

WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL
THE WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL (OFF STREET PARKING PLACES)
ORDER 2015 (No []) - NOTICE OF PROPOSALS

Notice is hereby given that the Wyre Forest District Council ("the Council") in exercise of its powers under Section 32 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and of all other enabling powers proposes to make the above Order. The Order shall be made as soon as possible following the consultation period but will come into effect in various phases as detailed below. The effect of the Order shall be:

1. To revoke the current Order and reinstate those provisions save for the amendments proposed;
2. Removal of the Youth Centre Surface Vehicle Car Park, Kidderminster (with effect from the termination of the current lease).
3. Removal of the Castle Road Car Park, Kidderminster (with effect from the disposal of the site);
4. Removal of Horsefair Surface Vehicle Car Park (with effect from disposal of the site);
5. Reduction to the boundary of the Stadium Close Car Park, Kidderminster;
6. General amendments to the Order of minimal effect (refer to documents on deposit for details);
7. To apply a consistent threshold of 65 to eligibility for senior citizen season tickets and
8. To remove the ability to claim a refund for unexpired season tickets (4,5,6 and 7 to take effect immediately from making the Order).

A copy of the Order, plans showing the land affected and a statement of the Council's reasons for making the Order can be inspected between 09:00 and 16:30 Monday to Friday at Wyre Forest House, Kidderminster and the Worcestershire Hub, Town Hall, Kidderminster and on the Council's website. If you wish to object to this Order, the objection together with the grounds for making it must be made in writing to the Solicitor of the Council, Wyre Forest District Council, Wyre Forest House, Finepoint Way, Kidderminster, DY11 7WF **not later than 24th July 2015.**

Dated the 2nd July 2015

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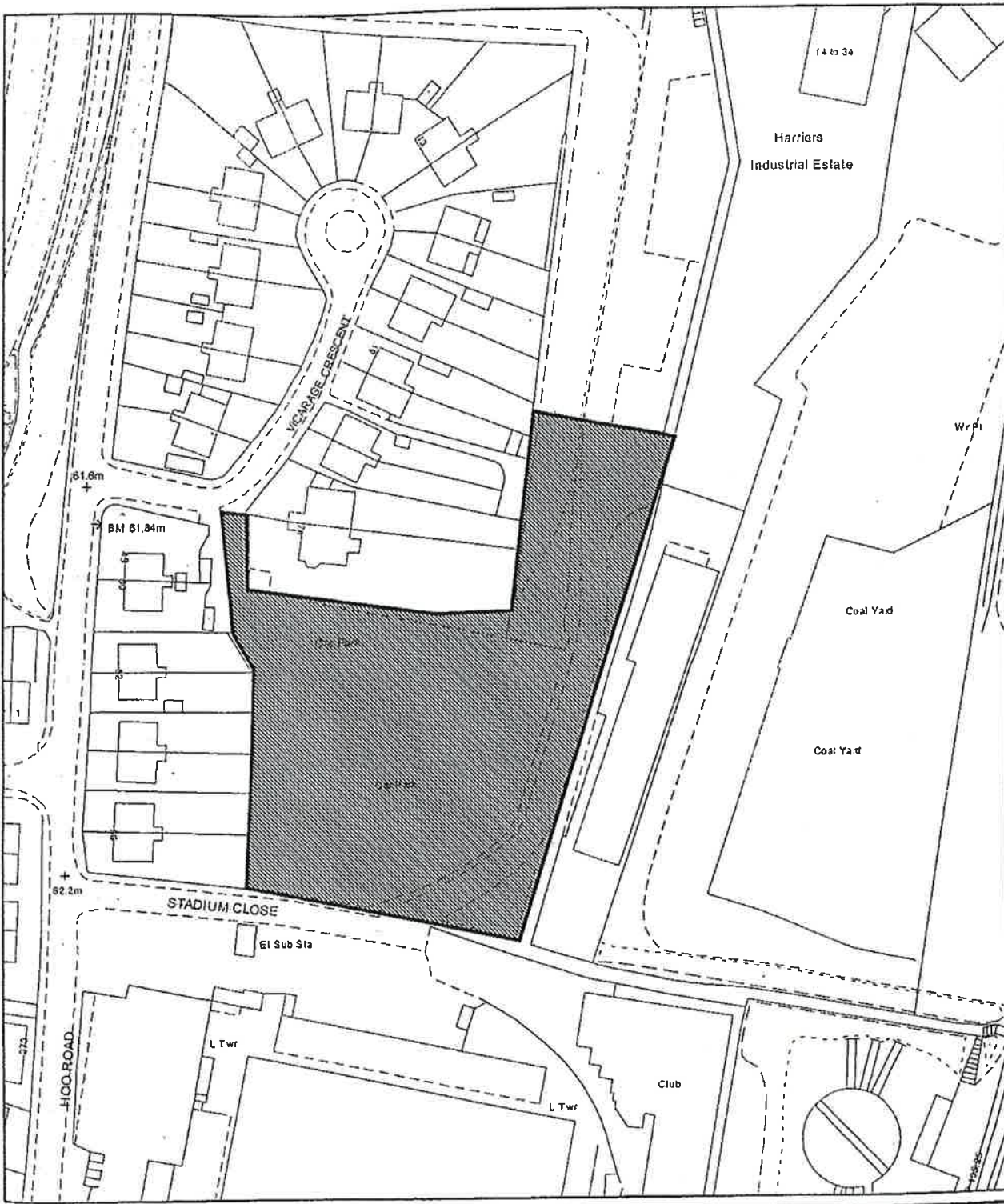
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 THE WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL (OFF-STREET PARKING PLACES) ORDER 2015 (no.[])

STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR PROPOSING TO MAKE THE ORDER

1. The Council currently leases the site of the Youth Centre Car Park for the sum of £10,000 per annum. This car park is underused and located in close proximity to Bromsgrove Street Car Park which provides adequate parking facility for the area. The Council wishes to terminate the lease of this car park as can no longer justify the expenditure of the rent.
2. Land at Stadium Close Car Park which is not used for parking but is within the boundary of the Parking Order, is being transferred by the Council to the Wyre Forest Community Housing Group to facilitate their residential development on the former Harriers Trading Estate. This area needs to be removed from the Parking Order and will have no impact on the parking bays available to the public.
3. A further slight boundary amendment to the Stadium Close Car Park is required due to the disposal of an area to the rear of 51 Hoo Road. No loss of parking caused by this amendment.
4. Planning permission has been granted for the redevelopment of the Western Gateway in Kidderminster including land occupied currently by Crown House and other properties in Lower Mill Street (13/0670 FULL) One of the properties affected in Lower Mill Street is occupied by Job Centre plus and in order to facilitate the assembly of land required for redevelopment purposes the Council have agreed to sell the site of the Castle Road car park for the development of new premises for Job Centre Plus for this purpose. Castle Road car park does not generate sufficient revenue through its usage to warrant its retention as a car park and the Council's Cabinet at its meeting of 22nd July 2014 resolved to dispose of it in support of these regeneration plans. The car park therefore needs to be removed from the Order.
5. Horsefair Surface Vehicle Car Park (Broad Street) has been allocated for disposal as it is under utilised. The land is currently on the market for sale and outline planning permission for residential development has been obtained.
6. Upon review of the Parking Order the Council wishes to make several changes to reflect the practices which have developed in the use of the car parks and the enforcement of the Order:
 - a. The payment machines now accept credit and debit cards
 - b. The Council no longer accepts payment in cash for payment of penalty charges
 - c. Various definitions in the Order are not required
 - d. Removal of reference to pay on exit car parks as there are none in the district
 - e. To include a formal exemption to charges where the Council has publicised free parking
 - f. Removal of the reference to enforcement of vehicle tax and insurance

- g. The review and correction of minor boundary changes
 - h. The correction of car park details to include reference to existing short stay zones.
7. The Council intends to amend the entitlement to senior citizen season tickets by removing the lower age qualification of 60 which applies only to those not in employment therefore applying a consistent threshold of 65.
 8. The Council intends to remove the ability to claim a refund for unexpired season tickets.
 9. Plans for the parking areas within nature reserves have not previously been included within the Order. To ensure that it is clear where the Order applies, it is proposed that these areas are more clearly identified within the Order.

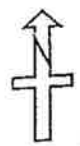
Stadium Close - current area covered by parking order.



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Car Parks Section
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Location: Stadium Close Surface Car Park, Kidderminster.

Date:- 10 June 2003
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