

## **THE CITY OF SOUTHAMPTON (OFF-STREET PARKING PLACES) ORDER 2022**

### **Statement of Reasons**

This Order is being proposed for the following reasons:

- For facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic
- For preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs
- To improve air quality

Southampton City Council is proposing the reintroduction of the off-street overnight parking charges in the city centre. These are intended to encourage the use of sustainable modes of transport, reduce the levels of carbon emissions from transport, ensure that the parking operation covers its cost of operation and to maintain and improve the quality of parking related services offered which in turn support the evening economy and local residents.

Changes have also been proposed to the season tickets to reflect this change.

In authorising the advertisement of these proposals the Council has given consideration to its duty under s122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians) and the provision of suitable and adequate parking facilities on and off the highway (while having regard to the matters specified in s122 subsection (2) of that Act).