

TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

RECORD OF OFFICER DECISION

Decision Taken By: Chief Executive	Decision No: CE 21/013
Delegated Authority (under which decision taken): Authority delegated to the Chief Executive under Part 3 of the Constitution and set out in the Scheme of Functions delegated to Officers.	
Decision Type:	Non-Key
Date of Decision:	28/05/2021

Decision(s) and Reason(s)
Suspension of car parking charges in Western Road Car Park, Borough Green
A collapsed sewer forced the complete closure of the A25 in St Mary's Platt. The diversion route for all traffic including HGVs was via Wrotham Heath, Wrotham and Borough Green via Western Road to rejoin the A25. Western Road in Borough Green has car parking allowed on one side of the road. With cars parked there the actual highway is narrowed, making it impossible for 2 HGVs to pass in different directions. The consequence was gridlocked traffic extending for long distances and causing great disruption. Following discussion with the then Cabinet Member for Street Scene and the Emergency Planning Officer, it became clear the only solution was to move all parking off road into Western Road Car Park without charge.
Reason: To minimise the disruption to traffic management whilst the A25 remained closed

Details of any Alternatives Considered:
Use of Station car park / school car park was considered
Reason(s) why rejected: Discounted as negotiation with Network Rail / School would involve delay. School did not have enough capacity

Conflicts of Interest/Dispensations Granted:

There were no conflicts of interest declared or dispensations granted by or to any Member who was consulted in respect of this decision.
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Background Papers (if any):

N/A

Signed Chief Officer: Julie Beilby

Date of publication: 13 September 2021

This decision will come into force immediately as 'call in' does not apply to non-key officer decisions.

The scheme of functions delegated to officers can be found here:

http://www.tmbc.gov.uk/_data/assets/pdf_file/0007/181483/Part-3-responsibilities.pdf