

PORTFOLIO HOLDER – HOUSING, INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRANSPORT

DATE	14 November 2025
REPORT OF	Councillor Stewart Swinburn, Portfolio Holder for Housing, Infrastructure and Transport
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	Carolina Borgstrom, Director for Environment, Economy, and Infrastructure
SUBJECT	The Borough of North East Lincolnshire Council (Off Street Parking Places) Order 2022 (Amendment no.12 2025) – Introduction of two hours free parking
STATUS	Open
FORWARD PLAN REF NO.	PHHIT 11/25/01

CONTRIBUTION TO OUR AIMS

A borough wide Parking Strategy directly supports both the Council's priorities of a "stronger local economy" and "stronger communities" by ensuring that there is an effective and equitable approach to both on and off-street parking.

The Council has clear ambitions for the economic growth of North East Lincolnshire as set out in its Economic Strategy and Local Plan.

This report and the appended documents present an approach to the management of Orwell Street East and West car parks, Grimsby, in connection with the delivery of the Cleethorpe Road bus lane scheme, and subsequent changes in the area to on street parking.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to seek approval for an amendment to the North East Lincolnshire Borough Council Off Street Parking Places Order 2022, to remove the parking charges for up to two hours and introduce free parking for the same period at Orwell Street East and West car parks.

To follow with consultation in accordance with statutory requirements and proceed with the making of the amendment Order if no objections are received.

Full details of the parking provision are scheduled in Appendix 1 to 2 to this report.

Appendix 1 – Details of current and proposed parking provision

Appendix 2 – Map of parking place locations

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Portfolio Holder

1. Approves the commencement of 'The Borough of North East Lincolnshire Council (Off-Street Parking Places) Order 2022 (Amendment No.12 2025)', for consultation in accordance with statutory requirements. Exercising its powers under Sections 32, 35, and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended) ("the Act") and of all other enabling power and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act.
2. Subject to no objections being received, the Portfolio Holder approves the making of the Parking Places Order, as detailed in attached appendices.
3. If there are unresolved objections to the Order, these are referred to the Portfolio Holder for determination and decision as to whether the Revocation Order be confirmed.

REASONS FOR DECISION

The proposed delivery of a bus lane on the eastbound carriageway of Cleethorpe Road will require the removal of parking bays on the eastbound carriageway of Cleethorpe Road to provide a bus lane. It alleviates the current issues for local bus services caught in congestion or being held up by parked vehicles. The proposal to introduce two hours free parking in Orwell Street East and West car parks, supports customers visiting the local businesses, where existing on street parking is to be removed with the delivery of the Cleethorpe Road bus lane scheme.

1. BACKGROUND AND ISSUES

- 1.1 To lawfully implement the proposed changes to the car park and current parking restrictions, the Council is required to amend part of the Order, which relates to Orwell Street East and West car parks. All other provisions of the 2022 Order will remain in force.
- 1.2 On the 22 September 2025, Informal Cabinet approved the delivery of the Cleethorpe Road bus lane scheme. This involves subsequent changes to on street parking in the area. Included in this approved proposal was the recommendation to introduce two hours' free parking at Orwell Street East and West car parks to support customers visiting the local businesses, where current on street parking is being removed as part of the bus lane project.

2. RISKS, OPPORTUNITIES AND EQUALITY ISSUES

- 2.1 The legal process involved in making Orders requires that a formal consultation process be undertaken to allow stakeholders to express their views towards the proposal. Should the correct procedures for formal consultation not be adhered to, those consulted upon may have the right of appeal through application to the High Court.
- 2.2 The proposed changes to car parking charges outlined in this report would support the implementation of the Cleethorpe Road bus lane.

3. OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

Do nothing. This option is not recommended as it will have a negative implication on the local businesses that currently use the parking, which is proposed to be removed on Cleethorpe Road.

4. REPUTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATIONS

4.1. The amendment Order will be formally advertised in accordance with legislation. A public notice will be published in the local press and erected in the relevant Off-Street Parking Place to give advice on the Council's intention to make any order. This provides an opportunity for anyone to engage with the making of the order. The process is designed to ensure transparency for the approval and subsequent publication of the North East Lincolnshire Borough Council (Off-Street Parking Places) Order 2022 (Amendment No.12 2025).

4.2. Communication regarding the progress and delivery of any order will be through:

- Publication of the relevant public notices in the local press and in all relevant parking places
- Portfolio Holder updates
- Email to Ward Councillors and Town/Parish Councils on commencement of each stage of the process

4.3. There is a potential negative reputational risk for the Council if objections to a proposed Order are received where a resolution is not possible. Should this occur the Portfolio Holder will resolve.

4.4. The Council will be responsible for the development and management of communications for the project.

5. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

5.1. The cost of the statutory advertising, replacement signage and new software for the ticket machines, estimated at £1.5k, will all be funded from the Bus Service Improvement Plan, Cleethorpe Road Bus Lane Project.

5.2. The Orwell Street West and East car parks are currently £1 for one hour, £1.50 for two hours, £2.50 for up to four hours, and £3 for up to ten hours.

5.3. It is proposed that the parking charges for over to two hours remain as per the existing tariff.

5.4. Utilisation of these car parks is low. The loss of revenue for the free parking for two hours is estimated at circa £2,063. Sixty percent of sales during 2024/2025 were for up to two hours. Thirty nine percent of sales were for over two hours at £2,923.

6. CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IMPLICATIONS

The proposals have no implications for children and young people.

7. CLIMATE CHANGE, NATURE RECOVERY AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

It is envisaged that this proposal would benefit the environment due to the bus lane project reducing the current bus idling times from traffic congestion, which can affect the air quality of the surrounding environment.

8. CONSULTATION WITH SCRUTINY

There has been no consultation with Scrutiny in relation to this matter.

9. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct implications for the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan, as the costs are covered by external funding and the revenue impact is not material in the context of the overall parking account.

10. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

10.1. Under section 32 and 35 traffic authorities are entitled to make off street parking orders.

10.2. The procedure for making orders is set out in Schedule 9 Part III of the 1984 Act and the Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996 and provides for advertisement and consideration of any objections before making a final decision on the proposed order.

10.3. Regulation 8 makes provision for objections and Regulation 14 allows the Council to modify an Order before it is made.

11. HUMAN RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct HR implications arising from the contents of this report.

12. WARD IMPLICATIONS

The proposal relates to issues within the East Marsh Ward.

13. BACKGROUND PAPERS

13.1. Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) Regulations 1996

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/1996/2489/made>

13.2. The North East Lincolnshire Borough Council (Off-Street Parking Places) Order 2022

<https://www.nelincs.gov.uk/assets/uploads/2022/12/Off-Street-Parking-Places-Order-2022-Sealed.pdf>

