

PARKING SERVICE RESPONSES to Questions of 06/02/2014 Meeting.

- Q1) To flag to the AD for Street Services about the issue of students parking/ not being provided with permits
- Q2) To find out with regards to Nottingham if a resident permits were cheaper than students'?
- A2) i) Resident parking permits in Nottingham are free of charge and valid for a period of 2 years. The maximum allocation of permits per household is 3 and this is made up of any combination of residents or visitors permits.  
 ii) Student permits are valid for 1 academic year (i.e. 1 August to 31 July) and are subject to a charge of £70.00 per permit. The maximum allocation of student permits per household is 3 and this is made up of any combination of residents or visitors permits.
- Q3) How much is the permit for Kassam Stadium?
- A3) i) All Kassam Stadium zone car permits (enforced on Sundays 8:30am-1:30pm and match days) are a charge of £11.00 per a permit.  
 ii) Other resident permits are charged as follows: The charge for an annual permit will normally be £50 for each of the first two vehicles. Only in zones where more than 2 vehicles are permitted, the 3rd permit will be £100 and 4th and subsequent permits will cost £150.  
 iii) If a permit is purchased part way through a year, a reduced rate based on the number of full plus part months is made as listed below:

Months	<u>1st/2nd car</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>Kassam Zone</u>
12	£50.00	£100.00	£150.00	£11.00
11	£46.00	£92.00	£138.00	£11.00
10	£42.00	£84.00	£125.00	£10.00
9	£38.00	£75.00	£113.00	£9.00
8	£34.00	£67.00	£100.00	£8.00
7	£30.00	£59.00	£88.00	£7.00
6	£25.00	£50.00	£75.00	£6.00
5	£21.00	£42.00	£63.00	£6.00
4	£17.00	£34.00	£50.00	£5.00
3	£13.00	£25.00	£38.00	£4.00
2	£9.00	£17.00	£25.00	£3.00
1	£5.00	£9.00	£13.00	£2.00

- Q4) To confirm if Catering Vans are able to park anywhere.
- A4) The short answer is no. PCC TRO restricts Catering Vans from parking in all residents or pay & display bays and PCC as a whole restricts street trading, which includes catering vans, to streets that either have consent or are prohibited, as explained in the following information. A list of the current streets is attached for information:-

**PLYMOUTH CITY COUNCIL CITY CENTRE STREET TRADING CONSENTS  
CITY CENTRE SITES**

Site	Consent fee (subject to committee approval)	Order of preference (1= most preferred)
2A New George Street (o/s TJ Hughes)	£5,964	
2B New George Street (o/s WH Smiths)	£5,964	
2D New George Street	£5,964	
9 New George Street (o/s Waterstones)	£5,964	
3A Bedford Way	£3,591	
3B Bedford Way	£5,964	
4A Old Town Street	£3,591	
7 New George Street	£2,758	
8 New George Street (Winter)	£2,316	
8 New George Street (Summer)	£1,213	
10 Sundial East	£7,112.80	
11 Sundial West	£7,112.80	
12 Cornwall Street (o/s Superdrug)	£4,000	
13 Place de Brest East	£4,000	
14 Cornwall Street (o/s Specsavers)	£4,000	

The current fee includes business rates. A £400 refundable deposit is payable in addition for the use of a street trading stall.

## “Street trading licence

Street trading is defined as the selling or offering for sale of any article in the street. This includes food such as burgers, kebabs, doughnuts or other things such as jewellery, household items plus face painting, hair braiding.

Streets within the city centre are designated as either consent or prohibited streets. No trading is permitted from a prohibited street. Within the consent streets there are 14 designated street trading sites. Trading can only take place from these specific sites and merchandise has to be approved by us. Any person who wishes to sell items in the city centre must first contact us to see whether there is an available site. These sites are allocated for a 12 month period and have to be applied for each year. We reserve the right to refuse any application without disclosing our reasons.

Certain sites are also available for ice cream sales on the Hoe foreshore, these are issued in January and run from 1 April to 31 March annually.”

