

ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE	Communities, Housing & Infrastructure
DATE	25 August 2016
DIRECTOR	Pete Leonard
TITLE OF REPORT	Introduce parking charges to three existing car parks, as per Budget proposals (Stage 3 – Public Advert)
REPORT NUMBER	CHI/16/143
CHECKLIST RECEIVED	Yes/No

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

At the Council Budget Meeting on 25 February 2016 there was an instruction to commence the statutory process for introducing parking charges and associated limits on time when parked at (1) Crombie Road Car Park, Torry (2) Dunmail Avenue Car Park, Cults and (3) Station Road Car Park, Bucksburn. The parking controls proposed would operate on any day, except Sundays, between the hours of 8.00am and 6.00pm. The charge for parking would be £1.00 for a maximum stay of two hours.

The first stage of the aforementioned statutory process was to undertake consultation with various statutory consultees, in accordance with the Statutory Instrument titled: “The Local Authorities’ Traffic Orders (Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 1999”. The results of this consultation were reported to the Communities, Housing & Infrastructure committee at its meeting on 17 May 2016. The Committee resolved to instruct officers to proceed to the full statutory public consultation, thus providing the opportunity for any concerned party to comment on these proposals, allowing the Committee to gauge wider public opinion on this matter.

This report deals with the proposed Traffic Regulation Order necessary to introduce these parking charges at the final statutory stage; that is, the main statutory advertisement period is now over in respect to this order and this report presents the objections received during public consultation. The public notice and all letters of objection are provided in the appendices of this report.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Committee consider and approve one of the following options:

- i) Instruct officers to commence the required implementation works as originally envisioned, noting that committee have:
 - a) Fully considered all responses received during this public consultation, as well as those received from the initial statutory consultees, and are resolving to over-rule the objections received during the full statutory consultation; and
 - b) Instructed officers in the Traffic Management team to make the Aberdeen City Council (Off-Street Car Parks, Aberdeen) (Amendment) Order 201(X) and commence the required implementation works, as originally envisioned;

Or;

- ii) Amend and make the Aberdeen City Council (Off-Street Car Parks, Aberdeen) (Amendment) Order 201(X) to provide the facility for an initial 30 minutes of parking at no cost then a charge of £1 for up to a maximum stay of 2 hours, in each of the car parks, and commence the required implementation works, noting that committee have:
 - a) Fully considered all responses received during this public consultation, as well as those received from the initial statutory consultees; and
 - b) Noted that the expected financial impact of the proposal is an additional £500 per car park for the provision of 'Pay and Display' machines capable of providing the necessary functionality, and an estimated loss of income of at least 50% of the £70k income budgeted for 2016/17; and
 - c) Instructed officers to identify a method of mitigating the financial impact of this policy in 2016/17 and report this to a future CH&I committee; and
 - d) Instructed officers to submit updated values for these service options to the budget process for 2017/18.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

After taking into account the initial cost of installing appropriate signs / 'pay & display' ticket machines, it was estimated in the report titled "General Fund Revenue Budget 2016/17 and Non-Housing Capital

Programme 2016/17 to 2020/21” (*Council Budget Meeting, 25 February 2016*) these car parks had the potential to generate revenue in the region of the following (1) Crombie Road Car Park, Torry: £28K; (2) Dunmail Avenue Car Park, Cults: £9K; (3) Station Road Car Park, Bucksburn £3K. The aforementioned figures were based on the measure being installed for a period of 9 months in the financial year 2016/17. It is however the case, when taking into account the necessary statutory process and implantation works, that if these proposals are eventually approved, there would only be six months of revenue generated in the 2016/17 financial year.

In future financial years, once implementation works have been completed, these car parks would potentially generate revenues of around: (1) Crombie Road Car Park, Torry: £50K; (2) Dunmail Avenue Car Park, Cults: £20K; (3) Station Road Car Park, Bucksburn £35K.

If these proposals are not introduced, it would have a negative impact on the 2016/17 budget, with savings having to be considered elsewhere. The decision as to where this funding would come from would need to be made by the elected members.

Based on the content of some of the objections received and feedback from the elected members, officers have suggested an alternative option for an altered tariff structure, offering an initial 30 minutes of parking at no cost within each of the car parks under consideration. Officers anticipate this would cost an additional £500 per car park for the provision of ‘Pay and Display’ machines capable of providing the necessary functionality. Furthermore, officers expect that the introduction of this measure would equate to an estimated loss of income of at least 50% of the £70k income budgeted for 2016/17. As Aberdeen City Council do not currently offer this tariff structure these figures have been estimated on the basis that a number of users will only want to park for periods shorter than 30 minutes, meaning that fewer visitors to the car parks will be paying for their parking. Furthermore, there is a likelihood that this system will be abused, with some users taking the chance of overstaying the 30 minute free parking period instead of opting to pay for 2 hours of parking.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

This consultation has been carried out in accordance with the Statutory Instrument titled “The Local Authorities’ Traffic Orders (Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 1999” that prescribes the procedure that should be followed by local traffic authorities in Scotland for making the main types of traffic and parking orders under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

5. BACKGROUND/MAIN ISSUES

- 5.1 At the Council Budget Meeting on 25 February 2016 there was an instruction to commence the statutory process for introducing parking charges and associated limits on time when parked at (1) Crombie Road Car Park (47 off-street spaces, 19 with a maximum stay of 2 hours and 24 with no time restrictions), Torry (2) Dunmail Avenue Car Park (29 off-street spaces, currently no time restrictions), Cults and (3) Station Road Car Park, Bucksburn (39 off-street spaces, currently no time restrictions). The parking controls proposed would operate on any day, except Sundays, between the hours of 8.00am and 6.00pm. The charge for parking would be £1.00 for a maximum stay of two hours. Holders of a valid Disabled Persons' Badge (the 'Blue Badge') would be exempt when considering both the charge and length of stay.
- 5.2 The initial statutory consultation was carried out from 7 March 2016 to 28 March 2016 and was reported to the Communities, Housing and Infrastructure committee at its meeting on 17 May 2016. Objections to the proposal were received from Torry Community Council, Bucksburn and Newhills Community Council and Cults, Bielside and Milltimber Community Council. A full overview of the responses to the initial statutory consultation is available in the aforementioned report to committee, as detailed in Section 8 of this report. After deliberation of the report, it was resolved to instruct officers to commence the public consultation process.
- 5.3 The public consultation was carried out from 1 June 2016 to 24 June 2016. The statutory obligations of a public consultation were adhered to, this consisted of advertisement in the Aberdeen Citizen and site notices (see Appendix 1) at each of the three car parks under consideration for the introduction of parking charges.
- 5.4 Forty-eight objections to the proposals were received during the statutory public consultation phase, with an additional five objections accepted after the consultation deadline. Four objections related directly to Crombie Road car park, Torry (a further notice of objection from Torry Community Council was also received after the conclusion of the statutory consultation phase), five objections were submitted regarding Dunmail Avenue car park, Cults (including a further notice of objection from Cults, Bielside and Milltimber Community Council, in addition to the representation made during the initial statutory consultation phase), and forty-four objections were submitted with respect to the introduction of car parking charges at the Station Road car park, Bucksburn (including a further notice of objection from Bucksburn and Newhills Community Council, in addition to the representation made during the initial statutory consultation phase).
- 5.5 The objections with regards to Crombie Road car park, Torry, covered the following themes:

5.5.1 Rubbish is regularly dumped in the car park, so to charge to park there surely requires a level of adequate maintenance.

5.5.2 The shrubbery is so badly overgrown that several spaces cannot be used. It is also extremely dangerous exiting the car park as you cannot see properly due to the overgrowth.

5.5.3 The state of the car park of which you do not maintain does not give reason to charge and looks very much as a money making plan

There is an ongoing maintenance program relating to the required works highlighted here. These issues will be raised with the Aberdeen City Council maintenance team, for inclusion within the priority maintenance works program.

5.5.4 Often Crombie Road car park is the only available parking space available for residents of Victoria Road, where most of the parking spaces are time limited. Other surrounding residential streets are also crowded with parking and introducing charges to the car park will increase pressure for spaces on these streets.

Officers acknowledge that there may be some displacement of parking onto nearby residential streets, due to the introduction of parking charges and maximum stay times within the Crombie Road car park. However, these proposals also have the potential to encourage sustainable transport, with commuters, who use these facilities for 'all day' parking, compelled to consider other sustainable transport options rather than parking on nearby residential streets.

5.5.5 There is much said about attracting people to the area to support the local area. In this case I believe charging to park will have the opposite effect and drive customers and business away... Charging for parking will only drive [customers] to supermarkets or elsewhere, where they can either do a one stop shop or go somewhere they can park for free. This does not encourage them to shop locally.

These proposals have the potential to ensure there is a turnover of parking within these car parks thereby providing opportunities for visitors to park, whether they be visiting nearby businesses/shops, communities facilities, or residential properties. This is opposed to the current situation where vehicles are possibly being parked all day, therefore blocking opportunities for 'short stay' parking. Officers would also note that much of the on-street parking adjacent to shops on Victoria Road is intended for visitor parking and is available free of charge, with a 45 minute maximum stay restriction, to encourage turnover of parking.

Furthermore, officers consider the proposed £1 charge to be a modest one, representing the lowest charge for 2 hours of parking within any off-street car park that is owned and maintained by the council. In this

respect, officers do not feel the introduction of this charge would be a significant deterrent to 'short stay' visitor parking.

5.6 The objections with regards to Dunmail Avenue car park, Cults, covered the following themes:

5.6.1 The shops in Cults are used by local people who require short term parking. By introducing a £1 charge for someone who just wants to go and buy a pint of milk, or pop into the bank you will simply encourage people to drive further afield and go to a supermarket. By trying to generate income from Dunmail carpark you will increase the probability that the shops in Cults will no longer be viable with the consequential loss of jobs, income tax, business rates and corporation tax.

As highlighted in section 5.5.5 of this report, these proposals have the potential to ensure there is a turnover of parking within these car parks and provide more opportunities for 'short stay' parking.

5.6.2 The car park is important to many elderly residents of the Cults, Bieldside and Milltimber area who drive to Cults to do their shopping and use the nearby library. It is also used by carers who come to look after the many residents who need help in Cults. It is already a challenge to get carers to come to the area because of travel costs and I see the imposition of a parking fee would be a further disincentive.

With regards to professional carers, it would be expected that they would be able to claim back travel expenses, including a £1 car park charge, from their employer.

As stated previously, officers consider the proposed £1 charge to be a modest one, representing the lowest charge for 2 hours of parking within any off-street car park that is owned and maintained by the council. In this respect, officers do not feel the introduction of this charge would be a significant deterrent to 'short stay' visitor parking.

5.6.3 The projected revenue receipts from the car park fees as presented to the Communities, Housing & Infrastructure Committee are minimal and would not justify the inconvenience caused for the users of the Dunmail car park.

The figures presented in the previous report relating to the initial statutory consultation were based on the measure being installed for a period of 9 months in the financial year 2016/17, after taking into account the initial cost of installing appropriate signs / 'pay & display' ticket machines. It would therefore be expected that the potential revenue generated in future financial years would be greater than this.

