

TONBRIDGE AND MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

RECORD OF EXECUTIVE NON-KEY DECISION

Decision Taken By: Cabinet Member for Finance, Waste and Technical Services	Decision Number: D250116MEM
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Date: 15 October 2025

Decision(s) and Reason(s)
Introduction of Parking Charges in Aylesford East and West Car Parks
<p>Following consideration of options, the Cabinet Member for Finance, Waste and Technical Services RESOLVED that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">(1) the Parking Charges be established along with improvements to Aylesford West Car Park, including the Residents Season Ticket only bays, before the consultation timescale expires; and(2) the extension to the Aylesford East Car Park continue to be developed whilst noting that the extension will be taken through planning and will not conflict with the essential installation of the new sewer by Southern Water.
<p>Reasons for decision:</p> <p>Following a comprehensive and extensive public consultation, Cabinet approved the introduction of parking charges in the Aylesford East and West Car Parks.</p> <p>The time limit placed on the consultation process for the introduction of charges is statutory, 2 years from the commencement of the consultation on any proposal.</p> <p>The current decision to introduce charging in the Aylesford car parks was based on consultation that commenced on 23 November 2023. The wording of the decision tied improvements and the extension of the Eastern car park to the introduction of the charges as set out in Cabinet Decision Notice D240034(1)CAB.</p> <p>Southern Water have issued notice that they will be installing a brand-new sewer under the River Medway which will require the area that the car park extension would be built on. The extension to the car park cannot be achieved within the time limit for the parking consultation and associated decision by Cabinet, though the gains for better management of the car park can be achieved now.</p>

Signed Cabinet Member for Finance, Waste and Technical Services:	M Coffin
Signed Leader:	M Boughton
Signed Deputy Chief Executive:	A Stanfield
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This decision will come into force and may then be implemented on the expiry of 5 working days after publication unless it is called in.