

## Implementation of Time Restricted Parking (Pay & Display) in Devils Point Car Park

### 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. The Council is committed to supporting Plymouths shopping districts and local communities whereby this report seeks delegated authority to implement amendments to The City of Plymouth (Off Street Places) Order 2007 to establish time restricted parking within Devil Point Car Park.
- 1.2. This proposals within this report support the Councils priorities for '**A vibrant economy, developing quality jobs and skills**' and is aligned to our values as a **Responsible** Council, ensuring we take responsibility to support businesses and communities in challenging economic times.
- 1.3. The proposals within this report support the delivery of the administration's commitment to maintaining free parking at district shopping centres to support local communities within Whitleigh, St. Budeaux, Plymstock, Plympton, Estover, West Park, Stoke, Devonport, Leigham, Mountbatten, Crownhill and Mutley Plain and this will be further augmented by the expansion to Devils Point Car Park
- 1.4. The proposals within this report are part of wider package of support and Council commitments to supporting local residents and visitors, which includes the assessment for installation of new CCTV cameras and lighting within the car park

### 2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1. Proposals to establish free, time limited parking in Devils Point (free for three hours no return for two hours) were advertised, as part of statutory consultation, from 7<sup>th</sup> September, for a period of 21 days. Notices were displayed On Street, within the local media, and information made available on the Plymouth City Council website; these notices advised how people were able to submit representations to the proposals.
- 2.2. The consultation closed on 28<sup>th</sup> September where 22 representation were received (see figure 1.1)

Figure 1.1 – Representations and Response

	Representation	Response
1.	I support the proposal to limit the length of time that one is allowed to park at Devil's Point. It has been a favourite, often visited place for my family since 1979. In those early days, my young family would wave to my ship as I departed or returned from sea. In more recent years it has also been an ideal place for older members of our family to enjoy the peace and beauty that Plymouth has to offer.	Thank you for your recent comments towards the proposals – 2021.2137264.  Your comments have been logged on our records and will be considered as part of the final decision making process. At the end of the consultation period, a report will be prepared summarising any concerns that have been raised and making recommendations. In line with the statutory process, the decision on

	<p>Since the Royal William Yard (RWY) development took off, however, it has become impracticable for us to visit Devil's Point as the car park is always full. I believe most of the vehicles belong to RWY commuters. If so, that is an entirely inappropriate use for such a valued location.</p>	<p>whether or not to proceed with these proposals will be made by the Cabinet Member for Transport.</p> <p>You will be notified if and when the proposals will be implemented.</p>
2	<p>I am writing to provide some feedback on the proposed changes to restrictions at Devil's Point car park. As a frequent user of the car park, I believe these changes should not go ahead, certainly for the time being. This is because:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- There are only issues finding a space for a few months of the year in summer, and even then this is completely dependent on the time of day and the weather. A large proportion of those using the car park for sea swimming have been and gone by the time commuters arrive and vice versa, so often the overlap is minimal. Even throughout September, most days the car park is half full, if that. Putting in restrictions for all users benefits nobody.</li> <li>- By changing these rules in the winter, life is therefore made increasingly difficult for many for no reason. People who park at DP will not go and park in RWY instead due to lack of space there and the extortionate cost - they will simply find other places further afield that will then equally get filled up, and also have to be unnecessarily walking in cold and wet conditions as winter approaches.</li> <li>- Instead, there needs to be greater consultation between the council and Urban Splash before any changes are made. There must be better/different rates for business parking at RWY, and more parking altogether. Taking away one resource will not simply mean people move to the other.</li> </ul> <p>I completely appreciate why these changes have been suggested, and agree that on some occasions in the summer this car park is a problem. However, the proposed changes and the time at which you are planning on bringing them in do not solve the real issues.</p>	<p>Thank you for your email in response to our plans for the establishment of time restrictions in Devils Point Car Park.</p> <p>The Car Park in question is a Plymouth City Council owned and operated car park and has historically provided parking for visitors to the Devils Point area. Over the past 5 years Plymouth City Council have received numerous complaints from residents, visitors and local politicians regarding the increased use of the car park by those working in the Royal William Yard and thus reducing the provision of parking for those who wish to visit the area.</p> <p>To this end we have been instructed to consider placing restrictions in the car park, these being</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Limiting time of parking</li> <li>• Closing the car park</li> <li>• Applying charges to the car park.</li> </ul> <p>The last two options were not deemed acceptable and therefore following consultation with the Royal William Yard (Urban Splash) and local community groups, the decision was made to propose changes to the legal traffic order to limit the stay period to three hours for visitors to the area. This is a scheme widely used across the city and country as a whole to protect vital tourist locations from the influx of commuter parking.</p>

