

ANGUS COUNCIL

COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE – 23 FEBRUARY 2021

PARKING REVIEW

INFORMATION REPORT

1. INTRODUCTION

This report presents the results of the public survey instructed by the Parking Review Member Officer Working Group (reference Report No. 243/20).

2. CURRENT POSITION

- 2.1 The public survey from 1 – 15 December 2020 was undertaken using an online platform. In addition, paper copies of the survey were available for collection and submission at local libraries, following COVID-19 restrictions. 3,097 responses were received. The results of the Parking Survey are presented in **Appendix 1** of this Information Report.
- 2.2 The Parking Review Member Officer Working Group (MOWG) has not concluded its consideration of the results or reached its findings to report to the Communities Committee on any changes to the on- and off-street parking in Angus Council. However, the MOWG, at its meeting on 6 January 2021, considered it important to publish the results of the public survey to the next available Communities Committee.
- 2.3 The MOWG will be meeting again in March 2021 to develop options for changes, which will be reported once ready, along with the analysis of the survey results, to the Communities Committee. It is noted that the options for changes may be phased and would have to take into account the lead-in times for any Order and signage changes on-street (6 months) and off-street (4 months) as reported previously (reference Report No. 243/20).
- 2.4 Angus Council on 12 September 2020 agreed that charges in Angus Council Pay to Park Carparks would remain suspended until the end of the financial year (31 March 2021) due to the impact of Covid (reference Article 6 of minute of Angus Council on 12 September 2020). In light of the above timescales for the MOWG to report to the Communities Committee on its findings and to implement any future changes to current Orders, it is considered that an extension to the current suspension of charges in Angus Council Pay to Park off-street car parks beyond 31 March 2021 will be required. Given there would be financial implications from such a suspension and given the timing of this information report, this issue will be covered in the papers for the Special Angus Council budget setting meeting on 4 March 2021.

NOTE: The background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) which were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above report are:

Report Nos. 243/20 – Parking Review, Communities Committee 29 September 2020.

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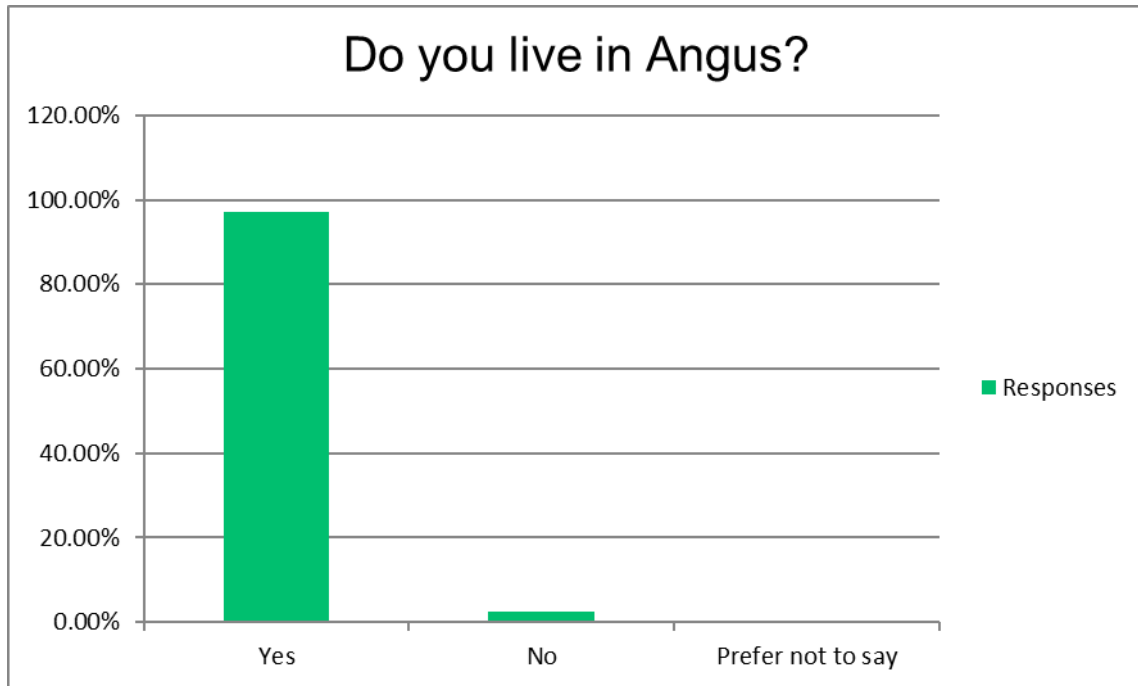
Appendix 1 – Angus Parking Review - Public Survey Results

APPENDIX 1 - ANGUS PARKING REVIEW - PUBLIC SURVEY RESULTS

Angus Parking Review

Q1. Do you live in Angus?

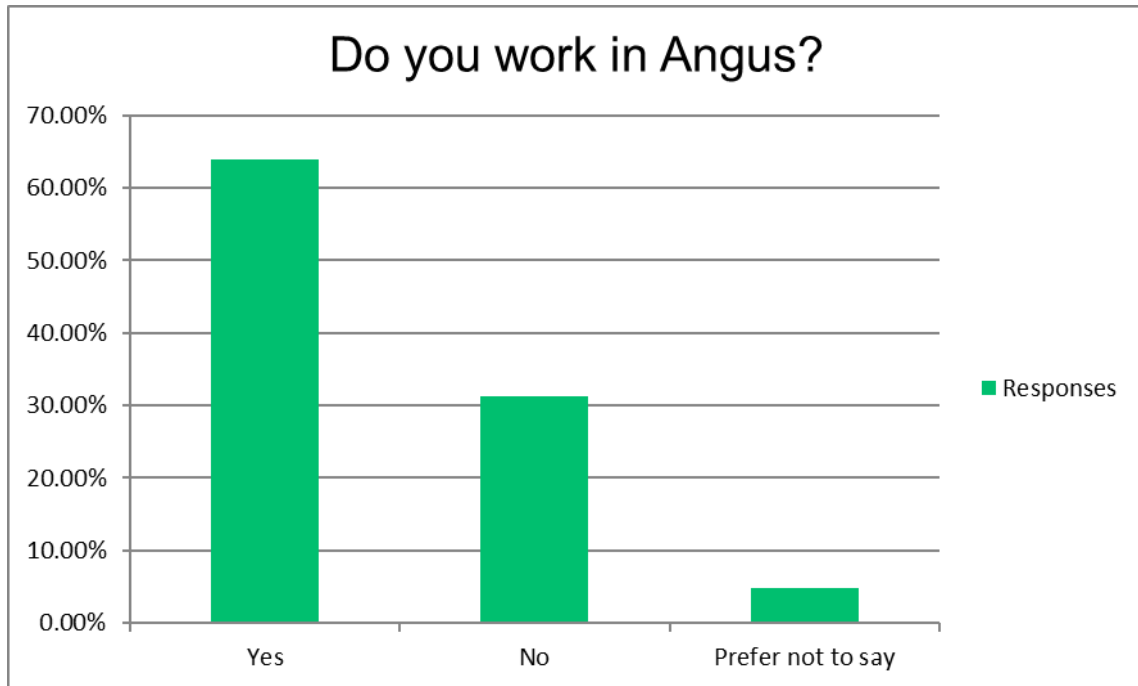
Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	96.99%	3000
No	2.59%	80
Prefer not to say	0.42%	13
Answered		3093



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Q2. Do you work in Angus?

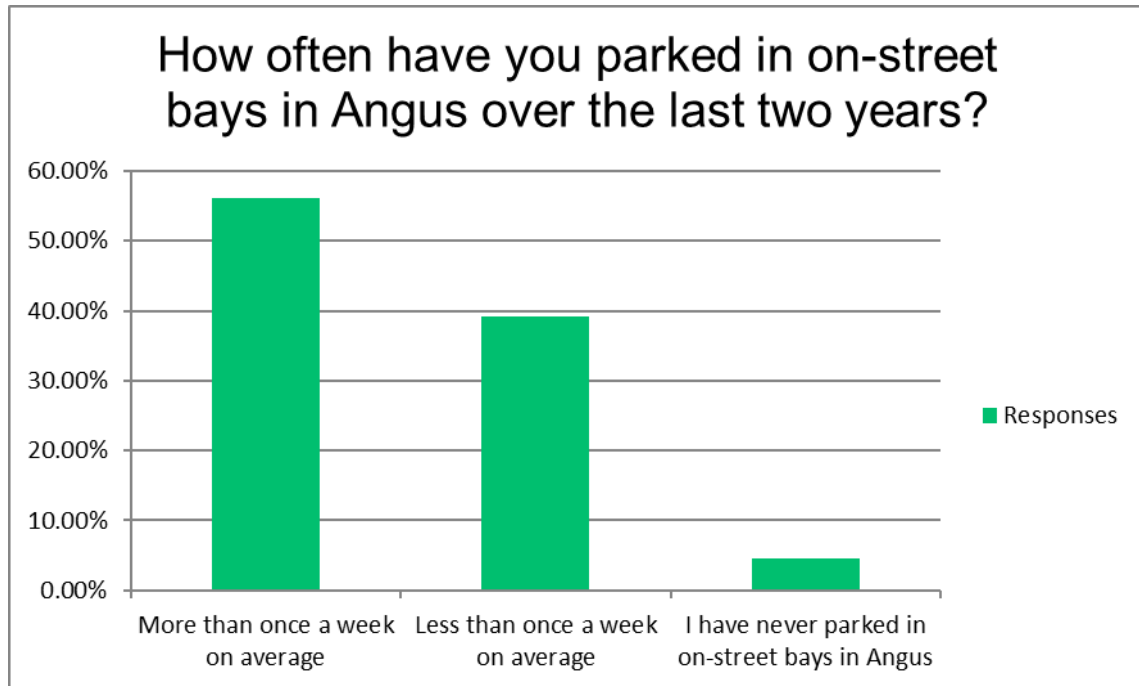
Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	63.88%	1968
No	31.26%	963
Prefer not to say	4.87%	150
	Answered	3081



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Q3. How often have you parked in on-street bays in Angus over the last two years?

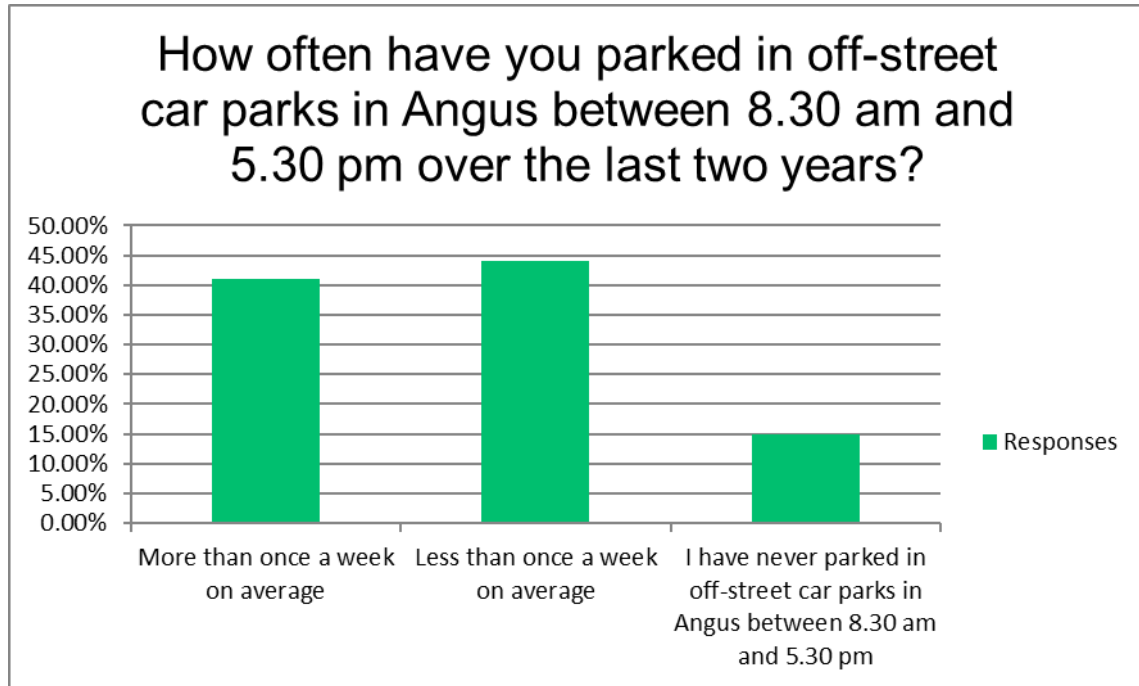
Answer Choices	Responses	
More than once a week on average	56.14%	1737
Less than once a week on average	39.24%	1214
I have never parked in on-street bays in Angus	4.62%	143
	Answered	3094



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Q4. How often have you parked in off-street car parks in Angus between 8.30 am and 5.30 pm over the last two years?

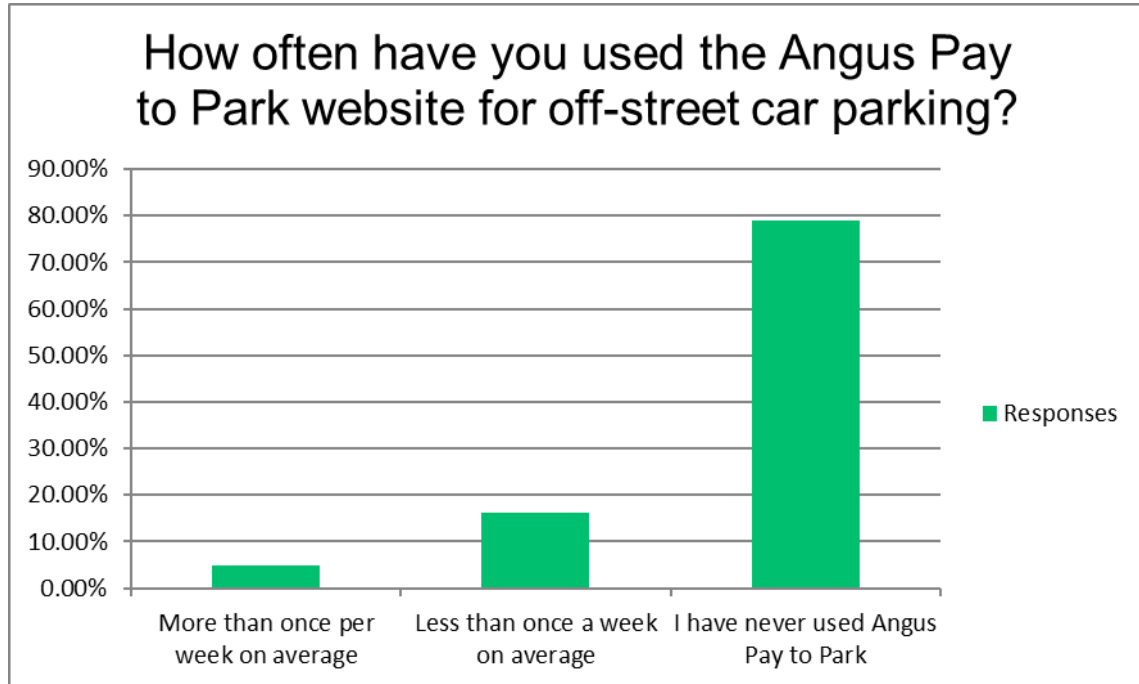
Answer Choices	Responses	
More than once a week on average	41.05%	1266
Less than once a week on average	44.10%	1360
I have never parked in off-street car parks in Angus between 8.30 am and 5.30 pm	14.85%	458
	Answered	3084



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Q5. How often have you used the Angus Pay to Park website for off-street car parking?

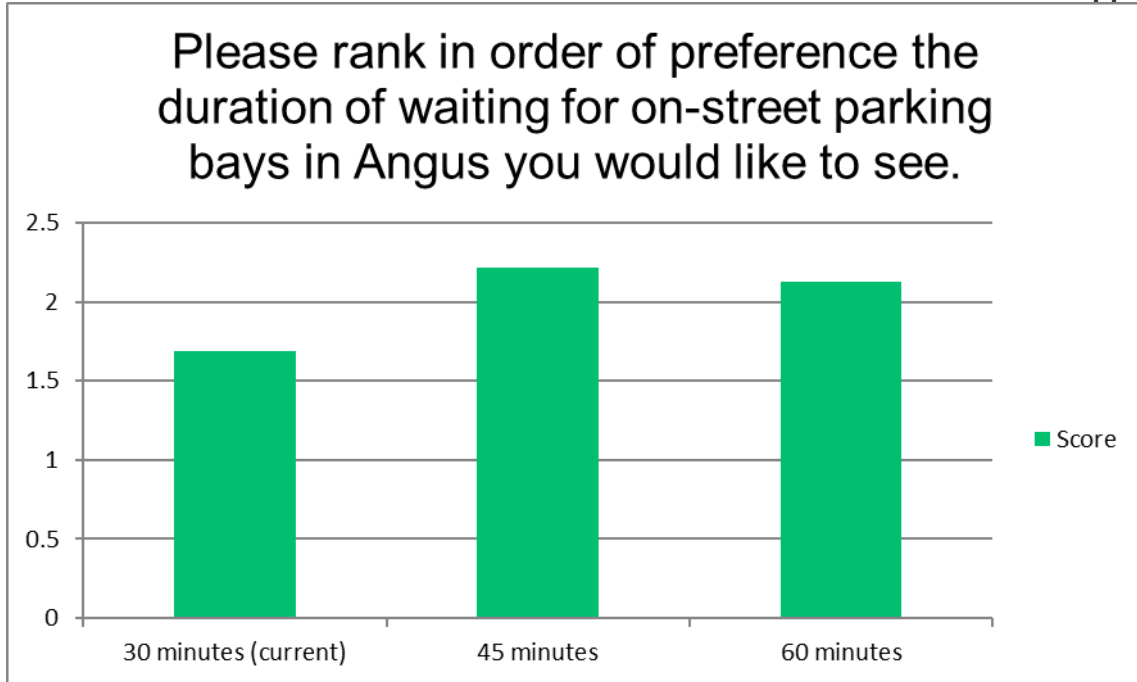
Answer Choices	Responses	
More than once per week on average	4.93%	152
Less than once a week on average	16.27%	502
I have never used Angus Pay to Park	78.81%	2432
	Answered	3086



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Q7. Please rank in order of preference the duration of waiting for on-street parking bays in Angus you would like to see.

	1	2	3	Total	Score
30 minutes (current)	27.05% 730	14.97% 404	57.98% 1565	2699	1.69
45 minutes	24.45% 663	73.19% 1985	2.36% 64	2712	2.22
60 minutes	51.07% 1432	10.45% 293	38.48% 1079	2804	2.13
				Answered	2954
				Skipped	143

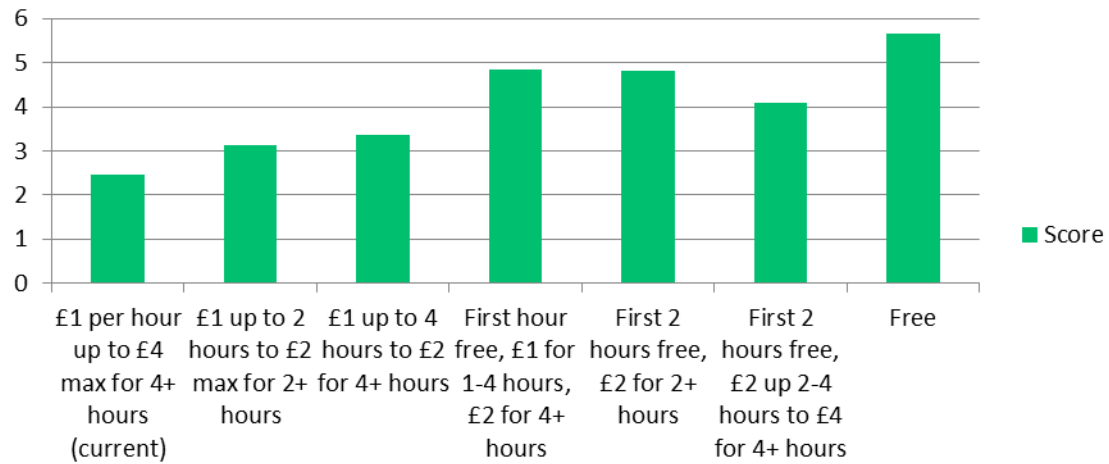


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Q8. Please rank in order of preference the tariffs for long-stay off-street car parking in Angus you would like to see.

