

**Report of the Portfolio Holders for Resources and Personnel Policy and Economic Development and Asset Management.**

**CHRISTMAS CAR PARKING CHARGES 2023**

1. Purpose of Report

To ask Cabinet to consider the cessation of parking charges in the majority of Council-owned car parks over the Christmas period.

2. Recommendation

**Cabinet is asked to RESOLVE that the cessation of parking charges in Council-owned car parks between Saturday, 16 December and Saturday, 30 December 2023, with the exception of Technology Drive and Station Road be approved.**

3. Detail

In previous years, car parking charges have been relaxed in the Christmas period to assist local businesses and encourage footfall in Broxtowe's town centres. It is suggested that this is implemented again this year with the exception of Technology Drive and Station Road, Beeston. If approved, notice will be given through the Council's social media channels, signs will be erected in car parks and the machines will be covered to prevent use. The loss of income to the Council for relaxing charges would be around £13,000.

4. Financial Implications

The comments from the Head of Finance Services are as follows:

The cost to the Council relates to loss of revenues from car parking fees and is estimated at around £13,000. If Members were minded to support this proposal, the loss of income would have to be contained within existing budgets.

5. Legal Implications

The comments from the Monitoring Officer/Head of Legal Services are as follows:

There are no direct legal implication arising from this report.

6. Human Resources Implications

There are no comments from the Human Resources Manager.

7. Union Comments

The Union comments were as follows:

No comments

8. Climate Change Implications

There are climate change implications.

9. Data Protection Compliance Implications

This report does not contain any [OFFICIAL(SENSITIVE)] information and there are no Data Protection issues in relation to this report.

10. Equality Impact Assessment

An equality impact assessment is not required.

11. Background Papers

Nil.