5.6.4 A more appropriate action that the Aberdeen City Council could take to prevent long term parking in the car park and ensure spaces are available for shoppers, library users and visiting carers would be to impose a 2 hour maximum waiting time which would be monitored by the local City Wardens.

This opinion has been echoed in a number of the objections received, with one respondent also highlighting that the car park is currently used as in informal 'park and ride' and would like to see a maximum stay introduced in the car park, but without the introduction of a charge.

This type of parking is very difficult to enforce effectively and is usually widely abused. Essentially it is very labour intensive for city wardens to monitor these areas i.e. the warden must firstly record the details of the parked vehicles, take photos to record the exact position of the vehicles (this entails taking photos of say the tyre valves in relation to the markings to ensure there is substantive evidence) and thereafter return to the site to confirm whether any vehicles have exceeded the time-limit.

In comparison 'Pay and Display' quickly allows the warden to check the displayed ticket and thus deduce whether the parked vehicle has exceeded the allocated time. This method is extremely efficient and unambiguous, thereby allowing effective enforcement of parking restrictions and ensuring a steady turnover of short stay parking.

5.7 The objections with regards to Station Road car park, Bucksburn, covered the following themes:

5.7.1 Several new businesses have recently opened in Bucksburn: Aberdeen Sports Therapy, Jack Taylor Fishmonger, and Little Malaya restaurant/take away who will have, no doubt, researched the area they ultimately chose to ensure it was accessible to customers and afforded a good retail opportunity - this, of course, includes free parking. I'd imagine if parking charges were in place when they were considering their location for their new business they could well have walked away. Accessibility is paramount to ensure small businesses thrive... You should proudly support local businesses and do all that you can to ensure their survival, not put obstacles in their way.

Similar representations of this nature have been made in a significant number of the objections received, with the effect the introduction of parking charges in the Station Road car park would have on local businesses being one of the main concerns expressed by residents of the area, as well as many of the business owners themselves. However, officers would again emphasise that these proposals have the potential to ensure there is a turnover of parking within these car parks and preserve opportunities for visitors to park and access nearby businesses/shops or other facilities. This is opposed to the current

situation where vehicles, including those belonging to staff from nearby businesses, are possibly parked all day. Furthermore, the proposed £1 charge is a modest one, and officers do not feel the introduction of this charge would be a significant deterrent to short-term parking.

5.7.2 Displaced traffic from the current Station Road Car Park (those unwilling to pay) is likely to displace to:

- *The Ferguson Court residents car park – an annoyance for the residents*
- *The unsuitable Station Road – creating a difficult situation with parked traffic obstructing use of the road given its nature*
- *Oldmeldrum Road – increased parking on this street which has over the years experienced a considerable increase in parking resulting in regular parking on the yellow lined areas*
- *Or Malcolm Road/ Gilbert Road – with Malcolm Road experiencing the overspill from the Britannia hotel with occasionally overspill to Gilbert Road in addition to the overspill parking from the Doctors surgery.*

Officers acknowledge that there may be some displacement of parking onto nearby residential streets and residents' car parks, due to the introduction of parking charges and maximum stay times within the Station Road car park. However, should the proposals be progressed, this will be monitored closely and referred to the City Wardens office or Police Scotland, as necessary, for their consideration with regards to the enforcement of any contraventions to traffic regulations. Likewise, the issue of regular parking on the yellow line restrictions on Oldmeldrum Road will be highlighted to the City Wardens Office, for their consideration with regards to regular enforcement of these restrictions.

5.7.3 My house no longer has access for parking even though I have space in my garden, this access was removed when Inverurie Road was duelled, my only space to park now is Station Road.

Due to the length of time since this scheme was implemented, officers are not aware of any agreement being made with regards to the Station Road car park being made available to residents of Inverurie Road in this situation and would note that there is alternative on-street parking available within the vicinity of this property.

Similar opinions on the proposals have also been expressed by other residents on Inverurie Road, with one also highlighting they believe the proposed charges will lead to further obstructive pavement parking adjacent to this road, due to the displacement of residential parking from the Station Road car park. This is an issue that has previously been highlighted to officers and is currently being investigated, in conjunction with BEAR Scotland, with regards to possible solutions.

5.7.4 I want to know why this car park has been chosen as a possible pay and display car park. Have there been complaints about people abusing it? I want to know if Aberdeen City Council have even counted how many vehicles are parking on this car park during the day.

This car park was chosen as it is a Council asset and it is appropriate its use for commercial purpose should be considered as a possible source of revenue. The instruction to commence the statutory process for introducing parking charges was based on the potential funds this car park could generate. In this respect, the proposal did not arise from enquiries relating to issues with parking turnover and therefore no survey work has been conducted to determine if 'long-stay' parking in this car park is an issue, albeit a number of responses to this public consultation exercise have highlighted anecdotally that long-term parking does occur at this site.

5.7.5 As Aberdeen City Council has an obligation to make sure this car park is well kept and the lighting is adequate I sincerely hope that the following areas will be addressed as a matter of priority: (1) Pot holes (2) Lighting (3) Weeds and Rubbish (4) Markings.

Concerns relating to the maintenance and upkeep of the Station Road car park have also been a reoccurring theme amongst the objections to this proposal, with additional comments from other residents/business owners relating to drainage issues within the car park causing flooding during periods of inclement weather. There is an ongoing maintenance program relating to the required works highlighted here. These issues will be raised with the Aberdeen City Council maintenance team, for inclusion within the priority maintenance works program.

5.7.6 The car park is quite small, given the outlay required to install machines & employing more traffic wardens hardly seems cost affective when according to your information revenue will be around £3k. Why not consider a parking system like Aberdeenshire Council, where they allow 20/30 mins of free parking & implement a charge for longer periods, a small revenue can still be made but also consideration for the local shoppers & businesses.

As mentioned in section 5.6.4 of this report, this type of parking is very difficult to enforce effectively and is usually widely abused. Essentially it is very labour intensive for city wardens to monitor this type of parking. In comparison 'Pay and Display' quickly allows the warden to check the displayed ticket and thus deduce whether the parked vehicle has exceeded the allocated time. However, based on the content of some of the objections received and feedback from the elected members, officers have suggested an alternative option for an altered tariff structure, offering an initial 30 minutes of parking at no cost within each of the car parks under consideration. Officers anticipate this would cost an additional £500 per car park for the provision of 'Pay and Display' machines capable of providing the necessary functionality.

Furthermore, officers expect that the introduction of this measure would equate to an estimated loss of income of at least 50% of the £70k income budgeted for 2016/17.

6. IMPACT

Improving Customer Experience – These proposals have the potential to ensure there is a turnover of parking within these car parks thereby providing opportunities for visitors to park, whether they be visiting nearby businesses/shops, communities facilities, or residential properties. This is opposed to the current situation where vehicles are possibly being parked all day, thereby blocking opportunities for ‘short stay’ parking.

Improving Staff Experience – Not Applicable

Improving our use of Resources – These car parks are a Council asset and it is appropriate their use for commercial purpose should be considered as a potential source of revenue.

Corporate – These proposals, when considering they could increase parking opportunities near amenities and services, meet the objective in the Single Outcome Agreement that “We live in well designed, sustainable places where we are able to access the amenities and services we need.” They also have the potential to encourage sustainable transport, with commuters, who use these facilities for ‘all day’ parking, compelled to consider other sustainable transport options; this links to the promotion of a sustainable transport system set out in the “Aberdeen – the Smarter City Vision”.

Public – This report will be of interest to the residents / proprietors / businesses within the proposal areas and likewise to the wider public who may use these car parks.

7. MANAGEMENT OF RISK

The proposed commercial use of these car parks was identified as a source of revenue at the Council Budget Meeting on 25 February 2016. Consequentially, if these proposals are not introduced as originally envisioned, it would have a negative impact on the 2016/17 budget, with savings having to be considered elsewhere.

Given the possible contentious nature of these proposals there could be public concern and negative media reporting. In this respect, concerned parties would be provided with a thorough rationale as to the background for introducing charges / ‘time limited’ parking.

8. BACKGROUND PAPERS

[General Fund Revenue Budget 2016/17 and Non Housing Capital Programme 2016/17 to 2020/21, Council \(Budget\) Committee, 25 February 2016](#)

[Introduce parking charges to three existing car parks, as per Budget proposals \(Stage 2 - Initial Statutory\) - CHI/16/068, Communities, Housing and Infrastructure Committee, 17 May 2016](#)

9. REPORT AUTHOR DETAILS

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10. CONSULTEE COMMENTS

CONSULTEE	Date of Issue	Date of Response	Comments
Sandra Howard - Equalities Manager, C,H&I	18.07.16	19.07.16	Unsure if this has any impact on those on low incomes eg who uses the parking there? It is one of the more disadvantaged areas
Joanne Larsen - Community Safety Service Manager	27.07.16	29.07.16	Where responses mention areas where the City Wardens may be required to do additional patrols to manage displaced vehicles we will work with your service to ensure that this is managed effectively and with consideration to forward planning and resources as we progress.
Cllr Aileen Malone	27.07.16	28.07.16	I would like it noted that I do not agree with the proposal to introduce parking charges at this location [Dunmail Avenue car park, Cults]. I would suggest that we make this car park a free 45min/1hour zone which would enable residents to park and shop within the area.

Appendix 1 – Public Notice



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ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

THE ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL (OFF-STREET CAR PARKS, ABERDEEN) (AMENDMENT) ORDER 201(X)

Aberdeen City Council proposes to make the above-named order in terms of its powers under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. The effect of the order will be to introduce pay and display parking within the off-street car parks on Crombie Road (Torry), Dunmail Avenue (Cults) and Station Road (Bucksburn). The charges will be applicable from 8.00am to 6.00pm, Monday to Saturday. The cost for a period up to a maximum of 2 hours will be £1.00.

With respect to the proposed pay and display regime, a disabled person's vehicle will be exempt from payment of any charge, and from compliance with any limitation of time, providing that it displays a disabled persons badge ("the blue badge") issued by a local authority. The Council may reserve a suitable number of spaces for disabled persons' vehicles and no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to wait in any such space at any time without displaying the related badge ("the blue badge") issued by a local authority. The Council may also reserve a suitable numbers of spaces for use only by motorcycles (at no charge), and no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to wait in these spaces unless that vehicle is a motorcycle. The Council may also reserve in any of the parking places affected by this order a suitable number of parking bays as electric vehicle parking bays. No person shall cause or permit any type of vehicle other than an electric vehicle to park in an electric vehicle parking bay at any time. At all times, whilst an electric vehicle is parked in an electric vehicle parking bay, the driver shall cause the vehicle to be connected via a recharging lead to the charging post installed in respect of the parking bay. Finally, the Council may reserve in any of the parking places affected by this order a suitable number of parking bays for vehicles provided by the Car Club. No person shall cause or permit any type of vehicle other than a car club vehicle to park in a car club parking bay at any time.