	1	2	3	4				
£1 per hour up to £4 max for 4+ hours (current)	7.56%	191	4.59%	116	4.63%	117	6.93%	175
£1 up to 2 hours to £2 max for 2+ hours	2.17%	55	10.63%	270	8.94%	227	10.91%	277
£1 up to 4 hours to £2 for 4+ hours	1.49%	38	6.62%	169	13.04%	333	15.32%	391
First hour free, £1 for 1-4 hours, £2 for 4+ hours	12.46%	329	20.83%	550	20.61%	544	35.34%	933
First 2 hours free, £2 for 2+ hours	4.68%	123	37.71%	991	25.15%	661	10.81%	284
First 2 hours free, £2 up 2-4 hours to £4 for 4+ hours	4.42%	115	19.39%	505	25.81%	672	16.32%	425
Free	71.94%	2074	2.60%	75	2.22%	64	2.74%	79
	5	6	7	Total	Score			
£1 per hour up to £4 max for 4+ hours (current)	11.64%	294	15.41%	389	49.23%	1243	2525	2.46
£1 up to 2 hours to £2 max for 2+ hours	18.78%	477	39.49%	1003	9.09%	231	2540	3.12
£1 up to 4 hours to £2 for 4+ hours	39.87%	1018	15.28%	390	8.38%	214	2553	3.35
First hour free, £1 for 1-4 hours, £2 for 4+ hours	6.25%	165	3.14%	83	1.36%	36	2640	4.83
First 2 hours free, £2 for 2+ hours	13.05%	343	6.16%	162	2.44%	64	2628	4.82
First 2 hours free, £2 up 2-4 hours to £4 for 4+ hours	7.91%	206	17.55%	457	8.60%	224	2604	4.09
Free	1.18%	34	1.53%	44	17.79%	513	2883	5.66
							Answered	2993
							Skipped	104

Q8. Please rank in order of preference the tariffs for long-stay off-street car parking in Angus you would like to see.



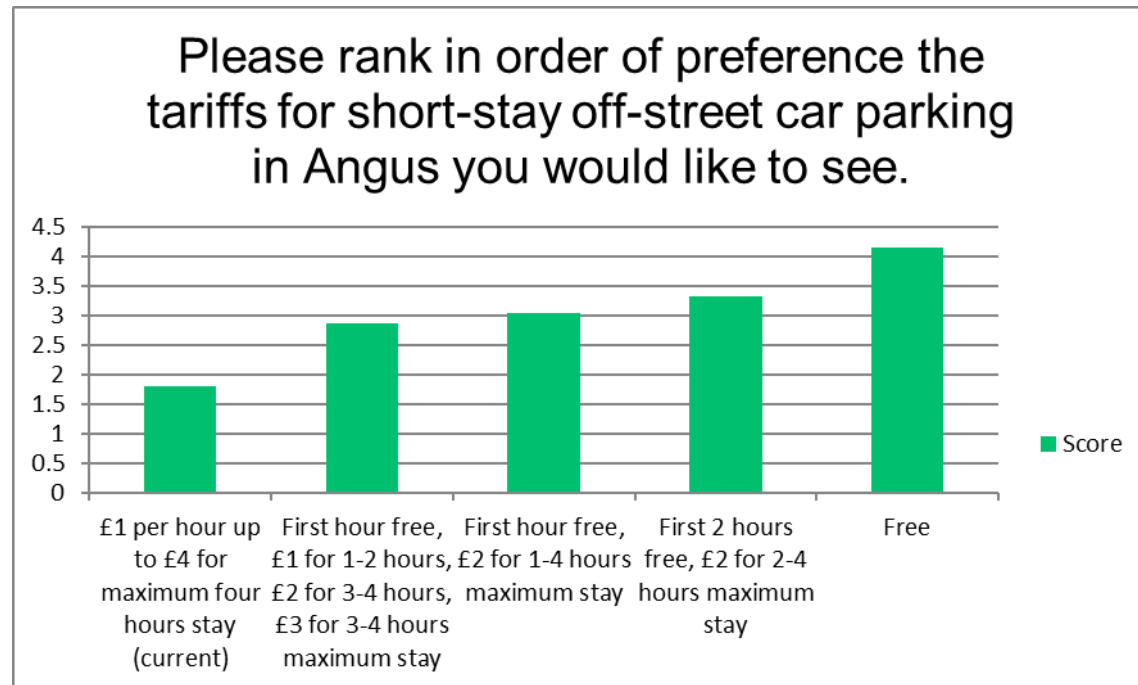
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Q9. Please rank in order of preference the tariffs for short-stay off-street car parking in Angus you would like to see.

	1	2	3	4	5	Total	Score
£1 per hour up to £4 for maximum four hours stay (current)	7.67% 190	6.34% 157	7.55% 187	14.86% 368	63.57% 1574	2476	1.8
First hour free, £1 for 1-2 hours, £2 for 3-4 hours, £3 for 3-4 hours maximum stay	9.48% 241	21.09% 536	24.24% 616	38.57% 980	6.61% 168	2541	2.88
First hour free, £2 for 1-4 hours maximum stay	6.87% 175	19.11% 487	49.51% 1262	20.75% 529	3.77% 96	2549	3.05
First 2 hours free, £2 for 2-4 hours maximum stay	6.34% 163	51.61% 1327	15.75% 405	19.80% 509	6.50% 167	2571	3.32
Free	74.40% 2145	2.95% 85	2.25% 65	3.57% 103	16.82% 485	2883	4.15

Answered 2981

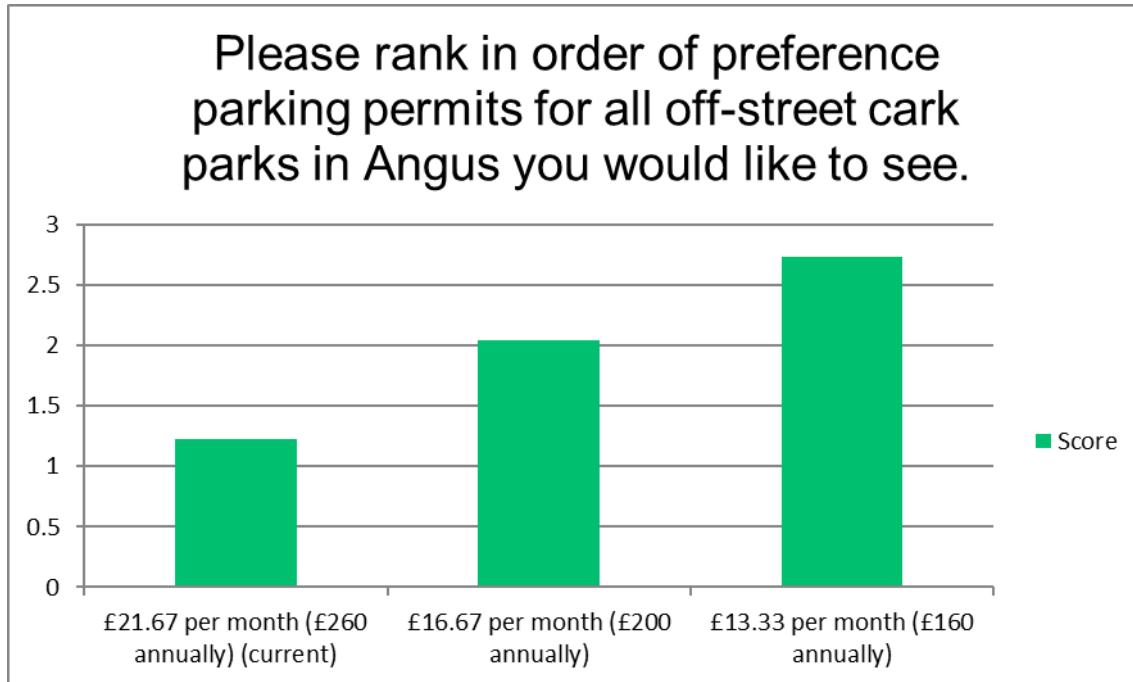
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Q10. Please rank in order of preference parking permits for all off-street car parks in Angus you would like to see.

	1	2	3	Total	Score
£21.67 per month (£260 annually) (current)	8.63% 207	6.00% 144	85.37% 2048	2399	1.23
£16.67 per month (£200 annually)	7.93% 191	88.37% 2128	3.70% 89	2408	2.04
£13.33 per month (£160 annually)	84.10% 2237	4.62% 123	11.28% 300	2660	2.73
			Answered		2703
			Skipped		394

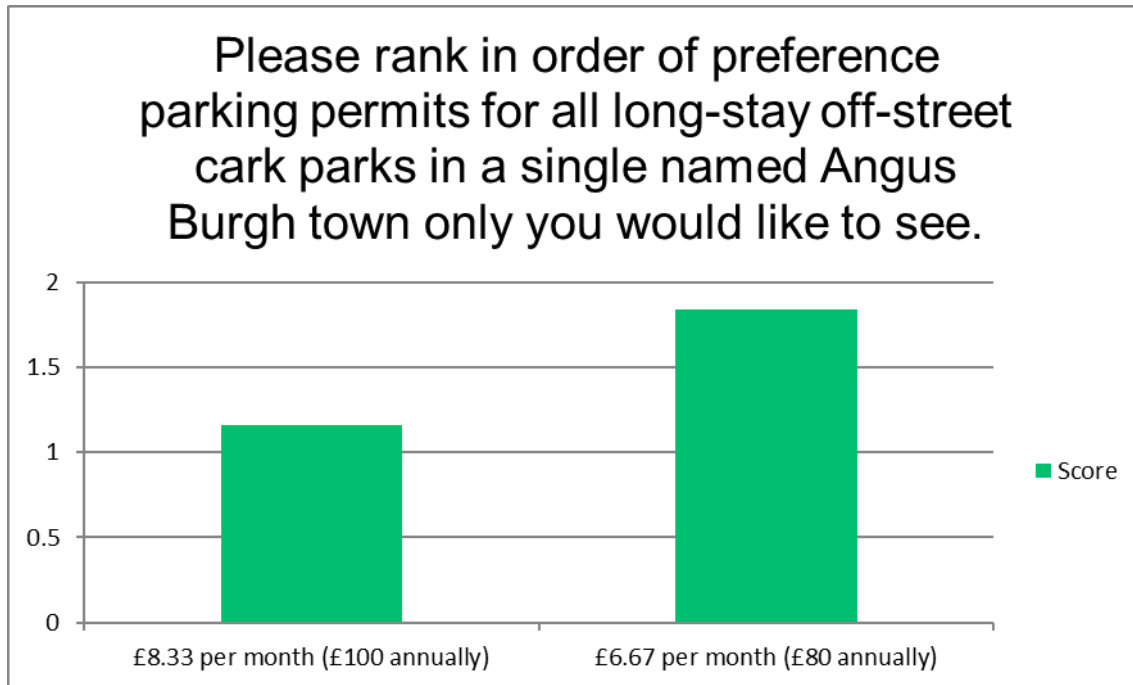


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Q11. Please rank in order of preference parking permits for all long-stay off-street car parks in a single named Angus Burgh town only you would like to see.

	1		2		Total	Score
£8.33 per month (£100 annually)	15.67%	376	84.33%	2024	2400	1.16
£6.67 per month (£80 annually)	84.45%	2237	15.55%	412	2649	1.84
					Answered	2685

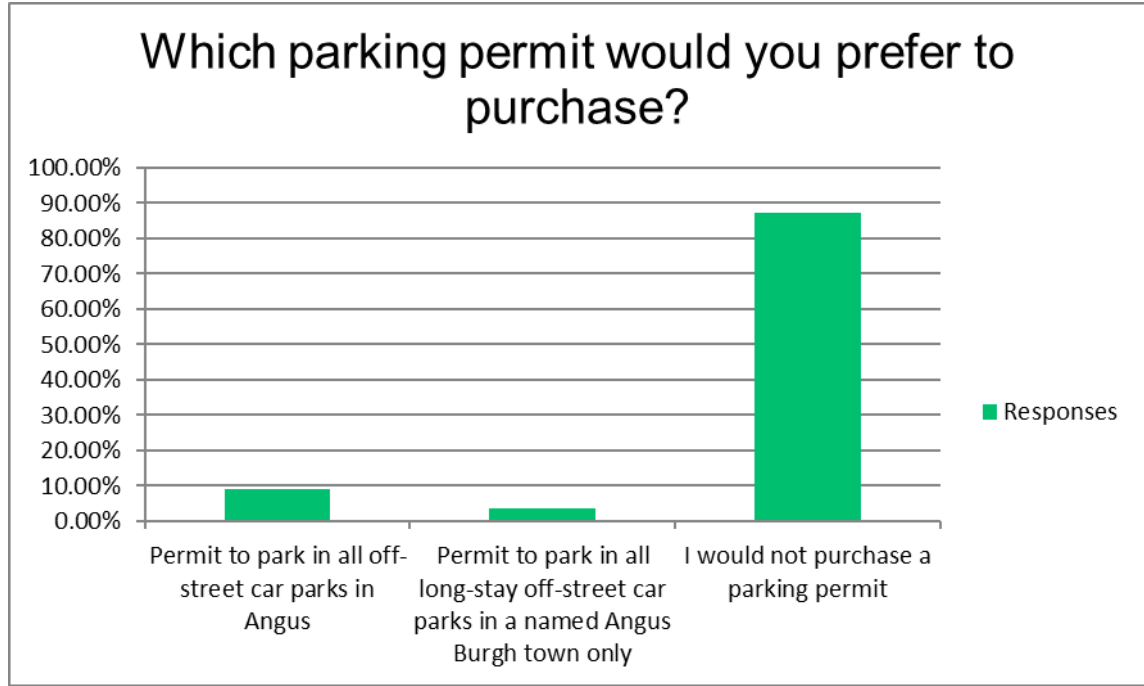
Skipped 412



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Q12. Which parking permit would you prefer to purchase?

Answer Choices	Responses	
Permit to park in all off-street car parks in Angus	9.18%	282
Permit to park in all long-stay off-street car parks in a named Angus Burgh town only	3.71%	114
I would not purchase a parking permit	87.11%	2676
	Answered	3072



Angus Parking Review

Q13. Please provide us with any other comments or suggestions you wish to share with us on our car parking review. If you require a response from us then please leave contact details, otherwise your survey responses will be anonymous.

Answered	1635
Skipped	1462

	Response Date	Responses	Response requested:
		Coin operated meters are simpler for everyone.	
		Most people would mind paying 50p for a 30 min stay in a short stay car park.	
		Whatever is decided. Please make sure that no adjustments are needed at a later date.	
1	Dec 16 2020 11:29 AM	It is very expensive to adjust meters - more money coming out of the publics pockets because of lack of thought initially. The parking charges have had a dramatic impact on businesses on the High Street. As someone who has worked in one of those (a café) I saw that customers were watching the clock, didn't stay for that extra coffee or have browsing time in the attached shop. Older customers had difficulty using the parking app which caused them stress. As a driver, I think twice about where I go to do shopping and I have used parking apps in other areas (not Angus) which have proved to be frustrating and time consuming. At a time when the High Street needs to be supported more than ever, parking charges are hindering their ability to survive in a difficult climate. While Angus Council may need to raise revenues, I don't feel that these charges are the way to do it.	
2	Dec 16 2020 11:25 AM	they have to be in place, then free parking for up to 2 hours should be considered.	

3	Dec 16 2020 08:53 AM	<p>December 16th is a Wednesday I think there is a bias against free parking in the way this questionnaire has been written - see questions 10 and 11. There would have been no need for a parking review if Angus Council had listened to the concerns of the people of the burgh in the first place. Revenue wasted on machines which did not work often - had to be adopted for coinage and disadvantaged those unable to use direct payment method by card. Question 9 of this survey doesn't make sense re the cost of 3-4 hours parking has two tariffs.</p>	
4	Dec 15 2020 04:40 PM	<p>I feel the people of the burgh have made it clear by avoiding car parks how they feel about the shambolic handling of this. The projected figures given as to the money parking would raise within Angus was farcical and made Angus Council a laughing stock. The drop in footfall caused small businesses to close. I implore Angus Council to listen and to get it sorted properly this time. The questionnaire is biased especially regarding parts 10/11 which do not give the option of selecting free parking as a reference. Part 9 shows two different remunerations for 3-4 hours in second option - why? As elected members why do you not listen to the people of Angus who do not want these insidious charges foisted on them. We have had the farce of machines which didn't work, long queues, having to adapt to coin system, running at a loss regarding initial outlay. Projected income figures from parking at the outset have proved to be an embarrassment. I am sure that savings could be made elsewhere (the dual carriageway fiasco) that would not threaten education/social care. Pretty poor effort using the examples to scaremonger the public.</p>	Yes
5	Dec 15 2020 04:32 PM	<p>Tuesday 16th December does not exist - why cant the council get something as simple as correct.</p>	Yes

Charges have killed off our town centres. Drop them all. Older and disabled people have varied needs and need to be able to access shops easily and frequently without any additional costs to fixed budgets. There is not the selection of shops we used to have, therefore if this terrible idea is not scrapped immediately all shops will be vacant and towns turned into ghost towns. We don't live in vibrant cities - they struggle also, so what chance do our well-loved shops have if people are charged to visit them? Many have already gone, others will quickly follow. Scrap charges completely now to avoid further costly disaster. And by the way its not Angus Council who are paying for this its the taxpayers of Angus. Our money should be spent as we wish. This will be reflected in the polls if our voices continue to be ignored.

6 Dec 15 2020 04:23 PM

7 Dec 15 2020 04:17 PM

Scrap charges the council is killing off our High Street!!
I feel that volunteers should receive free parking in Angus Council parking lots. For example, Brownie/guide leaders in the Forfar area who need to use the Myre car park should receive free parking while there volunteering their time. I think it would be an incentive for volunteers throughout Angus if they were to receive free parking for their time and commitments to the community.

8 Dec 15 2020 01:43 PM

9 Dec 15 2020 01:30 PM

I never had problem with paying to park in car parks my gripe was that you had to pay by card. However as this is now not the case it no longer applies. So I have no problems paying for car parking.

10 Dec 15 2020 01:28 PM

I think car parks should be free to encourage people to use them and keep on street parking for disabled badge holders and short stay parking and also allow business vehicles to park outside their premises.

11 Dec 15 2020 12:18 PM

Prefer to have free parking

12 Dec 15 2020 11:31 AM

Parking permits free for residents, cheaper tickets

13 Dec 15 2020 11:23 AM

Any income from the Parking Regime should be specifically targeted at maintenance of roads and car parks - not used for pet projects

14	Dec 15 2020 11:03 AM	<p>There isn't any point in providing further comments. Putting forward genuine concerns to the recent review of parking - additional yellow lines at junctions and streets getting 30 minute spaces instead of no restrictions - was a complete waste of time. The impact of extending the yellow lines at Redfield Road (Montrose) is already being felt. Nurses are unable to park outside my relative's house and waste valuable time hunting for a parking space. That particular road does not have a high volume of traffic and a smaller extension of the yellow lines would have been more than sufficient.</p>
15	Dec 15 2020 10:24 AM	<p>The free car parking should continue. Many shops have suffered during this covid crisis, lots have closed. Introducing parking charges would just add fuel to the fire. Anyone who has lost their job or on a reduced income wouldnt be parking where they had to pay.</p>
16	Dec 15 2020 10:11 AM	<p>You should have provided not applicable as an option for some of these questions. I live in rural Angus and would therefore not have need of a parking permit but do need to go into one of the towns from time to time. You also didn't provide an option for retired or unwaged or student residents under the question about employment. Final point, this survey has been very poorly promoted. I only heard about it from friends last night.</p>
17	Dec 15 2020 09:56 AM	<p>Everything that can be done to encourage locals and visitors to boost the income of retailers and hospitality must be done. Start charging for parking and see the car parks empty and the local economy suffer.</p> <p>The smaller burghs (Kirrie, Brechin, Forfar?) should have free parking, even if necessary to charge in larger coastal ones.</p>
18	Dec 15 2020 09:46 AM	<p>Any charges should be payable in cash without complex entry of data - pay and display</p> <p>The parking should be free. The side streets have become overcrowded and the shops are struggling with foot fall.</p> <p>This is a quick way for the council to make a buck on what is essentially bought and paid for land.</p>
19	Dec 15 2020 09:45 AM	<p>In Montrose all of the retail parks and supermarkets give free parking. Why do you think this is? I doubt very much comments will be viewed, answered or made public. What exactly are the parking charges putting used for?</p>

Northesk road in Montrose is ridiculously busy and never resurfaced in decades. The bypass around the basin is never used. Another council decision that has failed.

20 Dec 15 2020 09:43 AM

Only have charges on main car parks ie more and greens in forfar
Parking issues for residents living around the Arbroath harbour area, and finding it impossible to park in the neighbouring streets around their home, especially with young children or older and frail. You end up getting a parking fine when putting your shopping away as you have no choice but to park on double yellows. This issue is particularly bad during the hours of 0830-1700 weekdays. I believe due to people working in town not happy paying the parking charges for the car parks. Currently with no charges in the long stay car parks the parking in the residential areas have not been an issue.

