

**Agenda Item; Car Park Working Group Report**

**Approval**

Agree details as outlined in background report.  
Approve recommendations 1 to 7.

**Purpose of the Report**

To give information as to further developments regarding future use of Coppice Car Park.  
It is not proposed to progress orders at St. John's Car Park at this time.

**Background Information**

After the paper agreed in June, discussion has begun with Amber Valley District Council about what charges could be made on the Coppice Car Park. They have agreed to progress this but need to know the details of the orders sought.

The proposed details of the orders sought are as follows;

1. To manage the Electric Vehicle Charging Points currently being installed.
2. To enable the removal of abandoned cars.
3. To enable residents local to the Coppice Car Park to have a residents parking permit for a numbered space for which an administration fee will be charged .
4. To enable local businesses to have a numbered space permit for which an administration fee will be charged.
5. To protect the current disabled parking spaces.
6. All other spaces will be offered with 2 hours free parking followed by charges matching those offered in AVBC car parks e.g. 90p for the first hour etc.
7. All of these regulations will be subject to the proviso that Belper Town Council can close the whole site for the regular Fairs or as they see fit.

**Legislation**

Road traffic Act 1984.

**Accessibility Implications**

New signs will be provided and accessibility maintained.

**Climate Emergency Implications**

Maintaining free car parking in the town is not sustainable. It encourages extra car use and discourages walking and cycling .

It contributes to air pollution and climate change. Events of this summer with extreme temperatures and drought have shown that we cannot go on ignoring this issue.

**Financial Implications**

Not yet clear and cannot be finalised until AVBC have given a costing for both the legal fees and the costs of enforcement.

**Recommendations**

- A. That a Car Parking Order be sought as follows;
1. To enable management of the Electric Vehicle Charging Points currently being installed.
  2. To enable the removal of abandoned cars.
  3. To enable residents local to the Coppice Car Park to have a residents parking permit for a numbered space for which an administration fee will be charged.
  4. To enable local businesses to have a numbered space permit for which an administration fee will be charged.
  5. To protect the current disabled parking spaces.
  6. All other spaces will be offered with 2 hours free parking followed by charges matching those offered in AVBC car parks e.g. 90p for the first hour etc.
  7. All of these regulations will be subject to the proviso that Belper Town Council can close the whole site for the regular Fairs or as they see fit.
- B. That AVBC be approached to provide a formal proposal based on the above, to include legal fees and cost of enforcement of the site.

**Reasons for recommendation(s)**

Without agreement we cannot move forward on this proposal.