Full details of the above proposals are to be found in the draft orders, which, together with maps showing the intended measures and an accompanying statement of the Council's reasons for promoting them, may be examined during normal office hours on weekdays between 1 June and 24 June 2016, in the offices of the roads officials in the Communities Housing and Infrastructure department, at Marischal College, Broad Street, Aberdeen. It is recommended that anyone wishing to visit Marischal College to view any of the documents should make an appointment to do so, in order that a member of staff can be present to offer an explanation if necessary. Alternatively, anyone unable to visit Marischal College can telephone 01224 522319 to discuss the proposals with one of the roads officials.

Anyone wishing to object to the proposed order should send details of the grounds for objection, including their name and address, in writing to the undersigned or to trafficmanagement@aberdeencity.gov.uk during the statutory objection period which also runs from 1 June and 24 June 2016, inclusively.

Any person who submits an objection to a road traffic order should be aware that any objection made will be available to members of the Committee, available for inspection by members of the public, distributed to the press, and will form part of the agenda pack which is available on the Council's website. To that extent, however, they are redacted, with e-mail addresses, telephone numbers and signatures removed from this correspondence.

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Appendix 2 – Objections

Objection 1



From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 01 June 2016 18:02
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Proposed Parking Charges Station Road Car Park Bucksburn

-----Original Message-----

From: Evelyn Cheyne [Redacted]
Sent: 01 June 2016 13:27
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Proposed Parking Charges Station Road Car Park Bucksburn

Please accept this email as my notice of objection to the above.

I myself stay in Oldmeldrum Road, Bucksburn, Aberdeen AB21 9DU and am currently blighted by works vehicles (including lorries on the odd occasion) parking overnight. We also have a problem with people working offshore who leave their car in Oldmeldrum Road while they are away. Trying to get parked in my own street later on in an evening is almost impossible as it is and if car parking charges were in place in Station Road car park then (although these charges will be during the day) residents will park in Oldmeldrum Road rather than have to pay charges during the day.

Even if you brought in residents parking permits there will still be a problem and the only way round it would be to implement resident parking permits for Oldmeldrum Road and surrounding streets as well.

Bucksburn is currently lucky to have local shops supporting the community and if charges are imposed on parking then I feel these shops would also suffer. Local business should be encouraged not discouraged!

I hope of this occasion you will listen to residents and Bucksburn community as a whole and leave the car park free!!

Regards

Mrs Evelyn Cheyne
36 Oldmeldrum Road
Bucksburn
Aberdeen
AB21 9DU

Objection 2

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 02 June 2016 09:32
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Public consultation re parking at Station Rd Bucksburn

-----Original Message-----

From: Rhonda Reekie [REDACTED]
Sent: 01 June 2016 20:10
To: TrafficManagement
Cc: anne Florence
Subject: Public consultation re parking at Station Rd Bucksburn

Good evening

I am writing with objections to the proposal to make this car park chargeable on behalf of Bucksburn and Newhills Community Council

Bucksburn and Newhills Community Council had a meeting on the 31st March to discuss this issue and the majority decided this was not a good idea.

City Councillors advised this idea was purely to raise money and not to alleviate any kind of issues in the area.

Community councillors had spoken with various residents and businesses who were very concerned about the impact of this on local businesses.

The car park is currently used by local residents who cannot find a space near to their property, employees of the local shops, by residents wishing to visit the local bank, shops and amenities, church goers (2 local churches nearby), those arranging funerals etc.

For instance those businesses on the main Inverurie road such as the chemist and the butcher will suffer as its the only place to park then cross the road, especially for the disabled trying to get to the chemist.

There is no other local parking nearby other than residential streets such as Gilbert Road, Malcolm Road, Church Lane, Station Road, which are already filled with cars.

Old Meldrum Road already has a problem with double yellow line parkers and that's with the car park currently non paying.

For local employees and residents £1 per two hours is pretty steep for those working in local shops every day, as well as those people just popping to the cashpoint for 5 minutes.

Local residents already complain about people parking in the overspill area who are popping round to the shops or bank this is just going to add more cars to our residential areas.

Whilst we understand the need for the council to cut costs and raise more money it seems that trying to get the local people to pay for everything that we already pay council tax for is unreasonable, people are not travelling from other city areas to shop at the local Bucksburn shops , we are talking about residents here.

Going further out of the city into the suburbs and charging for every piece of public land seems to be stretching it. Especially given that the site is low maintenance and no money has been spent on fixing up the car park.

This will mean more people deserting the local shops for places like Tescos and Lidl's where parking is free , this is hardly Aberdeen City council supporting local shops!

We urge you to reconsider this proposal and leave Station Road as free parking.

Yours faithfully

Rhonda Reekie
On behalf of Bucksburn and Newhills Community Council

Sent from my iPhone

Objection 3

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 03 June 2016 12:16
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Proposed charging for car park on station Road Bucksburn

From: Rhonda Reekie [REDACTED]
Sent: 02 June 2016 12:09
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Proposed charging for car park on station Road Bucksburn

Dear Sir

As residents very near to this car park for over 16 years we are not happy that this car park may be changed to a chargeable one.

The car park is currently used by local residents who cannot find a space near to their property, employees of the local shops, by residents wishing to visit the local bank, shops and amenities , church goers (2 local churches nearby)

For instance those businesses on the main Inverurie road such as the chemist and the butcher will both suffer as it's the only place to park then cross the road , especially for the disabled trying to get to the chemist. I have spoken with the local baker who has several staff parking there and spoken with the local post mistress whose only parking is this car park.

There is no other local parking nearby other than residential streets such as Gilbert Road, Malcolm Road, Church Lane which are already filled with cars. Old Meldrum Road already has a problem with double yellow line parkers and that's with the car park currently non paying.

£1 per two hours is pretty steep for just popping to the cashpoint , post office , chemist, fishmonger etc for 5 minutes.

For myself I stay at Church Lane and the residents of the 4 homes already complain about parking in the lane by people who are popping round to the shops or bank , this is just going to add more cars to our area who don't want to pay for car park.

Whilst I understand the needs for the council to cut costs and raise more money it seems that those we elected are continually trying to get the people who elected them to pay for everything that we already pay council tax for. We receive less and less for our council taxes. Going further out of the city into the suburban residential areas and charging for every piece of public land seems to be stretching it and taxing local residents.

We also fear that charging for this car park will force local residents to go to nearby Tescos and Lidl's where parking is free and I believe this goes against the council's policy of supporting local shops who will suffer as a result of this proposal in losing both employees and customers who currently park for free.

We object to this proposal

Many thanks

regards

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Objection 4

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 03 June 2016 12:16
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Proposed parking charges in Bucksburn

From: Michelle Shortt [REDACTED]
Sent: 02 June 2016 19:37
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Proposed parking charges in Bucksburn

Dear Sir

I am strongly opposed to this plan as it will be to the detriment of local businesses and residents. The area has little parking as it is due to the A96 running through the middle of Bucksburn! This has led to dangerous practice of parking on pavements and I can only imagine this will get worse if charging goes ahead.

Kind Regards
Michelle Shortt

Objection 5

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 03 June 2016 12:17
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Crombie Road car park

From: matt wozniak [REDACTED]
Sent: 02 June 2016 20:39
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Crombie Road car park

Hi I live on Victoria road 76 and when I read about changes on car park on Crombie road I didn't like that proposal from Aberdeen City Council.
For me that car park is only one available space around my home ,on Victoria road most of parking spaces is time limited also at Menzies Road, Walker Road, also all that's roads are very crowded so when I try found available parking spaces near my home its very difficult so that change will make my live moor difficult I also believe there Ar some others people in similar situation like me, thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Maciej Wozniak
Victoria Road 76

Objection 6

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 04 June 2016 16:44
To: James Watt
Subject: Station Road car park Bucksburn

I wish to object to the introduction of parking charges to the above car park. We are fortunate to benefit from various local shops and I feel parking charges will be detrimental to these local businesses.

Jamie Cheyne
12-14 Oldmeldrum Road
Bucksburn
Aberdeen

Sent from my iPhone

Objection 7

[REDACTED]

From: Christine Paterson [REDACTED]
Sent: 04 June 2016 21:53
To: James Watt
Subject: Station road car park Bucksburn

I wish to object to the introduction of parking charges to the above car park. We are fortunate to benefit from various local shops and I feel parking charges will be detrimental to these local businesses.

Christine Paterson
12-14 Oldmeldrum Road Flat A
Bucksburn
Aberdeen

Objection 8

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 06 June 2016 10:07
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Bucksburn Station Road Car Park

From: CHARLES SHEPHERD [REDACTED]
Sent: 06 June 2016 09:49
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Bucksburn Station Road Car Park

Dear Sir,

I wish to formally complain about the proposal to institute a charge for car parking at the Station Road Car Park in Bucksburn. The community of Bucksburn has already been split in two with the A96 dual carriageway and due to the fact that there is no parking allowed on this road, it is very difficult for vehicles to park and gain access to the shops in central Bucksburn. The fact that there is parking in the Station Road Car Park does help to alleviate the problems for the limited shops we have. The City Council **should** be looking at the bigger picture of the return they receive from these shops at present. If charging is introduced for parking then I am convinced that shoppers rather than stopping for a short period in the car park will illegally park on the streets around. Taking into consideration the very small amount the Council will receive in a year from this car park I would strongly recommend that they reject the proposal to charge for this car park.

Yours faithfully,

Charles Shepherd MBE

Objection 9

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 09 June 2016 14:52
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Station Road Car Park Bucksburn

From: marc moss [REDACTED]
Sent: 08 June 2016 09:13
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Station Road Car Park Bucksburn

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to you as i have recently found out that you are considering making the car park at station road bucksburn a pay and display. I fully object this as it is the only place i can park my car due to me staying on auchmill road. Unless you are considering the people who live on this road and are looking to build spaces for these families somewhere else close, then surely you cannot go ahead with making these people pay everyday to leave their cars parked? Not only that but how are these families, who are already struggling with jobs etc due to the oil industry failing in an over priced city meant to afford this extra payments?

I look forward in hearing from you on this matter.

Regards

Marc Moss
6c auchmill Road
Bucksburn
Ab21 9ld

Tel. 07791996218

Objection 10

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 09 June 2016 14:58
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Car parking, Station Road, Buckburn

From: Total Endurance - Ken [REDACTED]
Sent: 09 June 2016 08:24
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Car parking, Station Road, Buckburn

Dear Sir/Madam,

We have recently acquired the old Clydesdale Bank building at 2-4 Oldmeldrum Road, Bucksburn, and invested a considerable amount of money in converting the building to a Sports Coaching and retail centre. One of the key drivers in our decision to acquire this property was access to good, safe parking facilities for our clients. The imposition of parking charges for the Station Road car park, which is directly behind our property will have a significant effect on our customers and the customers of the other businesses in the area as there is a lack of other safe parking facilities for people to use when visiting these businesses. Imposing parking charges will lead to an increase in on street parking and illegal parking creating safety concerns for other road users and pedestrians in what is already a busy area.

I would urge the council to support the local businesses and community and reconsider the imposition of parking charges n this car park.

Best Regards

Ken Bryson

Total Endurance Ltd
2-4 Oldmeldrum Road
Bucksburn
Aberdeen
AB21 9DT.

