

COTSWOLD DISTRICT COUNCIL (OFF-STREET PARKING PLACES) ORDER 2018

Statement of Reason

The Proposal

The current off-street parking order is dated 2007, with several variations since this date. The Order regulates off-street parking places in the Cotswold District. It is considered necessary to make a new order to revoke the previous order and amendments and replace them with a single consolidated order and at the same time update the order. The updates reflect recent changes to payment methods, the introduction of electric vehicle charging bays, written inclusion of Disabled Persons' Badge provisions and to introduce a one hour no return policy for the Cotswold Leisure Centre Car Park, Cirencester. For these reasons the Council proposes to make a new order.

The Reasons

Cotswold District Council ("the Council") wishes to update its payment technology to provide easier, more accessible and future-proof payment system for the car parking charges payable under the order. To do this the Council will use up-to-date payment technology that is now available to increase the options available to the customer.

The Council wishes to include parking provision for the use of electric vehicle parking bays which have been installed to ensure they are used appropriately and kept available for electric vehicles.

Also to be included is express parking provision for Disabled Person's Badge holders to ensure that such customers can conveniently park in the Council's car parks

It has also been considered necessary to introduce a one hour no return policy for the Cotswold Leisure Centre Car Park, Cirencester. This is to encourage turnover in the car park and avoid abuse of the 3 hour maximum waiting period.

Cotswold District Council considers that as these variations to the order are desirable it would be a good opportunity to update, consolidate and replace the existing orders and variation with this order. This is an administrative exercise and except as above, no changes to parking restrictions or charges are proposed other than as mentioned above.