14. CONTACT OFFICER(S)

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Appendix 1

SCHEDULE 3 - PARKING PLACES, TARIFFS, TIMES, AND CHARGES OF USE UNDER THIS ORDER

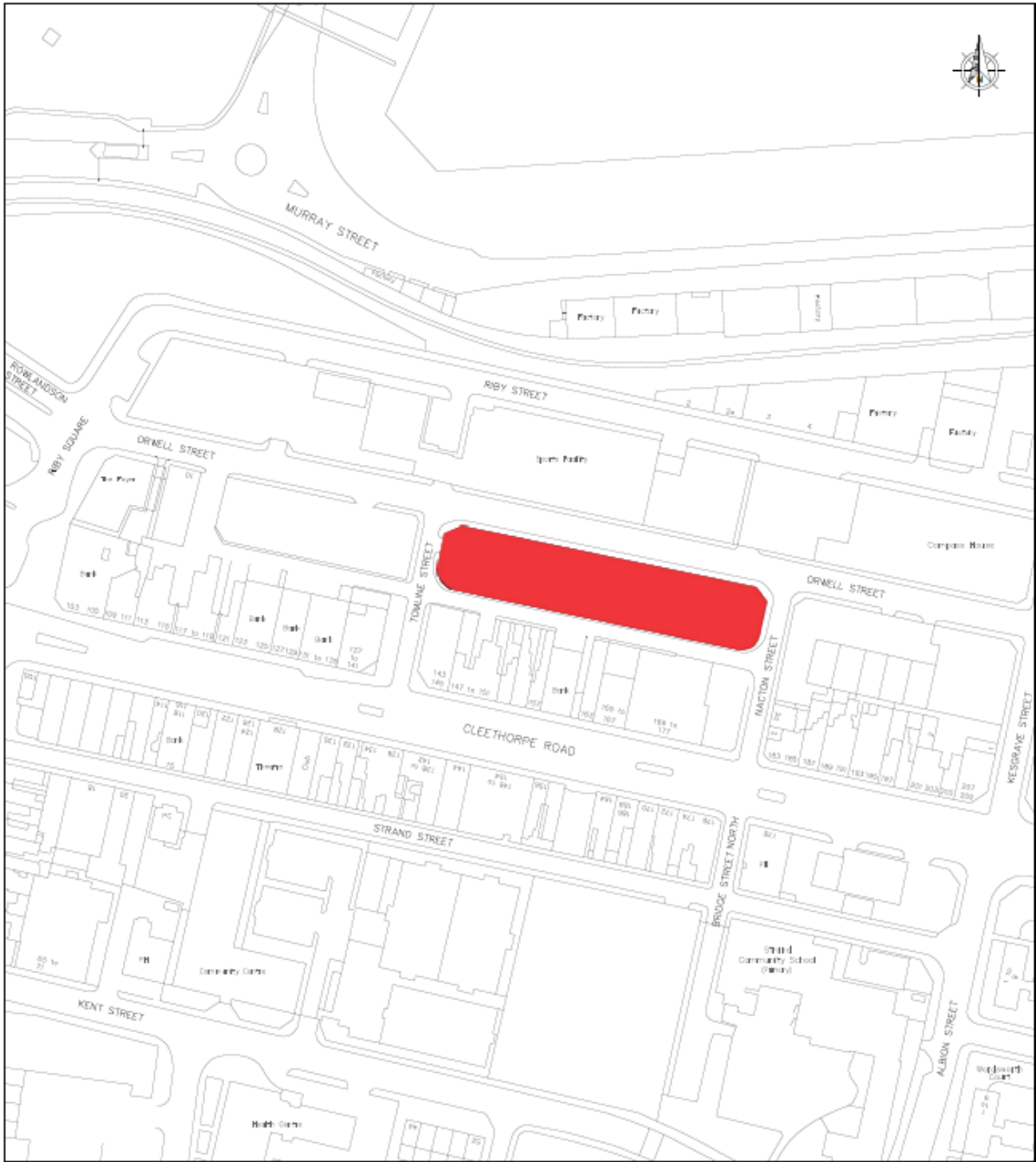
Current schedule

34	Motor Vehicles licensed as private or private/light goods, Vehicles not exceeding 2.5 tons in weight and or two metres in height, Camper Vans, solo motorcycles, and Disabled Person's Vehicles. No Caravans, Motor Caravans or Quad Bikes permitted.	Within one of the Parking Bays indicated by surface markings and clear of the driveways, entrances and exits.	Monday to Sunday inclusive.	Charges apply Monday to Sunday 8am – 6pm including Bank Holidays.	All day.	Up to 1 hour £1.00 1 to 2 hours £1.50 2 to 4 hours £2.50 4 to 10 hours £3.00	General Use Season Ticket. Savers Season Ticket. Council Permit.
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Proposed schedule

