

**BEAULIEU CAR PARK - INTRODUCTION OF SHORT STAY (3 HOUR)  
PARKING SPACES**

**1. ITEM FOR DECISION**

- 1.1 That an amendment to the District of New Forest (Off-Street Car Parking Places) Order 2005 be advertised to the effect that 11 long stay parking spaces (20 hours) be changed to short stay spaces (3 hours) in Beaulieu Off Street Car Park

**2. CURRENT ARRANGEMENTS**

- 2.1 There are 48 spaces in the car park plus 3 designated for use by those who display a blue disabled parking badge.
- 2.2 The 48 available standard spaces are designated as Long Stay (maximum waiting time 20 hours).
- 2.3 Demand for parking in Beaulieu is high and frequently both the on and off street parking provision is at capacity. This contributes towards problems of congestion in the High Street.

**3 BENEFITS OF THE PROPOSED CHANGES.**

- 3.1 Although the proposals are modest, changing 11 spaces from long stay to short stay will encourage greater turnover of vehicles and thus create more parking opportunities.
- 3.2 Having an area designated for short stay parking may reduce the number of vehicles circulating around the car park because drivers will know where short stay parking spaces are likely to be available.
- 3.3 Those wishing to park for shorter periods of time will continue to be able to use long stay spaces

**4. CONSULTATION**

- 4.1 The proposal is supported by local District and County Councillors together with the Parish Council and local businesses.
- 4.2 Prior to the proposed Amendment Order coming into force a statutory consultation process has to be undertaken and the consent of the Highway Authority (HCC) sought.

**5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

None

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

It is expected that the proposal will help reduce traffic pressure on the High Street and reduce the need for drivers to search for spaces in the car park, thus reducing vehicle emissions.

**7. RECOMMENDATION**

That a draft amendment to the District Of New Forest (Off-Street Parking Places) Order 2005, be advertised to the effect that 11 spaces in Beaulieu Car Park, as indicated on the attached plan, be designated for short stay (maximum waiting period 3 hours) .

**Portfolio Holder's endorsement:** I agree the recommendation

**SIGNED:** CLLR E J HERON

**Date:** 1 FEBRUARY 2017

**Date Notice of Decision given:** 1 February 2017

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