

Information Sheet

Car Parking after 1st January 2021

The NFDC decided to terminate the agreement with the Town Council to keep free parking in the north of the Town as they did not consider the £28,000 being paid by the Town Council to be sufficient. On that basis from 1st January 2021 they will be charging in the Civic Centre car park and Westfield Road car park. The Civic Centre car park will be a maximum of 3 hours and Westfield Road will have both short term and long term parking. The long term and short term clocks can be used in those 2 car parks.

The Town Council decided to keep its 2 car parks free for 5 hours maximum to cater for local shopping, community and medical use in the town centre. This will apply to the War Memorial car park and Test Vale car park.

The 5 hour limit will be enforced after March 2021 by automated ANPR parking systems which will permit free entry and exit within the 5 hours, with a £10 overstay fee as the council wish to keep the car park available for short term users.

As the equipment cannot be installed until March, as a temporary measure, and to prevent long term parkers using the short term parking the War Memorial car park will not be accessible between 7am and 9am. Egress will always be permitted.

The Council will monitor the situation to ensure compliance but any issues relating to the District's car parks should be addressed to New Forest District Council, Appletree Court, Beaulieu Road, Lyndhurst SO43 7PA, or telephone 023 8028 5000.