	<p>Look forward to hearing the verdict.</p>	<p>We have undertaken a number of observation visits whereby we have identified a large number of car park users parking, walking to the Royal William Yard and returning 6 to 8 hours later, as with all businesses across the city, Plymouth City Council does not provide free commuter parking, whether this be in the area of the Royal William Yard or the City Centre.</p> <p>The Royal William Yard operators (Urban Splash) are responsible for developing a traffic and transport management plan for the development and are currently consulting on such a plan.</p> <p>I thank you for taking the time to respond to our consultation and will ensure that your comments are included within the consideration process.</p>
3	<p>We fully support the proposed order limiting daytime parking at Devil's Point to three hours.</p> <p>We also believe that the same restrictions should apply to the 'Cremyll Ferry' car park off Strand Street. This carpark is usually blocked all day.</p>	<p>Thank you for your recent comments towards the proposals – 2021.2137264.</p> <p>Your comments have been logged on our records and will be considered as part of the final decision making process. At the end of the consultation period, a report will be prepared summarising any concerns that have been raised and making recommendations. In line with the statutory process, the decision on whether or not to proceed with these proposals will be made by the Cabinet Member for Transport.</p> <p>You will be notified if and when the proposals will be implemented.</p>
4	<p>I was really grateful that Katherine Graham forwarded these plans to me. Might we be able to discuss the council's plan for the car part at some point?</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to write to me, regarding the proposals for Devils Point Car Park.#</p>

	<p>I'm very supportive indeed - a great plan - but I'm also very worried about what may happen at night. As a resident of Admiralty Cottages I know that, perhaps counter-intuitively, this will increase antisocial behaviour. Whenever the car park is quiet at night the boy racers gather in far larger numbers and race up and down Admiralty Rd where there is no pavement. If it is empty enough, they even come up to do doughnut skids.</p> <p>Since the proposal means the car park will be more empty overnight without as many camper vans and RWY residents this will make things worse again. Could this be an opportunity to get a security camera installed alongside the new car park management system? Or some other traffic management system?</p>	<p>I am pleased that in essence you are supportive of the proposals, the concerns you have relating to the night time activities are duly noted and I am working on a separate strand of work to look at measures which we can put in place to reduce the antisocial behaviour here.</p> <p>I will ensure that as soon as I have made progress with schemes such as lighting / CCTV, I will be sure to get in touch,</p>
5	<p>I am writing on behalf of East Cornwall Divers, a branch of the British Sub-Aqua Club based in Torpoint.</p> <p>Myself and other members have often used Devil's point car park to dive at Firestone Bay. It is our concern that the proposed three hour limit would not be ample to conduct dives in a safe manner. Due to the easy access to deep water close to shore the site is often used for training and early season 'shakedown' dives. Also, due to the strong tidal currents through the area, there is only a short window of time around high or low water where diving is safe (slack water).</p> <p>It is our belief that the proposed limit would lead to people arriving as close to slack water as possible and not leaving enough time for vital pre-dive checks. It would also put pressure on instructors and students conducting training exercises to condense briefings, possibly omitting essential information in order to reduce the time spent on site.</p> <p>The changes would also encourage divers to rush back to their cars in order to avoid parking fines. Currently divers are known to rest outside the cafe (purchasing food and drinks) after a dive in order to recover and summon up the motivation required to carry the heavy equipment back up the hill to the car park. Rigorous exercise after diving</p>	<p>Thank you for your email in response to our plans for the establishment of time restrictions in Devils Point Car Park.</p> <p>The Car Park in question is a Plymouth City Council owned and operated car park and has historically provided parking for visitors to the Devils Point area. Over the past 5 years Plymouth City Council have received numerous complaints from residents, visitors and local politicians regarding the increased use of the car park by those working in the Royal William Yard and thus reducing the provision of parking for those who wish to visit the area.</p> <p>To this end we have been instructed to consider placing restrictions in the car park, these being</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Limiting time of parking</li> <li>• Closing the car park</li> <li>• Applying charges to the car park.</li> </ul> <p>The last two options were not deemed acceptable and therefore following consultation with the Royal William Yard (Urban Splash) and local community groups, the decision was made to propose changes</p>

