

**THE CITY OF SOUTHAMPTON
(OFF-STREET PARKING PLACES) (AMENDMENT 5) ORDER 2026**

Statement of Reasons

Following the return of the former NCP car park on Portland Terrace/Western Esplanade to Council ownership, the proposed Order will enable the Council to manage the car park (including any appropriate enforcement) and maintain the parking amenity.

The parking tariff is reflective of other Council City Centre parking facilities for which the purpose is to cover the cost of car park operations, encourage turnover within parking bays and encourage drivers to consider alternative forms of transport.

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).