Objection 11



From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 10 June 2016 11:06
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: parking

From: Alexander Campbell
Sent: 10 June 2016 09:29
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: parking

Dear Sir/Madam

I wish to point out my objection to the proposed parking charges for the car park at Station Rd Bucksburn. I have lived at Oldmeldrum Rd for twelve years now and have never seen any repairs or maintenance done to that car park in that time by the council, all pot holes have been filled in by local residents. Parking charges will not only affect local residents but will have an effect on the local businesses by driving customers to other outlets. I also see this as yet another tax imposed on already stretched household budgets.

Regards
A Campbell

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Objection 12

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 13 June 2016 10:12
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Station Road car park

From: Karen Thow [REDACTED]
Sent: 10 June 2016 17:11
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Station Road car park

Mrs K A Thow
37 Gilbert Road
Bucksburn
Aberdeen
AB21 9AN

Dear Sir/Madam

I am not happy to hear that you are seeking to charge users of the Station Road car park in Bucksburn and wish to lodge an official objection. I have never had an issue over parking in this car park any time that I have needed to stop in it always finding a space. I am concerned for the local businesses as they are all independent and need all the support we can give them. Local business keeps the local economy moving and taking away free parking may mean that customers are more likely to choose to shop in large supermarkets simply due to the free parking.

Further concern is that people would be far more likely to park, for free, in the local streets blocking parking of residents who will be left picking up the tab again. My street can be busy during the daytime due to the busy Doctors surgery which I am next door to and have more than my share of trouble with inconsiderate parking from their clients. Charging for use of local car parks will only drive the problem into local streets. No Thank You.

A more persistent and dangerous problem is caused by cars parking on double yellow lines at the corner of Old Meldrum road opposite the Bank so that they can use the Bank. I myself have had several near misses due to this and if monitored could potentially collect far more revenue than car parking charges imposed on local shoppers going about their business.

Regards

Mrs Karen A Thow

Objection 13

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 16 June 2016 10:20
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Introduction of Parking Charges. Station Road .Bucksburn

From: Alison Guyan [REDACTED]
Sent: 15 June 2016 22:16
To: TrafficManagement
Cc: Alison Guyan
Subject: Introduction of Parking Charges. Station Road .Bucksburn

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have recently heard that it is the council's intention to introduce parking charges in the above mentioned car park. I wish to object to this proposal.

I have lived in the local area for the past 25 years and have valued the ability to park in this safe location, free of charge.

The residents of Bucksburn have been face with many road network changes and gross expansion of their community, with new housing, in recent years. As a result of both of the above there are not many places to park to access the few local shops that serve this community.

We have an excellent, butcher, baker, chemist, florist, fish shop and most recently a restaurant. I can only imagine that their trade will be negatively impacted upon if cars can not park, free of charge, for the short 20- 30 minute stops it can take to visit these businesses.

Ideally I would prefer that no charge are introduced,

However if this step is being taken to prevent long stay (three week), usage by some people who leave cars here when they work offshore, I would ask that other solutions are considered.

E.g 20 - 30 minutes free parking, or maximum stay 24 hours in any 24hours.

I am not entirely convinced that this car park is being used by off shore workers as I have visited it on a Sunday afternoon and found that it is extremely empty, which would not be the case if the owner were offshore.

I ask that you do consider my points carefully as I am aware that many local people also feel angry that this is being proposed for this car park in the heart of the village.

Alison Guyan
2 Don Place
Dyce
Aberdeen
AB21 7 BH
[REDACTED]

Objection 14

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 17 June 2016 10:42
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: THE ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL (OFF-STREET CAR PARKS, ABERDEEN) (AMENDMENT) ORDER 201(X)

From: Steve Trim [REDACTED]
Sent: 16 June 2016 10:58
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: THE ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL (OFF-STREET CAR PARKS, ABERDEEN) (AMENDMENT) ORDER 201(X)

With regards to your proposal to introduce pay and display parking in Dunmail Avenue (Cults), I wish to raise my objection.

The shops in Cults are used by local people who require short term parking. By introducing a £1 charge for someone who just wants to go and buy a pint of milk, or pop into the bank you will simply encourage people to drive further afield and go to a supermarket.

By trying to generate income from Dunmail carpark you will increase the probability that the shops in Cults will no longer be viable with the consequential loss of jobs, income tax, business rates and corporation tax. You will also increase congestion around areas like Garthdee, and overall your proposal looks incredibly short sighted.

I would support parking fees only if the first hour of parking was free.

Steve Trim
36 Hillview Terrace
Cults
AB15 9HJ

Objection 15

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 17 June 2016 13:23
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Proposed parking charges for Station Road Car Park, Bucksburn (Objection)

From: Stephen Morgan [REDACTED]
Sent: 17 June 2016 11:17
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Proposed parking charges for Station Road Car Park, Bucksburn (Objection)

Dear Gill Samarai,

I am writing regarding a letter I received dated 07 June 2016 concerning proposed parking charges for Station Road Car Park, Bucksburn. This car park is used by customers who visit the nearby shops and businesses (TSB Bank, Post Office, Chalmers, Chinese takeaway, Malaysian restaurant, Komao, Lloyds Pharmacy, The Butcher, Evening Express Paper Shop, Duncan Bathrooms, Flower Shop, Funeral Directors, Architectural Design Consultant, Fish Shop and the Total Endurance Fitness Centre). Parking charges will deter customers from using the car park which will have a negative impact on the local shops and businesses, many of which are struggling in Aberdeen due to the oil downturn. Ferguson Court private car park already gets used as an "overflow" when Station Road Car Park is full. I feel such proposals will result in Ferguson Court being forced to bring in further parking restrictions (i.e. barriers, permit system, signs etc.) at the cost of the Ferguson Court residents, to prevent the inevitable influx of cars to use the "free" Ferguson Court private car park, which is already full with resident's cars only. In addition, cars tail back from the top of Mugiemooss Road onto Old Meldrum Road which has got worse with the new housing development, due to Mugiemooss Road residents parking on the road which is causing congestion in the area. I hope my concerns are taken into consideration during the consultation.

Yours sincerely,

Stephen Morgan

17 Ferguson Court,
Bucksburn,
AB21 9AG

Objection 16

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 17 June 2016 17:44
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Station Road Car Parl, Bucksburn

From: Sylvia McKay [REDACTED]
Sent: 17 June 2016 14:09
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Station Road Car Parl, Bucksburn

Sylvia McKay
22 St. John's Road, Bucksburn, Aberdeen AB21 9AL

Reference your proposal to introduce parking charges at Station Road Car Park, I recognise the difficulties that are created by those who park all day. I suggest that you provide 4 parking options that will meet the varied needs of car park users.

- 1 Permit spaces, at a reduced cost, should be provided for employees of local businesses who do require day long parking.
- 2 Free parking for 30 minutes (as provided by parking meters in Inverurie) for those wishing to use local shops
- 3 Free disabled spaces
- 4 Parking charges for parking that is restricted to 2 hours

Whilst I appreciate that the council must avail itself of every opportunity to raise funds, the council also has a responsibility to ensure the safety of road users and this will sometimes involve costs. Motorists frequently park on yellow lines in the Bucksburn area and this is not policed. Traffic wardens should be assigned to this area on a regular basis in order to curtail this illegal and hazardous practice.

Sylvia McKay

Objection 17

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 17 June 2016 17:44
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Statutory Process - Station Road Car Park, Bucksburn

From: Doug McKay [REDACTED]
Sent: 17 June 2016 15:41
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Statutory Process - Station Road Car Park, Bucksburn

Douglas McKay
22 St. John's Road, Bucksburn, Aberdeen AB21 9AL

With regard to the proposal to introduce parking charges at the Station Road Car Park Bucksburn, as a nearby local resident, I wish to lodge an objection on the following grounds.

- people seem to have an innate aversion to paying additional charges if this can be avoided and I believe that the current long term parkers will merely move the short distance to the nearby Oldmeldrum Road, Malcolm Road and Gilbert Road, where there is room to park during the day, to continue the free parking
- this will clog up the local streets causing safety issues during the day for particularly the old, disabled and young trying to cross streets such as Oldmeldrum Road
- local drivers, who again will be reluctant to have a surcharge placed on their local shopping, will then be forced further away from the local baker, butcher and fishmonger etc. to find parking and will gradually get out of the way of using local shops and go instead to the supermarkets, none of which are owner by local people, when they do a bigger shop. There is then the danger that the loss of revenue will force some small businesses out of existence and so reducing Council income.
- I consider any such parking proposal will have an negative impact on the local community, both business and residential, and moreover any parking charges raised would not cover the expenditure of the installation of the ticket dispensing machines and cost of traffic wardens. As a local resident I have observed every day cars parked on double yellow on Oldmeldrum Road and am quite sure that unless there is regular patrolling of the car park anyone even using it would not consider paying for the privilege unless there is a reasonable risk of being caught by a warden.

Should the car park charges by introduced I would suggest 2 related points.

- a record of all expenses related to the setting up of the new restricted area and all maintenance charges by kept along with the income derived therefrom to keep a check of whether this venture is profitable as the financial motive appears to be the driving force for this change.
- you will probably be aware of the Inverurie parking situation whereby free parking exists for a 30 minute period. This at least will give people time to for example, visit the local Post Office without encouraging a charge, and would at least be some sort of compromise in this contentious issue.

Regards
Douglas McKay

Objection 18

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 20 June 2016 15:03
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: yule - 44 Ferguson Court Bucksburn, Aberdeen

From: Brenda Yule [REDACTED]
Sent: 17 June 2016 22:24
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: yule - 44 Ferguson Court Bucksburn, Aberdeen

Re: Aberdeen Council charging for parking in local car park next to our flats in Ferguson Court Bucksburn

I think it's an absolute disgrace that Aberdeen City council is even considering this.

For 1 it's not exactly a massive car park .. The car park is purely used for local shops and not long term parking

We have a butchers shop which is in Bucksburn on Inverurie Road basically on the dual carriageway , and NO PARKING

We had a Post Office which I'm assuming will re-open shortly , which is only accessible by parking in the car park

We have a Bank again only accessible by this car park

Even a Funeral Directors which is only accessible by this car park (People are grieving when attending these places and Aberdeen Council

appear to have no feelings for people of Aberdeen)all they are looking at is **making money** ..

Also a New Business has gone into one of these buildings to .. Physio etc and is very busy ..Some elderly people and fit people rely on this

type of service and they are again being penalised by attending .

It's bad enough that people have to pay for these physio appointments etc , but again Aberdeen Council/NHS can't support the people and provide

this service to them ..without waiting for months .. IF someone requires physio etc - It is for a reason , not to suffer for months!!!

In this current climate surely it more effective for Aberdeen Council to support all these local businesses as opposed to people going out of business then having to claim benefits due to them not having any jobs / income (**I MEAN HAVE YOU LOT ANY COMMON SENSE**)

I know what I would be supporting !!!!

There are no problems with the parking there at all .. BUT you will cause problems for us living in our homes as people won't pay these costs and park beside our homes ... Then you will penalise us !!!

