking charges	10,322,987	10,839,586	11,441,854
Permit Income	7,756,632	9,252,061	9,589,716
Penalty Charge Notices (inclusive of bad debt provision)	3,808,257	3,852,449	5,832,784
Other	47,261	36,338	95,985
<b>Total</b>	<b>21,934,536</b>	<b>23,980,434</b>	<b>26,960,340</b>
Direct cost of civil parking enforcement	2016/17 (£)	2017/18 (£)	2018/19 (£)
Enforcement	3,254,654	3,620,476	4,601,931
Admin, appeals, debt recovery and maintenance	3,579,224	3,371,630	3,238,111
Scheme review / new schemes	799,690	767,569	1,076,960
Capital charges	614,317	1,010,833	1,261,186
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,247,885</b>	<b>8,770,508</b>	<b>10,178,188</b>
<b>Surplus after direct costs</b>	<b>13,686,351</b>	<b>15,209,926</b>	<b>16,782,152</b>

### On Street Parking Surplus Spending

Spending supported by civil parking enforcement income surplus	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Concessionary fares	£10,929,562	£10,792,232	£10,796,363
Capital investment borrowing costs	£2,676,729	£2,569,660	£2,461,097
Supported bus services and other public transport services	£1,064,056	£1,380,366	£1,322,917
Contribution to eligible related expenditure	£0	£467,668	£2,201,744
<b>Total</b>	<b>*£14,670,347</b>	<b>£15,209,926</b>	<b>£16,782,152</b>

\*surplus contribution of £13,686,651 towards these eligible budgets

Use of surplus income from parking charges and penalty charges is governed by section 55 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. Once the need for provision of off-street parking facilities and to make good deficits to central funding has been met, use of surpluses is currently confined to the provision of public transport services or to road, air quality or environmental improvements.

**The table below shows the total figures for off-street parking over the last four years**

Year	Expenditure	Income	Net income / Expenditure
2015/16	3,036,792	5,703,130	2,666,337
2016/17	3,047,894	5,917,078	2,869,184
2017/18	3,384,967	6,092,432	2,707,465
2018/19	3,548,394	6,535,468	2,987,074

#### **4. ANALYSIS & CONSIDERATION OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

- 4.1 No alternatives considered as there is a statutory requirement to produce a Parking Annual Report. The importance of the report in communicating with the public has also been highlighted by the Transport Select Committee.

#### **5. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & CONSULTATION**

- 5.1 The publication of the Parking Annual Report 2018/19 is being used as an opportunity to inform and engage with the public and stakeholders on a range of parking issues. Copies of this year's Parking Annual Report will be sent to stakeholders including, Sussex Police, East Sussex Fire Brigade, The Traffic Penalty Tribunal, the Department for Transport and local parking special interest groups. The Parking Annual Report will also be published on the council's website.

#### **6. CONCLUSION**

- 6.1 To provide the public and stakeholders with information on the performance and aims and objectives of Parking Services and to meet the Council's legal obligations under the Traffic Management Act 2004.

#### **7. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

##### Financial Implications

- 7.1 The costs associated with the production and publication of the Parking Annual Report are funded from existing revenue budgets within the city's Transport service. Financial information relating to the council's parking services are included within the Parking Annual Report.

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*Date: 03/09/19*

### Legal Implications

- 7.2 The Council is required by statutory guidance issued by the Department for Transport under Section 87 of the Traffic Management Act 2004 to produce and publish an annual report within 6 months of the end of the financial year detailing financial and statistical information on its civil parking enforcement regime.

*Lawyer Consulted: Stephanie Stammers Date: 04/09/19*

### Equalities Implications:

- 7.3 The services and programmes outlined in the Parking Annual Report are assessed for their equality impacts as part of their development and implementation.

### Sustainability Implications:

- 7.4 None identified

### Any Other Significant Implications:

- 7.5 None identified

## **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION**

### **Appendices:**

1. Parking Annual Report 2018/19

### **Background Documents:**

1. None