

3rd October 2023

Parking Services Manager
Parking Services Department
c/o Delamere House
Delamere Street
Crewe CW1 2LL

Dear Sir/Madam

Proposed Car Park Charges at Waterloo Road Car Park, Haslington

I am writing on behalf of Haslington Parish Council to express our deep concern, and disappointment and to express our strong objections regarding the proposed car park charges at the Waterloo Road Car Park. We believe that this decision will have a detrimental impact on our local community, local businesses, and will result in parking issues on neighbouring streets, ultimately affecting the quality of life for our residents.

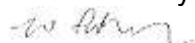
Haslington is a vibrant and thriving community, and one of the reasons for its success is the accessibility and convenience of local amenities. The Waterloo Road Car Park plays a vital role in supporting our local businesses, providing a space for shoppers, visitors, and employees. By introducing charges for parking at this facility, you risk discouraging people from visiting our local shops, public houses, restaurants, takeaways and services. Many of our small businesses are already facing economic challenges, and this additional burden may lead to reduced footfall and potential closures, negatively impacting our local economy.

Furthermore, we are concerned about the potential overflow of vehicles onto neighbouring streets as a result of the proposed charges. The introduction of parking fees may lead to residents and visitors seeking free parking alternatives, causing congestion and parking issues in residential areas close to the Waterloo Road Car Park. This not only inconveniences local residents but also poses safety concerns and disrupts the peaceful environment that our community values.

We understand that local authorities must generate revenue to support public services, but we urge Cheshire East Council to consider alternative funding sources that do not disproportionately burden our local businesses and residents. We request that you reconsider the proposed car park charges at the Waterloo Road Car Park and explore alternative solutions to address budgetary needs without compromising the well-being of our community.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we hope for a favourable and supportive outcome for our community.

Yours sincerely



Wayne Salisbury
Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer
Haslington Parish Council

Businesses that these proposed charges may directly impact

Haslington Tandori
The Bakery Café
Food for thought Bakery

Broughton Arms
Basket & Wreath
Champion House Takeaway

Moores Salon
Bargain Booze
MyDentist