I highly recommend you seriously think about my comments..

There are a lot of elderly people in Bucksburn too who probably make a weekly trip to butcher/ fish shop/bank etc and using this car park
Surely you can't deny them this ... From the other side of Bucksburn it's a fair walk for elderly people to walk to these facilities..

I would appreciate a response from you in your decisions..

Regards
Brenda Yule

Objection 19

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 20 June 2016 15:03
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Station Road car park

From: Jamie Campbell [REDACTED]
Sent: 18 June 2016 14:46
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Station Road car park

Hi,

I am just emailing to put across my thoughts for the proposed charges being put into place for the Station Road car park in Bucksburn.

I feel this will have a huge negative impact on the surrounding area and businesses and I'm strongly against the change.

In nearly 2 years of living in Ferguson Court, I have never see the car park full. It's quite obviously used for people quickly stopping to use the local amenities and there may be the odd cars that are left for long stay but it's never putting anyone that needs a space out of their way. There has been several occasions where I have used the car park over night if I have been unable to park my car in the Ferguson Court spaces.

If the charges are brought in, this is going to completely put people off using the car park. To avoid people paying they will look to seek the closest free parking which is the Ferguson Court parking spaces. This causing even less spaces for the residents which is hard enough at the best of times. Also, more likely people will end up parking their cars on the roads outside the shops causing further hazards.

Please reconsider these changes and take into account the affect it will have on the local area.

Thank you,

Jamie Campbell
6 Ferguson Court
Bucksburn
Aberdeen
AB21 9AG

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

Objection 20

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 20 June 2016 15:04
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Objection to Carpark Charges - Station Road Bucksburn
Importance: High

From: Stephanie Adam [REDACTED]
Sent: 18 June 2016 19:04
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Objection to Carpark Charges - Station Road Bucksburn
Importance: High

My details are: Miss Stephanie Adam
35 Ferguson Court, Bucksburn, Aberdeen, AB219AG

I write this e-mail to voice my objection of the proposed parking charges for the car park located on Station Road.

This car park is right next to the residents car park for Ferguson Court where car parking can be difficult at times due to the volume of cars and limited spaces (there are 69 flats within the development). On several occasions throughout the 4 years I have lived within Ferguson Court I have witnessed several cars using the residents car park while they do their shopping at the local shops etc despite having a free public car park only one entrance up - they are driving past the free car park choosing to park within a private car park. I worry this will only get worse if patrons have to pay to use the car park.

The residents association within Ferguson Court introduced parking permits for residents in an attempt to cut down the cars parking in the car park who shouldn't be - but as with everything else there is the challenge of residents not using the permits and how we deal with offending vehicles if we can prove they do not belong to anyone within the development. A barrier for the entrance to the car park has been spoken about but will be very expensive and as a result use up a lot of the funds within the residents association account so it has been put on the back burner until more pressing matters are dealt with.

Putting charges onto the car park on station road will almost certainly cause problems for the residents in Ferguson Court and surrounding properties as if people have a choice to pay or park for free - the majority will choose to park for free. This is the reason of my objection of the proposed plans.

Thank You

Stephanie Adam

Objection 21

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 20 June 2016 15:04
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Proposed car parking charges - Bucksburn

-----Original Message-----

From: Vera Smith [REDACTED]
Sent: 19 June 2016 16:30
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Proposed car parking charges - Bucksburn

To whom it may concern

I would like to lodge my objections to the proposed car parking charges for the parking area adjacent to the Staging Post Public House Bucksburn.

If parking charges are brought in then the public are going to seek out free parking and as Ferguson Court flats have dedicated parking for flat dwellers this is where the public will illegally park making it difficult for flat dwellers to park their cars.

I am the owner of flat number 4 Ferguson Court.

Regards

Vera Smith

Laighmuir
Wardhouse
Insch
AB52 6YP

[REDACTED]

Objection 22

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 20 June 2016 15:05
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Objection to Carpark Charges - Station Road
Attachments: Objection to Carpark Charges - Station Road

From: Karen Grant [REDACTED]
Sent: 20 June 2016 11:41
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Objection to Carpark Charges - Station Road

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to object to the proposal of introducing Carpark Charges to the Station Road Carpark, Bucksburn. I am a resident of Ferguson Court which lies directly behind the carpark and already we suffer from people parking in our car park to use the facilities round about but by implementing parking charges in the council carpark many more people will come a park in our Residents only carpark, of which there is already a shortage of carpark spaces (there are many more flats than spaces in our carpark and many residences have two cars). If the charges are put into place then we will be forced to put in a barrier to stop people parking in our carpark which will be at a very high cost to all the residents in the Court.

There is also an issue of the upkeep of the council carpark. There are several spaces your carpark which are lost due to poor maintenance of the carpark - I personally have contact the council to arrange the drains to be unblocked, as during the recent flooding the drains overflowed into our residents carpark. Therefore I am unsure why the council is now suddenly very interested in the carpark when the have previously not be at all concerned.

Karen Grant
20 Ferguson Court
Bucksburn
Aberdeen
AB21 9AG

Objection 23

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 20 June 2016 15:06
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Bucksburn - Station Rd Car Park

From: Kay Robb [REDACTED]
Sent: 20 June 2016 13:00
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Bucksburn - Station Rd Car Park

Dear Mr Watt

I am writing in response to the proposed introduction of paid parking in Bucksburn.

The shops in the surrounding area of the car park, are all independent shops & because of the A96 dual carriageway passing directly through Bucksburn, there is no place to stop even for a few minutes. Several of these shops depend on people parking & crossing the road to visit them, implementing a parking fee will create another hurdle for potential shoppers.

I feel the council should be encouraging small business, help them to thrive & provide services for the local communities, instead of adding further challenges in this already difficult time.

Bucksburn has a wide variety of shops & services from the traditional butcher, bakery, fishmonger, flower shop & chemist to a restaurant & a newly opened specialist fitness centre to name only a few.

The car park is quite small, given the outlay required to install machines & employing more traffic wardens hardly seems cost affective when according to your information revenue will be around £3k. Why not consider a parking system like Aberdeenshire Council, where they allow 20/30 mins of free parking & implement a charge for longer periods, a small revenue can still be made but also consideration for the local shoppers & businesses.

Parking is an issue in the surround streets of the car park, many people already park in inappropriate places & on double yellow lines causing poor visibility for both drivers & pedestrians, also causing further challenges for emergency & large vehicles. Implementing a charge to park will no doubt add to this problem as more people will try to avoid paying, by parking at the side of the roads.

I hope that you will consider all the options available to you. I urge you to think about the impact on the local businesses & not just the potential revenue this may bring.

Regards
Kay Robb

Objection 24

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 20 June 2016 15:06
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Dunmail Car Park Proposals

From: Peter Roberts [REDACTED]
Sent: 20 June 2016 13:05
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Dunmail Car Park Proposals

Dear Sir,

I wish to object to the proposed imposition of parking charges at the Dunmail car park in Cults. The car park is important to many elderly residents of the Cults, Bielside and Milltimber area who drive to Cults to do their shopping and use the nearby library. It is also used by carers who come to look after the many residents who need help in Cults. It is already a challenge to get carers to come to the area because of travel costs and I see the imposition of a parking fee would be a further disincentive. It would also lead to more on street parking and congested streets.

The projected revenue receipts from the car park fees as presented to the Communities, Housing & Infrastructure Committee are minimal and would not justify the inconvenience caused for the users of the Dunmail car park.

A more appropriate action that the Aberdeen City Council could take to prevent long term parking in the car park and ensure spaces are available for shoppers, library users and visiting carers would be to impose a 2 hour maximum waiting time which would be monitored by the local City Wardens.

Yours faithfully,

Peter Roberts
6 Marchbank Road,
Bielside,
Aberdeen AB15 9DJ

Objection 25

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 21 June 2016 10:11
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Carpark charges-station road bucksburn

From: Keith Gray [REDACTED]
Sent: 20 June 2016 17:34
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Carpark charges-station road bucksburn

Hello

Traffic management

I am writing to inform you that I strongly object to the proposal of implementing car park charges at station road Bucksburn.

Below are my reasons why.

I purchased my flat on the understanding my wife and I could park in station road car park.

I have a metal rail, double yellow lines and a pedestrian crossing outside my flat so I have no where else to park.

If implemented this will reduce the value of my property.

The cost to myself and my wife to park will force us to move house.

Unfair to all the local businesses in bucksburn, do you expect people to pay to use the undertakers, butchers, baker, fish shop, hairdresser, chemist, little Malaya and worst of all the church.

You must realise this is not the city centre and there is insufficient parking to us as it is.

By implementing these charges I hope you realise by doing so you are reducing access to business premises and property in that area.

Thereby driving everyone out of bucksburn.

Yours truly

Keith Gray
17 Inverurie Road
Bucksburn
AB21 9LJ

Objection 26

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 21 June 2016 10:11
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Carpark Charges Station Road Bucksburn

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Garden [REDACTED]
Sent: 20 June 2016 17:56
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Carpark Charges Station Road Bucksburn

I am writing to strongly object to the proposal of setting car park charges at Station Road Bucksburn.

Reason are:

There are a lot of business in Bucksburn and do you expect pensioners like me to pay for example to go to butcher,baker,fish shop which my husband and I use?

Going to Church?

My son and his wife have a flat in Inverurie Road who we visit regularly do you expect us to pay to park?

Having been born and brought up in Bucksburn myself I do think it's very unfair to penalise the local residents and business with these charges

Sent from my iPhone

Objection 27

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 21 June 2016 13:02
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Carpark Charges - Station Road, Bucksburn

From: Claire Henderson [REDACTED]
Sent: 21 June 2016 12:47
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Carpark Charges - Station Road, Bucksburn

18 Ferguson Court
Bucksburn
Aberdeen
AB21 7AG

Dear Sir/Madam,

Carpark Charges - Station Road, Bucksburn

I am writing to you in relation to the planned parking charges for the Station Road car park Bucksburn.

As a resident of Ferguson Court I am strongly against these plans. Our car park is residents only parking, however this will likely be taken over by those who wish to avoid paying for parking. This would have a significant impact on all residents as parking would become a issue.

Yours sincerely

Claire Henderson

Objection 28

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 21 June 2016 16:58
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Parking charges for Station Road, Bucksburn

From: Pamela Thomson [REDACTED]
Sent: 21 June 2016 13:29
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Parking charges for Station Road, Bucksburn

Dear Sir/Madam

I'd like to register my objection to the Council's proposal to introduce parking charges for using the car park at Station Road in Bucksburn.

I'm a Blackburn resident who regularly shops at the small businesses in Bucksburn - Milne & Son Butchers, Jack Taylor Fishmonger, Flower Vogue, TSB and the Post Office in particular.

I fear the imposition of parking charges will have a detrimental effect on these small businesses. I have heard the revenue you expect from this car park may be as low as £3,000 per annum which is not going to make a big difference to the Council's financial position but £3,000 or part there of to anyone of these small business could be the difference between survival and their demise.

