

Officer decision record

Officer: Mark Walsh, Director - Operations	Service: Operations
<p>Delegated power being exercised</p> <p><i>"To issue, carry out all consultations and approve Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) for changes to existing and new paid on street parking bays and Resident Permit Areas, in consultation with Suffolk County Council Highways; and speed limit orders on the Council's landholdings."</i></p>	
Subject of decision	Resident Parking Zones in Bury St Edmunds
Decision taken (specify precise details)	Following consultation with residents, key stakeholders, Suffolk County Council Highways and the Portfolio Holder for Operations, led by an independent specialist consultancy, I have taken the decision to implement measures that will help relieve parking capacity issues within each zone and help enforcement of illegal parking. Interventions are set out in report attached to this decision notice.
Reasons for the decision (specify all reasons for taking the decisions including where necessary reference to Council policy)	A parking review was undertaken by the Council in 2019/20 and agreed by Cabinet in February 2020. A recommendation within the review was to instigate a review of resident parking in Bury St Edmunds. A consultancy firm (2020 Consultants) was employed to review parking issues within the zones and consult with residents and key stakeholders. Following an initial exercise to understand the core issues and constraints to parking in the zones, a further consultation exercise was held to review interventions that would help address (and in some cases alleviate) the issues raised. Whilst some interventions will require Suffolk County Council (SCC) Highways to bring forward, those that can be managed by West Suffolk Council will be prioritised as a matter of urgency. Funds have been identified from within the Civil Parking Enforcement (CPE) reserve in this current financial year.
Alternative options considered (if appropriate)	Do nothing and maintain the status quo.

Background/reports/information considered and attached (Legal, Personnel, Financial Implications and so on)	See separate report attached.
Parties consulted before the decision has been taken.	Bury St Edmunds Town Council Suffolk County Council Those residents likely to be affected Local Ward Members Portfolio Holder (Peter Stevens)
Conflicts of interest declared by executive members consulted, including whether the Chief Executive has authorised councillors with conflicts to continue to act	
Decision	As outlined in 'decision taken' section of this form above.
Signature and Date: Mark Walsh 11 November 2022	