

CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL

Record of Executive Decision

RECORD OF URGENT DECISION ON KEY PUBLIC AND VOLUNTARY SECTOR WORKERS FREE PARKING PERMITS AND THE RE-PROVISION OF THE PAID FOR CITY CENTRE WORKER PERMIT MARCH 2021

Decision of: **Councillor Nicky Massey**, Executive Councillor for Transport and Community Safety

Reference: 21/URGENCY/P&T/05

Date of decision: 10 March 2021 **Published on:** 19 March 2021

Decision Type: Key

Matter for Decision: Executive Councillor is recommended to:

- I. retain the provision of free parking permits for public and voluntary sector key workers to be reviewed in line with COVID-19 Response - Spring 2021 'Roadmap out of lockdown' Step 4 – Not before 21st June
- II. agree the re-provision of a City Centre Worker permit at a discounted rate for the same period, for city centre businesses returning to work until the 21st June 2021

Why the decision had to be made (and any alternative options):

The decision needs to be made urgently as the previous ROD decision supported the provision of permits until the end of 31st March, the next scrutiny committee is not until 23rd March.

The 23rd March compresses the implementation timeframe to four working days, presenting a risk that operational back office work will not be completed in a timely fashion. If the decision is not made now the ability for key public and voluntary sector workers may not be able to continue to deliver the current level of service to the community and there will be no discounted rate for city centre workers.

The Executive Councillor's decision(s):

I. Retained the provision of free parking permits for public and voluntary sector key workers to be reviewed in line with COVID-19 Response - Spring 2021 'Roadmap out of lockdown' Step 4 – Not before 21st June

II. Agreed the re-provision of a City Centre Worker permit at a discounted rate for the same period, for city centre businesses returning to work until the 21st June 2021

Reasons for the decision:

As detailed in the Officers report (appendix 1) which can be viewed at the link below:

<https://democracy.cambridge.gov.uk/ecSDDisplay.aspx?NAME=SD1583&ID=1583&RPID=68742284>

Scrutiny consideration:

The Chair and Spokesperson of Planning and Transport Scrutiny Committee were consulted prior to the action being authorised.

Report:

As shown in Appendix 1.

Conflicts of interest:

None

Comments:

Comments were made to the Strategic Director, Fiona Bryant by Councillor Bick, Planning and Transport Opposition Spokes. A request was made to place the Record of Decision on the Planning and Transport Agenda as a late item for the meeting scheduled for 23 March 2021. This was permitted by the Chair of the Committee.