Several new businesses have recently opened in Bucksburn: Aberdeen Sports Therapy, Jack Taylor Fishmonger, and Little Malaya restaurant/take away who will have, no doubt, researched the area they ultimately chose to ensure it was accessible to customers and afforded a good retail opportunity - this, of course, includes free parking. I'd imagine if parking charges were in place when they were considering their location for their new business they could well have walked away. Accessibility is paramount to ensure small businesses thrive. Without passing trade, which includes commuters such as myself, these businesses will fail.

Aberdeen City Council, along with all local authorities, have a vested interest in encouraging new business to be formed in our area. It is generally good for the local economy, can create new jobs and occupies commercial property which will generate more income for YOU.

I fully appreciate the need to make cuts and balance the books, however, I feel this is an obstructive way to generate income. You should proudly support local businesses and do all that you can to ensure their survival, not put obstacles in their way. The Council could certainly look at how they improve upon their collect of debts and fines - that would generate far more income and would make for a fairer society.

Thank you for your time and I hope you make the right decision when the time comes.

Yours faithfully

Pamela Thomson

Objection 29

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 22 June 2016 10:14
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Station road. Bucksburn.

-----Original Message-----

From: henry bruce [REDACTED]
Sent: 22 June 2016 07:34
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Station road. Bucksburn.

Good Morning.

In respect of the planned parking charges for the Station Road car park,(Bucksburn) we wish it to be known that we are objecting to these changes most strongly. Apart from the most obvious example of impact to businesses in the local area and the impact it will have to residents at Ferguson Court, it will also have a major impact to residents of Oldmeldrum Road Bucksburn, in what is already a busy and congested area this will lead to further battles for parking spaces outside of our residence, at the moment it is not uncommon to have had to find a parking space some 50/70 metres from our home.

In this we object.

Henry and Christine Bruce
23 Oldmeldrum Road Bucksburn Aberdeen.
And also on behalf of Mike and Sandra Beattie
27 Oldmeldrum Road Bucksburn Aberdeen.

Objection 30

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 22 June 2016 10:15
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Carpark charges - Station Road, Bucksburn

-----Original Message-----

From: Lorraine Duncan [REDACTED]
Sent: 22 June 2016 09:20
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Carpark charges - Station Road, Bucksburn

I wish to object to parking charges at Station Road Bucksburn, I do not want to see any local small business suffer/ leave due to parking charges, they are invaluable to our small community.

On a personal level, my house no longer has access for parking even though I have space in my garden, this access was removed when Inverurie Road was duelled, my only space to park now is Station Road.

I am an essential car user in my job as a nurse with the children's hospice. I travel all over the North East to provide care and respite to terminally ill children in their own homes.

I am expected to use my own car and as I work shifts as required I may be at home during weekday hours, this parking charge would severely impact on my finances.

We pay £2300 per year council tax as a household and in 20 years I have lived at this address the car park has never been tended, I think maybe council tax money could be used to upgrade the Carpark without the need for charges.

I would hope this carparking charge will be reconsidered and abolished as there is no need or desire from the community for it. At present there is enough free space at any time for residents and business customers use within the Carpark.

Introducing this charge will have a knock on effect on surrounding residential streets due not to people who wish to avoid parking charges but to those who will find it financially crippling to pay for them

Lorraine Duncan
30 Inverurie Road
Bucksburn
Aberdeen
AB21 9LL

Sent from my iPad

Objection 31

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 22 June 2016 10:24
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Car parking charges, Station Road Bucksburn

-----Original Message-----

From: Lorraine Duncan [REDACTED]
Sent: 22 June 2016 09:41
To: TrafficManagement
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Car parking charges, Station Road Bucksburn

Stewart Sinclair
The Manse
30 Inverurie Road
Bucksburn
Aberdeen
AB21 9LL

I am writing to object to car parking charges being levied at Station Road, Bucksburn.
I previously worked at Craiginches prison in Aberdeen and cycled my commute with no need for a car.

Since closure of Craiginches prison and transfer of all staff to Peterhead prison I now need to drive to my place of employment. I work shifts and am home during some working hours so would be liable for parking charges.

There is a huge lack of available on street parking locally and due to dual carriageway I can no longer have access to my garden/ driveway, Station Road is the only available place to park.

As a public sector employee on average pay, I would find this extra charge a heavy burden.

Sent from my iPad

Objection 32

25 Deeview Road South

Cults

ABERDEEN AB15 9NA

Tel: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

22 June 2016

THE ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL (OFF-STREET CAR PARKS, ABERDEEN) (AMENDMENT) ORDER 201(X)

I object to the above order.
I am not opposed to a time limit.
I am opposed to introducing any charge.

The Dunmail carpark is a parking facility used both by persons using the shopping and other facilities but also by those visiting (including Carers and other workers).

Car parking is limited along the North Deeside Road the Dunmail carpark is frequently used when no spaces are available on the North Deeside Road. Charging would introduce a differential and encourage people to parking on residential roads nearby.

The money raised is does not justify the loss of a valuable amenity and the deleterious effects which will result.

Peter H S Smith

Objection 33



From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 23 June 2016 10:19
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Proposed parking charges

-----Original Message-----

From: KENNY MILNE 
Sent: 22 June 2016 19:00
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Proposed parking charges

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my concerns regarding the proposal to introduce parking charges at the Station Road car park in Bucksburn.

As a business owner in Bucksburn for over thirty years, I have already seen the heart ripped out of Bucksburn with the A96 running through the village and with limited parking to serve fourteen businesses and two churches we find ourselves next to one of the busiest roads in the city with no passing trade. We therefore rely heavily on customers using the car park, with the majority spending little time in Bucksburn apart from some shopping, visits to the bank or to attend the rest rooms or funerals. There are also residents from Auchmill, Inverurie and Oldmeldrum roads who need to use this facility.

The car park itself is in a state of disrepair with no lighting, flooding in the far corner and in need of resurfacing and lining, it also houses the original wall of the northern canal which must be of no historical importance given the negligence it has suffered.

I believe that potential customers to our businesses will be driven away by parking charges, even not having change for a parking meter is an excuse not to stop. This will also encourage some to park on yellow lines or dangerously (we already have problems with visibility exiting Malcolm and Gilbert Road as cars park so close to the junctions) I hope you are inundated with protest to this proposal, but I fear you will not realise the full extent of the anger or disbelief that is being felt by the many people who use the facility. For this to be a period of public consultation the public seem unaware of the proposal and had it not been for the article in the Evening Express on Tuesday 14th June very few would know anything about it, even residents in Station Mews which faces the car park have not been notified, whilst fixing notifications to signposts have little impact as many people use the lanes next to Chalmers bakery or Sport Endurance to enter and exit from the car park.

In the last week I have been inundated with requests from customers and residents of Bucksburn to start a petition so they can add their backing to throw out this proposal. If this is a business decision to "BRIDGE A FUNDING GAP" in councillor Willie Young's words, then charging one pound to park in Bucksburn may not be the answer to the problem
Regards Kenny Milne H & S Milne butchers

Sent from my iPhone

Objection 34



CULTS BIELDSIDE AND MILLTIMBER COMMUNITY COUNCIL

22 June 2016

Traffic Management Team,
Business Hub 11,
Second Floor West,
Marischal College,
Broad Street,
Aberdeen,
AB10 1AB

Dear Sir

Proposed Parking Charges at Dunmail Avenue Car Park, Cults

Cults, Bielside and Milltimber Community Council wishes to re-iterate its objection to Aberdeen City Council's proposal to make the Dunmail Avenue Car Park subject to a £1 charge for two hours parking. As you know, this community has a significant proportion of elderly people who make relatively short visits to the Cults shopping centre by car for whom this is the only public off-road parking available. We are also concerned that carers attending residents of Dunmail Manor should not be disadvantaged.

We recognize that this car park is vulnerable to use as an informal park and ride facility by Aberdeen-bound commuters. In order to discourage this use, we consider that a better course of action would be to introduce time-limited parking and would propose a limit of two hours with appropriate regular enforcement.

We also note from the report submitted to the Communities, Housing and Infrastructure Committee on 17 May the relatively trivial net revenue expected from this proposal. While we understand that the £3k quoted is for 9 months revenue after installation costs for the machines (and therefore higher in a full year) this does suggest a very small return given the inconvenience and cost which would be experienced by visitors to Cults.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment again on this matter. Please keep us informed of further developments.

Yours faithfully



C F Morsley

Colin Morsley: Correspondence Secretary, CMBCC
188 North Deeside Road, Milltimber, Aberdeen AB13 0HL



Website: www.cbmcommunity.org.uk

Objection 35



From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 23 June 2016 10:20
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Car park charges in Bucksburn

-----Original Message-----

From: Lynne Tough [Redacted]
Sent: 22 June 2016 21:54
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Car park charges in Bucksburn

I am writing regarding the planned parking charge for parking at Station Road in Bucksburn. I have stayed in Bucksburn for 47 years and feel it ridiculous to charge for parking at this car park. Bucksburn is dead to what it used to be shop wise and I feel that you are going to drive people away all together if they have to pay. I wouldn't pay for that car park as the last time I did park in it there were pot holes that you had to dodge for a start. I feel that the shops that are still there need as much support from the local community and people just wouldn't pay to park there. I feel that this is purely a money making scheme! Residents who are in Ferguson court would have trouble with people parking in their area. I await you reply regarding this matter.

Regards

Lynne Tough

Sent from my iPad

Objection 36

Traffic management team

24 Malcolm Road
Bucksburn
Aberdeen
AB21 9LN

Dear Sir or Madam,

I wish to object to the proposal under consideration for the introduction of parking charges at Station Road Bucksburn Aberdeen.

As a resident of Malcolm Road I am concerned regarding the knock on effect should the council approve this. While I accept there is a need for the council to work within a budget I doubt if this would generate sufficient income to justify the expense of setting this up and the running cost and maintenance.

If parking charges are introduced many motorists will look for alternative parking adding to those already using Malcolm Road.

Residents already have difficulty parking near their home due to offshore workers leaving their cars for two weeks while working off shore. Adding to this we have a number of people parking on Malcolm Road while using the bus to go into town for the day.

The Britannia Hotel over the last year has been very successful in attracting large numbers of customers many are working at various sites in the area, and arrive with vans and trucks after 6pm.

The council approved the additional 100-room extension and ignored the residents concern regarding emergency vehicles access, and the recent fire at the hotel highlighted the residents concern about access and the volume of cars and vans parking in Malcolm Road.

Planning officers may say these matters cannot be taken into consideration, but I would ask the councillors on the committee to consider the knock on effect which I have no doubt will be detrimental to residents of Malcolm Road Bucksburn.

Yours sincerely

Brian Rattray

I wish to object to the proposal



Objection 37

Derick Murray
42 Gilbert Road
Bucksburn
Aberdeen
AB21 9AN

Traffic Management Team
Business Hub 11, Second Floor West,
Marischal College, Broad Street, Aberdeen.
AB101AB

Dear sirs,

Public Statutory Consultation – Conversion of Free Car Parks (Crombie Road, Torry/ Dunmail Avenue, Cults/ Station Road, Bucksburn) to £1 for 2 hour maximum stay chargeable car parks.