21 Dec 15 2020 09:38 AM

I am disabled so I don't your car park/plus I can park off the street I have my own street car park area

22 Dec 15 2020 09:33 AM

To be honest all parking should be free. It has been for years and the high street is struggling enough without sending people to out of town shops due to parking charges

23 Dec 15 2020 09:27 AM

24 Dec 15 2020 09:18 AM

Residents who can't park outside their houses should get free permits in Angus

25 Dec 15 2020 08:32 AM

All parking to be free
Residents with parking outside their home which falls to be paid for should receive 1 free permit per household. Angus council staff should be discouraged from parking outside someone's home to avoid metered parking....especially if they are parking on a drop kerb or across someone's drive! This happens constantly

26 Dec 15 2020 08:22 AM

Please support our struggling local

- 27 Dec 15 2020 07:36 AM towns, they need all the support they can get. Please explore other options to generate the level of finances needed by the council. Allow 1 hour on street parking, please.
- 28 Dec 15 2020 07:16 AM I feel it's important that at least first two hours are free, our high street shops are suffering, people will use free parking at asda/ Tesco's etc and our smaller family run businesses are suffering because of this if introduced forst 2 hours free I think our high street may pick up again.
- 29 Dec 15 2020 06:22 AM I think you should reinstate parking charges. I gladly pay for the convenience. But there's people who are abusing the service and taking advantage. It always happens when you do something decent for people. The certain few spoil it.
- 30 Dec 15 2020 05:12 AM Prefer not to pay
- 31 Dec 15 2020 03:38 AM You need to encourage local people to shop locally
I work in Arbroath and would love to park in a car park for the day without a charge. When I am shopping or out for lunch etc I don't mind paying. I just object to parking when I am working. I would and so sometimes walk but have disabled daughter to drop off prior to getting to work.
- 32 Dec 15 2020 02:53 AM
- 33 Dec 15 2020 01:09 AM Free parking is required to help boost people to visit brechin and shop in brechin.
- 34 Dec 15 2020 01:01 AM
If you want people to shop local then car parking should be free
All parking should be free. Between the amount of people who have homes near charged spaces, and people who need them for business I think it's unfair to charge for parking or expect them to have a permit. It's completely unfair to those who are struggling with finances, and more people will be struggling due to the effects of the pandemic. Students even have their own homes in town. Low income people shouldn't have to worry about permits or tickets.
- 35 Dec 15 2020 12:53 AM
- 36 Dec 15 2020 12:24 AM i wouldn't bother shopping in arbroath if the charges came back, prefer to pay to park in dundee where there is many more shops.

Our commercial areas are in real trouble COVID has been the nail in the literal coffin - we need to make in town shopping with a car as accessible as possible.

- 37 Dec 15 2020 12:13 AM The current machines are unduly complex for all sorts of reasons - eyesight - no cards - literacy issues - mobility height issues - simplify the process
All car parks in Angus should be free the people of Angus have proven to the council that they have waisted tax payers money once again with these machines .
- 38 Dec 15 2020 12:05 AM
- 39 Dec 14 2020 11:19 PM Free parking would help out ever disappearing high street
- 40 Dec 14 2020 11:04 PM No more comments
- 41 Dec 14 2020 11:03 PM Bring free car park back please. Open off street car parks that were free of charge and now stay closed and empty. Nonsense, free space not used at all I don't mind paying for parking I just found the machines complicated to use and was disappointed that the Arbroath central short stay is 2 hours max - if you park centrally for example to get hair done you are often too short of time to visit other shops in town like butchers etc - bad for trade surely
- 42 Dec 14 2020 11:00 PM
- 43 Dec 14 2020 10:59 PM Let shoppers come back to Angus and not be penalised for parking - free parking a very big incentive for when your choosing where you shop
- 44 Dec 14 2020 10:56 PM Abolish the parking charges. Increase the council tax instead

I grew up in a market town where parking charges were introduced. It killed the town centre and businesses struggle for years. People chose to travel 10 miles or so to use out of town shopping centres where parking was free and there was naturally more choice for consumers. The town was unattractive for much of my time there with little or nothing of interest for locals never mind visitors - it offered little more than charity shops, hairdressers and pubs.

Years later the parking fees were scrapped, and along with investment in the town, it became a thriving destination. Lots of independent shops, cafes and restaurants. It is now very much a go-to town - and much used by locals and tourists alike. It has been transformed. It is a beautiful now, attracting many more people to visit as well as move to the area.

I would hate to see Angus towns suffer in the same way. It is hard enough for small high street shops to compete with the current demand for on-line shopping. We should be encouraging them to grow. To introduce parking fees could decimate small businesses. We should be encouraging our high streets to thrive, not trying to crucify them.

Since lockdown it has been a joy to see people using Forfar high street a lot more. We should be celebrating our small high streets businesses - we should be encouraging them to grow, to attract more businesses to the area, and more visitors. This is a good thing for town centres. Parking fees are the opposite - they don't encourage growth or visitors. They deter them and make zero sense. Parking fees are backward looking and are simply a very bad idea.

45 Dec 14 2020 10:36 PM

46 Dec 14 2020 10:32 PM

The High Street need people. Free parking at least for an hour or two to allow people to drop in after work and pick things up would help.

47 Dec 14 2020 10:19 PM

Free car parking is desirable for everyone but when cars are left for days it's not on.

A ticket on entry and payment on exit would be the ideal.

48 Dec 14 2020 10:12
PM

Parking charges simply encourage people to park in the streets nearby.

49 Dec 14 2020 10:10
PM

You need to offer free parking as before. The recent situation has been a debacle that has harmed businesses.

50 Dec 14 2020 10:09
PM

Arbroath is in desperate need of free visitor parking. Residents should pay Parking charges discourage shoppers from using local businesses, pushing business to online/supermarkets. EG, the Fisheracre car park which allows access to the Vets, Shops, Hairdressers and Chemist was always 90% empty with parking charges, and 90% full without. Those who do not avoid using these amenities end up parking on the road, making it more dangerous for road users and pedestrians. Surely the Council should use its resources to keep the community safe and enable local businesses to do business on a level playing field with the large supermarkets. People working in low-paid retail jobs in the town are disproportionately penalised by parking charges as their incomes are impacted seriously by charges which is also a welfare issue as it should be the aim of the council to minimise poverty and deprivation where it can. Perhaps employees of high street businesses could get exemption permits? Make sure that short term parking is free and medium term (4hrs) is affordable to ensure that people do not avoid it. It's not just the cost, it's the act of having to transact before you have actually got anything, the risk of going over the time you've paid for or those times you do not know how long you will be, or unexpectedly need to prolong your stay, these factors cause people to avoid it altogether to prevent being caught out. Personally I have never used a paid car park in Angus since it was introduced, whereas I would pop into town most weeks to Argos, Nickel and Dime or the Music shop.

51 Dec 14 2020 09:56
PM

52 Dec 14 2020 09:35
PM

Car parking should be free

53 Dec 14 2020 09:35
PM

Car parking should be free

- 54 Dec 14 2020 09:31 PM To help our town centre businesses and to protect the sanity of those who live in the town centre, parking should be free.
- 55 Dec 14 2020 09:21 PM .
- 56 Dec 14 2020 09:13 PM You have caused a problem with people parking in the side streets around the town. The car parks are empty and the side streets are full think again your causing problems for larger vehicles to move around the town.
- 57 Dec 14 2020 09:13 PM For Angus shops to survive parking charges need to be scrapped.
- 58 Dec 14 2020 09:12 PM Abolish parking charges, worst thing to be brought into Arbroath in 50 years
- 59 Dec 14 2020 09:04 PM It's understandable that parking needs to be monitored but it has to be accessible to keep visitors returning and local shops alive.
- 60 Dec 14 2020 08:55 PM Car parks should be free to encourage footfall in local towns, supporting local business
- 61 Dec 14 2020 08:55 PM As a shop owner in Angus , when car parks are free our shops are busier and in these times we are struggling
- 62 Dec 14 2020 08:53 PM If there are no charges, something needs to be done about those who work in town parking in short stay carparks all day. Since the charges stopped again these carparks are always full in Arbroath and there is no way all these people are shopping in the high street, therefore when shoppers do need a space, none are free.
Why are people moaning about charging in Angus when they will go to Dundee, Aberdeen etc and are willing to pay charges with no complaints. I just hope that the Council don't use this survey as a guise to scrap the parking fee's and blame it on the public survey. The parking scenario has cost a lot of money from the public purse which could have been used for better projects. If the Council do scrap the charges i hope that all the Councillors who voted for the Parking Fee's are made to reimburse all the money spent on the meters etc to the public purse.
- 63 Dec 14 2020 08:45 PM This would hopefully make them aware not to waste money which they do not own.

- 64 Dec 14 2020 08:35 PM If charging for car parks then some sort of resident parking needs to be provided as people are just leaving cars in streets . I stay off town centre and cant get parked near my house some days
- 65 Dec 14 2020 08:24 PM We need some free parking, at least an hour, to keep the shops open. They have been battered enough by Covid and brexit!
- 66 Dec 14 2020 08:19 PM Na
Forfar Kirriemuir car parks were nearly empty when charges were introduced. Many part time low income workers had to pay for parking this is money they could not afford. Also the parking charges had a dramatic effect on small businesses who can barley survive . Old people spent forever trying to work out how to use the machines . It was a disgrace
- 67 Dec 14 2020 08:19 PM
- 68 Dec 14 2020 08:15 PM Parking should be free for at least an hour to encourage people to visit Angus towns.
This survey is very badly formatted.
- 69 Dec 14 2020 08:11 PM I would prefer not to purchase a permit at all. Unless you routinely work in town or live in the centre and require to park there, that option would prove to be to expensive. Otherwise most people would only require a relatively short stay . Short stay payment dissuades people from nipping in to town for a quick errand, quick haircut, a couple of bits at the bakers etc. Parking charges for short stays will and has shown to kill local high street shops and trading at a time when saving local high street shops in Angus should be encouraged. If Angus doesn't have local high street traders all you do is push those who have transport to venture elsewhere to find what they need. It's all very well saying "it's only a pound or two." But the simple point of finding some change in a time when shops discourage the use of cash in favour of contactless or standing at a machine trying to enter card details (potentially encouraging crime on the elderly) or trying to see card details to enter on a small screen are the kind of things which is enough to dissuade paying for parking on and off street. Please be more considerate of both business and the large proportion of users.
- 70 Dec 14 2020 07:48 PM free parking all Angus council car parks. This should help shop keepers.

- 71 Dec 14 2020 07:46 PM I usually park to use the train station to travel to work - being environmentally friendly rather than taking yet another car. Trains are already extortionate and to charge people to park close to the station is obscene.
- 72 Dec 14 2020 07:43 PM Make all Council car parks a token £1 (cash) to park all day (8-6). People wouldn't object to that and Council would get income from that. People would come into the towns more and shops, cafes and local businesses would benefit. You have hit a nerve with all locals putting in parking charges. Scrap the lot, currently town centres are not commercial enough to justify parking charges.
- 73 Dec 14 2020 07:23 PM The high streets are dead, focus efforts on getting businesses into the high street rather than this. It may mean you can justify in the future.
- 74 Dec 14 2020 07:18 PM FREE TO PARK.
- 75 Dec 14 2020 07:11 PM Na
For the benefit of the small businesses In angus, free parking should be available, arbroath, montrose Forfar have free 2hr car parks Brechin has not one free car park, the businesses are suffering people would rather go to montrose arbroath and not pay for parking Abbey gate, argos car parks Brechin is penalised and small businesses are suffering
- 76 Dec 14 2020 07:07 PM Killing local trade by asking for such ridiculous charges. Should be offering at least 2 hours free parking to allow people to shop and use local eateries. With an ageing population it's unfair to expect people to 1. Pay for parking every time they shop locally and 2. Make them park further away in order for them to have time to shop and be out of the house
- 77 Dec 14 2020 07:06 PM
- 78 Dec 14 2020 07:00 PM To help keep the high street shops in business parking should remain free This survey is flawed. No name is required so multiple responses possible. Council Tax number should be required. No payment should be made by council tax payers. Permit should come with council tax demand. Non council tax payers can be charged anything.
- 79 Dec 14 2020 07:00 PM

80	Dec 14 2020 07:00 PM	The roads are a disaster again always this time of year which is understandable with the climate we live in however if we were to see the charges for 1-2 hours parking off or in street to be priced instead of free then I would expect we would have our roads in better condition and we wouldn't all be forking out for new tyres each time the winter hits so there's that.
81	Dec 14 2020 06:59 PM	The most important thing is to encourage people to visit the town centre. I used to visit every other weekend but the charges are now very off-putting and I'd rather travel to a Dundee retail park now. There's needs to be a period of up to 4 hrs free really to make it worthwhile going into Forfar town centre
82	Dec 14 2020 06:57 PM	,
83	Dec 14 2020 06:56 PM	Access to local shops should not be inhibiting
84	Dec 14 2020 06:51 PM	My preference would be to see max 2 hour parking and happy to pay small fee after that. I live in Arbroath and parking is a nightmare. I am already on minimum wage and zero hours, any more expense I couldn't afford
85	Dec 14 2020 06:47 PM	None
86	Dec 14 2020 06:47 PM	Free parking is essential for workers, especially with bad and expensive public service that is provided
87	Dec 14 2020 06:45 PM	Scrap the parking charges
88	Dec 14 2020 06:45 PM	At the present time the majority of those using the parking are those still having to attend work and are already incurring costs which those who are working from home do not (working from home get the heating tax allowances) therefore parking charges are in effect charging people who have no option to work from home and are possibly wary of public transport.
89	Dec 14 2020 06:43 PM	A limited free period in any parking area so if someone just needs to collect an item they don't get penalised

I feel this survey is only addressing the issue of parking charges in established parking control areas. It does not deal with the undoubtably bigger issue of resident parking and the fact that parking charges in Angus are pushing vehicles out of parking controlled areas into the surrounding suburban streets to avoid parking charges. This means that residents (I.e. myself) get very annoyed about not being able to park on our streets as we should be able to do easily (1 car plenty of room in the street for residents only) and have a battle with tourists and workers coming into the area where we live and taking free spaces that residents need. So the council loses revenue and angers residents in the same strike by not controlling all the streets to resident parking and encouraging visitors into the bigger off street parking.

90 Dec 14 2020 06:42 PM

We need residents parking controls introduced (even at a low annual cost) before off street and on street current bay parking will be effective. Until this happens I will always suggest parking should be free because it is bring me into direct conflict with visitor to our area.

Charging for parking in Angus is not a popular subject. Our towns are already struggling with COVID restrictions and need support to reopen. By charging for parking this will impact them further.

91 Dec 14 2020 06:40 PM

In addition the council should be rolling out more EV chargers into all council car parks and community campuses. Forfar has very poor EV provision even with the new chargers soon to be installed as they are not in the town and would not benefit the residents but would benefit commuters.

Give all residents that stay close to the car parks the option to pay for a permit to allow them to park outside their property's .

Also listen to what the people want from the council regarding car parking as it seems to be that the councillors all seemed to have voted for this without looking at the pros and cons and did not listen to the public the very people who voted them on.

This has been well documented that the councillors went into this car parking charges blind folded and will not even admit that they had made a massive mistake and have wasted public money..... I don't think that any profit has been made out of the car parking charges.???

- 92 Dec 14 2020 06:33 PM For me any councillor that voted for this fiasco and did not listen to the people then I personally will not vote for them as I do not trust any of you anymore.....
- 93 Dec 14 2020 06:17 PM .
- 94 Dec 14 2020 06:10 PM You should not have to pay to park near your house especially when it's not your choice to live there in first place ie council housing
- 95 Dec 14 2020 06:04 PM I do not support the parking fees. I park out with the car parks now if I need to go up the street.
Parking in Arbroath should be FREE for Council TaxPayers. The cost of the present failure should be paid for personally by Fairweather and the Chief Executive. This survey is totally corrupt as it only allows answers given by Angus Council and disregards the views of those who pay council tax and have over 50 years paid for existing car parks through taxation.
- 96 Dec 14 2020 05:53 PM
- 97 Dec 14 2020 05:46 PM I think the council in its wisdom is killing Arbroath with its parking fees
- 98 Dec 14 2020 05:40 PM The town of Forfar was decimated by the parking fees.
I live at the bottom of the high street where the only available parking is on street parking,as there are buisness around us we sometimes have to park in car park around the corner,it is also this for any trades people we require to come to our property.
- 99 Dec 14 2020 05:40 PM

100	Dec 14 2020 05:17 PM	As a resident in town who has no other option than to park in a car park i feel we are being penalised. And how can you ask people to pay for a car park which is a dumping ground. Will it be kept clean if we were charged?
101	Dec 14 2020 05:06 PM	If you work in the town and need to park and have to pay for parking, it can be quite expensive and this reduces your monthly salary.
102	Dec 14 2020 05:04 PM	Our towns have ticked over ok in past years without parking charges, if the council are tight for cash start by cutting your operational costs, there are many areas where if the council had the courage, costs could be cut without effecting front line services. There should be an option to pay for how long you want on arrival, not have to go back after the free hour or two otherwise people wouldn't stay for unplanned lunches etc at our cafes. Barrier payments when leaving, for time stayed is a much better option. Also, motorhome/car and caravan spaces could be provided and charged for. Overnighting for max 2 nights could easily be charged like in Europe. Most motorhome owners divide nights between paid campsites and basic stopovers in daytime or overnight
103	Dec 14 2020 04:58 PM	
104	Dec 14 2020 04:56 PM	Fit of the town residents require dedicated parking space in front of homes
105	Dec 14 2020 04:45 PM	I understand it it not always possible to park for free but making a small reduction in charges would be feasible. Currently the car parks are well used unlike before it can be hard to find spaces it is a hard balance to achieve
106	Dec 14 2020 04:24 PM	Parking Charges are killing the high street businesses.
107	Dec 14 2020 04:22 PM	I am a blue badge holder yet still find it difficult to park near my home due to people parking in my street to avoid the parking charges 😞
108	Dec 14 2020 04:01 PM	Parking should be free on Angus in order to ensure that our towns are as viable and attractive as possible.
109	Dec 14 2020 04:01 PM	.
110	Dec 14 2020 03:46 PM	Na

- 111 Dec 14 2020 02:53 PM 24 hours contact required for illegal parked cars blocking drives and garages especially when double yellow lines are in place
- 112 Dec 14 2020 02:52 PM Charging for parking will negatively impact our already struggling high street shops
Use funds to provide reliable bus services throughout Angus. Fund less popular services. Many vulnerable people rely on it to attend appointments and avoid isolation.
- 113 Dec 14 2020 02:11 PM
- 114 Dec 14 2020 02:08 PM Angus council unlikely to make free parking its a pointless waste of time but I would like to be heard.
- 115 Dec 14 2020 02:00 PM This does not help local shops, their already struggling with rates and other outgoings.
Remember Angus is made up of very small villages all trying to survive. Charging for parking is crucifying these little shops in all the villages. Proof of this is how little money you made when you started to charge for parking We cannot compete with large shopping centres who have free parking so stop driving business away from all the one man band shops. Elderly folk can't walk quickly or far either so asking them to pay when they nip out each day in cars for their shopping is wrong too
- 116 Dec 14 2020 01:54 PM Visitors to our beautiful villages are surprised about parking fees it's just not right. We are not London Glasgow or Edinburgh city centres we are small villages all vying for a bite of the cherry and parking in these villages should be free at all times to encourage visitors not put them off
I live on the high street and it's a 30 minute short stay I have 2 young kids my youngest has Epilepsy and sometimes it's very difficult to park up drop off say for example shopping take kids into house while I'm taking shopping in and then put them back into car to move it round the back it's actually safer for us to have our car round the back but sometimes it's harder to do that if I can't get help to move within the 30 mins
- 117 Dec 14 2020 01:42 PM How much are the council tax payers going to pay for new signs, meters etc? I think if you reinstate payments again this will affect local businesses and people will just park on the street outside the car parks. Wasting more council tax money. Another farce like the bin lorry debacle!
- 118 Dec 14 2020 01:40 PM

119	Dec 14 2020 01:39 PM	None
120	Dec 14 2020 01:32 PM	<p>The car parks should be made free again as it is a struggle to park in my own street due to people not wanting to pay to park so taking up all the spaces in my street</p> <p>I would like to have the option for free short term (up to 1 hour) parking as I live out of town and sometimes just need to pop in for specific items (post office, prescriptions, dentist, etc) that can only be accessed in working 9-5 weekday hours - I don't see why I should pay for parking to do that just because I don't live in town. However, outside of this short term requirement, people who live and/or work in the localities and therefore have to have permits should be prioritised over people like me as the overall cost to them is much higher. If you can provide free or low cost permits for people who need them, I'm prepared to pay a bit more for my long term parking in town.</p>
121	Dec 14 2020 01:31 PM	<p>PI can you make the off street car park a 24 hour plus car park option. I travel to London on the sleeper train and back the same way. I am unable to park in the car park at the train station due to the time limits you have outlined. I cannot always park in the train station car park either. This means that I have to get a taxi which is ridiculous plus they're not always available.</p>
122	Dec 14 2020 01:28 PM	This has an impact on my personal safety walking in the dark late at night and early in the morning.
123	Dec 14 2020 01:26 PM	This is an appalling rigged survey, it should establish from the start whether I work or as I am retired, it is bias, in fact it's downright disgraceful
124	Dec 14 2020 01:25 PM	I hope there is more consultation and engagement with shop owners. We need our town centres to thrive to bounce back from Covid and they are key to that.
125	Dec 14 2020 01:22 PM	<p>I think the first hour should be free then pay a £1 for 2 hours then £2 for 4hours and £4 for 8hours and £6 for 24hours in my opinion that sounds fair because you have to pay in dundee and Aberdeen for parking why not Angus.</p>
126	Dec 14 2020 01:21 PM	Arbroath. It's nearly impossible to do pedestrian precinct, Abbeygate shopping in the time allowed on street even considering there aren't that many shops nowadays. There will be even fewer if you institute prohibitive parking charges

127	Dec 14 2020 01:16 PM	When the parking charges were introduced, many local Angus businesses were affected including closure of some unfortunately. Since the charges have been suspended the car parks have been busier and used more, helping local businesses. I would be more encouraged to park in my local town if there were free parking, whereas if I had to pay I would more likely use shops with free parking such as large chain shops like supermarkets (of which there are none in my home town). I urge you to please consider residents and shop owners when reviewing your parking charges and hopefully you remove them altogether. Main concern needs to be protecting high street shops, if people can't park easily/pretty cheaply then they won't bother. Unfortunately this is the reality. Therefore I favour having free short term parking for those nipping in to town
128	Dec 14 2020 01:03 PM	then if people want to make more of a day of it they likely won't mind paying a small fee to do so.
129	Dec 14 2020 12:56 PM	The recent parking system is a big mistake. Empty car parks confirm this. Increase The Council Tax.
130	Dec 14 2020 12:54 PM	Residents must have a priority for parking . Perhaps " spare ground" could be looked for and funded by residents permits?
131	Dec 14 2020 12:51 PM	Parking should be free
132	Dec 14 2020 12:51 PM	Car parks should be free
133	Dec 14 2020 12:45 PM	Many people are now shopping online as paying delivery is cheaper than paying for a car park I love at harbour area in Arbroath, we desperately need residents parking. The harbour area is over congested with businesses leaving residents no space.
134	Dec 14 2020 12:42 PM	Traffic warden permanently at E+O fish, Peppos and Marketgate, to many fans lorries riding on the pavements. I can understand charging for parking in the centre of town but there is no need for charging in the smaller car parks outwith the centre as these are mainly used by residents that do not want to leave their car on a busy road i.e. Old Halkerton Road in Forfar
135	Dec 14 2020 12:35 PM	
136	Dec 14 2020 12:35 PM	Free parking for all everywhere with no time limits!

