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Dear Sir or Madam

Re: Proposed Charges for Off Street Car Parking from 1 April 2019

I am writing to consult with you about proposals to change Cambridge City Council's car parking charges next year and have enclosed details of the changes for your information. If you wish to comment on any part of these proposals please write to me at PO Box 700, Cambridge, CB1 0JH or email carparkconsultations@cambridge.gov.uk to reach me by 21 December 2018.

Cambridge City Council Parking Services have to balance a variety of conflicting aims that often pull in differing directions. The service has the key objective of providing high quality services that offer value for money. It must also contribute to improving air quality and reducing the impact of congestion. The service peculiarly sees itself encouraging visitors, residents, tourist, commuters and business people away from cars and car parking and onto other modes of transport to access the City, P&R, Guided Bus, train, Car Clubs and cycling. Our parking charges need to be consistent with a strategy that encourages the shift away from city centre car parking.

Cambridge is one of very few councils using an effects based approach to parking price strategy in order to reduce congestion. This approach is aimed at reducing vehicles at the busy peak times when our roads are most crowded. 2018/19 has seen the introduction of a Peak Time Congestion Tariff trial during the morning rush hours of 8am to 10am. Parking between these times has attracted an additional tariff of 50p per hour for every hour (or part hour) of the stay.

The Peak Time Congestion Tariff trial period has shown a reduction in occupancy. It is estimated that this will, over the 12 month period, have moved c. 75,000 vehicles from those key peak hours. It is especially noticeable at the Queen Anne Terrace car park, the car park most favoured by commuters.

We also moved the evening tariff to start at 6pm and using current data we estimate that over a 12 month period this will have generated a reduction in occupancy of c. 20,000 vehicles.

Additionally last year we:

- Froze prices at our pay and display car parks for the fourth year in a row
- Introduced a standard tariff Monday through to Friday across all our multi-storey car parks
- Increased season ticket prices by 30%

The City Council's budget for the financial year 2019/20 requires that transport-related services funded by the Environment Committee to continue to be supported. It also requires all services to work towards meeting increased operational costs.

The proposals for FY19/20 recognise the success at targeting peak time travel and the

improvement that creates in the environment for all of our residents and visitors.

- For the first time in five years prices will increase in our pay and display car parks Castle Hill, Adam and Eve, Riverside and Gwydir Street by CPI (using end of Sept 2018 fig - 2.2%¹)
- To increase the standard charges in our multi-storey car parks by CPI (using end of Sept 2018 fig - 2.2%¹)
- To formally adopt the weekday Peak Time Congestion Tariff
- The evening tariff to start at 7pm.
- An increase season ticket parking for business users of RPI (using end of Sept 2018 fig – 3.3%²)
- The introduction of a ‘Weekend Peak Time Congestion Trial’ for a period of 12 months. This tariff is designed to reduce the number of vehicles from the city centre streets during the peak weekend periods. Parking between these times will attract an additional tariff of 50p per hour for every hour (or part hour) of stay.
 - Saturdays and Sundays 11am-1pm

We believe that when viewed as a complete package of proposals these changes will deliver a fair pricing structure for all, which will help to reduce congestion, improve air quality whilst still ensuring that Cambridge is ‘Open for Business’.

The City Council’s Executive Councillor for Planning Policy and Transport will consider any objections to these proposals and if necessary, recommend further amendments. Following the consultation, and before they are implemented, the new parking charges will be advertised in the local press and on notices in the car parks.

Yours faithfully

James Elms
Head of Commercial Services

Note 1: <https://www.ons.gov.uk/economy/inflationandpriceindices/bulletins/consumerpriceinflation/september2018>

Note 2: <https://www.ons.gov.uk/economy/inflationandpriceindices/timeseries/czbh/mm23>

