# WITHDRAWAL OF LYNDHURST COMMUNITY CENTRE SHORT STAY CLOCK

#### 1. ITEM FOR DECISION

1.1 The District of New Forest (Off-Street Car Parking Places) Order 2005 to be amended to withdraw the Lyndhurst Community Centre Short Stay Clock.

### 2. CURRENT ARRANGEMENTS

- 2.1 The Lyndhurst Community Centre short stay clock is available to those attending activities in the Lyndhurst Community Centre. The clock allows holders 2 hours' additional parking to the normal 3 hours allowed by a short stay clock. The current arrangements were originally put in place to assist the Centre when the current parking clock scheme was put in place approximately 10 years ago. The concession was primarily provided because, at that time, the Centre had no parking of its own and there was concern that the 3 hour waiting restriction on district-wide clocks would endanger the viability of the Centre.
- 2.2 Lyndhurst Community Centre is the only centre to benefit from a concessionary parking clock. There are other centres with limited or no parking, but no special schemes are in place to assist these centres

# 3 CONSIDERATION OF WITHDRAWING THE CONCESSIONARY LYNDHURST COMMUNITY CENTRE CLOCK

- 3.1 Since the introduction of the Lyndhurst Community Centre Clock, the Centre has expanded. They have provided approximately *25* parking spaces on-site and the district wide clock scheme has become well established.
- 3.2 Users of the Community Centre who wish to park in the Lyndhurst Car Park can pay to park using the 3 hour short stay clock, the long stay clock or use the pay and display facility. If a short stay clock holder wishes to park for more than 3 hours in the long stay section of Lyndhurst car park they can purchase additional parking time from the pay and display ticket machine. These payment methods are in line with other car parks throughout the district.
- 3,3 Withdrawing the clock would end the anomaly of the Lyndhurst Community Centre Clock as the primary reasons for its introduction are no longer valid.

#### 4. OPERATIONAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The Lyndhurst parking clock is an anomaly and therefore does complicate the administration and enforcement of the parking regulations.

## 5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

None

# 6. ENVIRONMENTAL, CRIME & DISORDER AND EQUALITY & DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

There are no implications arising directly as a result of this decision.

## 7. RECOMMENDATION

That a draft amendment to the District Of New Forest (Off-Street Parking Places) Order 2005, be advertised to the effect that the Lyndhurst 5 hour Community Centre Clock be withdrawn. Users of the car park can pay using either the pay and display/pay by phone facilities or a parking clock.

Portfolio Holder's endorsement: I agree the recommendation

**SIGNED: E J HERON** 

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