

TAUNTON DEANE BOROUGH COUNCIL

EXECUTIVE - 25 JUNE 2003

REPORT OF THE HEAD OF FINANCE

This Matter Is The Responsibility of Executive Cllr Bishop

DISABLED PARKING CHARGES

1.0 Purpose & Background

1.1 The Strategic Planning, Transportation and Economic Development Panel met on 10 June 2003 and considered the report of the Service Support Manager on parking charges for blue badge holders.

1.2 The Panel agreed that the current charges should be abolished for blue badge holders and requested the Executive Councillor for Planning and Transportation to proceed with advertising formal amendments to the present Traffic Regulation Order.

2.0 Financial Implications

2.1 The estimated annual income from charges paid by badge holders is £70,000 per annum. The impact on the 2003/04 budget, due to the timing of this change, is likely to be in the order of £50,000.

2.2 This can be funded by virement in the current year from the following sources:-

	£
HMO Licensing <i>(this was added to the 2003/04 base budget as an unavoidable commitment (ongoing). Although this funding is still required, the initial impact will be felt in the financial year 2004/05.)</i>	30,000
Environmental Schemes <i>(this will reduce the reserve for environmental schemes to £27,000.)</i>	20,000
	50,000

2.3 A virement of this size requires Executive and Council approval.

3.0 Impact on Corporate Priorities

3.1 The funding proposal outlined above will not have a detrimental effect on any Corporate Priority.

4.0 Recommendation

- 4.1 The Executive is requested to ask full Council to approve the above virement totalling £50,000 for the funding of the removal of charges on disabled car parking.

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Background Paper

Parking Charges For Blue Badge Holders – Strategic Planning, Transportation and Economic Development Panel 10 June 2003