



Policy, Finance and Development Committee	Tuesday, 03 December 2024	Matter for Information and Decision
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Report Title: **Updated Car Park Strategy (2024-2027)**

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Purpose of Report:	To update the Car Park Strategy for the Borough for 2024 to 2027.
Report Summary:	This report updates the Car Park Strategy adopted in 2021 for the operation and management of council owned car parks within the Borough that will deliver a self-financing car park service. The Strategy sets out how any surplus would be used to improve the parking experience.
Recommendation(s):	That the Car Park Strategy (2024-2027) (as set out at Appendix 2 to this report) be approved.
Senior Leadership, Head of Service, Manager, Officer and Other Contact(s):	<p>Teresa Neal (Strategic Director) (0116) 257 2642 teresa.neal@oadby-wigston.gov.uk</p> <p>Dave Gill (Monitoring Officer / Head of Law and Democracy) (0116) 257 2626 david.gill@oadby-wigston.gov.uk</p> <p>Samantha Holmes (Assistant Corporate Assets Manager) (0116) 257 2871 samantha.holmes@oadby-wigston.gov.uk</p>
Strategic Objectives:	<p>Our Communities (SO2)</p> <p>Our Economy (SO3)</p> <p>Our Environment (SO4)</p>
Vision and Values:	<p>Customer & Community Focused (V1)</p> <p>"Our Borough - The Place To Be" (Vision)</p>
Report Implications:-	
Legal:	There are no implications arising from this report.
Financial:	There are no implications directly arising from this report.
Corporate Risk Management:	<p>Reputation Damage (CR4)</p> <p>Decreasing Financial Resources / Increasing Financial Pressures (CR1)</p> <p>Effective Utilisation of Assets / Buildings (CR5)</p> <p>Economy / Regeneration (CR9)</p>
Equalities and Equalities Assessment (EA):	There are no implications directly arising from this report. EA not applicable
Human Rights:	There are no implications arising from this report.
Health and Safety:	There are no implications directly arising from this report.

Statutory Officers' Comments:-	
Head of Paid Service:	The report is satisfactory.
Chief Finance Officer:	The report is satisfactory.
Monitoring Officer:	The report is satisfactory.
Consultees:	None.
Background Papers:	None.
Appendices:	1. Proposed Car Park Strategy (2021-2026) 2. Updated Car Park Strategy (2024-2027)

1. Background

- 1.1 On Tuesday 30 March 2021, Full Council approved the Car Park Strategy (2021-2026) for consultation with the public along with the extension of the parking charges then in force.
- 1.1.1 The extended charging scheme came into effect on 4 January 2022.
- 2.1.2 The provision of car parking is not a statutory requirement, but it is accepted that this is a function which the Borough Council should be involved in provided that the service delivers a self-financing car park service.
- 2.2 On Tuesday 10 September this Committee considered the proposed update to the Strategy and expressed some concerns that the matter should go out for consultation and deferred a decision on approving the strategy.
- 2.3 Having considered Members concerns Officers are of the view that the amendments to the strategy merely reflects the current position as to the implementation of the strategy that was approved in 2021, so whereas the previous strategy 'proposed changes' the updated strategy shows the scheme that was implemented.
- 2.4 To assist Members the original strategy is attached at **Appendix 1** and the amended strategy is attached at **Appendix 2**.