OFF-STREET PARKING CHARGES 2019/20

	Monday to Friday	Monday to Friday PEAK TIME If a vehicle enters between 8am to 10am the following rates are payable for the duration of the stay	Saturdays & Sundays	Saturdays & Sundays PEAK TIME If a vehicle enters between 11am - 1pm the following rates are payable for the duration of the stay
Grand Arcade	Mon-Fri 10am to 7pm	Mon-Fri 8am to 7pm	Sat 9am to 7pm Sundays 10am to 7pm	Sat 11am to 7pm Sundays 11am to 7pm
1hr	£2.50	£3.00	£2.80	£3.30
2hrs	£4.90	£5.90	£5.40	£6.40
3hrs	£7.30	£8.80	£8.00	£9.50
4hrs	£10.70	£12.70	£12.40	£14.40
5hrs	£20.50	£23.00	£21.70	£24.20
over 5 hrs	£26.40	£29.40	£27.40	£30.40
evenings & overnight	£1.20	£1.20	£1.20	£1.20
Park Street	Mon-Fri 10am to 7pm	Mon-Fri 8am to 7pm	Sat 9am to 7pm Sundays 10am to 7pm	Sat 11am to 7pm Sundays 11am to 7pm
1hr	£2.30	£2.80	£2.50	£3.00
2hrs	£4.00	£5.00	£4.90	£5.90
3hrs	£6.00	£7.50	£6.80	£8.30
4hrs	£10.10	£12.10	£11.00	£13.00
5hrs	£17.90	£20.40	£19.00	£21.50
over 5 hrs	£25.30	£28.30	£25.30	£28.30
evenings & overnight	£0.80	£0.80	£0.80	£0.80
Grafton West	Mon-Fri 10am to 7pm	Mon-Fri 8am to 7pm	Sat 9am to 7pm Sundays 10am to 7pm	Sat 11am to 7pm Sundays 11am to 7pm
1hr	£2.30	£2.80	£2.50	£3.00
2hrs	£3.80	£4.80	£4.60	£5.60
3hrs	£5.90	£7.40	£6.50	£8.00
4hrs	£9.70	£11.70	£11.00	£13.00
5hrs	£17.90	£20.40	£19.00	£21.50
over 5 hrs	£25.30	£28.30	£25.30	£28.30
evenings & overnight	£0.80	£0.80	£0.80	£0.80
Grafton East	Mon-Fri 10am to 7pm	Mon-Fri 8am to 7pm	Sat 9am to 7pm Sundays 10am to 7pm	Sat 11am to 7pm Sundays 11am to 7pm
1hr	£2.30	£2.80	£2.50	£3.00
2hrs	£3.80	£4.80	£4.60	£5.60
3hrs	£5.90	£7.40	£6.50	£8.00
4hrs	£9.70	£11.70	£11.00	£13.00
5hrs	£17.90	£20.40	£19.00	£21.50
over 5 hrs	£25.30	£28.30	£25.30	£28.30
evenings & overnight	£0.80	£0.80	£0.80	£0.80
Queen Anne Terrace	Mon-Fri 10am to 7pm	Mon-Fri 8am to 7pm	Sat 9am to 7pm Sundays 10am to 7pm	Sat 11am to 7pm Sundays 11am to 7pm
1hr	£1.60	£2.10	£1.60	£2.10
2hrs	£3.20	£4.20	£3.20	£4.20
3hrs	£4.40	£5.90	£4.40	£5.90
4hrs	£5.20	£7.20	£5.20	£7.20
5hrs	£6.90	£9.40	£6.90	£9.40
6hrs	£10.50	£13.50	£10.50	£13.50
over 6 hrs	£14.00	£17.50	£14.00	£17.50
evenings & overnight	£0.80	£0.80	£0.80	£0.80

SURFACE CAR PARKS PARKING CHARGES 2019/20

ADAM AND EVE STREET	Pay and display	Monday to Friday 8am to 7pm Saturday 9am to 7pm Sunday 10am to 5pm
Maximum stay 2 hours	2019/20	Evenings and overnight
Charges	80p for 20 mins (£2.40/hr)	Free

CASTLE HILL CAR PARK	Pay and display	Monday to Friday 8am to 7pm Saturday 9am to 7pm Sunday 10am to 5pm
Charges	2019/20	Evenings and overnight
Up to 2 hours	£2.60	Free
2-4 hours	£4.90	
over 4 hours	£8.20	
Sunday - all day charge	£4.10	
Weekly ticket (7 days)	£35.80	

GWYDIR STREET	Pay and display	Monday to Friday 8am to 7pm Saturday 9am to 7pm
Maximum stay 2 hours	2019/20	Evenings, overnight and Sundays
Charges	90p for 30 mins (£1.80/hr)	Free

RIVERSIDE CAR PARK	Pay and display	Monday to Friday 8am to 7pm Saturday 9am to 7pm
Maximum stay 8 hours	2019/20	Evenings, overnight and Sundays
Charges	60p for 30 mins (£1.20/hr)	Free

SEASON TICKET CHARGES - Business Permits 2019/20

Quarterly charges inclusive of VAT	2019/20
Night Owl 7 days 5pm-8am (one car park*)	£230.00
24/7 Premium (Grafton car parks, Park St, Queen Anne)	£890.00
Monday-Friday 24 hour access (one car park*)	£680.00
Monday-Friday 8am -6pm (one car park*)	£540.00

Note * excluding Grand Arcade car park
A 20% discount is given for low emission vehicles (Group A)

DISABLED BADGE HOLDERS

First three hours parking free, on production of a valid Blue Badge to the City Council at the Grand Arcade, Park Street, Grafton East, Grafton West and Queen Anne Terrace car parks.

At multi storey car parks durations of stay in excess of three hours the normal car park charges will apply as if from the first hour, i.e. the fourth hour will be charged as if it were the first hour, the fifth hour as if it were the second hour, etc.

Two hours free parking during charging hours when valid Blue Badge and time clock is displayed at Adam & Eve and Gwydir street car parks

Three hours free parking when a valid Blue Badge and time clock is displayed at Castle Hill and Riverside car park