	<p>has been proven to increase risks of decompression sickness, whilst the increased haste could result in more slips, trips and falls.</p> <p>We agree with the aim of the proposals, the car park should be used by people enjoying activities at Devil's Point and Firestone Bay, not commuters. However, the three hour limit would discourage us and other divers from visiting.</p> <p>A longer limit of four or five hours would be sufficient to conduct dives safely and without haste, whilst still discouraging commuters from leaving their vehicles there for the duration of a working day.</p>	<p>to the legal traffic order to limit the stay period to three hours for visitors to the area. This is a scheme widely used across the city and country as a whole to protect vital tourist locations from the influx of commuter parking. I understand your concerns relating to the length of stay permitted and will ensure this is considered as a part of the consultation</p> <p>We have undertaken a number of observation visits whereby we have identified a large number of car park users parking, walking to the Royal William Yard and returning 6 to 8 hours later, as with all businesses across the city, Plymouth City Council does not provide free commuter parking, whether this be in the area of the Royal William Yard or the City Centre.</p> <p>The Royal William Yard operators (Urban Splash) are responsible for developing a traffic and transport management plan for the development and are currently consulting on such a plan.</p> <p>I thank you for taking the time to respond to our consultation and will ensure that your comments are included within the consideration process.</p>
6	<p>I'd like to submit my objection to the changes proposed to Devil's Point car park. I work at Royal William Yard and removing Devil's Point as parking available all day would have a significant time and cost impact on my life. During autumn/winter it is the employees of the yard which keep the local businesses running. Parking availability is only an issue during the summer months - and then only when it is good weather. Prioritising the space for visitors and tourists instead of the reliable and regular employees of the Yard is going to have a detrimental impact on existing employees of the Yard and limit the likelihood of additional businesses choosing Royal William Yard as their base.</p>	<p>The Car Park in question is a Plymouth City Council owned and operated car park and has historically provided parking for visitors to the Devils Point area. Over the past 5 years Plymouth City Council have received numerous complaints from residents, visitors and local politicians regarding the increased use of the car park by those working in the Royal William Yard and thus reducing the provision of parking for those who wish to visit the area.</p> <p>To this end we have been instructed to consider placing restrictions in the car park, these being</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Limiting time of parking</li> <li>• Closing the car park</li> <li>• Applying charges to the car park.</li> </ul>

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7	<p>I am writing in respect of the proposed CITY OF PLYMOUTH (OFF-STREET PARKING PLACES) (AMENDMENT ORDER NO. 2021.2137264 DEVILS POINT CAR PARK) ORDER, in respect of the proposal for there to be a Pay &amp; Display Maximum Stay Three Hours - no Return within 2 hours - 8am-8pm - required to display a ticket - free of charge.</p> <p><b>I fully support this proposal.</b> I walk past the car park most days at different times of the day and it is nearly always full. The number of vehicles outweighs the number of people visiting Devil's Point and the coastal path. I live in Millbay and Devil's point is a place I like to take my visitors, mostly elderly. However,</p>	<p>Thank you for your recent comments towards the proposals – 2021.2137264.</p> <p>Your comments have been logged on our records and will be considered as part of the final decision making process. At the end of the consultation period, a report will be prepared summarising any concerns that have been raised and making recommendations. In line with the statutory process, the decision on whether or not to proceed with these proposals will be made by the Cabinet Member for Transport.</p>

	<p>unless they can walk the 1.5 miles to the Point, they cannot visit, because I cannot take them by car and find a space in the car park. The compromise, to continue free parking for a maximum of 3 hours, subject to displaying a ticket, seems very sensible.</p> <p>Might I point out that the same problem occurs at the free Visitors' Car Park at Strand Street near the Cremyl Ferry. Vacant spaces are rarely seen there during the daytime. Many cars appear to be parked there all day, and unlikely to be just visiting. A three hour limit there would be very helpful to enable parking for a short visit to Mount Edgcumbe.</p>	
8	<p>I am writing to you as I have recently seen notices posted at Devil's Point car park regarding proposed changes to the parking restrictions there.</p> <p>My name is Daniel Hopkinson, I am currently a resident of Saltash but aim to return to Plymouth in the future when I can find suitable housing for myself. I moved to Plymouth from Derbyshire when I attended University, starting in 2015 and graduating in 2019. I have remained in the region as I think it is a lovely place to live and work.</p> <p>I am dismayed to hear about the proposal, which would mean I no longer have anywhere to park without paying exorbitant prices to park at Royal William Yard (RWY) where I work for Responsible Life. As I'm sure you know, parking in the RWY carpark for 8 hours a day would cost me £8 a day (or £40 a week, or £2,080 a year), a price which I'm sure you will agree is ridiculous and completely unfathomable for a young working professional like myself who wishes to build his life here in Plymouth. A question I would like to ask you is would you appreciate the council telling you that you need to spend almost 10% of you annual earnings, which you already pay tax on, simply to have the pleasure of parking within a reasonable walking distance of your office?</p> <p>As you can imagine, considering the price of parking at Royal William Yard, I prefer to park in Devil's Point car park where I am currently not being charged. It is my understanding the</p>	<p>Thank you for your email in response to our plans for the establishment of time restrictions in Devils Point Car Park.</p> <p>The Car Park in question is a Plymouth City Council owned and operated car park and has historically provided parking for visitors to the Devils Point area. Over the past 5 years Plymouth City Council have received numerous complaints from residents, visitors and local politicians regarding the increased use of the car park by those working in the Royal William Yard and thus reducing the provision of parking for those who wish to visit the area.</p> <p>To this end we have been instructed to consider placing restrictions in the car park, these being</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Limiting time of parking</li> <li>• Closing the car park</li> <li>• Applying charges to the car park.</li> </ul> <p>The last two options were not deemed acceptable and therefore following consultation with the Royal William Yard (Urban Splash) and local community groups, the decision was made to propose changes to the legal traffic order to limit the stay period to three hours for visitors to the</p>

