

# FAREHAM

## BOROUGH COUNCIL

### Report to the Executive for Decision 09 October 2023

<b>Portfolio:</b>	Health and Public Protection
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Proposed Off Street Parking Places (Amendment 8) Order – Osborn Road and Others</b>
<b>Report of:</b>	Head of Environmental Health
<b>Corporate Priorities:</b>	Strong, Safe, Inclusive and Healthy Communities. Dynamic, Prudent and Progressive Council.

**Purpose:**

This report sets out the recommendation for the proposed Off Street Parking Places (Amendment 8) Order 2023 and next steps.

**Executive summary:**

On 16 May 2022 the Executive considered a report on the regeneration of Fareham town centre, including Fareham Live and Osborn Road multi-storey car park. Since this date, both projects have progressed with Osborn Road multi-storey car park having now received planning permission. A report updating on the progress at Osborn Road multi-storey car park was presented to the Executive on 3 July 2023, with a further report presented to the Executive on 18 September 2023.

Both Fareham Live and the work at Osborn Road multi-storey car park have an impact on the Council's Off-Street Parking Places Consolidation Order 2017, which will require an Amendment Order.

This report sets out the options for proposed amendments and asks that the Executive agree to take them forward through the statutory process to inform the public in the form of a four week Draft Off-Street Parking Places (Amendment 8) Order 2023 consultation.

**Recommendation/Recommended Option:**

It is recommended that the Executive:

- (a) agrees the enforcement actions and parking places name changes as set out in the conclusion of this report;

- (b) agrees a four-week consultation on the adoption of an Off-Street Parking Places (Amendment 8) Order;
- (c) delegates the decision on the making of the TRO, following the outcome of the consultation, to the Executive Member for Health and Public Protection; and
- (d) agrees that Traffic Regulation Orders are consolidated under an Off-Street Parking Places Consolidation Order following the outcome of the Off-Street Parking Places (Amendment 8) Order consultation.

**Reason:**

To update Off-Street Parking Places Consolidation Order 2017 to support changes following work undertaken as part of the town centre regeneration.

**Cost of proposals:**

The costs of implementing the recommendations in this report are the replacement of signs across all Fareham Live and Wicor Recreation car parks.

Costs associated with the installation of new pay and display machines, at an expected cost of around £6,000 each, at the new surface car park on the former Osborn Road multi-storey site to support enforcement.

**Appendices:** None

**Background papers:** [Report to the Executive - 16 May 2022 - Regeneration of Fareham town centre, including Fareham Live and Osborn Road Multi-Storey car park](#)

[Report to the Executive – 3 July 2023 – Osborn Road multi-storey car park](#)

[Report to the Executive – 18 September 2023 – Osborn Road Car Park](#)

**Reference papers:** None

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### Executive Briefing Paper

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<b>Briefing by:</b>	Head of Environmental Health
<b>Portfolio:</b>	Health and Public Protection

#### INTRODUCTION

1. This report sets out the recommendation for the proposed Off Street Parking Places (Amendment 8) Order 2023 and next steps.

#### BACKGROUND

2. On 16 May 2022 the Executive considered a report on the regeneration of Fareham town centre, including Fareham Live and Osborn Road multi-storey car park. Since this date, both projects have progressed with Osborn Road multi-storey car park having now received planning permission. A report updating on the progress at Osborn Road multi-storey car park was presented to the Executive on 3 July 2023, with a further report presented to the Executive on 18 September 2023.
3. Both Fareham Live and the work at Osborn Road multi-storey car park have an impact on the Council's Off-Street Parking Places Consolidation Order, which will require an Amendment Order.
4. This report sets out the options for amendments and asks that the Executive agree the options to take them forward through the statutory process to inform the public in the form of a four week Draft Off-Street Parking Places (Amendment 8) Order 2023 consultation.

#### OSBORN ROAD CAR PARK

5. *Current Osborn Road Multi-Storey Car Park:* Osborn Road multi storey car park is one of three pay-on-foot car parks in Fareham Town Centre. It is aligned with the town centre (inner) parking tariff (currently £1 per hour Monday – Saturday 8am – 6pm, Sundays and Bank Holidays 10.30am – 4pm). There is a normal parking charge for blue badge holders in Osborn Road multi storey car park, unless they are a Fareham resident with an approved application for access to pay on foot car parks. Work to demolish the current Osborn Road multi-storey car park and replace it with a surface car park is due to be completed in Spring 2024.