137	Dec 14 2020 12:34 PM	<p>It's not fair that people who live in the new parking charges area have to pay just to park their car there. It should be free if they live there. They pay council tax and car tax for their property. It is also causing issues for shop owners who now need permits for parking at their work. This is causing people financial difficulty. People dont want to buy houses in these areas due to these additional yearly charges. This is not adding to arbroaths economy and taking it away. People would rather move away than pay all that money.</p> <p>I have tried to be as honest as possible. I would like to say I have never paid for parking since the parking charges were introduced. The only way I will use a Council car park is if the first hour is free. From the empty car parks and double parked streets when car parking charges are applied I can presume I am not alone.</p>
138	Dec 14 2020 12:33 PM	<p>I am sending you a survey completed in Kirriemuir in December 2018 completed by the general public giving their opinion on the charges which were introduced in early 2019, it was handed in at the time . Sure this will be helpful</p>
139	Dec 14 2020 12:20 PM	<p>Continue to provide wardens to prevent illegal on double yellow parking or dangerous parking on corners on pavement etc.</p>
140	Dec 14 2020 12:20 PM	<p>Angus is such a small place it should be free parking to encourage people to use town centres</p>
141	Dec 14 2020 12:18 PM	<p>Pay fully for on and off street parking, as there is actually plenty of car parks around Angus if people realise they can walk to places</p>
142	Dec 14 2020 12:17 PM	<p>Put more double yellow lines around the mid link parks and have dedicated bus parking for the day time for the Academy buses only. It's like a car park outside my home during the week. The council pays good money to keep the parks beautiful (which is a good thing in my opinion, it's a real asset to the town) but they are spoilt with lorries, busses, motor homes, vans and commercial vehicles parking up and often leaving their engines running</p>
143	Dec 14 2020 12:11 PM	<p>Businesses are being greatly affected by the parking situation as well as by Covid. Free parking should be encouraged to support the local economy</p>
144	Dec 14 2020 12:10 PM	<p>Parking in Angus should be free. The paid car parks were virtually empty when the parking charges were in operation. Surely this should speak volumes to Angus Council about the feelings of Angus residents about parking charges</p>
145	Dec 14 2020 12:08 PM	

- 146 Dec 14 2020 12:07 PM Please can the option of machines which take cash be returned as it is much easier to put in a pound than navigate the online system, especially for the elderly who do not have smartphones.
- 147 Dec 14 2020 12:06 PM Parking needs to be free to bring trade back to high streets!!!
- 148 Dec 14 2020 11:53 AM Due to current conditions we need to support our local shops as much as possible and we need to encourage people to visit the town centres. This is one way of doing this. It will hopefully bring more footfall to the streets
I am really concerned that people are out off stopping, shopping and eating in towns due to expensive parking. I regularly travel outwith Arbroath to work and park at the train station and it's so sad that the car park on Helen Street lies empty due to the charges. I feel so sorry for local residents who struggle to park near their homes.
- 149 Dec 14 2020 11:44 AM
- 150 Dec 14 2020 11:40 AM No comments
- 151 Dec 14 2020 11:40 AM Charging for parking in angus is going to damage your local businesses and affect the communities. Free parking will encourage people to shop in their own locality. Shop local to protect local businesses.
- 152 Dec 14 2020 11:28 AM We need more than 30 minutes for on street parking and at the very minimum free off street parking for 1 hour.
All parking should be free
- 153 Dec 14 2020 11:27 AM People pay more than enough in taxes to maintain the car parks without having to pay
Parking should be free. Angus has no competition with major cities and should attract visitors where it can. Anything other than free and it's just greed by the council who already fail with many services. Any charges that let's face it you are going to bring in should be halvedbetween council and every youth sports club in Angus
- 154 Dec 14 2020 11:19 AM
- 155 Dec 14 2020 11:19 AM Parking should be free, don't make us pay more to use our local shops etc because of poor management within the council.

156	Dec 14 2020 11:18 AM	I think it's right to have some form of charging for off-street parking otherwise the car parks become full with people parking all day for work, etc, this makes it harder for shoppers and visitors to find a space. I appreciate no one wants to pay to park however those parking for work, etc, all day just have to factor this in to the cost of owning a vehicle - the same as servicing, road tax, MOT, etc. Limited time free-parking should be provided in all car parks to enable people to pop-in to local shops and businesses - the current system of charging for any length of parking definitely puts people off visiting local shops when they can park from free at retail parks and supermarkets.
157	Dec 14 2020 11:13 AM	I am a carer in the community worker. Paying for parking is a nightmare for us.
158	Dec 14 2020 11:10 AM	Have all main car parks free to use all day. Paint double yellows every where else , bar a few disabled spots in the centre of towns. This will help the flow of traffic, it will also bring in money for you, due to folk will park on double yellows.
159	Dec 14 2020 11:08 AM	Business has taken a substantial hit this year in terms of revenue so anything to encourage greater footfall in the high street would be welcome so why not abolish the parking charges and do something to encourage business
160	Dec 14 2020 11:04 AM	Parking should be free
161	Dec 14 2020 11:02 AM	Parking needs to be free to support local traders while the economy recovers from Covid-19 and Brexit
162	Dec 14 2020 11:00 AM	Thanks for my wee say
163	Dec 14 2020 10:56 AM	Car park charges are a joke
164	Dec 14 2020 10:55 AM	Back to free car parking in big car parks. Streets to be monitored by wardens to ensure the time is adhered to
165	Dec 14 2020 10:50 AM	.
166	Dec 14 2020 10:42 AM	parking charges need to be in place as they bring in income for the council.

Car parking charges should be clear and easy to pay for. Machines should be easy to use with both cash and card payments available. I don't want to see a repeat of elderly people trying to use the machines and being reduced to tears. Tap and pay should be an option.

Not all people work Monday to Friday. Some work other days so permits should be for seven days not just five.

Introduction of parking charges turned my nearest town into a ghost town in a matter of days affecting businesses badly. Under current arrangements due to Covid the town is really busy again. A lesson to be learned perhaps.

167 Dec 14 2020 10:38 AM

If you want to part people from their money you have to make it simple. I think you only have to look at your car parks when they are free to see how much they are used and how much busier the high street is.. unfortunately charging for parking will just make people park in other areas eg housing developments and shop online more it kills the high street. I know personally if I meet friends for coffee we will go somewhere that has free parking rather than in the town therefor money is not getting spent in the shops afterwards also with my business I have to nip into shops with stock and some days this could be an extra £4 on my day which adds up over the year. I think the shops are struggling enough and I feel sorry for the pensioners as they can't work your machines I have lost count how many times I have had to help them..

168 Dec 14 2020 09:44 AM

169 Dec 14 2020 08:58 AM

Parking used to be free in Angus which stopped the majority of illegal and irresponsible on street parking. The machines are difficult to use and cost council money to maintain. Bring back free parking.

170 Dec 14 2020 08:20 AM

As a resident on montrose high street the provision for residents parking is terrible. There needs to be some thought about it, having to walk for miles with shopping and you toddlers is not good enough.

171 Dec 14 2020 07:16 AM

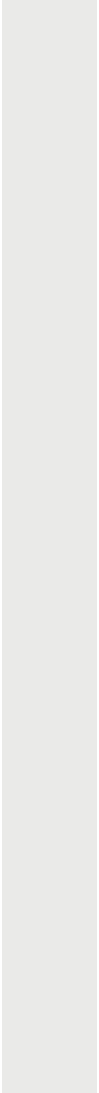
It is absolutely essential that parking remains free in angus. It is essential to keep most towns live. The decision to introduce them in the first place had a devastating effect, now with the pandemic and what will be a long drawn out recovery from this, it is even more important.

172	Dec 14 2020 07:11 AM	The main issue with the existing parking system is the payment method. This has to be simple and reliable, preferably one of the existing widely used systems that tourists might be familiar with. Experience suggests that a cash option is required, even though most people may pay by card. Permits need to be valid for all the days that charges apply so that people working weekends are not penalised. It is very clear from the current busy car parks that people will find alternatives, or worse not come into the towns, if the parking charges are too high or the payment process is an unnecessary obstacle. The opaque payment process is the reason I have never used any of the car parks while charges were in place.
173	Dec 14 2020 07:03 AM	To encourage shoppers into the town parking in all designated car parks and pay for parking on the streets should be free at the weekends
174	Dec 14 2020 02:03 AM	Please help us that love on a street with 30 minute restrictions. You have made our lives misery. The stress this caused daily is unfair. I bet most of the officers making these rules do not live in Angus. PLEASE HELP!
175	Dec 14 2020 01:58 AM	Absolutely scandalous waste of tax payers money. You should have listened 1st time round. Listen this time or face the same empty car parks.
176	Dec 14 2020 01:53 AM	I do not want any permits but this survey has forced me to choose the options. You've wasted enough tax payer money. NO MORE CHARGES!
177	Dec 13 2020 10:25 PM	Just keep it simple. 45 min free on street, 2hrs off street free then say £1/hr £30pm for car parks
178	Dec 13 2020 10:15 PM	The council is ruining the High streets by charging for parking. I am from Montrose and now live in Arbroath, and while the charges were ongoing I would see these pay for use car parks empty, and everyone going out of town to supermarkets. Whoever did the maths for the council was totally kidding themselves.
179	Dec 13 2020 06:37 PM	As a local GP it is now almost impossible to park near certain patients' houses for house calls, owing to workers parking in residential areas because they do not wish to pay for parking. Angus HSCP was supposed to provide GPs with a (free) permit but 2 years on we still await these! One partner got a parking ticket. It is also dangerous to drive along some roads, eg. Leonard Street in Arbroath, owing to cars parked on BOTH sides of the road. Goodness knows how fire engines get through!

- 180 Dec 13 2020 05:33 PM I want parking to remain free for all in Angus to encourage shopping and to rebuild our high streets. The introduction of parking charges, along with COVID-19 have had a devastating effect on local businesses and we need to encourage people to shop and spend locally.
Very complicated survey and not a single reference to coin operated meters! WHY ? Suggest simple question "Should coin operated meters be retained ?" would produce an answer the Council doesn't want to hear. To be absolutely clear , as someone who might only use paying car parks once or twice a week at most , I want to "Pay as I go" using simple coin operated machines and others who need to use car parks more regularly should have the option to purchase parking permits ... simple stick on screen permits ... bit like old tax discs. Personally found parking permits and new meters an absolute disaster and far from easy to negotiate. A total waste of Ratepayers money not to mention the devastating effect on our High streets.
- 181 Dec 13 2020 12:36 PM
- 182 Dec 13 2020 12:33 PM No comment
According to your info., it costs tax payers, I believe it was £56,000 per staff member of a 16 member group to the oversee parking. That's a hefty amount for a glorified meter reader. Your position is to serve the community, not fleece them. This isn't London.
- 183 Dec 13 2020 09:44 AM
- 184 Dec 13 2020 09:04 AM Charging for off street parking is killing trade in small towns, just as easy to head to bigger cities where parking is free in retail parks
- 185 Dec 13 2020 08:59 AM The town has looked so much busier since the removal of parking fees. Get rid of fees and do the high street a favour!

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189	Dec 12 2020 11:46 PM	I would like to see parking free for at least a couple of hours to allow local business more opportunity especially in these difficult times. Since the machines have been out of use in Arbroath the car parks have been full however when the parking charges were in place the car parks were half empty.
190	Dec 12 2020 11:13 PM	I strongly feel the half hour parking bay on the on street parking should be changed to an hour if you want people to shop local, your killing the town and all its small businesses in Angus.
191	Dec 12 2020 09:25 PM	Parking should be free
192	Dec 12 2020 06:25 PM	Current timing puts pressure on people with business appointments eg registering deaths or solicitor appointments and disadvantages those unable to walk any distance.
193	Dec 12 2020 05:54 PM	Parking should be free to encourage people to use our local shops and encourage visitors to come into town or stop for a while on their journey When you started charging for the car parks in Angus and Forfar the parks were empty. This has a knock on effect on the high street and now several shop fronts are empty. I've noticed that the car parks are busier again since no charges during COVID therefore more footfall on the high st. It's false economy to charge for car parking which send folks to the out of town shopping centres. Less shops open in the high st kills the footfall and you lose your rates from the high st.
194	Dec 12 2020 05:08 PM	Please keep the car parks free to save our high streets.
195	Dec 12 2020 04:25 PM	I am strongly against any free car park parking if it results in cuts to other services or an increase in council tax (which I think is already over inflated judging by the standard of current services)
196	Dec 12 2020 02:16 PM	I would like a resident paid permit parking system put in place in those streets where parking is not restricted and there are residences in the town centres
197	Dec 12 2020 02:12 PM	i would suggest a £1 parking charge for all day with the idea that the money would be spent within the town to benifit local groups who dedicate their free time to help others either directly or through local projects,
198	Dec 12 2020 01:53 PM	Being a small town, one would think parking should be free, so we support our small-town shops. Also, it takes longer than 30 minutes to get some treatments done.

199	Dec 12 2020 01:44 PM	.
200	Dec 12 2020 11:46 AM	Parking in designated existing council car parks should be free. They require NO upkeep, this survey is simply to justify charging to park. The workers in town who live outside walking distance should definitely not be charged.
201	Dec 12 2020 11:37 AM	with this virus and angus council doing parking charges the town centre shops that are owned by public members often have been hit badly and may go under and close and that's no use for the towns of Angus and Angus Council are the cause of their demise and the virus has made the situation that the council caused even more. The council do nothing for the town centre shops run by the people of the towns Leonard Street Car Park needs to be free of charge. Pre-covid this area is positively dangerous with on street parking and the car park empty. No room for emergency vehicles and pedestrians crossing the road at risk. This car park is too far away from the main shops to warrant charges
202	Dec 12 2020 11:21 AM	
203	Dec 12 2020 10:58 AM	Leonard St is dangerous while you have to pay at Fisheracre as street is so busy
204	Dec 12 2020 10:55 AM	Nil
205	Dec 12 2020 10:52 AM	No mention of Blue Badge holders. Provide 1 or 2 long stay car parks free to park all day. Particularly on the outskirts of the high street as a lot of people who work in the town will use residential streets to park on if all car parks are charged. For people who live in the immediate surrounding area of the high street parking is a nightmare 9-5 and it is unfair for us to have to pay for a parking permit when we can't even use it to park near our home!
206	Dec 12 2020 10:48 AM	
207	Dec 12 2020 09:33 AM	0 In the area I used to live the long stay car parks are free for 4 hours or £4 for 24 hours
208	Dec 12 2020 09:25 AM	The short stay are 20p for 1 hour 40p for 2 hours or £4 for 24

209	Dec 12 2020 08:53 AM	Protect our town centres, that's the job of the council to ensure we have thriving local economies. COVID-19 has resulted in a loss of income for many of our businesses and you are about to bring parking. You've done nothing to help us town centres. Read the article in press using reserves to dig up a perfectly good road here in Arbroath, use reserves to pay your debt (now our debt) And forget the whole thing.
210	Dec 12 2020 08:38 AM	On principle I will not purchase a parking permit or pay to park. You have wasted enough tax payers money on this. We the residents of Angus deserve better. You fail and we are left with the bill. Whoever designed parking should resign. My main issue is that people who work in town, who want to avoid paying for parking then park on residential streets contesting the area and leaving local residents with no parking facilities
211	Dec 12 2020 08:20 AM	
212	Dec 12 2020 08:02 AM	Parking on double yellow lines in Forfar needs to be clamped down and on the zig zags at crossings in Forfar Something needs to be done about the car parks as my 94 year old mother lives near a long stay car park and none of the family can find parking near her house now as everyone that used the car park is now parking along all the side streets so they don't have to pay even in front of my mothers garage some cars don't move for days she looks out her windows and sees vans so makes her house very dark this is not a good situation as she is housebound Leave permits alone. Allow free parking for carparks and high streets...it's not difficult!
213	Dec 12 2020 07:52 AM	
214	Dec 12 2020 07:48 AM	Could also build underground parking. Angus council employees should be able to park in long stay car parks throughout Angus for free while working in the community.
215	Dec 12 2020 07:06 AM	All off street parking should be free/cheaper during working hours to enable access to shops/offices
216	Dec 12 2020 06:52 AM	Given the need to promote footfall for business and high street retailers there is no point in having parking charges for short term visits of 2 hours and less. Also if you work in town you should be able to park for free.

Surrounding residential streets around town centre's become overcrowded when car parking charges are in place. Local residents struggle to get parked near their homes, often leaving young families,

- 217 Dec 12 2020 01:55 AM the elderly having to park far from their homes. Residents should not have to pay a permit to park on the street outside their home, they already pay road tax. Make additional parking bays along castle street (outside Cameron's the butchers and other premises on that stretch. Now that there is a one way system in place the width of the road could cater for this. Both shops and shoppers would benefit from the opportunity to park in closer range.
- 218 Dec 12 2020 01:32 AM
- 219 Dec 12 2020 01:08 AM Car parking charges ruining the high street
Parking charges led to shop closures in Carnoustie High Street. Now there are no charges, several premises are opening for business. Coincidence? I think not.
- 220 Dec 11 2020 11:57 PM I think parking in Angus should be free as it's closing a lot of businesses down as people won't pay to park and also for working people your working to pay for parking think it's silly
- 221 Dec 11 2020 11:30 PM I live in the first street back without restrictions from the high street. It was crazy some days to get parked when it was free and everyone was at work but when the car parks became payable there was not a chance in hell of residents getting parked near their own homes. On a regular basis I come home from work and have had to park more than 100 yards from my own home . I would even be happy like other residents in my street to pay for a residents permit. But when you bring back the charges it's us the residents who suffer the most. I'll either be back to walking some distance to my home or paying in the next street downs car park . For once I'd really like the residents to be considered
- 222 Dec 11 2020 11:28 PM Since the parking bans have been suspended for the time being it has been clear the car parks in Forfar have been used more often and it is great to see so many people now shopping locally instead of online. Bringing back charges to the car parks will no doubt change that again and I feel for those who have to use on street parking as they live in flats in the town with no private parking.
- 223 Dec 11 2020 11:25 PM

224	Dec 11 2020 11:07 PM	I work as a nurse. Paying money for short stay is ridiculous. I should be able to see to my patients without worrying about getting tickets. Angus towns need free parking to ensure that the high streets remain open!! People are struggling with life as it is without paying parking!
225	Dec 11 2020 10:51 PM	Reduced rate permit parking for town centre residents. We cannot park easily on our own street due to carparks charging fees, causing town centre workers and visitors to park on restriction free streets
226	Dec 11 2020 10:31 PM	Free parking Always
227	Dec 11 2020 10:10 PM	Free parking in all carparks. Free Permits for community NHS staff to use during working hours
228	Dec 11 2020 10:08 PM	Parking needs to be free in the carparks and 30 mins free in the street I agree that parking charges are necessary for income how every with the dying high streets, i am rarely needing to park a full hour so was frustrating paying for an hour for a 10 minute errand.
229	Dec 11 2020 09:50 PM	Those paying for full days are those working in the town centres, often in lower paid retail jobs so seemed unfair. This is why i am happy to pay for shorter stay parking and keep annual permits low.
230	Dec 11 2020 09:37 PM	The council needs to review how it collects its revenue as it appears to be hell bent on killing all shopping centres in Angus.
231	Dec 11 2020 09:20 PM	having stayed at my address for 34 years and parking at Leonard st arbroath is a must ,as now yellow lines have made it impossible to park in st feel I'm punished to stay in the area ,after 34 YEArS. someone considered this please
232	Dec 11 2020 09:19 PM	I believe that the free 30 minute limit on high street parking is good as it gives enough time to nip into shops which support local businesses, before this was enforced cars parked all day resulting in no spaces to support local shops.

