

LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF REASONS

THE CITY COUNCIL OF LANCASTER (OFF STREET PARKING PLACES) (CONSOLIDATION) ORDER 2023 (AMENDMENT NO. 4) 2026

Lancaster City Council, in accordance with the provisions of the Road Traffic Act 1984, and other enabling enactments, makes provision for off-street parking places within its district.

The Council has now amended its current off-street order known as THE CITY COUNCIL OF LANCASTER (OFF STREET PARKING PLACES) (Consolidation) ORDER 2023.

In accordance with its general function as to the provision of off-street parking places within the district and its ongoing responsibility to review such arrangements the amendments detailed in the Public Notice and contained in the final Order have been made to:

1. Add defined terms to the order and make other minor amendments to ensure clarity.
2. Amend Bulk Street Car Park, Lancaster (Plan No. 4) to designate all parking bays as Blue Badge bays only. To provide a greater quantum of blue badge bays closer to Lancaster Town Hall.
3. Amend Coastal Rd, Morecambe (plan 8) to provide two marked campervan (as defined) bays allowing the sleeping within the vehicle but not camping or setting out. Along with associated changes to the order to reflect this. To provide some off-street campervan parking capacity in order to reduce the quantum of on-street campervan parking along Marine Road.
4. Make changes to the scale of charges, introduction of tariffs, amend the day/evening charging hours. To ensure that the council's budgetary commitments are met.
5. Make changes to the permit prices to ensure that the council's budgetary commitments are met.
6. Remove all permit parking authorisation at Auction Mart Car Park, Lancaster, amend the electric vehicle per kWh tariffs and introduce an overstay tariff structure. This is due to the forthcoming EV hub.
7. Permit Campervan sleeping on Coastal Road Car Park, Morecambe. To be restricted to the marked Campervan bays x2 and to be subject to a maximum stay of 48 hours, no return within 24 hours. In order to introduce the pilot off-street campervan terms and conditions so that the change can be reviewed & monitored.
8. Removal of Nelson Street Car Park due to it no longer being used as a car park.

The amended order has been made as the council has an ongoing responsibility to review arrangements and changes are required.

The Council had proposed to introduce a maximum stay of 7 hours in all car parks which permit Blue Badge holder parking (except Bull Beck Car Park, Caton) (after 7 hours normal charges will apply within a 24-hour period) and to require the display of the cardboard time clock to allow for enforcement checks. This had been proposed to in order to introduce restrictions to prevent 24/7 use of the blue badge bays to facilitate turnover of the use of the spaces.

Following feedback and further review it has been decided not to proceed with that change at this time. This means that Blue Badge Holder parking remains unrestricted and is not subject to a charge.