6. *Electric Vehicle Charge Points:* The new surface car park on the Osborn Road site will include electric vehicle charge points. To ensure that the facilities are prioritised for electric vehicles, the bays should be enforceable. Marked EV charge point bays in the new car park will be for the use of electric or plug in hybrid vehicles only. To avoid a penalty charge notice, vehicles must be parked fully within the parking bay and connected to a charge point.
7. Vehicles using the Electric Vehicle Charge Points will be required to pay the usual tariff for parking for the duration of their stay, alongside any additional costs for using the electric vehicle charge point.
8. *Additional Amendments:* The existing Osborn Road Multi Storey car park is listed in the Borough of Fareham (Off Street Parking Places) Consolidation Order 2017 as "Multi Storey Car Park Osborn Road". Reference to this car park should be deleted from the Consolidation Order.
9. *Impact of Fareham Live:* Following the redevelopment of Ferneham Hall to Fareham Live, the Borough of Fareham (Off Street Parking Places) Consolidation Order 2017 should be amended to align with the name of the new development. The parking place currently known as Ferneham Hall Car Park should be amended to read Fareham Live Car Park. This includes the car park operationally known as Ferneham Hall (Clinic) Car Park.
10. The new car park on the Osborn Road site will be incorporated as part of the Fareham Live Car Park. The site plan should be amended to reflect the revised footprint for the Fareham Live Car Park to incorporate the existing parking areas as well as the new car park on the Osborn Road site. For operational use, these areas will be zoned as Zone A, Zone B and Zone C. This will ensure that visitors are able to locate parking spaces and meeting points easily.
11. *Enforcement:* Ferneham Hall is included in the Off-Street Parking Places Consolidation Order 2017 under Schedule 3 as a Pay and Display Car Park (Inner). Pay and Display machines will be installed in the new car park on the Osborn Road site to support enforcement.
12. Blue Badge holders can park free in all off-street Fareham Borough Council pay and display car parks (including coastal car parks) by clearly displaying their badge in the parked vehicle, with the valid serial number and expiry date clearly visible. This would mean that all Blue Badge holders are able to park for free within marked bays (excluding EV charge point bays, unless connected to a charge point) in all zones of Fareham Live Car Park.
13. *Tariff Options:* The existing Osborn Road Multi-Storey and Ferneham Hall Car Parks operate a tariff of £1 per hour, Monday – Saturday 8am – 6pm, Sundays and Bank Holidays 10.30am – 4pm.
14. When the car park re-opens as Fareham Live Car Park following completion of the work at the Osborn Road multi-storey car park there is an option to review the current tariff. The new car park on the site of the existing Osborn Road multi-storey will have larger and less restricted parking bays than the current car park, with good access to the shopping centre and Fareham Live. The current Ferneham Hall car park will be refreshed following completion of works at Fareham Live. This would make the Fareham Live car park comparable with Market Quay car park, which is aligned with the town centre (premium) parking tariff (currently £1.50 per hour Monday – Saturday 8am

– 6pm, Sundays and Bank Holidays 10.30am – 4pm). The tariff in Fareham Live car park could reflect this to promote a comparable type of parking use and turnover of spaces and be set at £1.50 per hour Monday – Saturday 8am – 6pm, Sundays and Bank Holidays 10.30am – 4pm.

15. However, to support the Council's commitment to town centre regeneration it is recommended that Fareham Live Car Park continue to operate a tariff of £1 per hour, Monday – Saturday 8am – 6pm, Sundays and Bank Holidays 10.30am – 4pm across all zones when it reopens.
16. *Redesignation of Wicor Recreation Car Park:* Following the redesignation of Wicor Recreation Car Park as a coastal car park under the Off-Street Park Places (Amendment 7) Order 2023, this could be renamed Wicor Car Park. Signage at the car park should be updated to reflect the revised name.

### **CONSOLIDATION**

17. This report outlines recommendations to be made under the Off-Street Parking Places (Amendment 8) Order. To ensure clarity and accessibility of off-street parking enforcement information it is recommended that following the outcome of the Off-Street parking Places (Amendment 8) Order the Traffic Regulation Orders are consolidated under an Off-Street Parking Places Consolidation Order. The previous Off Street Parking Places Consolidation Order was made in 2017.

### **CLIMATE CHANGE CONSIDERATION**

18. To support the Council's commitment to becoming carbon neutral by 2030, the pay-and-display machines used in our coastal car parks are solar powered. If we used the same machines in Osborn Road surface car park, three machines would allow the Council to avoid 8.82 tCO<sub>2</sub>e of Scope 2 emissions i.e., those generated by our use of electricity.
19. To support our residents with the increasing number of electric and plug in hybrid vehicles in the Borough, Osborn Road Surface Car Park will have designated parking bays for electric vehicle chargers.

### **FINANCES**

20. The costs of implementing the recommendations in this report are the replacement of signs across all Fareham Live and Wicor Recreation car parks.
21. There will also be costs associated with the installation of new pay and display machines, at an expected cost of around £6,000 each, at the new surface car park on the former Osborn Road multi-storey site to support enforcement.

### **NEXT STEPS**

22. If the recommendations are agreed, there will be a four-week public consultation on the contents of the proposed Off-Street Parking Places (Amendment 8) Order to run from late October 2023.
23. Responses to the consultation will be analysed and a report taken to the Executive Member for Health and Public Protection to make a delegated decision at a date to be confirmed in January 2024.
24. If agreed, the Off-Street Parking Places (Amendment 8) Order will be adopted at a date

to be confirmed.

## **CONCLUSION**

25. Consultation should be undertaken on a proposed Off-Street Parking Places (Amendment 8) Order to include the following:
  - Delete Multi-Storey Car Park Osborn Road Car Park from the Borough Off-Street Parking Places Consolidation Order 2017;
  - Amend the names of the following parking places:
    - Ferneham Hall Car Park to Fareham Live Car Park
    - Wicor Recreation Car Park to Wicor Car Park
  - Amend the plans for Fareham Live Car Park to reflect changes to the site, incorporating the surface car park on the site currently known as Osborn Road Multi Storey;
  - For operational purposes, zone the three areas of Fareham Live Car Park as Zone A, Zone B and Zone C;
  - The current tariff and parking restrictions for Fareham Live Car Park will operate across all three zones, with the use of pay and display machines to support enforcement;
  - Marked EV charge point bays will be for the use of electric or plug in hybrid vehicles only. Vehicles must be parked fully within the parking bay and connected to a charge point; and
  - Usual car parking tariffs apply to vehicles parked in EV charge point bays.
26. Following completion of the Off-Street Parking Places (Amendment 8) Order, the Traffic Regulation Orders should be consolidated under an Off-Street Parking Places Consolidation Order.

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