

## **MANSFIELD DISTRICT COUNCIL**

### **PROPOSED INTRODUCTION OF MANSFIELD DISTRICT COUNCIL CIVIL ENFORCEMENT OFF-STREET PARKING PLACES ORDER 2022**

#### **DRAFT STATEMENT OF REASONS WHY THE COUNCIL PROPOSES TO MAKE THE ORDER**

1. Off-street parking places (car parks) are provided by the Council in order to: assist traffic management by reducing the demand for on-street parking places; help meet the needs of people with disabilities; promote the economic vitality of council owned facilities and services within the District; enhance access to civil, leisure and commercial facilities within the District; assist with the delivery of wider transport plans and to help protect the environment.
2. On 1 April 2008 part 6 of the Traffic Management Act 2004 (TMA) came into effect. Part 6 of the TMA provides for the civil enforcement of most types of parking contraventions. It replaces Part 2 and Schedule 3 of the Road Traffic Act 1991. The TMA transferred the responsibility of monitoring on-street parking enforcement from the Nottinghamshire Police to local authorities.
3. Nottinghamshire County Council applied to the Secretary of State for an Order under Schedule 8 of the Traffic Management Act 2004 designating the District of Mansfield and other areas of the County of Nottinghamshire as civil enforcement areas for parking contraventions. Pursuant to that application, The Civil Enforcement of Parking Contraventions (County of Nottingham) Designation Order 2008 (the 'Designation Order') brought civil parking enforcement into force in the relevant areas of the County on 12 May 2008. The Designation Order established Mansfield as a "Special Parking Area". This enabled on-street parking enforcement to be carried out throughout the area. A condition of the application was that the Council's off-street parking places be included within the "Special Parking Area" to provide a consistent level of enforcement of both on- and off-street parking across the County.

Pursuant to the Designation Order, on 25 April 2022 Mansfield District Council's Portfolio Holder for the Environment & Leisure resolved to introduce a new off-street parking places order, The Mansfield District Council Off-Street Parking Places Order 2022. This order will replace all other parking places orders preceding this order by consolidation. Any previous parking places orders will be revoked in their entirety.

4. After Portfolio Holder approval the Council with delegated powers resolved to introduce a new parking places order to regulate the parking provisions at the named locations to improve fair use for motorists, maintain consistency, improve vehicular turnover, maintain parking charges as approved by full Council, include ½ free parking onto each paid tariff, provide specific bays for connection to Electric Vehicle Charge points and to extend the number of off-street parking places to encompass other land owned/managed by the Council.

5. The council propose to invoke a new parking places order for the following reasons:
- a. The Schedule of Proposed Parking Charges will change to reflect the car park fees and charges agreed by Council on 25 January 2022.
  - b. The Schedule of Parking Places will include a free ½ hour parking period added onto each paid tariff.
  - c. The Schedule of Parking Places will include protecting designated bays for specific use as electric vehicle charging bays.
  - d. The Schedule of Parking Places will redefine the area of Prince Charles car park, Forest Town.
6. The use of the parking place, as provided in the Proposed Order, will be restricted to vehicles of specified classes parked in such positions on such days for such periods and displaying such tickets, vouchers, electronic payments or permits as are advertised at each site. If a vehicle is parked in a parking place without complying with the requirements of the Proposed Order, a parking contravention shall have occurred and a penalty charge may be payable.

Dated: 11 May 2022

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