<p>complaints have been raised by Plymouth residents who do not like the fact that Devil's Point carpark is used by professionals who need to use the car park to avoid having to pay the high costs of the RWY car park? Is this correct?</p> <p>While I appreciate residents and tourist concerns, and agree that they should be able to use the car park when desired, I believe the current proposals are a completely inadequate solution to the problem. By changing the car park to only allow a car to be parked there for 3 hours with no return for 2 hours, it makes the car park completely unusable for somebody like me who needs to be in the office for 8 hours a day. Furthermore I think it is no coincidence that these complaints from residents have come about at a time when we have just faced what I would assume it one of our hottest summers on record. I am sure that the volumes of people travelling to Devil's Point have increased dramatically, causing much annoyance for various people wishing to park there.</p> <p>I am eager for the currently proposed changes to not go ahead so I would like to suggest some alternatives:</p> <p>Firstly, one solution to solve this problem could be to begin charging for the car parks use, but allow professionals who work within Royal William Yard to buy a parking pass for a reasonable price. This could be a yearly fee similar to residential parking permits on the city streets. Then pay and display machines could be installed and set the prices to something reasonable for the stay (maybe only during spring-autumn, with it being free to park in winter?). I would imagine that asking local residents to pay £1 for a 3 hour stay shouldn't cause too much trouble. Realistically, the only reason people want to use the car park as it stands at the moment (other than professionals like myself), is because they can get out of the house without paying a penny for parking. I'm sure by asking for a small monetary reimbursement that could help toward management of the carpark such as resurfacing, traffic warden costs etc. we could ensure that the car park is continued to be used by both professionals for work and residents who are out and about for leisure.</p> <p>My other suggestion would be that the car park could be segmented into professional parking and resident parking. Once again the professionals who</p>	<p>area. This is a scheme widely used across the city and country as a whole to protect vital tourist locations from the influx of commuter parking.</p> <p>We have undertaken a number of observation visits whereby we have identified a large number of car park users parking , walking to the Royal William Yard and returning 6 to 8 hours later, as with all businesses across the city, Plymouth City Council does not provide free commuter parking, whether this be in the area of the Royal William Yard or the City Centre.</p> <p>The Royal William Yard operators (Urban Splash) are responsible for developing a traffic and transport management plan for the development and are currently consulting on such a plan.</p> <p>I thank you for taking the time to respond to our consultation and will ensure that your comments are included within the consideration process.</p>
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	<p>work within RWY being given a permit but with no need to charge any visitors to the car park. People displaying their permit would only be able to park in the zone specifically marked for professionals and then residents and tourists could park in the normal spots with no need to pay. I do not find this as optimal a solution as the previously suggested one, but it have potential.</p> <p>Thank you for your time in reading this email. I hope you understand where I am come from and listen to what I have to say. Ultimately a solution needs to be found that suits all the current users of the carpark. If given the opportunity I would love to be able to walk from my house to work on a regular basis, but given the fact I live in Saltash and cannot find suitable accommodation for myself within my budget in Plymouth at the moment, then I have no choice but to drive.</p>	
9	<p>Devils Point Park has beautiful views across Plymouth Sound right up to the naval base and for the people of Plymouth is a perfect place to enjoy the views,watch passing ships.walk the dog or find quiet solitude.</p> <p>We have previously had a letter printed in the local press regarding this issue.and the use of the car park for commuters has been a blight on the area for several years.</p> <p>As local residents we fully support the measures laid out in this traffic order.</p>	<p>Thank you for your recent comments towards the proposals – 2021.2137264.</p> <p>Your comments have been logged on our records and will be considered as part of the final decision making process. At the end of the consultation period, a report will be prepared summarising any concerns that have been raised and making recommendations. In line with the statutory process, the decision on whether or not to proceed with these proposals will be made by the Cabinet Member for Transport</p>
10	<p>For the record, I am delighted that there will be a 3 hour limit on parking. I used to visit Devil's Point quite a lot and enjoy the sea and the views. I have been unable to do this by car for quite some time as the car park is always full. I can see that William Yard workers find it very convenient but this means that people like me, locals not visitors, cannot enjoy one of the quietest and most beautiful parts of the city. I can walk there, but many people don't have that level of mobility.</p>	<p>Thank you for your recent comments towards the proposals – 2021.2137264.</p> <p>Your comments have been logged on our records and will be considered as part of the final decision making process. At the end of the consultation period, a report will be prepared summarising any concerns that have been raised and making recommendations. In line with the statutory process, the decision on whether or not to proceed with these proposals will be made by the Cabinet Member for Transport</p>

