

STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR PROPOSALS

The Borough Council intends to adopt a new off-street parking places order for the following reasons:

1. There were several amendments to the 2017 Order and it makes sense to consolidate into one new Order.
2. In November 2024 the Council reviewed car parking availability in Newcastle town centre in light of the new multistorey car park opening and the emerging new Local Plan which identifies some car parks for partial or full development. This order therefore removes Blackfriars, Bankside and part of King Street. There is also part closure of Goose Street to facilitate construction compound for works required in the vicinity.
3. The Council is seeking to introduce a new Automatic Payment System for mobile users which will include permits, it therefore makes sense to review the permits used to offer those that are most used. Those with none or less than 5 sales are proposed to be removed which are Windsor Street Hassell School Parent Permits and both Windsor Street and Silverdale Road residents permits. Changes of dual permits for named bays on High Street (rear of) car park to open access permits. Other minor changes to the permit times and operation restrictions on all surface level car parks. There is also the removal of the requirement to display a ticket when paying via the mobile APP.
4. Creation of School Street and Barracks Road as one functioning car park to reflect its usage, leases and reduce double administration charges. Renaming of High Street to High Street South to remove confusion with High Street (rear of).
5. Addition of free car parks at Heathcote Street, Kidsgrove and The Parade, Silverdale to enable enforcement of Electric Vehicle charging bays if required.
6. Addition of Lyme Brook A34 car park to enable the enforcement of car parked outside of bays for the safety of drivers and pedestrians.