I am writing this letter of objection in my capacity as a resident of Bucksburn rather than my professional employment capacity.

I wish to object to the proposed charge for the Station Road, Bucksburn car park.

I have no objection to the charge per se, but to the impacts that the charge is likely to cause.

There does appear to be a high number of vehicles that use this car park on a longer than 2 hour stay basis. Whilst the intention of creating turn over spaces for visitors to the local shopping is laudable there are likely to be a number of consequences with this.

The background to this is the current situation. The Station Road Car Park is adjacent to a residents car park for Ferguson Court. It is accessed from Station Road which itself accesses from Oldmeldrum Road at a junction extremely close to Inverurie Road. Station Road itself is narrow and very windy, not suitable for the current volume of traffic trying to bypass the Haudagain roundabout. The Staging Post pub has a car park close by. The Britannia Hotel has recently been refurbished to increase the number of available bedrooms. There are yellow line restrictions on Oldmeldrum Road to attempt to keep this section of road near Inverurie Road clear.

The effect of this is that:

- The traffic bypassing Haudagain (both morning but more particularly pm peak) either turns right into Station Road or right into Mugiemoor Road near Bankhead Road. The

queue back from the Station Road/ Mugiemoos Road junction often reaches Inverurie Road causing queueing on Inverurie Road for the left turn into Oldmeldrum Road

- The yellow line restrictions on Oldmeldrum Road are often overlooked with cars parked meaning traffic cannot pass those trying to turn right into Station Road
- Displaced traffic from the current Station Road Car Park (those unwilling to pay) is likely to displace to:
 - The Ferguson Court residents car park – an annoyance for the residents
 - The unsuitable Station Road – creating a difficult situation with parked traffic obstructing use of the road given its nature
 - Oldmeldrum Road – increased parking on this street which has over the years experienced a considerable increase in parking resulting in regular parking on the yellow lined areas
 - Or Malcolm Road/ Gilbert Road – with Malcolm Road experiencing the overspill from the Britannia hotel with occasionally overspill to Gilbert Road in addition to the overspill parking from the Doctors surgery

The Staging Post used to regularly have people park in its car park and when, a few years ago it, rightly, tried to limit the use of its car park to customers there was an increase in parking on Oldmeldrum Road. There is nothing to suggest this proposal would have any different effect.

The recent refurbishment of the Britannia Hotel has seen a significant increase of parking on Oldmeldrum Road. This has included coaches, HGV vehicles as well as LGV and cars. This parking, an overspill from the Britannia's car parks takes up the space that any overspill from the Station Road Car Park is likely to try and use meaning that parking on the existing yellow lines is likely to increase.

There are currently proposals to:

- Open the AWPR which will significantly reduce traffic on Inverurie Road
- Improve the Haudagain junction which will reduce traffic wishing to bypass it
- Re-configure Mugiemoos to make it more difficult to use the route as a bypass to Haudagain

These changes will have an impact on the issues I've raised above. I believe the proposal for charging won't improve the traffic management in the area and will raise a very small sum in revenue. I think that the improvements described above should be implemented at which time it would be more appropriate to consider the car parking charges being proposed since the effects of the proposal are likely to be considerably reduced.

I hope you will consider these points before coming to a decision.

Yours Sincerely



R.G. Murray

Objection 38



VICTORIA CARPETS (SCOTLAND) LTD.

99 Victoria Road, Torry, Aberdeen AB11 9LX

RECEIVED
27 MAY 2016

Wed May 25th 2016
 Complaints Dept
 Traffic Management
 Aberdeen City Council (Copy Retained)
 Business Hub 11
 Level 2 West Marischal College, Broad Street
 Aberdeen AB10 1AB.

N Brown
 Director
 ABAE. Co

I write to Complain About your future bad intentions Ref charging for parking Crombie Rd Torry Plus other two suburb Areas as mentioned in the Press I would also like to object to the Closure of Hazelhead & Kewenau BATHS.. All of these Plans are irresponsible and notibaly timed After the By Elections, Has your Greed for Revenue got no Barrier People are loosing their JOBS in Aberdeen on A Large Scale, your Greed for Revenue is totally illogical and its about time you had People with some Business Acumen before the whole City is destroyed with Extremely Bad Planning motivated by Greed! UNION ST George Street totally destroyed AS Shopping Centres Everywhere you go 7 Days & Nights Revenue I've traded in Torry for 15 years, and employ 6 People. I will Close my Doors through your Greed. Get someone who knows how to generate Business AND listen!

Disgusted N Brown

Registered in Scotland No. SC239875

PS Your Attitude and disrespect for
Peoples JOBS STINKS You tell us we CAN
object HASNT done ANY good SO FAR
You still want Ahead with that Concrete
Monstrosity OPPOSITE MARSHALL College
You will still probably go Ahead with
the Victoria Rd School etc etc The Public
Should have the Right to have a Panel
and be Present at your meetings SO TOO
Should The Press. You have destroyed
Abedeen I await your Reply

Ravenous Collectors
PARKING charges. CRAZY
So much FOR Democracy
Thats Phoney TOO

Objection 39

MR A. J. DUGUID
2 WOPCROFT DRIVE
BUCKSBURN
ABERDEEN
AB21 9RJ

I AM WRITING TO YOU
TO STOP THE PAYMENT
THE PROPOSING PARKING
CHARGE AT BUCKSBURN CAR
PARK. IF YOU GO HED
WITH THIS PROPOSING CHARGE
IT WILL BE THE FINAL NAIL
IN THE COFFIN FOR THE FIVE
SHOPS LEFT STRUGGLING ^{PUBLIC}
AT BUCKSBURN. THE ~~shops~~
SHALL GO TO SUPERMARKETS
ELICE WHERE IT IS FREE
I USE THE CAR PARK
EVERY DAY FOR MY WORK
I WORK AT LOCAL BAKERY
I NEED THE CAR HEART PROBLEMS
I CAN NOT CANT AFFORD THAT
CHARGES A. J. DUGUID

Objection 40

Wm. GILCHRIST
Funeral Directors & Monumental Masons

10 Oldmeldrum Road,
Bucksburn,
Aberdeen AB21 9DT

14th June 2016

Traffic Management Team,
Business Hub 11, Second Floor West,
Marischal College,
Broad Street,
Aberdeen
AB10 1AB.

Proposed Parking Charges at Station Road, Car Park Stoneywood.

Dear Sir,

Please accept this letter as an **objection** to the proposed parking charge levy at Station Road Car Park, Stoneywood.

1. As a business in the area, our client use this valuable service to visit our premises on a short and medium term basis. I feel it would be in-appropriate to charge them for use of the car park and may force them to use the highway instead for short visits which I believe would clog up the road network and also provided an additional risk to road users and pedestrians.
2. This car park is not in the town centre and is only used by the Stoneywood/Bucksburn Community using the services in the community. This may drive some to use other business in other areas which may have better access and or no parking levy. We wish to encourage our community to use the services on their doorsteps, not push them to out of town developments.

As Aberdeen City Council has an obligation to make sure this carp park is well kept and the lighting is adequate I sincerely hope that the following areas will be address as a matter of priority.

1. Pot Holes.
2. Lighting.
3. Weeds and Rubbish.
4. Markings.

Yours

Neil Herd.
Manager

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17 JUN 2016

Funeral Services Limited, registered in England and Wales
with number 30808R at registered office 1 Angel Square,
Manchester, M60 0AG.

VAT number 403 316 04. Part of Community Council Fund...



INVESTORS
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Objection 41

Aberdeen City Council,
Car Parks,
Marischal College,
Broad Street,
Aberdeen.

11, South Avenue,
Cults,
Aberdeen AB15 9LB.
20.05.16.



Dear Sirs,

Car Park at Cults.

I read in CMB news that there are proposals to make the car park at Cults into a paying car park. I pass this car park on foot every day and am convinced that it is misused by some to park all day while they take the bus into town.

I would be in favour of charging for parking with one proviso. Cults is still a good shopping area but people need to be able to park while shopping. I suggest that parking for under two hours is free. That would give shoppers time to have a coffee, have their hair done etc, but the two hour limit would stop the all day parking.

Charges for parking for more than two hours should not be excessive as it will drive away those who need over two hours.

ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL
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Yours faithfully,
C. Hillier

Objection 42

3. OLD STREET
ABERDEEN
AB15 6FT
22.06.16

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,

IN REGARD TO THE INTENDED PARKING CHARGES AT THE CROMBIE ROAD CAR PARK, I WISH TO OBJECT ON THE GROUNDS THAT THE CAR PARK IS A TIP. HAVE ANY COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ACTUALLY BEEN TO INSPECT IT? RUBBISH IS REGULARLY DUMPED THERE ALTHOUGH I KNOW THAT THIS IS NOT YOUR PROBLEM AS SUCH, BUT TO CHARGE TO PARK THERE SOLELY REQUIRES A LEVEL OF ADEQUATE MAINTENANCE. THE SCRUBBERY IS SO BADLY OVERGROWN THAT SEVERAL SPACES CANNOT BE USED. IT IS ALSO EXTREMELY DANGEROUS EXITING THE CAR PARK AS YOU CANNOT SEE PROPERLY DUE TO THE OVERGROWTH AND I DREAD TO THINK OF A SMALL CHILD RUNNING ALONG THE PAVEMENT. THE FENCING IS ALSO BROKEN. IS IT REALLY NECESSARY TO HAVE THE WHOLE CAR PARK RESTRICTED TO TWO HOURS.

YOURS SINCERELY

Winda Argo.

MRS WINDA ARGO.

Objection 43

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 23 June 2016 14:03
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Station Road Car Park, Bucksburn

-----Original Message-----

From: Daniel [REDACTED]
Sent: 23 June 2016 11:40
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Station Road Car Park, Bucksburn

To whom this may concern,

I am writing in protest to the proposed parking charges to be issued behind the station road car park in bucksburn. As a resident in station mews and an employee of a local business that would be directly affected by the absurd suggestion, Not only on a business point of view but from my prospective as a very nearby resident I fear that people will feel forced to park in our private car park and also affect those of Ferguson court. Also Surely the expense of bringing the car park now up to a higher standard suitable of charging would be a ridiculous waste of your financial resources.

Daniel Dewars, Station Mews Resident

Sent from my iPhone

Objection 44

Aberdeen City Council
Communities, Housing & Infrastructure
Traffic Management
Business Hub 11
Marischal College
Broad Street
Aberdeen
AB10 1AB

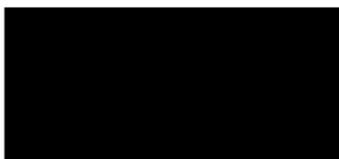
24 June 2016

I wish to object to proposals to introduce parking fees at Station Road Car Park, Bucksburn. It's difficult enough as it is to support local businesses and keep them open without the added pressures of customers having to pay to park. I can't imagine that the amount of money it will cost the Council to resurface the car park, line it, install payment machines, maintain it, 'police' it for the amount of income it could possibly generate could be justified. I can only imagine the problems it will cause in the surrounding area with people parking/deserting their cars outwith the paying area which will inevitably create the need for parking restrictions on other streets which will then also inconvenience the residents.