<p>11</p>	<p>I just wanted to flag my concerns about the Devils point parking situation.</p> <p>Just to make you aware we have staff working until 8pm and without parking the only alternative is public transport. The next bus after 8pm is 8:45pm which is a long wait. Parking at the Royal William Yard is limited and the parking at Devils point helps some staff from waiting in the dark and cold for a bus. If you remove this option, I hope you will consider improving public transport services to and from the Royal William Yard.</p>	<p>Thank you for your email in response to our plans for the establishment of time restrictions in Devils Point Car Park.</p> <p>The Car Park in question is a Plymouth City Council owned and operated car park and has historically provided parking for visitors to the Devils Point area. Over the past 5 years Plymouth City Council have received numerous complaints from residents, visitors and local politicians regarding the increased use of the car park by those working in the Royal William Yard and thus reducing the provision of parking for those who wish to visit the area.</p> <p>To this end we have been instructed to consider placing restrictions in the car park, these being</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Limiting time of parking</li> <li>• Closing the car park</li> <li>• Applying charges to the car park.</li> </ul> <p>The last two options were not deemed acceptable and therefore following consultation with the Royal William Yard (Urban Splash) and local community groups, the decision was made to propose changes to the legal traffic order to limit the stay period to three hours for visitors to the area. This is a scheme widely used across the city and country as a whole to protect vital tourist locations from the influx of commuter parking.</p> <p>We have undertaken a number of observation visits whereby we have identified a large number of car park users parking , walking to the Royal William Yard and returning 6 to 8 hours later, as with all businesses across the city, Plymouth City Council does not provide free commuter parking, whether this be in the area of the Royal William Yard or the City Centre.</p> <p>The Royal William Yard operators (Urban Splash) are responsible for developing a</p>
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12	<p>I think your suggestion is a great idea. It is extremely difficult to find parking when visiting.</p>	<p>Thank you for your recent comments towards the proposals – 2021.2137264.</p> <p>Your comments have been logged on our records and will be considered as part of the final decision making process. At the end of the consultation period, a report will be prepared summarising any concerns that have been raised and making recommendations. In line with the statutory process, the decision on whether or not to proceed with these proposals will be made by the Cabinet Member for Transport</p>
13	<p>Hello, with reference to the consultation of the car park at devils point, I would like to explain that I own the Devils point cafe ,and have owned it for over 30 years. I would like to point out that the problem with over night and all day parking has increased over the years ever since the RWYARD has been generated . leading to the problem that has arisen to date with relative no parking for the casual visitors (short term) .And i wholeheartedly welcome your intentions, I personally think 2 hour stay is sufficient, water boarding is becoming increasingly popular and some of the users have no thoughts for others when parking up and often take up two spaces to off load the equipment and believe me are gone on the water for well over 3 hours. Whilst on the subject of the car park ,over the last 3-4 years Emilly Bullimore of PPC has been trying to get a No trading or hawking ban on this car park ,to my knowledge nothing has happened for this to be implemented all though it has been promised for signage to be installed, perhaps you can consider this in your plans. How are the general implication of the parking regulations going to be implemented. Is</p>	<p>Thank you for your recent comments towards the proposals – 2021.2137264.</p> <p>Your comments have been logged on our records and will be considered as part of the final decision making process. At the end of the consultation period, a report will be prepared summarising any concerns that have been raised and making recommendations. In line with the statutory process, the decision on whether or not to proceed with these proposals will be made by the Cabinet Member for Transport</p> <p>We have forwarded the email regarding trade sales to the relevant department</p>

	<p>the car park going to be closed at night to distract the boy racers and other activities!!          .and finally I hope some resolution can be implemented but on the down side I feel it may well transfer the problem down to my small car park . As I have stated I have been here for over 30 years so any more input that may be helpful to you please free to contact me. 07817697467. Kind regards kelvin phillips.</p>	
14	<p>I have just seen the post about the new changes coming up to the use of devils point car park.</p> <p>I am a regular user of this car park as I work at the royal William Yard and I know the struggle to find parking around that area.</p> <p>It's absolutely insane, specially with the Yard car park charges which are massive (10£ a day)!!!</p> <p>The devils point car park is our only chance to park easily and free, so I would appreciate if you could possibly review the changes that are meant to be happening or create some kind of rule or have low charges or create a workers parking pass or anything really.</p> <p>This means a lot to the workers at the yard, I am sure many other people will have the same opinion.</p> <p>I do appreciate your time and hope to get some kind of response.</p>	<p>Thank you for your email in response to our plans for the establishment of time restrictions in Devils Point Car Park.</p> <p>The Car Park in question is a Plymouth City Council owned and operated car park and has historically provided parking for visitors to the Devils Point area. Over the past 5 years Plymouth City Council have received numerous complaints from residents, visitors and local politicians regarding the increased use of the car park by those working in the Royal William Yard and thus reducing the provision of parking for those who wish to visit the area.</p> <p>To this end we have been instructed to consider placing restrictions in the car park, these being</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Limiting time of parking</li> <li>• Closing the car park</li> <li>• Applying charges to the car park.</li> </ul> <p>The last two options were not deemed acceptable and therefore following consultation with the Royal William Yard (Urban Splash) and local community groups, the decision was made to propose changes to the legal traffic order to limit the stay period to three hours for visitors to the area. This is a scheme widely used across the city and country as a whole to protect vital tourist locations from the influx of commuter parking.</p>

