

URGENCY ITEMS - MINUTE OF DECISION

Delegation arrangements for dealing with matters of urgency

Paragraph 7.2.1 of the Council's Constitution provides that Chief Officers may take urgent decisions if they are of the opinion that circumstances exist which make it necessary for action to be taken by the Council prior to the time when such action could be approved through normal Council Procedures. They shall, where practicable, first consult with the Leader and Chairman (or in their absence the Vice-Chairman) and the Opposition Spokesperson of the appropriate committee.

Subject:

EV Charge Points Capital Budget

Appropriate Committee:

Economic Development and Policy & Finance

Details of Item (including reason(s) for use of urgency procedure):

Parking Services have been actively working on securing Government funding to secure additional Electric Vehicle Charging Points to add to our existing network across the district. Parking Services submitted an application for Government Funding through the ORCS – On-Street Residents Charge Point Scheme, which provides up to 75% government funding for additional charge points.

The On-street Residents Charge Point Scheme is especially suited to areas where resident have no driveway or on-street parking. The district does have a number of areas in town centres that fall into this category.

Parking Services have been working on behalf of Southwell Town Council and Edwinstowe Parish Council to gain funding through the ORCS Scheme as part of the NSDC application, following successful surveying and costing of following three potential locations within the district.

BP Chargemaster are the leading providers of EV Charge Points and previously partnered both Nottingham City Council and Highways England when the Council installed the existing Ev Charge points. BP Chargemaster will provide the additional 25% of the funding required. This scheme comes with zero cost to the Council.

Of the locations proposed, when assessed the following 3 locations were selected as viable locations.

Car Park Location	Ownership	Status
London Road Car Park (behind the cinema)	Council	Included in Grant Application and approved for full funding

The Bramley Centre/Library car park Southwell	Southwell Town Council	Included in Grant Application and approved for full funding
East Lane Car Park, Edwinstowe	Edwinstowe Parish Council	Removed from Grant Application *

*Unfortunately, Edwinstowe Parish Council declined to sanction this proposal and East Lane Car Park was taken out of the application.

By installing these residents charge points it gives residents the option of purchasing an electric vehicle and charging it overnight close to home.

The charge points will further extend the NSDC network of Electric Vehicle Charge points to 11 in Newark and 15 in the district.

This puts the authority in an excellent position as the Government seek to ban sales of conventional petrol and diesel fuelled vehicles in 2030.

There will be further work required in the coming years, however Newark & Sherwood District Council are now well equipped to provide Electric Vehicle charging as people are reviewing their options now.

Looking ahead, in the coming years visitors with Electric Vehicles will be looking at places to visit that have charge points.

Newark & Sherwood will be on the Electric Charge Point network map as a viable and attractive destination.

Hosting Agreement Key Points:

- B.P Chagemaster Install the charge points and maintain these FOC to NSDC
- B.P. Chagematser will own the equipment
- B.P Chagemaster will receive all income from their customers using the charge points
- 50% of EV Charge spaces must be reserved for EV Charging at all times

4 charge points at each location having the capacity to charge a maximum 8 electric vehicles spaces. Four of the eight spaces will be for the use of electric vehicles only. The other 4 spaces can be used for electric vehicles or petrol / diesel vehicles.

As the number of electric vehicles increases then more spaces can be reserved for electric vehicles only.

- Car Park charges apply at all times when charging from 08:00 – 18:00
- Residents must be permitted to charge their vehicle without paying for parking charges from 18:00 – 08:00.

London Road does currently have a £1.00 evening charge in place from 18:00 – 23:59 (Southwell do not currently have evening charges).

The income loss from residents using the spaces in the evening will be very minimal. It is expected that income received from customers charging throughout the day will more than compensate for any small losses in the evening. Residents will also have the option of purchasing a season ticket providing them with long term parking and charging options.

We have now received confirmation that full funding as set out below has now been granted:

- ORCS Funding £51,000
- BP Chargemaster £16,976

This will now need to be accepted in order for the funds to be paid to the Council. Upon completion of the works, the Council will then pay BP Chargemaster.

Equalities Implications

There are no equality implications.

Financial Implications (FIN20-21/6656)

There will be an estimated £1,460 pa loss of income from the 4 EV Charge point spaces used by residents overnight based on full occupational capacity.

The Council will be acting as agent for the grant, which will be pass-ported to BP on completion of the scheme and therefore a budget will need to be added to the Capital Programme equivalent to the value of the grant funding from ORCS.

BP will own the charge points and consequently they will be responsible for any ongoing maintenance.

Decision

That a Capital Programme budget be set up for £51,000 funded by Grant from ORCS.

Reason for Decision

Urgent decision to enable this project to commence and be completed before 1 May 2021.

Members Consulted:

Councillor David Lloyd – Chairman and Leader of the Council
Councillor Paul Peacock – Opposition Spokesperson
Councillor Keith Girling – Deputy Leader and Chairman of Economic Development Committee
Councillor Neal Mitchell - Opposition Spokesperson



Signed:

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