233 Dec 11 2020 08:49 PM Our flat is in James Street Arbroath. It is a dead end street, we have parking restrictions, with no place to park during the day unless we pay. It is really annoying as there is no through traffic, and the rates we pay surely we should be allowed to park outside our door. I also feel because of the parking charges very few people are using the car parks, so it defeats the purpose of bringing in more money for the council, less footfall on the high street. People are going out of town to the bigger shops who have free parking. So sad, please reconsider these ridiculous charges, so we can park outside our house, and allow us to use the local shops.

Free parking has brought more people in to the towns, support the retailers and businesses and keep the parking free. Free parking is meaning that the towns roads are safer as individuals are not touring round to find parking spaces on residential streets also inconveniencing tenants and creating dangerous roads with too many badly parked vehicles.

234 Dec 11 2020 08:25 PM If car parks must be charged then show the way and enforce parking charges at all council sites and make it a fairer charge across the board!
The reintroduction of off-street parking charges was represented and accepted by councillors as the best way to raise money for car park repairs and maintenance. However the cost of this system, plus the addition of coin-operated machines was unduly expensive. At the reintroduction it was not a time to be doing anything to detract from the casual visitor. The excessive expensive income has been diminished by alternative means of shopping, and all town centres and shops have suffered. As covid has influenced how people have had to shop they have survived personally by going mail order, and supermarket delivery services.

This was a badly thought-out idea, and the people involved in its implementation obviously did not have the business acumen and the common sense to make the correct judgements. They just were not qualified for the job.

235 Dec 11 2020 07:50 PM It would be far the best idea to remove these machines or allow them in a reduced capacity, and let our small towns thrive on local and casual visitors and bring our town centres back to life.

236 Dec 11 2020 07:34 PM Questionnaire ridiculously complicated with too many choices, when people are obviously going to opt for the free then least expensive options.

237	Dec 11 2020 07:15 PM	Parking should not be subsidised by non users. Pedestrians, cyclists, public transport and many car users do not use car parks and should not have to subsidise those that do. Car Parking charges should be de-minimis to pay for daily running, annual maintenance and capital replacement but not as a cash cow for council coffers.
238	Dec 11 2020 06:54 PM	Stop Traffic Wardens targeting business who sometimes need to park outside their premises to u load, we witnessed one day traffic warden no18 going past our shop 16 times.we currently have a 30min outside our cafe and was given a ticket when unloading and having a busy spell.. Easy target for them. I think it's important to take into account that there are a lot of elderly people in the County. You could park up and think you will only be an hour however end up behind an elderly person in the post office for instance. It's right that the assistants take time and care with these clients but that could push you over the hour parking whike you wait. There needs to be a bit of meeting in the middle.
239	Dec 11 2020 06:43 PM	
240	Dec 11 2020 06:25 PM	Let's try and encourage locals to shop locally - I don't like big supermarkets now
241	Dec 11 2020 06:14 PM	N/a
242	Dec 11 2020 06:11 PM	More mobility spaces nearer shops
243	Dec 11 2020 05:57 PM	On street parking needs to be increased in time if not abandoned completely, I can't even park anywhere near my barbers to get a haircut and as it takes a decent length of time to get cut I either have to walk a mile, or face getting a parking ticket I do not mind paying for parking but think it would be good for places to have 2 hours free as this would hopefully help encourage people to pop to the local shops for things e.g. butchers, pharmacy etc which could be done within that time. Those wishing to stay longer for lunch or coffee would factor the additional parking into their daily spend. I tend to go to places where I can get parked for free if I can. I don't mind paying £1 for 2-3 hours of parking, I think that is quite cheap compared to other places.
244	Dec 11 2020 05:49 PM	
245	Dec 11 2020 05:20 PM	No

- 246 Dec 11 2020 05:12 PM In order to encourage much needed business to our hi streets, I don't believe we should have parking charges.
- 247 Dec 11 2020 05:08 PM People on ladybridge Street should get a free parking permit as we can't park outside our houses
All car parking should be free to encourage more people into our Angus towns which desperately need as high a footfall as possible. Shops and amenities in our small towns need as much help as possible and free car parking is a good step towards this. After all empty shops mean deserted towns and then no one needs to park so loss of revenue is the same. At least if shops are full you gain council tax and dont think for one minute empty shops can be paid for by landlords because where will that money come from? If you want vibrant, busy and successful towns with good employment in shops then ditch car park fees. Get all parking free as was before, the cost of the machines to install plus man hours is rediculous..
- 248 Dec 11 2020 05:08 PM
- 249 Dec 11 2020 05:01 PM Maybe using think first act second this time instead of act first think later
At present the town is divided by the parking charges, Go down town on Saturday and the streets are empty, Local businesses are suffering from lack of support from the public as they wont pay to park, This is killing the town
- 250 Dec 11 2020 04:59 PM
- 251 Dec 11 2020 04:56 PM Parking ON street should be charged by Pay and Display meters. £1 per 30 minutes. Parking OFF Street (short Stay) should be FREE.
- 252 Dec 11 2020 04:47 PM Should be free, paying for parking has killed off town centres
- 253 Dec 11 2020 04:35 PM I think the time for the short stay car parks should be increased to enable and encourage people to shop locally. Sometimes half an hour is just not enough. Personally I would recommend that resident's parking permits should be made available to people living in town centres, this works in many towns and cities and think Angus Council need to look at this option . I brought this up years ago and nothing was done but as it's nearly 2021 you need to get up with the times not sticking your head in the sand any longer.
- 254 Dec 11 2020 04:16 PM
- 255 Dec 11 2020 04:06 PM All parking should be free, ever since the charges have been dropped the towns are busier and car parks are full. Should never have started in the first place

256	Dec 11 2020 04:02 PM	Angus Council have successfully closed a number of shops in Forfar the free parking was brought in a number of years ago to encourage shoppers to the town the free parking kept the streets clear, the car parks were always fully used. The charging meters have been another waste of council money which we the people of Forfar have paid for in our rates
257	Dec 11 2020 03:59 PM	ability to use cash payment to assist elderly and those not keen to use contactless or chip and pin
258	Dec 11 2020 03:55 PM	Parking throughout Angus should be free as it was for years previously. Try managing the money you already get correctly.
259	Dec 11 2020 03:52 PM	There are more people using Arbroath town centre now than when parking charges were in use
260	Dec 11 2020 03:47 PM	Stop charging for parking, you are killing our towns! No wonder ppl shop online or at retail parks. Why was there no option to say 'we don't want charges' on these questions?
261	Dec 11 2020 03:46 PM	n/a
262	Dec 11 2020 03:43 PM	Parking free to encourage people into the town to boost retail
263	Dec 11 2020 03:43 PM	I don't mind paying for parking off street if it's easy to do.
264	Dec 11 2020 03:41 PM	Parking should be FREE IN ANGUS. It's ridiculous the council putting on these extra charges.
265	Dec 11 2020 02:42 PM	I don't mind paying for parking if it helps the council with funding for road maintenance etc. Also, I think it is fair to have to pay to park on main streets. More people should walk more if they are able too, and there are plenty of car parks in Forfar within easy walking distance of the town centre. Take care and have a lovely Christmas.

I feel in smaller settlements (such as Kirriemuir) town centre businesses suffer more through parking charges. It is easy for the consumer to drive on to a larger settlement and park for free at supermarkets and retail parks-often outwith Angus to the detriment of the local economy and the vibrancy of our town centres. That said the situation at the moment is that it is difficult to shop in the town as parking spaces are taken up constantly by the same vehicles- I suspect residents and some businesses. A decent length of free parking would make it easy for shoppers to make their purchases locally and avoid leakage to elsewhere. Those taking up spaces for long stays should be charged as they decrease churn. This would also allow the council to gather some revenue without unduly affecting business.

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Car parking should be free, shops will be busier.
Since parking charges have stopped the car parks have been totally abused by people working at home's cars, works vans, storing campers and caravans etc. to the point where I can never get parked to go the the shops, especially in Kirriemuir. This is a great problem as I am disabled and although I have a badge the disabled spaces are always occupied by cars without a badge. Nothing is ever done about this. The whole parking situation in Angus is shameful.

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Allow machines to accept cash, make a decision and stick to it.
I have never had an issue with the payment for car parking in the car parks. The issue was why initially you couldn't use cash to pay. Once these cash machines were installed I used the car parks again. I do feel that the 30mins on street parking is way too short if you are just nipping into bank or shop with a queue. 1 hour is probably enough free though to avoid people just parking there all day.

270 Dec 11 2020 01:08 PM

271 Dec 11 2020 12:59 PM

I believe car parking charges have a detrimental effect on retail in Angus towns

272 Dec 11 2020 12:20 PM

Needs to be fair and not prohibitive for people to use.

- 273 Dec 11 2020 12:19 PM I think that the introduction of parking fees has had a detrimental impact on local businesses but also local residents as commuters have parked their vehicles in residential areas, often without consideration for the local residents. Some people who had regularly used local independent shops in the past have started to use local supermarkets instead where free parking is provided. In addition some commuters also use supermarket car parks to park their vehicle all day which can leave a shortage of spaces for customers. I did purchase a monthly permit for work purposes and must admit that did enjoy that more spaces in the public car parks were available due to a lack of use. I hope that it will be possible to stop the car parking charges altogether and perhaps look at other options for Angus Council to generate income.
- 274 Dec 11 2020 11:29 AM Given the financially strains being placed on everyone due to COVID, BREXIT and austerity cuts before this - I think parking charges should not be reintroduced until financial stability within the country has been realised
- 275 Dec 11 2020 10:54 AM There should be an easier way to pay for parking. Current meters are horrific
- 276 Dec 11 2020 09:34 AM I work in Angus and only park there occasionally but I don't think it's unreasonable to ask for payment to park. Most local authorities charge something. Of course it's nice to park for free but we need to be realistic.
- 277 Dec 11 2020 09:29 AM The original machines were too complicated. Just a pay and display which takes cash or contactless cards would be fine.
- 278 Dec 11 2020 09:11 AM The Councillors should take a walk around the Angus towns and have a look at how full the car parks are while they free and think back to how empty they were when charging to park in them. Look at how busy the shop s locally have been. Think that in itself tells the Councillors what the people of Angus want. But I will spell it out to you - FREE PARKING AT ALL TIMES. Don't kill our high streets anymore! Lockdown has been tough enough for shop keeper, charging for parking would cause a lot of shops to close.
- 279 Dec 11 2020 07:51 AM Get rid of parking charges

I think the introduction of parking charges has been an unmitigated disaster. Since charges were introduced the car parks in Forfar are more or less empty on a Saturday, whereas previously they were busy. The side streets are rammed (and now more dangerous as a result).

The council should be adopting measures to encourage more visits into town; not deterring them.

It would be interesting to know how much was "invested" in payment machines, systems and staff to make this happen; money very poorly spent. There must be more innovative ways to pay for the parking to encourage thriving town centres instead of impacting retailers and keeping people away.

Parking tickets in a small town like Arbroath seems very unfair. The town of Arbroath has very little shops left in the town centre. I stopped using the meter and began to park in the street which meant I stopped browsing the shops altogether. It's not the £1 but the principle. I will not be paying for any parking in Arbroath. The meters have put strain on all the streets. roundabout the city centre including my mother's street. Union Street East. Knowone will pay the fees because it makes no sense to charge people in a town which relays on the people using the shops. Elderly people are not going to mess about with a ticket either. Who thought about the elderly when it was decided to use a card to pay the £1 with??? It makes no sense and was not thought through properly at all. No shelter when you are standing in the rain, struggling to pay £1. What were the council thinking? Such a bad idea.

280 Dec 11 2020 01:17 AM

281 Dec 11 2020 01:01 AM

282 Dec 10 2020 11:42 PM I suggest that sack the council leaders and use the money for a big **** up which would be more worthwhile

283 Dec 10 2020 11:02 PM Charging for parking has killed most town centres .when parking was free there was more footfall in the towns

284 Dec 10 2020 10:41 PM It is important to allow free parking in angus to help all the towns best interests to help grow the local economy and to encourage local and visitors to shop in the town centres

		<p>I have recently started my own food based business at West High Street in Forfar which means that I need to travel to work by car so that I can keep bringing in new stock every day. It takes longer than 30 minutes to calmly unload everything which means that right now I'm forced to rush while unloading the car and it sometimes ends in me forgetting to take something out. As a very new business owner I dont have the funds to afford car park fees and I dont know what I will do if its no longer free. I stay on the other end of Forfar so I'd be forced to pay for short parking, drive back home and leave the car then walk back and it would take 45 minutes to come back. I drop my daughter off at 9am and the shop owner doesnt open the shop till 10 am which means that if i need to take my car home then I'll still be setting up during lunchtime and not being able to serve customers as I wont be ready which will force me to loose my business and end up back on benefits.</p>
285	Dec 10 2020 10:30 PM	
		<p>As a shop owner in Forfar we have noticed that due to FREE parking in the car parks our customer foot flow has increased. Street parking would be good if the time limit was increased as half an hour isnt much time when needing to shop. We used to loose a lot of custom due to shopping in Dundee/Aberdeen, this hasnt been happening recently and it would be good to help out the shops/customers to keep them supporting small retailers by helping everyone out with the parking time limits & charges</p>
286	Dec 10 2020 10:13 PM	
287	Dec 10 2020 09:40 PM	<p>When charging for parking I would avoid going to shops during my lunch hour. First hour should be free</p>
288	Dec 10 2020 08:36 PM	<p>I am a pensioner and most of the clubs I attend in town last for two hours. - WSRI, Guid etc. Therefore a one hour free and then a two hour tariff would be perfect</p>

I have lived in Angus for over 30 years and always parked in Brechin without restrictions and for free for many years when the town was a thriving shopping area. Recently for some reason Angus council are charging for parking when the town needs all the footfall it can attract and should not be charging people to park at all. For goodness sake stop all parking charges in Council car parks in Angus and welcome visitors and local people who already pay for the facilities of car parks in their council tax payments each year. Look at car parks in other areas of the uk who have actually stopped charges for car parking and have seen the footfall increase as a result. Finally it should be pointed out that not all parking is chargeable in neighbouring authorities. In the small towns it's possible to park free of charge and without restrictions . Please think again Angus Council and welcome people to the towns without charging them for the privilege of using local shops and encourage new business to the town centres which will generate a thriving community and produce business rates for the Council!

289 Dec 10 2020 07:50 PM

Thank you

290 Dec 10 2020 06:44 PM

If the parking charges had not be removed 20 years ago their would not have been a problem just now people would accept to paying . If you go to any other town you have to pay

The problem with charging is everyone is parking in local streets around links avenue causing chaos and an accident waiting to happen

People are parking over driveways blocking cars in

291 Dec 10 2020 04:28 PM

Where there was room to park this has now been taken away by shopkeepers who are not paying for the permits and parking at people's doors all day long

292 Dec 10 2020 01:22 PM

No one wants to pay for parking. We pay our taxes! These should never have been introduced. They are killing the high street.

293 Dec 10 2020 12:58 PM

Charging should not start again, shops have suffered enough with Covid

294	Dec 10 2020 12:26 PM	In rural Angus a car can be the only option for travel. People living in poor rural communities can't afford extra 'taxes'. While parking charges applied, people stopped going to small shops in the centre of town and chose instead to drive to larger shops and cafes with free car parks, this was bad for local business. Parking charges brought safety concerns to residential streets which became congested with parked cars. People try to give their custom to small, local shops but if a minimum of £13 per month parking permit is added to their monthly outgoings they are as well travelling to Dundee to access the range of cheaper shops there.
295	Dec 10 2020 11:52 AM	Businesses need support especially now. Charges deter people shopping locally. People have already made clear what they feel re charges by not using car parks.
296	Dec 10 2020 10:35 AM	Really shocking having to pay to park local
297	Dec 10 2020 10:17 AM	False economy charging for parking, bad for local business. Also results in shoppers parking outside residents homes and discourages visitors to town.
298	Dec 10 2020 09:54 AM	No fees as people park on residential streets next to town so residents can't get parked
299	Dec 10 2020 08:47 AM	People who live without off Or on street car parking and are forced to use car parks close to home should not be penalised.
300	Dec 10 2020 08:22 AM	Would be good to have permits for Angus Council workers who need to park locally for work purposes - seems silly to pay for it then claim it back. Providing 1-2 hours of free parking would give local people the time needed to use local businesses but not take up a parking space for the whole day.
301	Dec 10 2020 07:35 AM	I parked in the Myre Car Park last Saturday and got the last space. There are significantly more people leaving there cars there all day.

On street needs to stay at 30 minutes to allow people time to visit the local businesses during a lunch hour or to run a quick errand.

302 Dec 10 2020 07:03
AM

303 Dec 09 2020 11:07 PM Please prioritise allowing the first 2 hours free - this allows residents and visitors time to go for lunch, coffee etc and should help to revitalise the town.

304 Dec 09 2020 09:37 PM

N/a

305 Dec 09 2020 09:19 PM

We desperately need resident parking permits particularly on Keptie Street. And get rid of the Taxi spaces opposite the station that never get used and make these residents spaces

306 Dec 09 2020 05:48 PM

if having parking meters in no matter what the constituents want, you HAVE to make these accessible to all meaning they MUST accept cash otherwise you are disadvantaging and discriminating those who do not have the ability to use contactless/mobile phones etc to pay

307 Dec 09 2020 04:40 PM

Those in charge should hang their heads in shame at this absolute mess they have created. Why is this being done now? Horse, stable, bolted springs to mind. Playing roulette with taxpayers money is just not on. The incompetence is staggering.

308 Dec 09 2020 04:30 PM

Scrap parking charges and get more visitors to keep business,s viable

309 Dec 09 2020 04:07 PM

Angus council car parking fees are killing the towns local shops !

Why was this not done prior to the charges being implemented? Surely this has now cost way more than it should have by not consulting in the first place Angus Council carried out a review many years ago and it was deemed that parking charges were a false economy. I live and work in rural Angus. I have no option but to have a car. There is 1 bus a day passes my house and my disability prevents me from cycling. For Ronnie Proctor to say I am fortunate to have a car just shows his complete lack of understanding. I cannot work or live where I do without one and one of the reasons I moved to Angus was because there were no parking charges. Those in charge of the Council really need to start being more professional, efficient and listen to the Community. If this whole shambles was a private concern they would have gone bust by now but it seems that taxpayer money is ok to waste on ill thought out schemes that require consultations after they have been implemented. It is as shocking as the attitudes of those in charge.

310 Dec 09 2020 03:54 PM

There are double yellow lines outside my house so I have no option but to pay the permit. People with no double yellow lines can park outside their house for free. I am penalised financially for where I live

311 Dec 09 2020 03:49 PM

Personally, I use car park when shopping using and supporting Local shops as much as possible, therefore would like 1st 2hours free, thereafter some sort of payment

312 Dec 09 2020 03:47 PM

introduction to paying for parking has had a detrimental effect on the shops in Arbroath High Street. If you take an example - Gallagher Retail Park Dundee - free for first 2 hours - people spend money in the shops, then go, leaving their space for the next customer - good turnover of customers throughout the day - not empty car parks like Arbroath (prior to COVID). Support our local businesses - not everyone wants to do online shopping

313 Dec 09 2020 03:03 PM

There is a need to enforce on street parking for dangerous and careless acts but absolutely no need to charge for parking in Angus, it deters visitors and hurts business.

314 Dec 09 2020 02:48 PM

I agree with limited parking charges. I do not wish to see a return to free parking but I feel the current charges and payment options are not fit for purpose.

