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	Objection/Comments	Comments from Director of Highways & Transport
	<p>Resident of Orchard Street</p> <p>Strongly disagree with extending the charging for parking to 8 pm as it deters people coming into Chichester to use local shops and businesses. They will use out of town facilities. Also supports the local chichester bell ringers that they can park their cars free if charge in West Street evenings and Sunday and when ringing for weddings. They are offering a vital service to the community and unique to have a separate bell tower. It would be a great shame for them to have to pay Monday Wednesday bell practice nights and Saturday and Sundays for services to the cathedral. At times they have to use Orchard Street car park.</p>	<p>Thank you for your consultation response regarding the proposed parking charges to be introduced at County Hall, The Library and Record Office. Your feedback has been considered by officers and we understand that you disagree with the charging.</p> <p>Firstly, thank you for your feedback to this consultation. It is always helpful to have suggestions and comments from our local communities when we are considering parking charge implementation. Parking Charges for the County Council Car Parks at Chichester have been considered to be in line with those in local car parks managed by the District Council, these charges are set following consultation with the Parking Forum for Chichester District (consisting of representatives of business, community and access groups). Part of this consideration involves looking at the local facilities on offer, the demand and turnover of spaces in the car park and the cost of maintaining the parking facilities. There are no other car parks within Chichester city which offer free of charge parking on Sundays. Extending the car park charging is aimed at providing some consistency between WSCC and the District Council.</p> <p>The council must cover the costs of provision of parking which includes expenditure to bring the car parks up to current standards, rates, insurance, maintenance, lighting, and staff cover. Charges are set to assist with covering these costs and to help turnover in car parks. It should also be noted that there is some parking free of charge after 5.30pm (until 9am) and on Sundays on the roads.</p> <p>Whilst we appreciate that you are dissatisfied with the proposed</p>

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		<p>charges, and the proposal to increase parking fees is never popular, the County Council must, however, make decisions which meet the objectives as set out above. We can confirm that we will be monitoring these charges closely to understand whether there are any adverse effects on local communities.</p> <p>Thank you again for your feedback.</p>
	<p>Resident of North Walls</p> <p>Extremely worried about the charges for Sunday parking at County Hall. Chichester city centre is dying and they believe this will put many more people off from shopping on Sundays.</p> <p>2. Charges from 6pm - 8pm and Sundays will make it even harder for those with residents parking permits to park in the resident's zones.</p> <p>3. Residents friends and family will have to pay to park on Saturday evenings and Sundays. Will there be any help for them? Perhaps a visitors permit?</p>	<p>Thank you for your consultation response regarding the proposed parking charges to be introduced at County Hall, The Library and Record Office. Your feedback has been considered by officers and we understand that you disagree with the charging.</p> <p>Firstly, thank you for your feedback to this consultation. It is always helpful to have suggestions and comments from our local communities when we are considering parking charge implementation. Parking Charges for the County Council Car Parks at Chichester have been considered to be in line with those in local car parks managed by the District Council, these charges are set following consultation with the Parking Forum for Chichester District (consisting of representatives of business, community and access groups). Part of this consideration involves looking at the local facilities on offer, the demand and turnover of spaces in the car park and the cost of maintaining the parking facilities. There are no other car parks within Chichester city which offer free of charge parking on Sundays. Extending the car park charging is aimed at providing some consistency between WSCC and the District Council.</p> <p>The council must cover the costs of provision of parking which includes expenditure to bring the car parks up to current standards, rates, insurance,</p>

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	<p>Resident of Beech Avenue</p> <p>Wish to object to Sections (i) and (iii) of the Chichester: County Hall, Library and The Record Office Car Parks Off-Street Parking Places Order 2019.</p> <p>Section (i) The charges listed for Saturday parking at County Hall are significantly higher than the current charges. This may deter some people from visiting Chichester to the detriment of the retailers operating in the city. Other visitors will undoubtedly decide to park in some of the residential areas of the city where there are no Saturday parking restrictions and this will impact the residents. Although County Hall and the Records Office car parks are not currently available to the public on Sundays and making them available could be perceived to be an improvement it is likely that the imposition of charges will have similar impacts as the proposed Saturday charges. While they understand the desire for the council to increase revenue through implementation of additional parking charges they would like to suggest that the proposed Saturday charges should be reduced to a level similar to or slightly higher than those</p>	<p>Thank you for your consultation response regarding the proposed parking charges to be introduced at County Hall, The Library and Record Office. Your feedback has been considered by officers and we understand that you disagree with the increase in charging.</p> <p>Firstly, thank you for your feedback to this consultation. It is always helpful to have suggestions and comments from our local communities when we are considering parking charge implementation. Parking Charges for the County Council Car Parks at Chichester have been considered to be in line with those in local car parks managed by the District Council, these charges are set following consultation with the Parking Forum for Chichester District (consisting of representatives of business, community and access groups). Part of this consideration involves looking at the local facilities on offer, the demand and turnover of spaces in the car park and the cost of maintaining the parking facilities. There are no other car parks within Chichester city which offer free of</p>