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15	<p>I understand the view of the visitors but would like present the point of view of employees and employers of hospitality sector around Royal William Yard. For many people living far away personal vehicles are only option to travel to work due to hours required by the business and for many of them, working for national minimum wage or just above it, the option of paying £1 per hour for parking is very expensive. There isn't many other options of parking in walking distance either for free or at the reasonable price. If Devil's Point will stop being an option many of them will be forced to look for employment elsewhere. Which will make currently difficult recruitment across the hospitality sector even more challenging for Royal William Yard business.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration</p>	<p>Thank you for your email in response to our plans for the establishment of time restrictions in Devils Point Car Park.</p> <p>The Car Park in question is a Plymouth City Council owned and operated car park and has historically provided parking for visitors to the Devils Point area. Over the past 5 years Plymouth City Council have received numerous complaints from residents, visitors and local politicians regarding the increased use of the car park by those working in the Royal William Yard and thus reducing the provision of parking for those who wish to visit the area.</p> <p>To this end we have been instructed to consider placing restrictions in the car park, these being</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Limiting time of parking</li> <li>• Closing the car park</li> <li>• Applying charges to the car park.</li> </ul> <p>The last two options were not deemed acceptable and therefore following</p>

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16	<p>would like to put in my comments on the above proposal for a change to the parking arrangements at the Devil's Point Car Park. I am a resident of the adjacent Admiralty Cottages (I live in No 10).</p> <p>In general, I think that the idea is a good one – it will mean that people can drive to Devil's Point to visit for a walk or a swim etc, and during the day we won't have the car park filled up with people who are working (or living) at the RWY and leaving their cars there all day. So thanks for this!</p> <p>A few things to consider. First of all, I'm wondering if a 4-hour parking period might be better than a 3-hour period. From time to time, we have events on at the local tennis</p>	<p>Thank you for your email in response to our plans for the establishment of time restrictions in Devils Point Car Park.</p> <p>The Car Park in question is a Plymouth City Council owned and operated car park and has historically provided parking for visitors to the Devils Point area. Over the past 5 years Plymouth City Council have received numerous complaints from residents, visitors and local politicians regarding the increased use of the car park by those working in the Royal William Yard and thus reducing the provision of parking for those who wish to visit the area.</p>

