

ARUN DISTRICT COUNCIL
DECISION TAKEN UNDER OFFICER SCHEME OF DELEGATION

To be completed for decisions taken in accordance with Part 4, Officer Scheme of Delegation, Section 1, paragraph 5.2.

DATE DECISION TAKEN	1 April 2020
SUBJECT	PD suspension of car parking charges for ADC car parks S138 CMT Record of Decision.
DECISION TAKEN	To incur expenditure through a loss of income as a result of suspending car parks charging in line with my delegated authority in connection with the peacetime emergency of the Covid 19 pandemic.
REASON FOR THE DECISION	<p>Parking charges are suspended in Arun District Council car parks to help our residents park safely, support key workers and avoid road congestion during the Covid-19 situation. These are difficult times for everyone but particularly for those who live in areas with limited space to park. Key workers who return home at night after work are struggling to find free spaces and we want to do all we can to support them.</p> <p>Section 138(1) of the Local Government Act 1972 confirms that: "Where an emergency or disaster involving destruction or danger to life or property occurs or is imminent or there is reasonable ground for apprehending such an emergency or disaster, and a principle council are of the opinion that it is likely to affect the whole or part of their area or all or some of its inhabitants, the council may (a) incur such expenditure as they consider necessary in taking action themselves (either alone or jointly with any other person or body and either in their area or elsewhere in or outside the UK) which is calculated to avert, alleviate or eradicate in their area or among its inhabitants the effects or potential effects of the event;"</p> <p>I have exercised my delegated authority at Part 4, Section 2, paragraph 3.9 of the Officer Scheme of Delegation which confirms that I can incur this expenditure for meeting the purposes of the Local Government Act 1972, S.138 when it is in connection with peacetime emergencies and disasters.</p> <p>As my authority confirms, this action will be reported to the first subsequent meeting of Cabinet.</p>
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED OR REJECTED	<p>To continue charging for parking</p> <p>Decision rejected following consultation with the Leader of the Council – see attached</p>
ANY CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARED BY	None

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ANY MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL <i>Only needed if the decision is under an express authorisation</i>	
NAME OF THE DECISION TAKER	Philippa Dart, Director of Services
SIGNATURE	

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