I want to know why this car park has been chosen as a possible pay and display car park.

Have there been complaints about people abusing it?

I want to know if Aberdeen City Council have even counted how many vehicles are parking in this car park during the day.



Karen Kench
15 Berrywell Gardens
Dyce
Aberdeen
AB21 7BR

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24 JUN 2016

Objection 45

Aberdeen City Council
Communities, Housing & Infrastructure
Traffic Management
Business Hub 11
Marischal College
Broad Street
Aberdeen
AB10 1AB

24 June 2016

I wish to object to proposals to introduce parking fees at Station Road Car Park, Bucksburn.

I have stayed all my life in Bucksburn and it is difficult enough to have a main road cutting through the centre of Bucksburn disrupting the community life and there are still local businesses which need to be supported by the local community and further afield. If this car park is changed to pay and display, people will park outwith the car park and use other streets which would possibly causing an obstruction and disruption to resident living in the area. Bucksburn has a high percentage of elderly people and disabled people who have stayed all their lives in the area and need to park close to shops to support the local businesses. The car park needs resurfacing and installing pay and display machines at a cost to the Council, I want to know why this car park has been chosen as a possible pay and display car park.

Anne-Marie McPherson

59 Inverurie Road

Bucksburn

ABERDEEN

AB21 9LJ

Objection 46

Aberdeen City Council
Communities, Housing & Infrastructure
Traffic Management
Business Hub 11
Marischal College
Broad Street
Aberdeen
AB10 1AB

24 June 2016

I wish to object to proposals to introduce parking fees at Station Road Car Park, Bucksburn.

Bucksburn has changed over the years but there are still a few good local businesses which are used by residents and people from surrounding areas. The community has a percentage of disabled people and elderly people who use their vehicles to come to Bucksburn to shop rather than go to the supermarkets and to support the local businesses. If this car park is changed to pay and display, people will park outwith the car park and use other streets which would possibly causing an obstruction and disruption to resident living in the area.

The car park needs resurfacing and installing pay and display machines at a cost to the Council, I want to know why this car park has been chosen as a possible pay and display car park.

Sandra Mahoney
23 Hopecroft Avenue
Bucksburn
ABERDEEN
AB21 9RN

Objection 47

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 23 June 2016 17:14
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Introduce parking charges to Station Road car Park Bucksburn

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

From: Ken Mathieson [REDACTED]
Sent: 23 June 2016 16:06
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Introduce parking charges to Station Road car Park Bucksburn

Hi,

I would like to take this opportunity to **OBJECT** to these proposals.

I have a business in Bucksburn and have a number of employees and they unfortunately require to drive to work. I choose to have my business on the outskirts of the city in Bucksburn so the customers could park easily without paying as well as my staff.

I feel that this is purely a money making exercise and will not benefit the local community & in fact may drive business away.

With regards to the shops the only people that will benefit are the retail parks with free parking as the shops and the viability of Bucksburn will suffer.

I thought the idea of the local authority was to look after and serve the community not take facilities away.

If approved then the neighbouring streets will become very busy and unfair to local residents.

I do hope that this can be stopped.

Kind Regards
Ken

on behalf of
KEN MATHIESON ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN Ltd.

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Objection 48

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 23 June 2016 17:15
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Station Road Car Park, Bucksburn - CHI/16/068

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From: stuart mathieson [REDACTED]
Sent: 23 June 2016 16:06
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Station Road Car Park, Bucksburn - CHI/16/068

Dear Sirs,

I am writing to object to Aberdeen City Councils proposals to introduce parking charges and associated limits on time when parked at Station Road, Bucksburn.

I have worked in Oldmeldrum Road, Bucksburn for over 10 years and have seen the benefit the free car parking has had to the local businesses and for parents dropping off and collecting their children from Bucksburn Primary School. Any change to this will cause people to park their cars for on the surrounding streets. There is a very large volume of traffic going through Oldmeldrum Road and the recent road closure due to the fire at the Britannia Hotel has highlighted the number of Heavy Goods vehicles which are taken through this road via their Sat Nav systems. I truly believe that if cars are forced to park on the street rather than the car park then there will be an increase in the number of accidents.

I object to the parking charges and would like confirmation that this email has been received.

Kind Regards

Stuart Mathieson

Objection 49 – received after the statutory consultation period

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 27 June 2016 10:07
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Car park charges - torry

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From: Fiona Hamilton [REDACTED]
Sent: 25 June 2016 00:07
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Car park charges - torry

To whom it may concern

I am writing to you regarding the planned parking charges at Crombie Road.

I am concerned that the charges are going to be detrimental to my business and local businesses in the area as well as residents of the area.

There is much said about attracting people to the area to support the local area. In this case I believe charging to park will have the opposite effect and drive customers and business away.

In the case of myself, my customers are often if booking weddings or funerals more than an hour or two hours. There are others who make a trip across town to specifically come and support my business. Charging for parking will only drive them to supermarkets or else where, where they can either do a one stop shop or go somewhere they can park for free. This does not encourage them to shop locally.

It will make the running of my business near impossible as I cannot travel by bus to work as before I ever start work I have been to wholesales and collected flower and vases and other sundries on a daily basis. There is no option for us to park for more than two hours or for customwrs to do sobeither. We cannot make out deliveries by bus and as it is I have parking tickets issued almost on a daily/weekly basis as I cannot load or unload my vehicle. I do not need to run my business from Torry. I can convert the property into a residential property and close another business in the area and put several members of staff out of work. My business can open in another area but it certainly won't be in Aberdeen or Aberdeenshire as you do not encourage or support that idea.

People are very loyal supporters to the shops in Torry and all businesses support each other but this will take the heart out of the community.

The state of the car park of which you do not maintain does not give reason to charge and looks very much as a money making plan. It is obvious there has been little done for the upkeep if the car park . The placement of rubbish bins and recycling bins outside the shop on Victoria Road also adds to lack of parking as a space the existed before has now been lost with placement of bins in the middle of the space.

I look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely
Fiona Hamilton
Aberflora
89 Victoria Road
Aberdeen
Ab11 9lu

Objection 50 – received after the statutory consultation period

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 27 June 2016 10:08
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Objection to proposed charges to Station Road Car Park

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 26 June 2016 19:13
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Objection to proposed charges to Station Road Car Park

Dear Madam

I write to object to the proposed parking charges at Station Road car park, Bucksburn. I live within Ferguson Court which is adjacent to the car park and am also chair of the residents association.

Our car park has no secure entry system which means it is open to abuse from the public and nearby residents. It is regularly full and our residents struggle to find a space. If you were to introduce charges to the public car park then the public will seek to park elsewhere and in especially our car park. We would be forced to spend money on a barrier system to prevent unauthorised entry. This money could be better spent on essential maintenance to the court.

The public will also park on Oldmeldrum Road, Station Road and other surrounding streets. Will charges be introduced on these streets as there be additional congestion here on already busy roads?

I would also like to point out that Station Road car park is not maintained appropriately by the Council. It is prone to flooding and this overflows into our car park. My neighbour has requested the drains be cleared in the past. It should not be our responsibility to request this. Rubbish is regularly strewn around from overflowing bins.

Regards
Marie Henderson
45 Ferguson Court
Bucksburn
Aberdeen
AB21 9AG

Objection 51 – received after the statutory consultation period

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 27 June 2016 17:49
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Station Road Car Park Bucksburn

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From: Chris Smith [REDACTED]
Sent: 27 June 2016 14:49
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Station Road Car Park Bucksburn

Good afternoon,

I write to express my concerns with the proposed implementation of parking charges at the Station Road Bucksburn Car Park.

This car park is essential to the local businesses who are competing with others in the area that offer free parking. This to me seems very unfair and will not encourage people to visit these shops / businesses over the ones with free parking. I would have thought that this goes against the fair and equal opportunities of the councils local business plan. The car park is also beneficial to me as I am of limited mobility after a serious industrial accident and rely on my wife to drive me everywhere. I have an appointment at one of the businesses that will be effected every week and we rely on the free car park being there and for it to be well maintained - i.e no potholes for my wheelchair or when I use my walking sticks.

I hope this can be resolved and that the parking charges are never implemented.

Kind regards
Chris Smith

8 meadowlands park
westhill
aberdeenshire
ab32 6el

Objection 52 – received after the statutory consultation period

[REDACTED]

From: Graeme McKenzie on behalf of TrafficManagement
Sent: 27 June 2016 17:50
To: James Watt
Subject: FW: Parking at Station Road Bucksburn

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 27 June 2016 16:48
To: TrafficManagement
Subject: Parking at Station Road Bucksburn

I wish to object to the forthcoming plan to charge for parking in the above mentioned car park.

As a small business in Oldmeldrum Road I feel it would be a huge disadvantage to all the small businesses in the area to implement parking charges. People are not going to pay to purchase several of the products we supply in this area, eg flowers, butchery, fishmongers, bakers. The public will drive past if there is a space on the roadside they will stop but I cannot see them deliberately paying for parking to use our services. Small businesses are struggling to keep customers from going to supermarkets and I was under the impression Aberdeen Council supported small businesses, this plan is not a supportive one.

The other objection is the traffic will cause congestion by parking on the roadside while they pop into the local shops instead of using the car park.

Do the costs of employing a parking attendant surpass the revenue you propose to raise from the car park and will the car park be properly maintained unlike it is at the present time.

Regards
Susan Stevenson
Flowerscene

2 STATION MEWS
STATION ROAD
BUCKSBURN
AB21 9PE
24/6/16

Dear Sir/Madam

CAR PARKING CHARGES - BUCKSBURN

I am writing to convey my objection to planned car parking charges.

It would be the end of the businesses which depend on this parking facility - people will choose to use alternatives where parking is free.

On a personal note - I am a pensioner, having these shops is important.

My family visit on a regular basis coming and going often during the day. I often look after my grandchildren when they walk. Why should they pay to come visit or stay, it would be unfair and unrealistic.

There are 8 properties in Station
Mews some have the ability to
park one car behind the other, but
unfortunately, my slot does not allow this
facility, I would block exit.

My family have to park on
kerb at entrance to car parks at
Station Mews, If parking restrictions
take place it will make visiting me
very expensive and difficult.

I sincerely hope a sensible
decision will be made with regard
to this,

Yours faithfully

ELEANOR Mc GREGOR

Objection 54 – received after the statutory consultation period



From: Secretary Torry Community Council <contactus@torrycommunitycouncil.org.uk>
Sent: 17 July 2016 21:26
To: James Watt
Subject: Re: Public Statutory Consultation - Conversion of Free Car Parks (Crombie Road, Torry / Dunmail Avenue, Cults / Station Road, Bucksburn) to £1 for 2 hour max stay chargeable car parks

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Good morning James

Torry Community Council, as a statutory consultee re-affirms its opposition to the introduction of parking charges at Crombie Road. Such a move will be harmful for local businesses, create un-necessary on-street parking and will create hazardous conditions for traffic and pedestrian safety in a busy area.

Please can you advise on the responses you have received to date, and it is still intended to report this matter to Committee on 25th August

Thanks and regards
David