# COTSWOLD DISTRICT COUNCIL (OFF STREET PARKING PLACES) ORDER 2018 (Variation No. 1) ORDER 2022

# **Statement of Reason**

Cotswold District Council proposes to make the above Variation Order under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996 and all other enabling powers.

It is proposed to vary the Cotswold District Council (Off-Street Parking Places) Order 2018. The proposals incorporated in the draft Order and the reasons are set out below:

### 1. Fee Variation Proposals

To vary the schedule to Order to effect the following variations and changes to car park charges and charging periods:

## **All Car Parks**

- a) Removing the 'free after 3 pm' concession from six car parks;
- b) That car park charges, are increased by 5% (rounded up to nearest 10p).

## Cirencester

c) Remove the four hour charging period in the Forum car park

#### Moreton-in-Marsh

d) To increase charges in Old Market Way in Moreton in Marsh.

#### **Stow on The Wold**

e) To introduction of charges for the large vehicle bays reserved for coaches and minibuses at the Maugersbury Road car park in Stow-on-the-Wold;

#### **Tetbury**

- f) To increase charges in Church Street and West Street car parks.
- g) To introduce a 3 hour charge at West Street.

**Season Ticket/Permit Fees**: It is proposed that Season Ticket Fees/Permits will be increased with car park charges and set out in the order (excluding Cirencester Whiteway which is subject to a separate order). Also proposed is the withdrawal of the Nursery Permit. - See **Annex 1** for all proposed fees in detail

# **Fee Variation Reasons**

The District Council wishes to update the parking charges within the car park in line with its policy to review the charges every 2 years. The charges were last reviewed in 2020. The charges will increase by 5% rounded up to the nearest 10p. This is in line with inflation. Season tickets charges will be increased to reflect this and set out in the order. It also wishes to remove subsidies for after 3pm parking and large vehicles at the Maugersbury Road car park in Stowon-the-Wold and continue provisions for valid Disabled Badge Holders.

We wish to make sure that the short stay car parks within the District have sufficient turnaround to allow shoppers to park easily; by removing the 4-hour charge in the Forum Car Park introducing a 3 hour charge at West Street, Tetbury, and withdraw the "Nursery Permit" due to lack of demand

The District Council also wishes to align the charges across the District and has therefore increased the charges in Tetbury and Moreton in Marsh to reflect this.

# 2. Electric Vehicle Variation Proposals

**Proposal:** Introduce and enforce additional electrical vehicle charging bays within its car parks

# **Electric Vehicle Variation Reasons**

The District Council will be installing more electric vehicle charging stations in its car parks. To ensure the newly installed parking bays equipped with Electric Vehicle Charging are kept available for electric vehicles, it is proposed to update the Parking Orders in respect of charges and to enable the enforcement team to issue Penalty Charge Notices where appropriate.