

## ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

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Supplementary Information

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This document should be read in conjunction with the Car Parking Charges 2011 – 2013 report which is item 10.8 on the Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure Committee Agenda for 18 January 2011.

When the draft report was circulated for consultation additional time was allowed for comments to be submitted to the author after the report submission deadline on 6 January 2011. These comments were to be included in this supplementary report to be provided to Committee members in advance of the Committee meeting.

Comments were made by Councillor John Stewart. Councillor Stewart asked that consideration be given to altering the tariff structure where the outer zone tariff applies for on-street parking. His main concern being potential negative impact on traders as a result of reduced vehicles parking due to increased parking charges. Councillor Stewart asked for consideration to charging £1 for 30 minutes, £2 for 1 hour, £3 for 90 minutes and £4 for 2 hours. Councillor Stewart also asked for clarification on whether apparent confusion about overnight charges had been resolved and whether resident permit holders in the Gallowgate area could be allowed to park overnight in West North Street car park.

Changing the tariff structure as suggested by Councillor Stewart would in effect be lower parking charges than those proposed in Option C of Appendix A. In order to implement such a change a new traffic regulation order would require to be promoted. Unfortunately due to the length of this process it would not be possible to implement any change before September 2011. An alternative to implementing the Option C increases to outer zones would be to increase outer zone charges to the levels set out at Option B. It is projected that this would reduce projected additional income by £51k to £607k. This option is set out as Option D in a revised Appendix A. Implementing Option D would likely result in less budget available to invest in replacement pay and display machines.

It should be noted that 45 minute maximum stay parking bays offer time limited free parking and are generally located near local shops where customers only require to park for short periods. George Street, Rosemount and Fountainhall all benefit from these provisions.

Councillor Stewart's comments about overnight charges and resident permit holders parking overnight in off-street car parks will be addressed in the wider parking review report to be submitted to the March Committee.

A revised version of Appendix A circulated with the Committee report is attached. This revised version also corrects tariff descriptions in respect of Business, Residents and Contractors permits.

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