315 Dec 09 2020 02:14 PM

Keep the parking free which will help all business in Angus, but keep the Traffic Walden's, to help keep the bays available for everyone

316 Dec 09 2020 02:06 PM

- 317 Dec 09 2020 12:14 PM Car parking should be free in Angus towns in order to support local businesses.
- 318 Dec 09 2020 12:09 PM Businesses need footfall without businesses there will be no towns
Since the parking charges started I can no longer park in our residential parking
- 319 Dec 09 2020 10:11 AM only as these spaces are taken by the time I return from work by people not using the car parks now!
- 320 Dec 09 2020 09:52 AM Hardly anyone used the car parks when there were charges, it nearly killed the high streets
I think there maybe needs to be different schemes for residents and workers.
- 321 Dec 09 2020 09:33 AM Also care workers who are visiting multiple homes every day and can't get parked easily need to be considered
Keep parking on the streets free but only for 30 minute. This has worked really well. I don't wish to see car parks filled by long stay people, keep it moving so more can benefit.
- 322 Dec 09 2020 08:58 AM People need 2 hours free parking to enable them to use the public library, use local shops, visit hairdresser and to have a social coffee. Let's help the local businesses along with the drivers.
- 323 Dec 09 2020 08:52 AM
- 324 Dec 09 2020 08:02 AM I think the first 2 hours should be free to support small businesses, who otherwise will take a big hit from the parking charges
- 325 Dec 09 2020 07:53 AM Na
The last thing we need is a disincentive for people to visit our town centres the shops close, the council loses revenue, the town centres look like third world zones, civic pride drops, and apathy takes its place. You would think councillors and their families lived on a different planet to not see the decline, we need to reverse the rot, parking charges are discouraging local ratepayers and create the anger and apathy we should be avoiding. Parking charges are another blow to the rural community who are not in close proximity to the towns, they cannot walk to the shops and have no choice but to use their cars, this and cutbacks, deemed economically unviable, made to this community is unfair to residents who are paying the same council charges as town residents for less of the benefits.
- 326 Dec 09 2020 07:22 AM

327	Dec 09 2020 07:15 AM	Car parks which only allow 2 hours parking don't encourage people to spend time in the town. Meters should be as simple to use as possible with payment allowed by card or coins or phone app.	
328	Dec 09 2020 06:59 AM	N/a As before if car parks start to charge again, people will just park on streets. I am on a corner and it becomes more dangerous for me reversing out of my drive. Also as an emergency worker I need access 24/7 but I've had lots of people blocking my drive rather than paying. Cited someone let me know how to apply for yellow lines please?	
329	Dec 09 2020 05:56 AM		Yes
330	Dec 09 2020 03:32 AM	I think parking should be free as this would help business within towns in Angus	
331	Dec 09 2020 02:05 AM	It has already been proven that residents are unwilling to pay for parking, you are wasting time and money, continuing to survey this	
332	Dec 09 2020 02:03 AM	I don't want to see car parking fees again. As a shop owner our profits plummeted drastically we were on the verge of closing down it got so bad.	
333	Dec 09 2020 01:11 AM	Residents who park in car parks next to their homes should be allowed to park for free. Any paymachines should be capable of cash or card payment and must be easy to use for elderly etc.	

I would strongly prefer we go back to having more free parking available in angus. So many businesses in Forfar have closed or otherwise been adversely affected by the lack of footfall. Folk just go to dundee to shop and of course currently this risks spreading covid but generally speaking it has taken the life out of the town. Urban economies are so delicate and hard to re-invigorate. As I'm disabled and I dont have the energy to travel far. I decided to move to forfar as I could get everything I needed in one place and have a good quality of life. This has changed with all the closures. Even bigger chains like peacocks have left so it's harder to find affordable clothes.

The permit is so expensive and I only park as a resident near my home on the High Street. I wouldn't use it in any other locations outwith forfar. I also believe the off street parking should be free in any case. Those of us living in town have no other choice.

Also, as the greens car park is so quiet, folk congregate there at night and it now feels unsafe to walk there as a vulnerable woman. It was never like that before the parking charges.

With regard to disability, expecting folk to use a complicated website to buy parking or permits has a disproportionate effect on people like me. I'm not sure if this was taken into account.

334 Dec 09 2020 12:27 AM

335 Dec 08 2020 11:53 PM

Limited on street. Free everywhere else

336 Dec 08 2020 11:51 PM

Free parking would be appropriate.

337 Dec 08 2020 10:06 PM

This questionnaire is not balanced. Forced to chose options as no "other" available. Poorly designed

All parking should have a bare minimum of 1 hour, preferably 2 hours free, this would allow people time to go to a local cafe for lunch for example helping local businesses. Having parking free full stop meant alot of people were parking in forfar all day so they could then get a bus to their work in dundee (forfar to dundee bus cheaper than parking in dundee) however if there isn't any allowed free parking time it puts people off parking at all which is impacting local

338 Dec 08 2020 09:21 PM

businesses

- 339 Dec 08 2020 09:15 PM Happy to pay for parking but residents in town centres should get a permit for free parking
- 340 Dec 08 2020 09:10 PM For the sake of local shops it must be free.
- 341 Dec 08 2020 08:25 PM Short stay parking should be free in the small town to encourage business. Longer stay parking should have a minimal charge to support this.
- 342 Dec 08 2020 07:33 PM 30 minutes is not long enough to do all my shopping in town, it stops me from using local shops, as I don't want a parking fine
I previously worked in a high street store in Brechin, I was unfortunately made redundant due to the direct impact of the parking fees. They have taken a hit out of EVERY business in Brechin. I would strongly advise that if Angus council still want shops and services in the high street, they should scrap the fees. It might be a complete "U-turn" from the original proposal of parking fees, but it has to happen.
- 343 Dec 08 2020 07:25 PM Because of the downtrend of footfall in Angus town centres because of covid-19 plus shopping complexes on the town's outskirts, then to encourage shoppers to return to local Main Street shopping and to support local businesses then I feel free parking would hopefully encourage this. As a driver with greatly reduced mobility a 30 minute on street waiting time is just not long enough for me to walk to a shop or my bank and return to the car within 30 minutes after completing purchases etc, so a longer parking time would benefit me personally - and I suspect there are many more like me!
- 344 Dec 08 2020 06:58 PM Angus has enjoyed Free Parking for many years, going to charge was always going to be difficult. I only visit my local town(Arbroath) once a month to collect medication and dog food due to Covid. I did find when we had no Traffic Wardens great difficulty in getting an on street parking place and after they were reintroduced the problem disappeared. I would be happy to pay for longer term parking, Arbroath residents are quite happy to travel to Dundee and pay in
- 345 Dec 08 2020 06:17 PM

excess of the proposals.

- 346 Dec 08 2020 05:56 PM There is not a parking problem in most Angus Towns. Why create problems charging for parking, people will just go and park in residential streets and the car parks will be empty. Find another way of raising money.
- 347 Dec 08 2020 05:45 PM Free parking at least for the first two hours would greatly benefit local shops. If I have to pay at every car park I might as well go to Dundee where I can get everything I need.
- 348 Dec 08 2020 05:41 PM Currently not enough disabled parking in streets of towns with shops. Cost of parking is killing towns. I have to pay for parking as I work shifts and live on a main street. Shop workers commuting have to pay parking. Shoppers just use supermarkets instead of local. Tradesmen such as builders cannot park for free when working in towns. The permits are more than parking fines which is wrong all round.
- 349 Dec 08 2020 04:54 PM many householders in Carnoustie do not have off road car parking where do they park their cars without incurring cost, the small number of car parks help to mitigate on street parking, on street parking in some cases is limited to 30 minutes which is insufficient in many cases to conclude personal business. Arbroath retail car parks rather than public car parks I am sure tend to be used causing inconvenience to some shoppers and traders and this is evident by the traders who have protested since the introduction of payment for car parking.
- 350 Dec 08 2020 04:50 PM Parking charges have a negative impact on business. If I am forced to pay to park in Angus for shopping I would go to Dundee instead and pay for the greater choice.
- 351 Dec 08 2020 04:25 PM I have shopped in Angus rather than Dundee for decades because of the free parking, even though the shop selection is smaller. If you remove the incentive you will lose trade and income.
- 352 Dec 08 2020 03:22 PM Car parking charges have already caused local businesses to lose vital trade and also discourage tourists to visit towns.

353	Dec 08 2020 03:07 PM	Parking should most certainly NOT be free apart from an initial period to allow drop off and collection.
354	Dec 08 2020 02:51 PM	i think that the parking permits should be free to community staff and this would save having to reclaim on travel expenses and would save council in long run I have found the parking charges extremely frustrating, as elderly mother-in-law lived on Victoria St Forfar when charging was in place it was impossible to park near to her house as people parked outside it in preference to paying in the large car park opposite. As we were having to pop in to check on her several times a day it was extremely annoying. I feel that in these times of economic crisis the local shops are having a hard enough time, the income generated by the unpopular parking measures was not worth the detrimental impact it had on local businesses.
355	Dec 08 2020 01:59 PM	People would be willing to pay a small fee if their was an option to pay at the ticket machine. Both card and cash payments must be available and your machines easy to use by the elderly and vulnerable. Your previous meters were too confusing. I have grandparents who would happily pay a small amount but not using their card and not using a system that requires a degree in computing. I appreciate and understand money has to be made and savings made from everywhere however hiking up parking prices will only kill the high street (already in dire states). Angus will have nothing left.
356	Dec 08 2020 01:34 PM	Local businesses are trading in tough enough conditions right now, without having the extra stress of car parking charges being reapplied next year.
357	Dec 08 2020 01:31 PM	Individuals who don't have the luxury of off-street parking shouldn't have to face increased living costs next year in times of economic uncertainty.
358	Dec 08 2020 01:30 PM	Car parking should be free across Angus to encourage people to stay in the area and use businesses here
359	Dec 08 2020 01:10 PM	When parting charges were brought in, you saw empty car parks. Folk working in town could do without the extra expenses of parking
360	Dec 08 2020 12:52 PM	None

361	Dec 08 2020 12:51 PM	None
362	Dec 08 2020 12:44 PM	I think to have an hour free would enable people to do quick low cost shopping. Not worth paying £1 to park to buy a newspaper! Can see no reason to object to paying a £1 for a morning or afternoon. I am sure majority would want free parking but going forward after COVID council finances could be fragile!
363	Dec 08 2020 12:17 PM	All first hour should be free no matter what or where the type of parking it is. We need to support the local shops in Angus.
364	Dec 08 2020 11:53 AM	I think the council has got it wrong and should be charging for on street and free for carparks. Is it not meant to keep the free flow of traffic rather than a money making scheme.
365	Dec 08 2020 11:38 AM	I think a small charge is okay after an initial free period. I don't agree it should be FOC completely
366	Dec 08 2020 11:16 AM	Small businesses are struggling there will not be A TOWN if this continues. Surely there are other ways to provide income! Stop paying stupid people!!
367	Dec 08 2020 11:16 AM	Parking in long stay car parks should allow the first hour free then £1 for every subsequent hour.
368	Dec 08 2020 11:16 AM	I have a disabled badge. I live in the town centre in forfar and under the current arrangements, there is absolutely nowhere for me to park unless it is a distance from my house. There is no point in me purchasing a permit as the nearest car park only has 6 spaces and is always full. I feel that residents in the town centre should have a free permit to park in on street bays during the day as there isn't anywhere else. It is understandable that the council needs other ways to generate income and parking charges is an option however through the day, public car parks are completely empty so I cannot see how there is any profit to be made.
369	Dec 08 2020 11:06 AM	Important to make parking charge machines simple and easy to use. Also very important to make the duration of free on street parking at least 45 minutes.
370	Dec 08 2020 11:01 AM	There are often queues in banks and the post office making 30 minutes at times worrying!

- 371 Dec 08 2020 10:45 AM NA
- 372 Dec 08 2020 10:08 AM Don't you get that the people and businesses of Angus would prefer parking to be free everywhere and this would improve trade and lives.
- 373 Dec 08 2020 09:18 AM Free parking permits should be introduced for residents who have no other options for parking.
Free short stay off street parking should be reintroduced. Our businesses are struggling. The council should be supporting the high street to be an attractive place to visit. Since introduction of parking charges people are shopping more at retail parks. Our high streets are dying. Angus Council needs to promote visits to our local shops. During Lockdown it was the small independent retailers that stepped up and helped the communities. They need your assistance to survive. Parking charges are a deterrent to visiting inner town centres. I totally agree with short term conditions on the streets to deal with congestion and people who over use the privilege, but we need to make our town centres more accessible.
- 374 Dec 08 2020 08:49 AM I live on the high street with no parking, I am unable to park outside my home due to traffic wardens and the 30 minute max stay. So I have to park in the nearest car park (my car park for far). I had to renew my parking permit every month due to not being able to afford a yearly permit. People that live near these car parks should be offered a discount as they have no choice but to use them (or even make them free for local residents).
- 375 Dec 08 2020 08:12 AM Charging for parking has not been successful and has driven people away from the high street. People actively look to park further from town centres so they don't have to pay clogging up other streets for residents
- 376 Dec 08 2020 07:38 AM When we say the car parks empty during what was core shopping hours the current arrangements we are not working. I have to admit my shopping moved away from the town centre of Brechin. It stayed in the town.
- 377 Dec 08 2020 07:12 AM Please try and come up with an arrangement which can allow vehicles to visit the town centre but encourage a through out of vehicles so that people are encouraged to visit the town centre.

378	Dec 08 2020 04:30 AM	It wasn't an option, but even the first 15 mins street parking free. As most people only come into street parking for a quick stop of chemist prescription or pick up a coffee etc.
379	Dec 08 2020 03:34 AM	To allow shop to survive car parking has to be free. Car is taxed, roads taxed
380	Dec 08 2020 02:26 AM	Prices need to be realistic. Folk won't pay a fortune. Prices that were there killed small town businesses Residents should not have to pay for a permit. I paid £70 for a years resident permit in Edinburgh. This is less than what some people in Angus might pay.
381	Dec 07 2020 11:17 PM	If you are going to bring in charges they should be kept to a minimum (50p for many hours) and means of payment should be easy.
382	Dec 07 2020 11:16 PM	I never used the parking meters as I refuse to put my debit / credit card in an outdoor machine. You must provide coin payment option or a card voucher that can be updated online or at chosen shops If parking charges and 30 minute parking goes on for much longer angus high streets will die a slow death introduce free parking which in turn will bring in day visitors etc, high streets could potentially have more footfall Giving more local businesses the chance to thrive, good Thriving local business results in good economic growth which the local authority would benefit Financially from with regards to steady flow of business rates, Less arrears due to steady business income meaning bills paid on time,
383	Dec 07 2020 11:12 PM	I understand that the council need to make revenue and car parking is a reasonable way to do this especially when I think of neighbouring counties. As long as parking can be paid for in cash or card I would pay for parking when needed. Some of the very rural small car parks away from town centres should be considered as free.
384	Dec 07 2020 11:02 PM	
385	Dec 07 2020 10:30 PM	The choices are limited within the price structures provided
386	Dec 07 2020 10:26 PM	If you want people to shop local then parking has to be free

- 387 Dec 07 2020 10:17 PM .
- 388 Dec 07 2020 09:54 PM Free parking encourages people to visit Angus towns to shop, eat and enjoy leisure pursuits . In the longterm this will provide more income for Angus Council
Removing double yellow lines from some Streets for residents to park better instead of having the inconvenience of parking far away from your own home
- 389 Dec 07 2020 09:49 PM Dundee loan and Dundee road or provide residents with a permit to park on yellow lines anytime
- 390 Dec 07 2020 09:42 PM I think car parks should be free, car parks in Essex are free for a certain amount of hours and then you pay after the certain amount which I think is fair
- 391 Dec 07 2020 09:33 PM Stop destroying the town and leave parking as free to help businesses workers and customers
Parking places in Kirriemuir on the level in the town centre are scant. Many users are elderly. I see charges as a FINE imposed on residents who DO patronise or RUN businesses here. The big earners and spenders commute from here and shop elsewhere. They enjoy free parking there, as well as avoid being fined for 'shopping local.' The fine of £60 is horrifying for being late back to your space!

To raise funds by other means, may I suggest that the days when access to libraries and museums had to be free are long since over, and a basic charge of £1 per visit would generate some income. If the Chambers Street Museum in Edinburgh had charged £1 per visitor in the first week of opening, they would have recouped £1 million!!!

Council Tax should never have been frozen for so many years. It at least is 'means tested' in that better off people (who may well commute to work) are expected to pay more than others.
- 392 Dec 07 2020 09:30 PM
- 393 Dec 07 2020 09:30 PM 4 hours is not long enough for short stay parking. Visitors need longer
- 394 Dec 07 2020 09:25 PM Should be free

- 395 Dec 07 2020 09:23 PM Don't mind paying permits online however ticket machine should be coins.
- 396 Dec 07 2020 09:20 PM Free parking
I am a 17 year old working in an Angus town, I travel in and out as don't live in Angus and work on minimum wage at the moment I don't have to pay for parking but when parking is re introduced I will be working for no profit and will therefore have to give up my two jobs within the town and I believe this would be a great loss to both small businesses I work for
- 397 Dec 07 2020 09:19 PM
- 398 Dec 07 2020 09:10 PM Get rid of some of the overpaid clowns 🤡 in charge, you would save more than you would ever earn from car parking.
We need our councils support in encouraging shoppers back to the high Street, support local business to thrive and recover from the very hard times that have been had.
- 399 Dec 07 2020 09:00 PM
- 400 Dec 07 2020 09:00 PM We need our councils support in encouraging shoppers back to the high Street, support local business to thrive and recover from the very hard times that have been had.
I understand that the council have to make money but collecting money in the form of parking permits from the people of Angus is disgusting. Half of the people or maybe even more who would buy these are hard working people with homes with only on street parking as options. Why should they have to pay £200+ a year to park? People work and need to park but shouldn't have to pay to do so. We are all struggling at the moment but I can assure you forcing people in angus to pay for parking is not fair.
- 401 Dec 07 2020 08:57 PM
- 402 Dec 07 2020 08:53 PM Charging for parking has severely impacted local businesses and clearly has not brought the anticipated revenue. I believe in the interests of saving what is left of our town centres the council must act now and remove parking charges. Moving their council offices out of town was already a massive blow to local traders, the parking charges are another nail in the coffin of our once vibrant high street
I understand the council needs to make money. But the parking charges have
- 403 Dec 07 2020 08:34 PM put people off visiting our Angus towns. This has serious implications for our high streets

- 404 Dec 07 2020 08:20 PM This is a tricky problem, to charge for parking and thereby harm businesses in the town, as you as a council will have already witnessed, closed shops, businesses collapsing, and people visiting the town for shopping purposes much less often or not at all. Charged car parking in Angus particularly Forfar left the car parks almosst empty, not much income there for the Council. Free 2 hour parking as some Dundee car parking facilities already offer the public with a charge for overstay. A good compromise, both for council income and protecting businesses particularly in the more rural areas. Those wishing to park all day on a regular weekly basis could purchase a suitable permit. Visitors wishing to stay more than 2 hours could pay the charged rate after the free 2 hour period. This would encourage people to visit the smaller towns.
considering the time it takes for an elderly person or a mother and child to walk from current long/short stay car parks to get into town and back (up to 45minutes) plus queuing due to covid etc. - often need at least 20 minutes at the chemist or bank - the council needs to consider that an hour is not long enough and to charge this is false economy for the local shops. Short stay on street parking for half an hour is not worth anyone's time - to even go for a coffee this would be impossible. By the time you have to park and then queue it is not long enough for most. The on street car parking should be for a minimum of an hour to allow elderly and infirm + mums + working folks get in and out of town quickly as well as allow time to go to shops. Current half an hour leaves you panicking in case the queue at the bank or chemist takes longer than that half hour. It is okay to say go to the bigger car parks but it does take people time to reach shops /shop/ return to car - so to charge for people to walk to the town is false economy for the shops. A lot of people find it a long distance to walk as well.
- 405 Dec 07 2020 08:10 PM Arbroath needs time to recover and more so after this year. Too many businesses closing and too many empty shops. Charging for parking will only make this worse and people will choose to shop out of town .
- 406 Dec 07 2020 08:03 PM It seems obvious to select the cheapest options for 10 and 11. Am I missing the point? Likewise, for 7, why wouldn't I want to wait the shortest time possible?
- 407 Dec 07 2020 07:45 PM Free parking for short stays in off street and on street parking is paramount to keep town centres busy and allow local business to survive
- 408 Dec 07 2020 07:36 PM We need free parking to help the shops survive on our local high street especially with the pandemic.
- 409 Dec 07 2020 07:15 PM

