



OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

1. OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (WOODSTOCK - VARIOUS ROADS)
(MAP BASED) (PROHIBITION AND RESTRICTION OF WAITING AND
PERMITTED PARKING) ORDER 2022
2. OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (VARIOUS ROADS - WEST OXFORDSHIRE)
(PROHIBITION AND RESTRICTION OF WAITING AND PERMITTED PARKING)
(VARIATION NO.***) ORDER 2022

STATEMENT OF REASONS

The Council continues to consider the provision of suitable and adequate parking and to ¹ facilitating the expeditious, convenient, and safe movement of vehicles and other traffic; and in particular ² to manage the demand between retail and residential parking in Woodstock.

The existing parking provision includes a mixture of 1 hour, 3 hour and 23-hour parking bays, with areas for disabled parking. Issues have been raised that this is not properly enforced and does not cater for residents parking in the centre.

Proposed Paid Parking Bays with exemptions for permit holders.

Under the proposals, the existing time limited bays will be replaced with paid parking bays where charges will apply between 8am to 6pm (7 days a week), Max Stay 3 hours (no return within 1 hour). The first 30 minutes will remain free and there will be exemptions for permit holders, who will be exempt from charges and time limits. These restrictions will apply in the following roads: Market Street; Market Place; Park; High Street Car Park; High Street; Rectory Lane and Oxford Street. The benefits to the residents, businesses and visitors include:

- More efficient and effective enforcement of the restrictions.
- Better turnover of parking spaces, creating more opportunities for users to park.
- Permit exemptions for residents to park all day in the central area.
- Introduction charges will encourage shorter trips into the centre to be made on foot.
- A reduction of vehicles circulating looking for parking spaces.

A parking ticket, available from nearby parking metres would be required to be displayed within the vehicle, unless a valid Woodstock parking permit, or blue badge are on display. The charges are proposed are:

Time period	Charge
30minutes	Free (in any 24-hour period)
1 hour	£1.00
2 hours	£2.00
3 hours	£5.00

Proposed Ultra-short stay parking areas

To accommodate short stops where a parking ticket will not be required it is proposed to introduce some ultra-short stay bays – Max stay 20 minutes, 8am to 6pm no return within an hour (No requirement to display a parking ticket) at the following locations: High Street – outside the co-op and up to No'26; Park Street – outside the post office; Oxford Street – between No's 18-22; Oxford Street between No'25-31.

Proposed permit holder only parking areas

The proposals to better manage how parking is used within the central area also include steps to mitigate potential displacement into adjoining roads and residential areas. Under these proposals the following roads would be reserved for residents only parking and their visitors during the hours of 8am – 6pm (7 days week): Bear Close, Union Street, Brook Hill – from the junction with Oxford Street to the junction with Union Street; Upper Brook Hill, Chaucer's Lane, Harrison's Lane, Brown's Lane, Oxford Street (service road) – spaces opposite No's 45 to 53 and New Road from its junction with recreation road southwards – with the exception of proposed time limited bays outside the community centre; Oxford Street – south side – in the layby adjacent to No's 85-87.

The general operating principles that apply for the permit scheme in Woodstock:

- Resident's permits are limited to 1 per resident with a maximum of 2 per property.
- Only eligible residents (specified in the traffic order) may apply and proof of residency and vehicle ownership will be required on application.
- The fee for a resident's permit is currently set at £65 per annum, per vehicle.
- Visitors are catered for by scratch-cards which last for 24 hours when used. 25 per annum are issued free and residents can purchase an additional 25 after a 6 month period for £25 (no charge for residents over 70) - maximum 50 per annum.
- Business permits will be available for businesses (where it is essential for business purposes) within the Woodstock (WS) permit holder bays/areas. Permits will be limited to a maximum of two permits per business and will be vehicle specific. The charge for each will be £150 per annum.
- Blue badge holders can park in permit parking areas/bays without the need to display a permit.
- A permit allows the holder to park in an area/bay designated for use with that permit. It does not allow the user to contravene other restrictions such as double yellow lines. It also does not guarantee a space directly outside a property and any marked spaces are not allocated or reserved to individual permit holders.
- Permits are available for contractors carrying out works on properties and for registered carers and healthcare workers.

Proposed new 2-hour parking bays

To facilitate short visits in the New Road permit parking area, it is proposed to provide marked bays for 2-hour parking, between 8am – 6pm. These bays will be located directly outside the Community Centre.

New cycle parking areas in the Centre of Woodstock

The proposals include the introduction of on-carriageway cycle parking stands which will encourage more users to visit the centre of Woodstock by cycle. These stands are proposed to be located at key locations outside the Co-op on High Street and Park Street outside the museum.

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