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<p>charged by the current operator at County Hall, for example £3.00 for up to 4 hours and £5.00 for longer than 4 hours, and that there should be no charges on Sundays or Public Holidays.</p> <p>Section (iii) They agree that it is necessary to introduce a time limit to the Library parking bays however believe that 20 minutes is insufficient and would suggest 30 minutes as a more suitable limit.</p>	<p>charge parking on Sundays. Extending the car park charging is aimed at providing some consistency between WSCC and the District Council.</p> <p>The council must cover the costs of provision of parking which includes expenditure to bring the car parks up to current standards, rates, insurance, maintenance, lighting, and staff cover. Charges are set to assist with covering these costs and to help turnover in car parks.</p> <p>Whilst we appreciate that you are dissatisfied with the proposed charges, and the proposal to increase parking fees is never popular, the County Council must, however, make decisions which meet the objectives as set out above. We can confirm that we will be monitoring these charges closely to understand whether there are any adverse effects on local communities. It should also be noted that there is some parking free of charge after 5.30pm (until 9am) and on Sundays on the roads.</p> <p>Your comments regarding the time limit at the library are noted and we will seek to increase this waiting time to 30 minutes following a number of responses to this point.</p> <p>Thank you again for your feedback.</p>
<p>Resident of Wall Cottage Drive</p> <p>Hopes the Council will consider granting resident visitor parking permits to the few residents in and around Wall Cottage Drive as we rely on access to these public parking spaces.</p>	<p>Thank you for your consultation response regarding the proposed parking charges to be introduced at County Hall, The Library and Record Office. Your feedback has been considered by officers and while we appreciate that you have had the use of the parking spaces on an adhoc basis the council cannot make exceptions to our charging for those residents living adjacent to county hall. It should also be noted that there is some parking free of charge after 5.30pm (until 9am) and on Sundays on the roads. Thank you again for your feedback.</p>

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	<p>Resident of The Witterings</p> <p>As a volunteer bell ringer at Chichester Cathedral they regularly park in West Street from 8:30 am to 10:30 am on Sundays and also on practice nights from 18:00 until 21:30. The proposed changes will make it both expensive and difficult to continue to provide the free service to the cathedral and local community. They have not observed any shortage of parking spaces in West Street during these times so see no reason why parking needs to be restricted to 30 minutes. They also believe that continually increasing parking charges and charged time within Chichester can only be detrimental in encouraging people to use the city centre. Therefore object to all of the outlined proposals.</p>	<p>Thank you for your consultation response regarding the proposed parking charges to be introduced at County Hall, The Library and Record Office. Your feedback has been considered by officers, the intention is to charge from 10:00am on a Sunday and while it is understood that the bell ringing is a free service to the public if the council is to treat the public equally then we need to charge all groups who use the car park. Unfortunately the car parks at county hall, the library and the record office do not fall within the same policies as on street parking and the hours and charging method reflects as close as possible those used by the District Council in their main car parks. It should also be noted that there is some parking free of charge after 5.30pm (until 9am) and on Sundays on the roads. Thank you again for your feedback.</p>
	<p>Cathedral Tower Master</p> <p>Very concerned at the car parking changes and charges that are proposed for the car parks close to the Cathedral Bell Tower and the restrictions to parking.</p> <p>If space is available they park on West Street or Tower Street but if not they use the WSCC car parks when they ring for services on a Sunday, practice nights on a Wednesday – 6.00pm to 9.00pm and more recently our new ringers practice on a Monday evening – 6.30pm to 8.30pm. At all other times when they ring the band either use the public car parks or come by public transport. As you may be aware we are all volunteers and we only get paid to ring for weddings and some special services by prior arrangement. At all other times we provide our services for free.</p> <p>At a time when most towers are struggling to find ringers this is going to have a detrimental effect on our</p>	<p>Thank you for your consultation response regarding the proposed parking charges to be introduced at County Hall, The Library and Record Office. Your feedback has been considered by officers, while it is understood that the bell ringing is a free service to the public if the council is to treat the public equally then we need to charge all groups who use the car park. It should also be noted that there is some parking free of charge after 5.30pm (until 9am) and on Sundays on the roads. Thank you again for your feedback.</p>

