

**Agenda Item No:**

**Report To:** Joint Transportation Board

**Date:** 6 September 2022

**Report Title:** Parking Update and Waiting Restrictions Update

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<b>Summary:</b>	<b>This report provides an update on schemes that are currently being progressed by the Ashford Borough Council's, Parking, Highways and Transportation Team.</b>
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**Key Decision:** No

**Affected Wards:** All

**Recommendations:** That the contents of the report be noted.

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### **Introduction and Background**

1. This report provides an update of schemes that are currently being managed and progressed through the Parking, Highways and Transportation team.

### **Updates**

#### ***Park Mall Car Park***

2. The public consultation regarding Park Mall Car Park has now concluded and the Traffic Regulation Order process completed. The car park is open (lower level). In total 44 parking bays are available for public use.
3. RingGo payment by phone is in operation until the Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) installation is complete. Currently awaiting the date for the camera supply.

#### ***Edinburgh Road Car Park***

4. Edinburgh Road Car Park is currently closed.

#### ***Victoria Road Car Park***

5. Victoria Road Car Park is now available for public use (reopened last week of July 22). This site is provide long-stay parking, with overflow parking for the new Hilton Hotel and season tickets for residents.

### **Road Markings**

6. A number of road marking areas across the borough are being put together to be refreshed including double yellow lines, disabled parking spaces and white line road markings for driveways (H-Bar).

### **New Schemes and Projects**

#### ***Disabled Parking , Mill Court and Sorting Office, Tannery Lane***

7. At present, the Technical and Transport Officer remains vacant and therefore the ability to progress new schemes has been somewhat limited. Some assistance has been provided via a temporary part-time contractor enabling disabled parking applications to be progressed, Mill Court H-Bars, and early site work for the parking bays outside the Sorting Office in Tannery Lane.
8. Recruitment to the permanent position has again commenced and further information provided at the meeting as necessary.

#### ***Adley's Yard***

9. This will be a new controlled parking area and a Traffic Regulation Order consultation is currently open. This will be a pay by phone car park (RingGo). Up to 12 season tickets will be available and there are two free parking bays (15 minutes maximum stay). The car park will have two electric vehicle charge points (ECVP) provided.

### ***EVCP update***

10. The ground works for the initial phase of the council's EVCP programme have been completed. As soon as the power supply connections are in place the units will be commissioned. We are on schedule for all EVCPs to be operational by end of summer. These are the units funded via the OZEV grant scheme.

### ***ParkMap***

11. ParkMap is the UK's leading solution for providing local authorities with an accessible map-based inventory of parking and moving traffic regulations. ParkMap has the functionality needed to manage and communicate a regularly changing set of traffic orders.

12. This project is led by KCC and it is currently estimated that the system will be operational towards the end of 2022. The council has been working closely with KCC and ParkMap to support the systems implementation.

### **Recommendation**

13. The report be noted.

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