

Appendix B: Comments from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Tariff related)

Comment from Committee	Reasons from the Committee	Executive Member/Officer Comment	Recommended Action
For Bell Street car park there is an increase over 50% of the current price. Calculations for this car park were requested.	O&S member discussion and comments	The strategy seeks to re-balance and re-define parking charges across the district. Prices in Bell Street car park were abnormally low previously. When the uplift is applied there is potentially an increase in income of approx. £17.5k should transactions be similar to previous years.	A review of all “local car parks” will be considered as part of future developments where it requires further statutory public consultation. No change to pricing proposed following this comment.
Including weekend charging for High Street in Stanstead Abbots doesn't seem to be fairer for residents.	As above	There is no increase in charging at High Street car park (Mon to Sat), there is actually a decrease. Weekend charging has been reviewed, Sundays and public holidays will remain at £1.50 for April 2025 – March 2026.	As above
Elm road is priced high however businesses and local workers cannot access Northgate End Car park before 7am.	As above	The price for Elm Road will be reduced from £7.80 to £5 for the all-day rate for April 2025 to March 2026 to support the use of outer town parks to release pressure on short stay inner town centre car parks – previously described as differential parking rates.	We will explore the issues around opening times for NGE
Reductions for local people should be considered	As above	The proposals seek to re-balance car parking tariffs based on a new set of principles which recognise the differences in the use and function of car parks. For instance, there is a reduction proposed charges in Stanstead Abbots and price freezes in other areas to reflect the needs	No action

		which reflect the re-categorisation of car parks.	
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