- 410 Dec 07 2020 07:08 PM Increase traffic wardens to chase people from parking too long on the streets. Keep town buses regular to stop car use. Encourage parents and children to walk. Stop car parking within half a mile to encourage the benefits for all. Parking should have remained free we pay for it in other ways. Charging for parking is detrimental to local business. It is politically motivated, Cllr Fairweather said at a committee he would never sanction charging for parking in
- 411 Dec 07 2020 06:52 PM Angus
- 412 Dec 07 2020 06:42 PM When parking changes were implemented I noticed a decrease in the amount of cars in car parks and a decline in people shopping locally. Speaking to many business owners they all agreed that they have felt a hit, receiving less footfall of shoppers coming in.
- 413 Dec 07 2020 06:39 PM I would like to see a discussion around residents parking on street. This is a major issue in Angus and a growing problem. Also a huge issue moving forward for people buying electric cars needing to charge their car overnight outside their house. I would like to see a discussion around permits for resident bays outside on street housing.
- 414 Dec 07 2020 06:37 PM A parking fee is a must to maintain car parks as other towns do. I think it is fair to charge for the use of car parks and in return the car park roads and bays are repaired when required to reduce car repairs with pot holes etc. I do not understand why people feel this should be free of charge but would mean if they damaged their car as no money to maintain the car park.
- 415 Dec 07 2020 06:36 PM Parking wardens to be harder on cars parked illegally rather than those parked legally but over time.
If you wish to decimate local High Street outlets then reintroduce parking levy's!
- 416 Dec 07 2020 06:35 PM Post pandemic, a huge raft of retail outlets will not be reopening both in city centres and local high streets! Any proposal to reintroduce a pay parking regime will be the death knell for Angus High Streets!
- 417 Dec 07 2020 06:34 PM Think about the local small businesses. I'm not one of them but we have to consider them.
- 418 Dec 07 2020 06:32 PM Na

- 419 Dec 07 2020 06:29 PM Parking fees should remain suspended for at least 1 year after lockdowns are lifted in order to get retail back on its feet.
- 420 Dec 07 2020 06:23 PM I believe there should be a free time element in car parks to facilitate people just picking up medicines or other small stay trips.
If you persist in having people pay for parking then you will kill the Angus towns. It is ludicrous. You have more diversity of shops in the Angus towns than you do in Dundee and that's because people are happy and free to wander and shop. You will shoot yourself in the foot if you keep up with idea of permits and parking charges. Currently the car parks are full. When you put the charges in they were empty.
- 421 Dec 07 2020 06:16 PM If the council is planning to reinstate parking charges, is there going to be a review of the impact it is having on residents unable to park outside their own homes due to the severe congestion caused by the move to apply parking charges in off street car parks? There will come a point when an emergency services vehicle is unable to respond in sufficient time due the congestion caused by improper consideration/consultation of applying parking charges. It would be great for carers to be able to apply for free parking permits when attending to clients. Perhaps a paper ticket which must have a time written on it to be valid for a short period for them to carry out their caring duties. Proof must be given for the number of clients/clients location/visits per day or week etc to issue the correct number of tickets to avoid an abuse of the system. No I am not a carer but understand the importance of them being able to park for short periods to attend to their clients.
- 422 Dec 07 2020 06:10 PM
- 423 Dec 07 2020 06:06 PM
- 424 Dec 07 2020 05:50 PM to encourage people to shop and support all our independent and national shop groups I feel the parking should be free especially in the current climate
It is a pity that in all of the smaller towns that the council would permit any parking charges as the local small shops need all the support of the people who live in and visit the areas of Angus. We need to keep local shops open to encourage visitors and local alike. A small charge after 4 hour stay would be in keeping with the spirit of welcome to the local areas.
- 425 Dec 07 2020 05:37 PM
- 426 Dec 07 2020 05:35 PM Since making parking free again it's pretty difficult to get parked as all the people who work in the town park therefore it's not generating footfall as advertised in the press - paying a £1 meant I could shop more easily in the town

- 427 Dec 07 2020 05:25 PM If parking was free more people would buy local
The layout of this survey was poor, numbering preferences in order meant ticking a separate page with no text on it. Where only two choices were given as to cost, there should have been the option to suggest an amount or to say that permits should be free such as for residents in town centre tenement blocks with no permitted parking close to them.
- 428 Dec 07 2020 05:21 PM
- 429 Dec 07 2020 05:19 PM Increase the number of disabled bays
I live rurally and the thought of paying parking charges has definitely affected how often I shop at local businesses. This period of suspended parking charges has been great as I don't need to worry about buying a ticket/permit or estimating how long I'll need it for. Previously I would park at a friend's house, which affected how much I would buy as I was conscious of having to carry it back to my car.
- 430 Dec 07 2020 05:11 PM
- 431 Dec 07 2020 05:01 PM All parking should be free in Angus
- 432 Dec 07 2020 04:53 PM The high streets need free parking. We need to build our communities and encourage trade.
- 433 Dec 07 2020 04:52 PM Are you charging your workplace colleagues to use your new fancy car park at St Andrews House, Orchardbank
Parking enforcement should not be allowed in small boroughs and towns our local economy is struggling to cope with many small businesses, even struggling to survive without parking restrictions in force we will lose our local economy and shops if they are enforced and continued.
- 434 Dec 07 2020 04:51 PM
- 435 Dec 07 2020 04:40 PM First hour should always be free to draw people back
- 436 Dec 07 2020 04:36 PM I feel that better signage is required to show what parking is available. Also better enforcement of the rules, I find lots of people over stay their parking.
- 437 Dec 07 2020 04:33 PM I would prefer to see a cash payment option at all machines

whilst other regions charge higher amounts, Angus residents and workers tend to earn less than those areas and much lower than Scottish average. Higher percentage of elderly with less disposable income. More than ever before we need to generate income for our local high streets. Free parking helped to maintain healthy levels of shoppers and those visiting cafes, restaurants etc. Together with online shopping, our high streets rely on footfall into the future and we need to incentivise shoppers, not penalise them. Shopping local is important for a number of reasons - self employment and employment, community spirit and places to meet, rates income, maintenance and improvement of town centre environments and draw for visitors. Angus has a number of individual town "personalities" which should not be lost - we won't get them back and need to preserve their character with independent shops. Charging to park will reduce this. On-street parking will encourage people to shop for longer, rather than just nipping to bank/post office and then home again. Need to encourage longer stays. Agree that some charging may be essential but keep it as low as possible. Better a low income than no high streets.

438 Dec 07 2020 04:32 PM

439 Dec 07 2020 04:32 PM

To work this survey needs to be part of a more holistic strategy to help town centres and the small local businesses within them. I understand that the council need revenue from parking charges, but I think it would be helpful if there was some give with this. I think the idea of having a certain amount of time free before charges start would be helpful to businesses who have lost custom since the charges were introduced. Also, the opportunity to continue to pay the parking fee by cash rather than the rigmarole of having press a myriad of buttons to pay by card would be helpful. To be honest, having experienced trying to pay by card once (it took me over 5 minutes by which time there was a queue) I then made a conscious decision to avoid having to make use of the car parks. If a large number of people do that you risk the creation of ghost towns with empty shops which will not assist the local economy. I think a fairer balance would go a long way to alleviating this problem.

440 Dec 07 2020 04:25 PM

441 Dec 07 2020 04:24 PM

Since the parking charges came in I have unfortunately not shopped as local as I would have liked. If these times have shown us anything it has shown us to support local, please consider this when updating the parking fees, thank you

442 Dec 07 2020 04:07 PM

Coin operated parking meters, free parking on public holidays, free parking in Carnoustie

More free time for parking would be good. Since the introduction of paying for parking the towns shops have struggled.

443 Dec 07 2020 04:06 PM

Alot of older people do not have fancy phones in order to pay for parking via an app, foreigners had difficulty paying for parking as they couldn't enter their car numberplate. So a coin option much always be considered. I would prefer to use cash rather than try and use an app if parking charges were to remain.

444 Dec 07 2020 03:53 PM

In Angus free parking in long stay parking f45 mins free on street parking

445 Dec 07 2020 03:45 PM

Parking should not be free after first hour in any large car park. Very small car parks should be free or closed completely
I think parking charges should continue

446 Dec 07 2020 03:38 PM

Who pays for repairs to car parks if we cannot use the money from car parking
Free is the only option. I will not pay to park. I will not pay fir a permit. I've not chosen any other option as I will not be coerced into answering something I do not want.

447 Dec 07 2020 03:30 PM

448 Dec 07 2020 03:28 PM

Local businesses have kept our communities going during the hardest year in memory. Do right by them and encourage shoppers back to our high streets. This survey is terrible. You're making us choose options we'd never pick. No need for short and long stay car parks. They are all just car parks. No need for one birth only parking permits. It is very clear that you've decided that permits are charges will return to Angus. You've made a complete mess of this whole thing, cut your losses before you waste another penny of public money. You've borrowed money without asking us leaving us the public to pay for your mistake. If anyone else made a mistake like this they'd be sacked. That's exactly what should happen here in Angus. Whichever council member of staff wrote the reports and informed the councillors should be sacked or resign in shame. Councillors can be voted out and I certainly won't vote for any current councillors again.

449 Dec 07 2020 03:26 PM

This survey is far to complicated, too many options. How are you catering for

those with dyslexia or other learning difficulties?

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Residential permits for on-street parking should also be considered – even if these have their own set of restrictions – as living on the high street, the existing 30 minute restriction causes problems regularly.

The parking charges should never be brought back ever again, it has damaged all of the towns, and has not encouraged any local or tourist purchases for any of the services, We are very small communities, with a very limited bus service around angus, which makes it difficult for the older generation to get about, and the types of machines that you put in for payment make no sense what so ever as not everyone use's technology, and you have created another barrier, to stop people coming into the areas. If you really want a thriving community then never bring those charges back again.

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The parking should be free in Angus, as it was and as it was suggested via the last public survey / consultation before it was blatantly ignored and the resulting car crash system was installed. Small businesses are struggling, especially the hospitality sector at this current moment in time, and Angus Council has not helped by trying to discourage visitors into the town. I know that generally speaking Angus Council doesn't like small businesses, and prefers the Costa's, Starbucks, Greggs, McDonald's, Subway's, KFC's, Tesco's, Asda's, etc. but perhaps this time they should actually take into account the businesses of those people they are supposed to represent first and foremost, that would make for a nice change I think.

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I understand that money needs to be generated. I am not and have never been opposed to that. Having a thought for workers and residents may have helped in the first place. Secondly having researched the population, having card and cash would have probably solved a lot of problems. Since the free parking has been back in place the myre car park has been busier than ever ad the town is buzzing again even with covid restrictions. Having a business permit, a resident permit and a reasonable charge that can be paid easily by all would be my suggestion

453 Dec 07 2020 03:17 PM

Get your act together,your killing forfar,it's turning into a ghost town

454 Dec 07 2020 03:16 PM

Make all parking free again

455 Dec 07 2020 03:15 PM

Free parking would allow for more people to park in town centers for free which in turn would have more people using local shops
Make parking on all on and off street parking free for residents within a certain radius of specific parking area.

456 Dec 07 2020 03:07 PM

Parking spaces in the streets immediately surrounding the greens parking lot are extremely congested, practically forcing residents to pay a small fortune on top of other costs associated with running a car.

457 Dec 07 2020 03:06 PM

Angus Council will take no notice of th3e survet

458 Dec 07 2020 03:05 PM

Angus council made a massive mistake with its current parking policy. It's cost every tax payer money that could of been better spent. I feel sorry for the small shop owners trying to make a living.

459 Dec 07 2020 03:00 PM

I don't think there should be a parking charge. As a mother I'd rather go to Tesco or asda to shop rather than pay for parking. Saves money. Also I'd rather shop there than the town because it takes too long to get the kids out, outer clothes on then put them into buggys, nip into the shop quickly as only have 30 minutes to then put all the kids and stuff back into the car.

460 Dec 07 2020 02:45 PM

I do strongly believe that whatever the outcome there should still be a charge for parking. Nothing in life is free, why should Angus be any different. Most LA's charge for parking, why do the people of Angus feel we should be different?!!

461 Dec 07 2020 02:35 PM

462	Dec 07 2020 02:34 PM	This survey should have been done before charges came in, trust therefore has been eroded in Angus council due to this big brother attitude .we pay your wages after all??
463	Dec 07 2020 02:31 PM	Going forward you need to think about the small businesses, which means the more CD people that visit the town centre the better
464	Dec 07 2020 02:28 PM	N/a
465	Dec 07 2020 02:19 PM	Never used meters but problem I heard from most was they were suspicious about using their cards - cash being tge preferred option.
466	Dec 07 2020 02:17 PM	There probably does need to be a nominal charge as non yellow lined area near to schools or shops are getting impassible with parked cars in many areas while the car parks are empty Half an hour on the street does not allow you enough time to shop on the high street. Had to drop in to the chemist on occasions and wait for prescription therefore not enough time to shop after that unless I move my car. Have been buying shoes for 3 young children and used on street parking but had to move my car 3 times to do this as 30min was not long enough and using off street parking was too far away.
467	Dec 07 2020 01:52 PM	Having a health condition that does not allow me to walk very far I use on street parking more often
468	Dec 07 2020 12:45 PM	Pefer to pay cash as previously found parking machines difficult to use and elderly relatives who like to/need to use car parks have found machines difficult to nagivate.
469	Dec 07 2020 12:26 PM	Parking charges effect my work as i have to visit different settings and only having 1-2 hours or having to pay is costly and adds up.
470	Dec 07 2020 12:09 PM	Make the first hour free, then you can still get money from longer staying vehicles. How much money does charging generate? How much money does it cost to implement then police the charging? If one side hugely overwhelms the other, I think the answer is clear!

- 471 Dec 07 2020 11:59 AM As a regular user of the car parks I am happy to pay as it means can usually get a space. We pay to park in other areas so I don't see why Angus should be any different.
- 472 Dec 07 2020 11:01 AM There is a happy medium between charging a small amount for those who park all day but allowing some free Short stay parking to encourage folks to use their town centre.
- 473 Dec 07 2020 09:27 AM I live beside an off street car park in Angus. Until the parking charges were introduced this was always very busy. Upon the introduction of parking charges the usage of the car park fell to typically less than 5 cars per day and parking on the street outside my own home became a nightmare for myself and my neighbours, including in the limited off street parking bays designated for residents only. Following covid-19 and the decision to make the car park free again, the car park immediately became busy again and street parking returned to being used by the residents of the street. Even during the national lockdown the car park was busier than before the pandemic when charges applied. I feel that this demonstrates how unwilling people are to pay parking charges to go to work, visit family/friends or go shopping, and highlights the difficulty that the introduction of charges led to for those people who rely on off street parking to access their own homes.
- 474 Dec 07 2020 09:14 AM parking must stay free
For residents/and local staff of an named area of Angus, there should be no parking charges for anywhere in their council tax area.
- 475 Dec 07 2020 08:19 AM Any charge levied on staff for coming to work would effectively be a pay cut!!!
I would like to see Parking attendants outside schools. I was almost hit by a car attempting to park in a restricted street whilst standing outside Ferryden School.
- 476 Dec 07 2020 07:03 AM A child wouldn't have stood a chance. Leave the motorists who are shopping alone and target the school areas.
- 477 Dec 07 2020 06:53 AM There needs to be a review of disabled parking in Angus too. There are too few accessible disabled parking spaces for wheelchair users, and not enough checks that those you have are not being abused. Montrose in particular is awful! In street disabled parking is useless for disabled people because the pavements are too narrow.

478	Dec 06 2020 10:58 PM	I live on a main Street with on street parking with up to 30 minutes max stay. I'd like something to change so I can park my car on my days off and just leave it near my house
479	Dec 06 2020 10:21 PM	Keep the charges. There's no free parking out of Angus. Too many people here think they should get something for nothing. The slogan "Angus Council Must Listen" was very appropriate. Parking in rural towns/villages should be free to ensure business rates payers and council tax payers get maximum value from the local facilities and contribute to maintaining the vibrancy of the rural environment.
480	Dec 06 2020 09:37 PM	
481	Dec 06 2020 08:30 PM	As a local business owner in Forfar, car parking charges should be scrapped. We have all had a tough year financially, the burden of car parking charges will be the final nail in the coffin for the high street. I cannot believe how many missing categories there are in these questions, proper parking management could do so much for our Burghs but here you are again with the same destructive policy that was damaging our towns for quite some time ahead of covid coming along. People have lost their livelihoods.
482	Dec 06 2020 08:25 PM	We're in one of the worst economic times ever, what can you do to facilitate improvement and lift people out of poverty. Well, not this, that's for sure!
483	Dec 06 2020 07:59 PM	First hour should be free in off street so people can shop. Long stay should be charged but made fair for shop workers and residents with no access to parking otherwise.
484	Dec 06 2020 07:41 PM	free parking helps the local business any charge makes people wait until travelling out off town to do there shopping you have only have look back at empty towns when you introduced charges before where the footfall in shops dropped dramatically
485	Dec 06 2020 07:35 PM	Parking enforcement powers should be given to more employees/departments of the council. Such as street sweepers, refuse crews, roads teams etc This would allow more opportunities for enforcement of the minority who flout times and parking restrictions for their own selfish ends. This resulting in (hopefully) less issues in the future (worst case more revenue).

486	Dec 06 2020 07:27 PM	Parking for dental or medical appointments can run over the time allocated and have a knock on effect on the parking time allocated,tickets issued should be null and void due to circumstances,however I know this may be open to abuse but if proof by letter or appointment card can be shown then common sense and curtesy should be applied ,,,,thank you for letting me have my say,,,,,,,,,
487	Dec 06 2020 07:26 PM	Car parking should be free, small towns in angus cant support the charges which the council imposed
488	Dec 06 2020 07:22 PM	Not good that I cannot park outside my own home currently for longer than 30 min. Living in John St Montrose this causes additional pressure on surrounding streets
489	Dec 06 2020 07:16 PM	Not good that I cannot park outside my own home currently for longer than 30 min. Living in John St Montrose this causes additional pressure on surrounding streets
490	Dec 06 2020 07:14 PM	Car park charges are a disincentive to visit the town for anything other than absolutely essential tasks. Given this is a highly rural area private car use is the only viable way of being economically active. Parking fees for those who have no choice but to drive should be free, and contentious as it is for residents townsfolk should be expected to pay more as there is more opportunity for them not to drive.
491	Dec 06 2020 06:54 PM	Please think about tourism and the economic health of Angus and do not charge for parking!
492	Dec 06 2020 05:49 PM	During COVID so many businesses have suffered in and around Angus-just make all the parking in car parks free and charge for on street parking over 1 hour.
493	Dec 06 2020 04:54 PM	I have no objection to paying for parking but take huge exception to Angus Council continuously wasting taxpayers money on ill thoughtout, half baked plans that cause huge distress to small business owners. Hardly a vindication of those inflated 'public servant' salaries.
494	Dec 06 2020 03:21 PM	I am on minimum wage and have no parking at house, so have to use parking , paying for parking is less money for me to spend on essentials and heating, found parking during COVID more accessible in the area where I live, please consider people like me, I pay council taxthank you

- 495 Dec 06 2020 03:11 PM Takes longer to shop just now which should be considered for the foreseeable future
- 496 Dec 06 2020 02:48 PM People should be able to shop in the high streets free for at least an hour without being made to pay for parking. Think about the small shops especially who have had to struggle all this year.
There should be some differentiation between Angus residents/council tax payers and visitors. Perhaps residents' parking permits and charging for everyone else? Perhaps permits for people who work in Angus and have to drive to a town and park during the day for work? Charging in car parks has just increased the amount of cars parking on streets and has not decreased the number of cars travelling into Angus; only better public transport will do that.
- 497 Dec 06 2020 01:26 PM Living in the town centre I would like to see residents permits introduced particularly in John Street, Montrose. This street is empty most days and I have to take my car to work and park in Market Street (literally round the corner to avoid the 30 min parking restrictions outside my own front door! I'm not expecting it for free. I would pay for a reasonably priced permit. As would many others!
- 498 Dec 06 2020 11:18 AM
- 499 Dec 06 2020 11:13 AM The meters need to be more user friendly for older users
- 500 Dec 06 2020 10:39 AM There should be no parking charges in Angus
- 501 Dec 06 2020 09:50 AM I, along with many others, have used the car parks and the local shops much more again since parking has been free after lockdown. If payments return I'll be more inclined to pay similar charges for better shops in bigger cities.
High street businesses are dying. No one wants to spend money on parking so no one parks or uses the high street just retail parks.

As someone who works in retail and has seen how this affects my store, yes our business increased as I'm in a retail park. This is due to free parking.

Soon enough there will be no need for a high street if parking charges continue. No one should shop with worry for getting back to the car to pay more.
- 502 Dec 06 2020 08:57 AM Utterly despicable that this is still the case. Especially during a pandemic.

Shame.