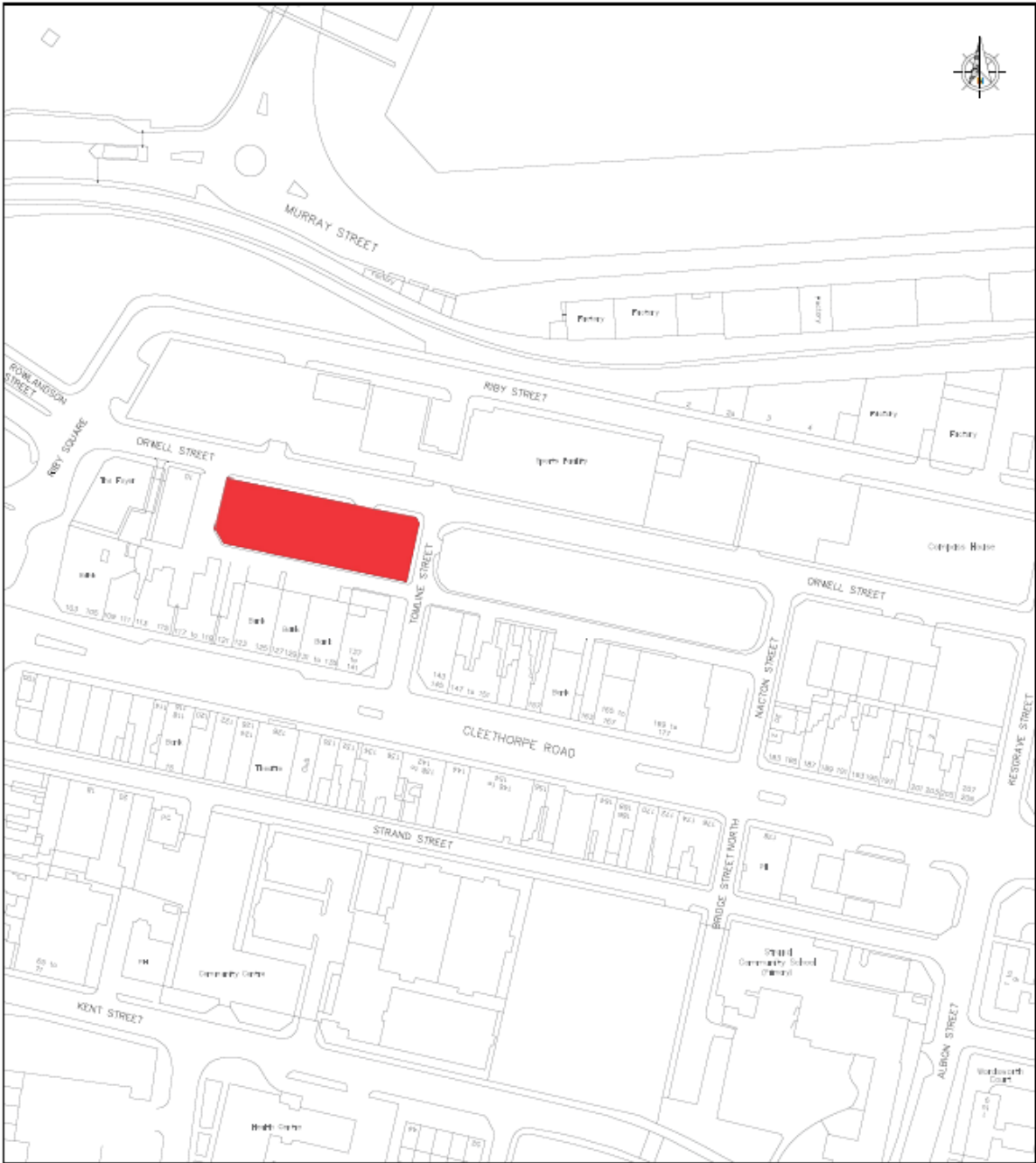
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Appendix 2



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 Working in partnership New Oxford House, George Street, Grimsby, North East Lincolnshire, DN31 1HB Tel: 01472 313131	PROJECT Off-Street Parking Places Car Park Location		
	TITLE 34 Orwell Street (East) Grimsby		
	DRAWN JT	APPROVED	FILE NAME
	FILE REF.	DATE October 2022	DRAWING No.
CLIENT NORTH EAST LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL	ORIGINAL SIZE A4 (210 x 297)	SCALE NTS	OffStreet-2022-34



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