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	<p>band. Our ringers live mainly outside of Chichester itself and travel in from The Witterings, Selsey, Westergate and Bognor Regis to ring. There are also ringers from other towers, eg Bosham, Pagham, Petworth, Portsmouth who regularly come and support the Monday and Wednesday practices and we call upon them when we do not have sufficient local ringers to make up a band. Some ringers have already indicated that they may not be such regular attendees if they have to pay to park or cannot park close by.</p> <p>The bells and ringers are appreciated by so many in the area and the bells would be missed if we had to curtail some of our ringing.</p> <p>Therefore they object to the TRO proposal and would be grateful if you would give consideration to the above facts.</p>	
	<p>Resident of Westergate</p> <p>County Council officers at times are required to leave their vehicles overnight or beyond 6pm on Council business, and therefore should not have to pay for parking, if they have a valid permit. Is a system going to be put in place to allow this level of flexibility? Fully support the rest of the proposals, as it will generate revenue, but this needs to be considered.</p>	<p>Thank you for your consultation response regarding the proposed parking charges to be introduced at County Hall, The Library and Record Office. Your feedback has been considered by officers. Officers who have a valid permit displayed in their vehicles will not be subject to parking charges while they are on official council business. Thank you again for your feedback.</p>
	<p>Resident of Spitalfield Lane</p> <p>By charging in the evening you push evening parkers into surrounding streets thereby making it harder for residents to park even when they have a permit scheme because this isn't in force in the evenings. This is shown as a problem on Sundays since charging has started in car parks. Other city's and towns are reducing or abolishing parking charges to encourage city centre visitors yet here is another proposal to drive people away</p>	<p>Thank you for your consultation response regarding the proposed parking charges to be introduced at County Hall, The Library and Record Office. Your feedback has been considered by officers we understand that you disagree with the charging and the potential impact locally. Firstly, thank you for your feedback to this consultation. It is always helpful to have suggestions and comments from our local communities when we are considering parking charge implementation. The council car parks are not classed as public car parks and while residents</p>

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		<p>may have had access to parking in the past the council needs to start charging to cover the cost of owning and maintaining its assets. It is never popular to implement charges when people have had things free in the past but given the financial pressures on the authority this has had to happen. Thanks you again for your feedback.</p>
	<p>Resident of Wall Cottage Drive</p> <p>Object to the proposal and would like to make a suggestion for Residents' Visitors Permits to lessen the effect on local residents.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The huge increase in the daily Saturday charge from £3 to £13.40 is unreasonable, especially in the Record Office car park which lies outside the city centre. The Record Office car park should remain a long-stay car park. 2. The hours when charges will apply go beyond any other car park in Chichester, especially on Sundays when charging is proposed from 8am to 8pm (other car parks charge from 10am to 5pm on Sundays). The evening charge places County Hall and the Record Office as premium car parks, despite not being near to premium attractions. The only other car parks which have evening charges are Northgate (aimed at theatre goers) and New Park Road (aimed at the New Park Centre). There is no equivalent premium attraction near County Hall, except for the cathedral on the occasions when they have a major evening event. The St Cyriacs car park remains free in the evenings, despite being closer to many restaurants and the Assembly Room. 3. Local residents in West Street, North Walls (nos. 7-10) and Wall Cottage Drive have no parking spaces for visitors and have relied upon County Hall to welcome family and friends outside of office hours. At this high price, we will have to park elsewhere in the city, or choose to get together elsewhere. 4. Leave it to local independent shops and BID to comment on whether increasing charges will drive shoppers elsewhere. 5. Making the charge applicable on 	<p>Thank you for your consultation response regarding the proposed parking charges to be introduced at County Hall, The Library and Record Office. Your feedback has been considered by officers we understand that you disagree with the charging and the potential impact locally. Firstly, thank you for your feedback to this consultation. It is always helpful to have suggestions and comments from our local communities when we are considering parking charge implementation. The council car parks are not classed as public car parks and while residents may have had access to parking in the past the council needs to start charging to cover the cost of owning and maintaining its assets. It is never popular to implement charges when people have had things free in the past but given the financial pressures on the authority this has had to happen. The charging structure that the council is intending on adopting is to closely mirror local car parks so as not to enter into competition with the district council. The intention is not to charge from 8:00am on a Sunday but from 10:00am as happens in other car parks in the city. It should also be noted that there is some parking free of charge after 5.30pm (until 9am) and on Sundays on the roads. Your final point on increasing the time at the library is acknowledged and we intend on increasing the waiting time to 30 minutes. Thanks you again for your feedback.</p>

