

Labour amendment to Conservative Strategic Theme Motion1

Insert new second paragraph

“This council also recognises the importance in difficult financial times of keeping parking affordable, especially for residents living in Controlled Parking Zones, and welcomes this administration’s decision to freeze the cost of resident parking permits for the last three years and to reduce the price of visitor parking permits.”

In existing second paragraph after “This Council notes that” in the first bullet point delete “serious” before “concerns” and at the end of the bullet point insert:

“The council undertook these surveys so that, instead of a “one size fits all” approach, we could ascertain the specific parking issues in all of our designated neighbourhood parking parades so that tailored solutions with the backing of both business and residents could be identified in each case”

In the second bullet point delete “severe” and insert “some” and at the end of the bullet point insert:

“However, there is much variability in parking availability across the borough, with some car parks having high occupancy rates whilst others are less well used, often because residents are simply not aware they are there. Council therefore welcomes the administration’s decision to work with the private sector to invest in electronic car park occupancy signs that will direct motorists to car parks where there are spaces.”

At the end of the third bullet point insert:

“Therefore, this Council recognises the initiatives already taken to assist local businesses such as free parking for all visitors in council owned car parks for weekends and bank holidays in December 2012.”

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