

**NORTH SOMERSET DISTRICT COUNCIL**  
**WALLISCOTE PLACE CAR PARK, STATION ROAD, WESTON-SUPER-**  
**MARE (OFF-STREET PARKING PLACES) ORDER 201\***

**STATEMENT OF REASONS**

In accordance with its general function as to the provision of off street parking arrangements within the district and its ongoing responsibility to review such arrangements the proposals detailed in the public notice and contained in the proposed Order are intended to:

- i) Manage off street parking spaces to encourage effective traffic management with a mix of short and long stay car parks.
- ii) The low level of proposed parking charges is consistent with the council's transport policies as expressed in the Joint Local Transport Plan. The Joint Local Transport Plan identifies that some controls of parking through time limits and charges is appropriate in district centres and market towns. It points out that uncontrolled parking can exacerbate problems with congestion, air quality, etc. In contrast, it also points out that appropriate controls encourage a higher turnover of parking spaces that leads to more shoppers.
- iii) This order is in conjunction with the on-street parking charges to encourage off-street parking and displacement from on-street parking bays
- iv) To enable more effective management and enforcement, to address misuse of specific car parks. This includes control of blue badge space areas.
- v) The proposals contained in this report attempt to balance a number of competing objectives, i.e. effectively managing off street spaces, encouraging high turnover of spaces in town centre's to improve their economic viability, encouraging safe parking in other areas.
- vi) Fees, charges, restrictions and waiting time recommendations are made in consideration of National Planning Policy Guidance 13, sub regionally under the Joint Local Transport Plan 3 - 2011-26. The aim of the recommendation is to effectively manage the off-street spaces, reach inflation levels of income, encouraging high turnover of spaces in town centres during the day to improve their economic viability and encourage safe parking in other areas. To encourage off street evening car parking at specific locations by reducing the charge.

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