OUR REF: CPO2015 – AM5
ASK FOR: Cllr Kelvin Williams
DATE: 24th January 2024
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Wealden
District Council

Dear Customer,

Off Street Parking Places Order 2015, Amendment No. 5 - Consultation

Thank you for providing your views on the above change to the Wealden District Council (Off Street Parking Places) Order 2015 (Amendment 5).

A meeting was held on Monday 22nd 2024 to review all the consultation letters and emails and the following was approved.

- Wording amendments in relation to postal timescales for Excess Charge Notices
  No comments received – changes approved.

- Wording amendment in relation to Pay & Display parking due to implementation of Mobile Applications (App)/QR Code Payments
  No comments received – changes approved.

- Wording amendments – general – 24hr should read 23hr
  No comments received – changes approved.

- Woolpack Car Park, Herstmonceux – request by Parish Council to change car park from 23hr to 3hr
  10 responses were received.
  The responses related to teachers parking, West End residents parking and local businesses. The Recreation Ground Parking provides long term parking, the car park is lit, bays marked and has a footpath with lighting which leads to the rear of the bowls club and rear of the primary school. This provides adequate parking for teachers enabling parents to use the Woolpack Car Park to drop their children off in a safe manner. The request for permits has been declined due to the limited size of the car park.

- As a result of all the comments the following has been approved:
  Total Car Park is 21 Bays
  2 Disabled Bays, 1 Motorcycle Bay, 5 x 23hr Bays,

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16 x 3hr Bays (maximum stay 3hrs between 8:00am and 18:00pm, Monday to Saturday – No return to the car park within 3hrs)

- Peelings Lane Car Park, Westham – request by Parish Council to change car park from 23hr to 3hr
  18 responses were received.
  The responses varied and were received from the Parish Council, users of the Village Hall, residents and local businesses.
  To assist the Village Hall and short-term parking in the area several 3hr bays have been allocated to this car park. The remaining bays will be 23hr to assist local businesses.
  The decision for implementing 3hr bays is twofold:
  1. 3hrs is in line with other Council car parks within the district and provides consistency for users.
  2. Wealden District Council own or manage 39 free to use car parks across the district. To ensure the car park is monitored effectively within the resources available the maximum duration for short term parking Wealden can provide is 3hrs.

  Introduction of a Loading Bay is to be installed to assist the users of the Village Hall. This will not reduce the number of current bays available.

  As a result of all the comments the following has been approved:
  Total Car Park is 25 Bays
  1 Disabled Bay, 1 Loading Bay, 13 x 23hr Bays,
  12 x 3hr Bays (maximum stay 3hrs between 8:00am and 18:00pm, Monday to Saturday – No return to the car park within 3hrs)

- Implementation/increase charging of permits across the district.
  8 responses were received.
  The responses received were from the Parish Council and residents.
  All comments were noted however, as detailed in the report all neighbouring authorities operate a permit scheme. The fees indicated are below those of the neighbouring authorities and are deemed appropriate.
  Changes approved.

- Increase Excess Charge Notice amounts in line with neighbouring authorities.
  No comments received – changes approved.

All changes will now be legally formalised and changes in the car parks made. The changes will come into force on 1 April 2024. We will also be monitoring the effect of the new changes and will review them on a regular basis over the coming year.

Regards



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