- Q5) To find out from other Local Authorities when they shifted to generally 24/7 control...Plymouth seems to have an organic CPZ system with 53 zones, did other Local Authorities experience this problem and then change to what they have in place now?
- A5) The Parking Service spoke to 4 authorities responded that CPZ operational times were mostly decided with and after consultation with residents and amended at their request. Portsmouth, whose operational residents permits are currently 24 hours daily Monday to Sunday are considering introducing additional short time CPZ's in outer areas of the City that have been impacted on by the 24 hour restrictions.

Further information was gathered from 3 additional Councils who were asked if they had previously had short term operational times ie: 1 or 2 hours.

	<b>Council</b>	<b>Hours of Operation</b>
1	Portsmouth	Portsmouth Council operates an 8am – 8pm policy which deters business owners from parking during the day. They are currently advertising several zones with shorter 2 hour restrictions (2pm - 4pm). It is a new zone to be created on the outskirts of an existing zone and is most likely due to residents complaining that their streets are being used for parking by commuters avoiding the restricted CPZ areas.
2	Nottingham	Nottingham Council has 1 or 2 residents parking zones with a 2 hour restriction. Some zones have “split” restrictions, for example 10am -12 noon then 2pm - 4pm. One zone increased operational hours from 8am – 6pm to 8am – 8pm at the request of residents.

3	Southampton	Operates long time restrictions but allows shorter 1-2 hour “visitor times” throughout the day in different zones. Because of the size of the City the Council fully consult with residents for their requirements for operational hours; no amendments are made without first consulting residents.
4	Cambridge	Has two zones where residents permits are fixed at 8am – 6pm and business permits fixed at 8am - 8pm. This was the result of a review where residents requested these times.

Q6) Criteria for business permits to be detailed – 3 types of permit city wide to be explained

A6) Business parking permits are available to some businesses within Plymouths’ controlled parking zones. Not all businesses are eligible for business permits. A business permit entitles parking within a defined area but does not guarantee an actual parking space. All permits and time clocks must be correctly and clearly displayed so that all the information on the permit can be viewed by a Civil Enforcement Officer. Time clocks must be correctly displayed to show the time of arrival. Vehicles not displaying a permit and/or time clock correctly are liable for the issue of a Penalty Charge Notice.

**Business Permit**

Permit for businesses that require frequent and short term parking within residents parking bays for up to 2 hours, with no return in 1 hour, within the zone of the registered business. Permits can only be used by the vehicle for which the permit is issued to.

**Business Support Permit**

Permit for businesses requiring short term parking of up to 5 hours, with no return in 30 minutes, within the zone of the registered business. Permits may also be used within pay and display bays, within the zone of the registered business, up to a maximum of five hours, unless the pay and display bays have a time restriction of less than 5 hours, where the maximum stay still applies. Permits are not vehicle specific and can be used by all employees, clients and customers. A maximum of 5 permits may be issued per business address. Permit valid between 8am and 6pm 7 days a week.

**Business Employee Permit**

Permit which allows unrestricted parking in residents parking bays within the zone of the registered business. Permits are only available to businesses within zones DD, E, GG, I, P, R, V, TA-C and WI-3.

Please note that the above permits do not provide exemption from any traffic regulation orders. If permits become unreadable please ensure you arrange for a replacement as a Penalty Charge Notice may be issued where information on a permit is not legible.

- Q7) To provide info to 20 March meeting – a question and answer checklist – what has been learnt from other local authorities and from benchmarking – what should we do and what should we avoid.
- Q8) If poor parking outside of the designated lines is restricted to the length of the vehicle only – is it a traffic offence?
- A8) Yes this is a contravention of the TRO relating to both pay and display bays, which are marked individually by length and also lengths of residents parking bays which are not individually marked. With regards to length of residents parking bays, it is in contravention of the TRO if a vehicle is parked over the end of the designated lines of the length of the bay and onto another highway restriction; ie: if a vehicle is parked half in a residents parking bay and half on double yellow lines the PCN would be issued for 'parking on double yellow lines' (regardless of whether the vehicle has a valid parking permit).