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	<p>Sundays from 8am appears to be aimed at people attending early services at the cathedral. Why pick on them? Other car parks in Chichester start charging from 10am.</p> <p>The effect on local residents could be managed better by providing a scheme of Residents' Visitor Permits, just as CDC already support for most controlled parking zones. This would enable residents still to welcome family and friends while making a small but reasonable contribution to WSCC finances.</p> <p>Finally, support the idea of making the Library parking spaces limited in time, but I doubt that 20 minutes is realistic. Suggest making the limit 30 minutes would allow someone to browse for books or find the information they need, and then return to their car in time.</p>	
	<p>Dean of Chichester Cathedral</p> <p>Some years ago those attending services at Chichester Cathedral on Sundays were given permission to park free of charge at County Hall. It would seem that this facility is being withdrawn. This will have a detrimental effect on those who have valued this concession.</p>	
	<p>Resident of Bethwines Close</p> <p>This seems to be yet another attempt to raise income at the expense of the Chichester city. It will further deter visitors and reduce the attractiveness of Chichester to visitors and is likely to speed the further decline of shopping in the city. This is further exasperated by the crazy system of Pay when you Park rather than Pay when you leave</p>	
	<p>Resident of Hambrook</p> <p>Please do not introduce parking charges between 6pm and 8pm and on Sundays because this will increase the pressure on free on street parking places in West Street and near the Library at these times. For cathedral bellringers (all volunteers) it is essential to park close to the cathedral for evening practices (twice a week Monday and Wednesday) which start</p>	<p>Thank you for your consultation response regarding the proposed parking charges to be introduced at County Hall, The Library and Record Office. Your feedback has been considered by officers, while it is understood that the bell ringing is a free service to the public if the council is to treat the public equally then we need to charge all groups</p>

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<p>at 6.30pm and finish at 9pm and for Sunday service ringing. A majority of the ringers are over 60 so on restricted incomes. It is a struggle to keep this public service going without additional deterrents. The cathedral bells are not easy to ring and people come from quite far away (eg Fontwell, Petworth, Pagham) to ring and to train new recruits. In general they feel evening & Sunday parking charges are counter-productive while we have limited and expensive public transport.</p>	<p>who use the car park. Thank you again for your feedback.</p>
<p>Resident of Tangmere</p> <p>We pay enough already for parking in the city, we will no doubt not see any improvements around the city for the additional charges, what about those who may now not be able to afford to park? Asks how the additional cash made will be spent? Suggests improving existing car parks or the appalling state of a lot of our roads around the city.</p>	<p>Thank you for your consultation response regarding the proposed parking charges to be introduced at County Hall, The Library and Record Office. Your feedback has been considered by officers and we understand that you have concerns regarding the charging and where the income will be used.</p> <p>Firstly, thank you for your feedback to this consultation. It is always helpful to have suggestions and comments from our local communities when we are considering parking charge implementation. The revenue that the council gets will contribute towards the cost of maintaining the parking facilities. The council must cover the costs of provision of parking which includes expenditure to bring the car parks up to current standards, rates, insurance, maintenance, lighting, and staff cover. Whilst we appreciate that you are dissatisfied with the proposed charges, and the proposal to increase parking fees is never popular, the County Council must, however, make decisions which meet the objectives as set out above. Thank you again for your feedback.</p>
<p>Resident of Hove</p> <p>The main problem they can see is that by making it pay and display during the daytime, there is no guarantee of a space so staff could drive into the centre of Chichester, not get a space</p>	<p>Thank you for your consultation response regarding the proposed parking charges to be introduced at County Hall, The Library and Record Office. Your feedback has been considered by officers, parking is a</p>

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	<p>and then have to drive round. This will increase traffic in the city centre, not reduce it.</p>	<p>limited resource and unfortunately even for staff we are unable to guarantee parking. Thank you again for your feedback.</p>
	<p>Resident of Wall Cottage Drive</p> <p>Objecting to the evening weekend and bank holiday charges being applied and/or increased as it will negatively affect the local economy and places like the cathedral, library and museum.</p> <p>Support the charging for staff parking but question why it is so cheap - effectively subsidised or a taxable benefit if/when you bring in the new charging periods and rates for public use.</p>	<p>Thank you for your consultation response regarding the proposed parking charges to be introduced at County Hall, The Library and Record Office. Your feedback has been considered by officers, while it is understood if the council is to treat the public equally then we need to charge all groups who use the car park. The proposal to charge staff, while being relatively cheap compared to the public, it is increasing the cost per day by 100% for those that have to pay and where an employer provides parking for their staff at their place of work this is not classed as a taxable benefit.</p> <p>Thank you again for your feedback.</p>