

Meeting: Council **Date:** 22 September 2016

Wards Affected: All

Report Title: Parking Strategy 2016-2021

Is the decision a key decision? Yes

When does the decision need to be implemented? Immediately

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1. Proposal and Introduction

- 1.1 The Council's Parking Strategy has been reviewed following the Review of Parking in Torbay, which was completed in March 2016.
- 1.2 The Strategy presents a way forward to provide the fairest and most consistent approach to parking management and provision in Torbay. It set out the Vision, Values and Aims that underpin our approach to parking. It also sets out the key work areas that we will focus on to take parking services forward over the next five years.

2. Reason for Proposal

- 2.1 The current Strategy was out of date and needed to be redrafted. This strategy takes a realistic and long-term view of what is feasible and likely to be achieved in Torbay, and what is required to help deliver successful initiatives. It takes account of the adopted Corporate Plan and Local Transport Plan.

3. Recommendation(s) / Proposed Decision

Mayor's Recommendation:

- 3.1 That the Torbay Council Parking Strategy 2016-2021, as set out in Appendix 2 to this report, be adopted.
- 3.2 That the Parking Operations Panel and Member involvement in the decision making process be reviewed after one year.

Officer's Recommendation:

- 3.3 That the Torbay Council Parking Strategy 2016-2021, as set out in Appendix 2 to this report, be adopted, except that the phrase "*However, this Strategy does not support the use of mobile enforcement cameras*" should be deleted on page 15, under the section marked 'Fair Enforcement', and replaced with the following statement :-

"In particular the use of mobile enforcement cameras can improve road safety for children outside school entrances and reduce the road safety risks presented to public transport users. Strict operating procedures should be applied to the use of any mobile technology to ensure that fair enforcement is undertaken and the law abiding motorist is not penalised."

- 3.4 That the Parking Operations Panel and Member involvement in the decision making process be reviewed after one year.

4. Consultation

- 4.1 The Parking Strategy forms part of the Council's Policy Framework and was therefore subject to a six week consultation. The results of the consultation are attached at Appendix 3 to this report and summarised in Appendix 1.
- 4.2 The Parking Strategy was also considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Board (through its Parking Task-and-Finish Group). The Board's report to the Mayor is available on the Council's website at www.torbay.gov.uk/scrutiny.
- 4.3 It is a recommendation of the Overview and Scrutiny Board's report that the draft Parking Strategy for 2016-2021 should be forwarded to the Council for adoption within the Policy Framework. The draft Parking Strategy considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Board reflects the recommendation set out in 3.3 above.

Appendices

- Appendix 1: Supporting Information and Impact Assessment
Appendix 2: Draft Parking Strategy 2016-2021
Appendix 3: Parking Strategy Consultation Report – August 2016

Background Documents

- Review of Parking in Torbay (March 2016) <http://www.torbay.gov.uk/media/7429/parking-review-report.pdf>