<p>club in Durnford Street, and 3 hours might be a bit tight for people attending the events (eg a coffee morning), and particularly for anyone contributing to the running of the event (eg setting up and clearing up afterwards). Or is there a way that someone could apply for a slightly longer stay for 'community events'?</p> <p>Secondly, over the past year or so we have had a big reprieve from the unpleasant behaviour overnight in the car park. There always used to be quite a lot of 'boy racer' activities, loud music, 'dogging' and other things that were fairly unpleasant for local residents. Because more people have been parking in the car park for the past year or so (as people have discovered the car park recently, due at least in part to the local swimmers / paddle-boarders / etc having started coming here since lockdowns first started), the car park has been more full overnight, and so the anti-social behaviour in the car park has pretty much disappeared (thank goodness!). If you do limit parking to 3 hours (or 4), I'm expecting fewer people to park longer-term in the car park, and so maybe the car park will become emptier again overnight and we might get a resurgence of the anti-social behaviour. So I'm asking whether it's possible to try to put something in place to deter this sort of behaviour. I'm not sure what that is – whether it's cameras, and/or ANPR, or some kerbs across the car park (like you get in many supermarket car parks), or whatever you can think of. I know that we can always call the police when there's a problem, but ideally we'd arrange things so that people were deterred without having to bother the police.</p> <p>Another issue is that when the car park has (very occasionally) been extremely busy in previous years, with a lot of people wanting to park – eg when the firework competition is on – then we have had people trying to park in our private road (Admiralty Cottages). We tend to lock the gate (or at least, make it look like it's locked), and I'm keen that any parking restrictions that you put in place for the public car park don't end up with more people trying</p>	<p>To this end we have been instructed to consider placing restrictions in the car park, these being</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Limiting time of parking</li> <li>• Closing the car park</li> <li>• Applying charges to the car park.</li> </ul> <p>The last two options were not deemed acceptable and therefore following consultation with the Royal William Yard (Urban Splash) and local community groups, the decision was made to propose changes to the legal traffic order to limit the stay period to three hours for visitors to the area. This is a scheme widely used across the city and country as a whole to protect vital tourist locations from the influx of commuter parking.</p> <p>We have undertaken a number of observation visits whereby we have identified a large number of car park users parking, walking to the Royal William Yard and returning 6 to 8 hours later, as with all businesses across the city, Plymouth City Council does not provide free commuter parking, whether this be in the area of the Royal William Yard or the City Centre.</p> <p>The Royal William Yard operators (Urban Splash) are responsible for developing a traffic and transport management plan for the development and are currently consulting on such a plan.</p> <p>I thank you for taking the time to respond to our consultation and will ensure that your comments are included within the consideration process.</p>
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	<p>to park in our road. I understand that this is 'our problem' to a large extent, but would welcome any thoughts or ideas that you have (and anything you might be able to do) to deter this.</p> <p>Finally, I believe that some people might have worries about some of the workers in the RWY not being able to park all day for free any more – and this might mean they have to pay to park in the RWY, which would affect their income. But maybe the RWY should offer free parking (or cheap parking) to people working in the yard?</p>	
17	<p>I would like to submit my comments regarding the proposal to restrict the usage of the car park at Devils Point.</p> <p>I work in RWY and since being brought back to the office following lockdown restrictions I have relied on this car park due to the high cost of parking within the yard. I would have to pay £10 per day, 5 days a week for 48 weeks of the year if parking privately which would equate to around 10% of my annual salary on parking alone. This will in turn create further financial pressure on myself and most workers in the yard due to the lower than average salaries paid in Plymouth. I object to the proposals being made and hope the local authority can accommodate hard working tax payers with an alternative arrangement.</p>	<p>Thank you for your email in response to our plans for the establishment of time restrictions in Devils Point Car Park.</p> <p>The Car Park in question is a Plymouth City Council owned and operated car park and has historically provided parking for visitors to the Devils Point area. Over the past 5 years Plymouth City Council have received numerous complaints from residents, visitors and local politicians regarding the increased use of the car park by those working in the Royal William Yard and thus reducing the provision of parking for those who wish to visit the area.</p> <p>To this end we have been instructed to consider placing restrictions in the car park, these being</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Limiting time of parking</li> <li>• Closing the car park</li> <li>• Applying charges to the car park.</li> </ul> <p>The last two options were not deemed acceptable and therefore following consultation with the Royal William Yard (Urban Splash) and local community groups, the decision was made to propose changes to the legal traffic order to limit the stay</p>



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19	<p>I am happy at the proposal by Plymouth City Council for the future installation of pay &amp; display at the Devil's Point Car Park.</p> <p>My reason is, that as an old age pensioner, it is very therapeutic to go the Devil's Point and other beauty spots along the waterways of our</p>	<p>Thank you for your recent comments towards the proposals – 2021.2137264.</p> <p>Your comments have been logged on our records and will be considered as part of the final decision making process. At the end of the consultation period, a</p>

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20	<p>I just read this notice of proposed order.</p> <p>I would like to share that some workers from Royal William Yard and around live far away from the area and there is no other car park around where we can park all day Royal William Yard car park is way too expensive to park 8 to 12hours / 5 days a week.</p> <p>I understand the visitors but I can tell that many times at early morning the car park is nearly full and is not from workers.</p> <p>I just would like to someone take consideration of the people that work really hard all day long. If the visitors would like to have a nice coffee or meal they need to have someone to serve them and believe me that on this days it's been very difficult to find staff because this area is far away from the centre and without car park it will be even harder.</p> <p>Car park could have an area for visitors and other for workers even with a small fee.</p>	<p>Thank you for your email in response to our plans for the establishment of time restrictions in Devils Point Car Park.</p> <p>The Car Park in question is a Plymouth City Council owned and operated car park and has historically provided parking for visitors to the Devils Point area. Over the past 5 years Plymouth City Council have received numerous complaints from residents, visitors and local politicians regarding the increased use of the car park by those working in the Royal William Yard and thus reducing the provision of parking for those who wish to visit the area.</p> <p>To this end we have been instructed to consider placing restrictions in the car park, these being</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Limiting time of parking</li> <li>• Closing the car park</li> <li>• Applying charges to the car park.</li> </ul> <p>The last two options were not deemed acceptable and therefore following consultation with the Royal William Yard (Urban Splash) and local community groups, the decision was made to propose changes to the legal traffic order to limit the stay period to three hours for visitors to the area. This is a scheme widely used across</p>

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21	<p>I write to object to the proposed changes to devils point car park.</p> <p>This car park is used daily by many including commuters, lido/beach visitors and local residents who all wish to use the car park for longer than 3 hours.</p> <p>Amending and limiting the car parking times will have a detrimental effect on all of the local businesses within royal william yard and devils point cafe who rely on commuters and beach visitors who all stay for longer than 3 hours to keep up the passing trade on quiet weekdays.</p> <p>There are already several areas for parking that are limited to 2 hours for those who wish to stay for short periods. There is also generous pay and display parking within Royal William Yard that can be utilized by short stay visitors but becomes unaffordable for anyone wishing to use the area for long periods of</p>	<p>Thank you for your email in response to our plans for the establishment of time restrictions in Devils Point Car Park.</p> <p>The Car Park in question is a Plymouth City Council owned and operated car park and has historically provided parking for visitors to the Devils Point area. Over the past 5 years Plymouth City Council have received numerous complaints from residents, visitors and local politicians regarding the increased use of the car park by those working in the Royal William Yard and thus reducing the provision of parking for those who wish to visit the area.</p> <p>To this end we have been instructed to consider placing restrictions in the car park, these being</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Limiting time of parking</li> <li>• Closing the car park</li> </ul>

<p>time and therefore rely on Devils Point Car Park.</p> <p>These changes will force people to work from home which will ultimately end up with businesses struggling with a lack of week day trade and therefore have a detrimental effect on royal william yard and retail in the long run.</p> <p>The 'high street' is currently struggling and councils are struggling to keep city centres busy due to more people moving online. The move to limiting this car park will only worsen this and there will be a lack of passing trade.</p> <p>Having read the article in the Plymouth Herald regarding the changes it seems complaints have been brought about blaming commuters for the lack of parking spaces. However it should be noted that this car park is full both weekdays and Saturdays as it is a popular spot for many people therefore penalising the commuters that do use the car park seems unfair as everyone has a right to share this space.</p> <p>I wonder if a compromise could be reached and perhaps the car park could only be limited at peak times seasonally for example may-september. Therefore commuters can still use the car park and help keep the passing trade and businesses running within the yard at their quiet times through the winter. Dartmouth centre operates a similar system which seems to work for them.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applying charges to the car park.</li> </ul> <p>The last two options were not deemed acceptable and therefore following consultation with the Royal William Yard (Urban Splash) and local community groups, the decision was made to propose changes to the legal traffic order to limit the stay period to three hours for visitors to the area. This is a scheme widely used across the city and country as a whole to protect vital tourist locations from the influx of commuter parking.</p> <p>We have undertaken a number of observation visits whereby we have identified a large number of car park users parking , walking to the Royal William Yard and returning 6 to 8 hours later, as with all businesses across the city, Plymouth City Council does not provide free commuter parking, whether this be in the area of the Royal William Yard or the City Centre.</p> <p>The Royal William Yard operators (Urban Splash) are responsible for developing a traffic and transport management plan for the development and are currently consulting on such a plan.</p> <p>I thank you for taking the time to respond to our consultation and will ensure that your comments are included within the consideration process.</p>
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**3. PROPOSAL**

3.1. In considering the representations received it is proposed to implement the amendments to Devils Point as advertised in order to provide additional support to the visitors and local community to the area. Such amendments will also support the Councils commitment to support Plymouth districts through maintaining free parking.

**4. LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

- 4.1. The lawful implications and consequences of the proposal have been considered and taken into account in the preparation of this report.
- 4.2. When considering whether to make a traffic order it is the Council's responsibility to ensure that all relevant legislation is complied with. This includes Section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended) that sets out that it is the duty of a local authority, so far as practicable subject to certain matters, to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians) and the provision of suitable and adequate parking facilities on and off the highway. It is considered that the proposals comply with Section 122 of the Act as they practically secure the safe and expeditious movement of traffic in and around Plymouth and provide for suitable and adequate associated parking facilities.

## **5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1. The financial implication will be approximately £5k for the Traffic Order and the installation of the Pay & Display Machine, Income will then be generated by the enforcement of overstaying vehicles, this should therefore enable the car park to operate on a break even basis.
- 5.2. Whilst not possible to accurately forecast the impact of this decision, it reasonable to make some assumptions: -
- 5.3. The cost of £5k to implement this decision relating to the publication of public notices, car park signage and reconfiguration of parking payment systems. This is to be funded from the Off Street Parking Trading Account.

## **6. RECOMMENDATION**

- 6.1. It is recommended to implement the changes as advertised, to implement the following amendment to The City of Plymouth (Off-Street Parking Places) Order 2007 (as amended):
  - 6.1.1. To implement a tariff of 3 Hours free parking, no return for 2 hours with the requirement to display a ticket,