503	Dec 06 2020 03:10 AM	By introducing parking charges in Angus towns you completely decimated the local businesses. Worst decision ever.
504	Dec 06 2020 12:51 AM	The parking charges have caused more trouble for local shops as people are not willing to pay and off street parking is very hard to find because of it Free parking is not just about the cost. It's the convenience of being able to pop into town to run errands and have the flexibility to be able to stay without having to put more money in the car or checking your watch. It changes the experience for me and puts me off eg instead using on street parking to run a quick errand and not staying in town.
505	Dec 05 2020 11:08 PM	
506	Dec 05 2020 10:40 PM	None
507	Dec 05 2020 10:17 PM	Parking in the towns support local business, thus business rates, thus income to the council. Support shop local businesses, free parking does this.
508	Dec 05 2020 10:17 PM	Parking in the towns support local business, thus business rates, thus income to the council. Support shop local businesses, free parking does this.
509	Dec 05 2020 09:54 PM	High streets already dying with shops closing and going bankrupt. Surely offering free short stay parking is better to encourage customers to our towns.
510	Dec 05 2020 09:29 PM	Some parking should b free for less affluent, pensioners, disabled etc.
511	Dec 05 2020 09:18 PM	N/A
512	Dec 05 2020 09:16 PM	I think the Council failed to address the key issue when the debate raged before ... given a finite sum of money to spend, what services should be cut if parking charges are abolished?

- 513 Dec 05 2020 09:09 PM Free parking to support local bysinee
- 514 Dec 05 2020 08:32 PM More bays would be appreciated as there are too many drivers using space for 2-3 cars
- 515 Dec 05 2020 06:36 PM I have no problem paying for parking but I do think a "free" time frame is needed to encourage people to continue to use the high street
Parking in towns is not something that Im in favour but as a compromise that all public would appreciate the first hour free then a£1 per hour or option to your discretion. I hope this can be taken as a very helpful plea to yourself to please protect local businesses in our county's.
- 516 Dec 05 2020 06:34 PM

If the council needs extra money, it should be raised by increasing the council tax for EVERYONE, not by putting in ill thought out parking charges. Regardless of whether you drive or not, car parking charges will affect your choice in Angus, because people will take their custom elsewhere, which means that local businesses will be adversely affected, leading to business closures. That in turn leaves less choice for people who do not drive and need to shop in Angus. Since the parking charges were instigated, people in Angus have avoided the car parks, leading to dreadful congestion in residential areas and small side roads where they park instead, and inconvenience and stress to residents, as well as inevitable effects on their mental health. Imagine being a mother with small children and a load of shopping and not being able to park near your own house because people are avoiding car parks. It has been a disastrous decision for Angus, leading to a high level of dissatisfaction with the Council. Angus towns do not have enough of an attraction to validate parking charges. Even in the bigger towns there aren't enough interesting shops or attractions to make people want to pay for them, and in the smaller towns, paying for parking is simply killing the local businesses and will lead to ghost towns. You also cannot operate a one size fits all policy if you insist on pursuing this tax on people visiting Angus towns - there is no comparison between Kirriemuir and Forfar for instance in terms of available services, so it makes no sense to have similar charges - equality does not mean the same for everyone, it means the right amount for everyone. Additionally, Angus is a rural area - for people who live rurally, there is no choice but to use their cars to go shopping in Angus - they have to park. If they have to pay to park, they will go a little further to get better shops. The council has a duty to support businesses, or the town centres will die. Without the town centres, Angus dies, and becomes nothing more than a suburb of Dundee in the South and Aberdeen in the North. It is absolutely critical that you do not reinstate the parking charges. It was a poorly thought out scheme without proper consultation or impact assessment, and you have an opportunity to now to put it right. Make all parking free in Angus. This is not to say that there shouldn't be restricted stay in some car parks and for on street parking - I am in favour of short stay car parks, which allow people to come into Angus towns and shop or visit cafes etc... for a couple of hours, and agree with restrictions for on street parking, so that people can nip into shops briefly. I think 30 mins is probably too short, as you can be held up in queues for the post

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office, chemist etc..., but you should not be able to park on street all day. We do not want to be in the situation where people visiting Angus towns can't find a parking space. Longer stay car parks should be the ones further out of the town, where workers can park. But again, they should be free. I did not answer all the questions on the survey, because some of them were loaded - there was no choice for free parking. I reiterate, all parking in Angus should be free. Raise additional funds from Council tax, so that everyone in Angus foots the bill. They will all benefit from rejuvenated town centres.

Finally I would note that, like the last 'survey', this one is extremely flawed. I am intelligent and computer literate person, but I struggled with the 'ranking' questions - it took a lot of effort to get them in the right order, and I feel that many people will have clicked on the 'free' section, and think that they have answered, while your stats will show the rankings in the order you have presented them. You need to take that into account. This final comments box will probably be the most important part of the survey - I do hope it is properly represented in the final report.

You have seen how unpopular the car parking charges are. They are killing Angus towns. Just get rid of them.

518	Dec 05 2020 05:45 PM	<p>Free parking is best. But for weekends we should be encouraging more community exhibitions, markets etc. This would bring in visitors and benefit local businesses . Community groups should then be allowed to fund their events via a voluntary parking donation. This would create a win for all stakeholders and breath life into our wonderful County.</p> <p>In light of the difficulties faced by what is unfortunately the majority of businesses in Angus due to the on going pandemic, I feel it is imperative that Angus Council do all in their power to ensure it is not hindering recovery by reintroducing parking charges . The recovery of businesses is likely to be long and slow and needs the way forward to be as smooth as possible. The introduction of charges was not a popular one and many small independent businesses suffered as a direct consequence of this policy from Angus council. This is a great opportunity for Angus council to scrap these charges but still save face . They have done the right thing by suspending them now please do what is right to help the economic recovery in all of our boroughs by scrapping them altogether .</p>
519	Dec 05 2020 05:44 PM	<p>due to current environment and having to queue for shops 30 mins is not long enough to purchase everyday items. I am also a district nurse and often have patients in the high street areas and 30 mins not long enough for visit so often have to park a distance away and carry equipment</p>
520	Dec 05 2020 05:31 PM	<p>It is imperative, especially post-pandemic, that we prioritise local shops and shopping. Any charges will kill our town centres. Just look at the number of empty shops already. Compassion for shop-keepers is needed now.</p>
521	Dec 05 2020 04:43 PM	<p>Should be free parking off street and car parks to help all the businesses recover from a very bad year for them</p>
522	Dec 05 2020 04:37 PM	<p>I couldn't possibly comment on my suggestions regarding Angus councillors, as it would be anatomically impossible for them to perform.</p> <p>Shopping local is not realistic anymore due to the limited amount of shops in our high street. If I can buy local I will but if I have to pay to park my car then I will just hold off on my purchase until the next time I travel to Dundee which is at least monthly.</p>
523	Dec 05 2020 03:51 PM	<p>Resident rates for on street parking (people who live on high street or street where is parking restricted)</p>
524	Dec 05 2020 03:47 PM	
525	Dec 05 2020 03:32 PM	

- 526 Dec 05 2020 03:29 PM The parking permits are still way to expensive, Dundee is way cheaper I would never pay to park in the town. I would choose to use the main supermarkets to access free parking if I needed something desperately and would then shop completely online.
- 527 Dec 05 2020 03:03 PM It is imperative for the future of our local towns that parking charges are stopped. When parking meters were installed the towns became quiet and shops had low custom. Elderly people could not park close to the amenities they needed and could not work the meters.
- 528 Dec 05 2020 02:53 PM Since free parking was reintroduced our towns are busy again and people are supporting g local businesses because they can. Please help out towns thrive snd save local businesses by making them accessible to all
- 529 Dec 05 2020 02:52 PM Good quality parking meters
I would certainly recommend providing longer on street and off street parking free if you want shops on the high streets to survive. There is a clear difference in car numbers since the charges have been taken away. With more people parking on and off street they are more likely to spend money in the local economy.
- 530 Dec 05 2020 01:52 PM I have lived in Arbroath Angus for nearly 32 years and found it great all the car parking areas were free. working here it was obvious the car parks were popular as sometimes I couldn't get a space, my tough luck. The other noticable thing was the town was a busy place just as it should be, SO leave all the charges out and let people get back into the Angus towns and keep our great businesses going, rant over thank you.
- 531 Dec 05 2020 01:39 PM There are so few shops on the High Streets now that I can't see people being prepared to pay anything at all to park.....it's different for cities where there is choice of shopping.
- 532 Dec 05 2020 01:33 PM
- 533 Dec 05 2020 01:10 PM All parking should be free to encourage people from outside angus to come to angus

- 534 Dec 05 2020 01:05 PM The parking charges are crippling the town and businesses are suffering people are not visiting our lovely town as areas that were previously free to park ie the harbour are now getting parking tickets for stopping to buy food, or fresh fish. Scaring any tourists away.
- 535 Dec 05 2020 12:50 PM The people of Angus do not object to paying high parking charges when they visit the Overgate etc in Dundee. It amuses me to see people go round and round the Cross looking to squeeze or try and find a parking space in Castle Street . Have noticed the car parks are quite busy now with around 50+ cars one morning in the East Greens car park. Why not charge £1 per visit which I don't think people would object to. At least you would certain of some daily income.
- 536 Dec 05 2020 12:42 PM All parking must be free to protect our shops, services and to keep current levels of business rates.
Your parking charges hurt those least able to afford it - and usually in receipt of other support.
1. It is incredibly difficult to survive in business in Angus. Penalising those businesses who provide local jobs or their incredibly valuable but often low income customers is just plain wrong, particularly when decisions have been based on income to council and not local communities.
 2. Lower income people (in higher density accommodation in rural towns) have to park on the street- thus clogging up roads and reducing traffic access. It is morally wrong to force those lower income folk to have to pay for parking where they live. Better to provide free overnight long stay car park use or very low cost street permits.
 3. Do something simple. Any complexity and you have to enforce it and thereby increase council operatives and cost and increase community anger.
- Keep it simple and fair.
- 537 Dec 05 2020 11:39 AM Angus needs help. Businesses can survive if supported and thus support the local communities. Anything done for the best interests of the council is shameful

and the population is smart enough to see this.

Your recent parking charges fiasco is a disgrace - you have ruined businesses and livelihoods for the sake of a money stream.

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| 538 | Dec 05 2020 11:32 AM | Free parking to high street residents |
| 539 | Dec 05 2020 11:30 AM | Free parking would bring vital business back to the town centres and encourage people to shop locally instead of going out of town to park for free especially when in small towns |
| 540 | Dec 05 2020 11:17 AM | This doesn't cater for the disabled. Disabled parking should be more accessible, with more spaces and free. Also who wants to touch a parking meter in a pandemic. All parking should be free in Angus to encourage the public to buy local. This will help small businesses and benefit the local economy. Get rid of the meters. |
| 541 | Dec 05 2020 11:01 AM | Consider stop wasting tax money and do something good for a change |
| 542 | Dec 05 2020 11:00 AM | consider park and ride facilities to from town centre to perhaps new complex at old airfield |
| 543 | Dec 05 2020 10:37 AM | Provide machines that accept coins as well as bank cards. Not everyone understands how to use their cards in the machine. |

544	Dec 05 2020 10:37 AM	Parking on Montrose high street should be free for residents.
545	Dec 05 2020 10:30 AM	I believe parking should be free.
546	Dec 05 2020 10:30 AM	Free parking please
547	Dec 05 2020 10:28 AM	We0 shouldn't have to pay alot of money for parking
548	Dec 05 2020 09:48 AM	Free parking Thank you for the free parking until the 31st of march 2021, However I would like you to be aware that due to the free parking all car parks in Brechin and Kirriemuir are impossible to park in now.
549	Dec 05 2020 09:26 AM	
550	Dec 05 2020 09:10 AM	I do think there needs to be some parking fees at reasonable cost. If parking is totally free some people would park there all day which does not allow others the opportunity and therefore deprives the local businesses of further business
551	Dec 05 2020 09:08 AM	Contactless payment method would be preferred
552	Dec 05 2020 09:07 AM	Car parks should be free at all times.
553	Dec 05 2020 09:03 AM	All parking should be free but with a time limit so people don't take up spaces the whole day.
554	Dec 05 2020 08:14 AM	Residents in the town centres should not have to pay as they have no parking facilities and cannot park on the street
555	Dec 05 2020 08:14 AM	Residents in the town centres should not have to pay as they have no parking facilities and cannot park on the street
556	Dec 05 2020 08:13 AM	I'm assuming that there will be no offer of free parking based on the questions about permits.
557	Dec 05 2020 08:10 AM	If I can't get parked I don't stop therefore I shop elsewhere. I would prefer to support my local shops especially now.

- 558 Dec 05 2020 07:47 AM The original meters were confusing and difficult to see therefore I chose to avoid them.
Aggressively enforce on street parking and car park parking violations. Parking Wardens are a hugely positive step and should be increased.
- Charging for car parks in Angus is pointless in most towns. The availability of free on street parking close to town centres will has proven charge parking to be an ineffective source of council revenue.
- Enforced time limits for all parking is a positive, allowing throughput of trade. Prior to enforced limits no spaces were available.
- 559 Dec 05 2020 07:41 AM I agree with fairly priced residents permit parking in town centres. That's the cost of living and working in a town centre.
- 560 Dec 05 2020 07:09 AM Parking should be FREE to support local traders.
All parking in Angus should be free to encourage visitors and shoppers alike. I refuse to pay parking and will travel on principal to areas where no parking charges apply i.e larger supermarkets . Angus council have a second chance through this survey, to listen to the local residents wishes, they really need to take heed and stop wasting tax payers money on parking machines etc that no one wants, and will not use.
- 561 Dec 05 2020 05:45 AM
- 562 Dec 05 2020 03:29 AM What ever happens i highly recommended a minimum of 1 hour for short stay parking.
Never paid for a parking ticket and never will in Brechin ,Montrose or Arbroath .
- 563 Dec 05 2020 02:22 AM The empty car parks are a joke and the shops are struggling with the parking meter fiasco and now Covid .Angus Council need to wake up and admit theve boobed .
The parking charges have chased people out of our Angus town centres.
- 564 Dec 05 2020 01:43 AM Time to support any person brave enough to run a town centre shop in Angus.
Free car parking in Angus towns is a must.

565	Dec 05 2020 01:16 AM	<p>The implementation of car parking charges is affecting the viability of high street businesses who are competing with larger stores that have their own free car parks. Also car parking charges are an extra expense for lower earning working people who cannot afford to have to pay car parking charges 5 days a week out of their wages.</p> <p>Car parking should be free. If you do push ahead with the unwelcome policy of charging, please make sure any pay machines accept cash. A £1 or £2 coin is so much more universally understood than faffing about with bank cards. £1/£2 coins are easy to use for elderly & non digital citizens and those without smart phones. Everyone understands how to put a coin in a machine and get a ticket. If paying has to be introduced, please use simplest paying method and rules. This isn't a questionnaire it's closed questions</p>
566	Dec 05 2020 12:48 AM	
567	Dec 05 2020 12:29 AM	<p>I don't mind paying a small reasonable amount for parking - but it should never have had got to this point. It's the incompetence of Angus council officials and local councillors that can't do their job properly - they should have listened to the electorate first</p>
568	Dec 05 2020 12:09 AM	<p>With how the parking is currently set up this does not work with our towns. Ideally we should revert back to the system we had in place with free off street parking. And ideally parking wardens roaming the town centres.</p>
569	Dec 05 2020 12:06 AM	<p>Need electric charge points in all Angus car parks especially town centres. The current number is abysmal</p> <p>Town centres are dying , charging for parking is killing them faster. Want to save money in your budget? Get rid of council employees working from home who are out on the golf course rather than working. Trying to contact your employees is like pulling teeth and they freely admit you're being taken for a ride . Get your own house in order first before screwing the residents of Angus.</p>
570	Dec 04 2020 11:57 PM	

Even before Covid, given the move to online shopping, your previous free parking was progressive. Regressing to parking charges made me question whether I needed to go into town (and support local business) or sit at home and shop online, or go to a local village without parking charges instead (for Post Office services for example). I'm in my late 50's, and even I shopped online more. I am of the strong belief that decision makers didn't even consider the move to online shopping over the last few years. Possible revenue increase seems to have been your only consideration, completely missing that it wasn't a monopoly anymore, to the detriment of local business. People have obviously shopped online more, and this has been accelerated by Covid. Rather than raising revenue, this shortsighted approach has cost the Council the money invested in collection machines, and medium to long term, the business rate revenue from local businesses. An ill-informed policy, from a Council with a dated view of the modern world.

571 Dec 04 2020 11:54 PM

Give us free parking back to help local shops stay open and make our streets look better with more shops managing to get the foot fall of people instead of the public going to big shops where parking is free

572 Dec 04 2020 11:45 PM

Parking in Angus should be free. Charges are killing the retail and hospitality businesses

573 Dec 04 2020 11:28 PM

The machine in use have been an absolute disgrace. The cost to the public for these have been a blight on every council member who voted to change the free parking. If that money had been used on a 4G pitch for Arbroath that money would repaid itself well before any parking charges.

574 Dec 04 2020 11:24 PM

Make some money another way

575 Dec 04 2020 10:43 PM

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576 Dec 04 2020 10:36 PM

Parking charges in Angus are killing off small businesses and should be abolished

577 Dec 04 2020 10:28 PM

Introducing these charges has crippled local shops, driven customers to out of town shops. This needs resolved..fast. stop wasting money on surveys and abandon the charges!

578 Dec 04 2020 10:25 PM

579	Dec 04 2020 10:15 PM	Need to look at parking for longer than 4 hours as when parking charges first started could not park anywhere other than work car park in town quite complicated, with lots of choices. I definitely think there should be an hour free in car parks, but I also think we should pay to park or folk who live in the towns fill up all the parking spaces.
580	Dec 04 2020 10:10 PM	
581	Dec 04 2020 10:05 PM	Parking should be free, to encourage shoppers and visitors
582	Dec 04 2020 10:01 PM	Special concessions to residents who live in the centre of towns with no other options for car parking. Permit should be free or a very small charge
583	Dec 04 2020 09:56 PM	Parking should be free for the good of the town centres! Small business has been hit hard enough so why make it harder for them
584	Dec 04 2020 09:43 PM	Parking should be free , shops and businesses are dying and yous a using a system that costs the coucil money . Absolutely abhorrent behaviour
585	Dec 04 2020 09:41 PM	Angus should completely remove all parking charges, putting these parking charges back has completely ruined businesses in Angus because of this.
586	Dec 04 2020 09:32 PM	Make parking free to encourage shoppers back into our towns.
587	Dec 04 2020 08:59 PM	Keep parking free for the sake of businesses in our towns
588	Dec 04 2020 08:50 PM	n/a
589	Dec 04 2020 08:49 PM	Parking in angus should be free stop killing our high street
590	Dec 04 2020 08:44 PM	I will avoid parking or shopping in town if parking charges exist for a period of over 2 hours
591	Dec 04 2020 08:38 PM	The shops are not busy, and will be less so if charges are made for parking.
592	Dec 04 2020 08:37 PM	Do the right thing and drop this proposal. More proactive ways to raise funds and reinvigorate town centres than a back handed tax
593	Dec 04 2020 08:29 PM	Just make it free

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Dec 04 2020 08:28
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Parking needs to be free for at least 1 or hours if not completely coming out of covid to attract people to the town with the high street in Arbroath being very limited and has little lure for shoppers as it is .

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Dec 04 2020 08:20
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I have answered in order of 'preference' for each question because no other option was allowed by the survey. However my opinion is that parking charges should be free. No other 'preference'. Simple. Parking should and must be free. The parking charges cost us 18% turnover when introduced. I always made a case for the introduction being an error. I maintain increased footfall would be the indicator to which everything should be judged on and in this instance footfall fell and that is in no doubt at all. A thriving high street can only happen with schemes to increase footfall.

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Dec 04 2020 08:16
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It has been a huge mistake removing free parking in Angus. I have consciously refused to park in any of the parking bays since the decision was taken and I note that many others have taken the same decision.

Parking charges are supposed to be introduced to help manage parking issues but it has caused issues with cars blocking adjacent roads to the off-street car parks.

A lot of small businesses have suffered enormously from this decision. Many such as local butchers and bakers have lost business because of the 'stealth tax' on their goods by removing the convenience of parking without a charge close to their business.

I'm pleased Angus were sensible enough to suspend charges during the lockdown period but I feel it's important they make this a permanent decision. Angus is not like other Council areas which have a big city and traffic issues that can be solved by introducing parking charges.

The four main burghs rely on people choosing to shop locally and by placing unnecessary barriers in their way - even via a nominal charge - it is damaging their business.

I agree with the reintroduction of parking attendants, however. Having seen the selfish on-street parking clogging streets in Arbroath, this was a necessary move.

I do, however, believe this is self-funding via fines.

If savings or income is required to make up a shortfall it should come from elsewhere.

Angus Business' team do a fantastic job of supporting local businesses to thrive but this debacle has worked directly against their immense efforts to support small businesses.

598	Dec 04 2020 07:23 PM	At least an hour's free parking would be preferable. This would allow for appointments for dentist, optician etc. without incurring further costs.
599	Dec 04 2020 07:12 PM	When parking charges were in place it was great to actually go into town knowing you would be able to get parked.
600	Dec 04 2020 06:52 PM	None
601	Dec 04 2020 06:38 PM	Parking should be free. There are many flats and houses in the high street and it's unfair for these people to have to pay to park at their own house.
602	Dec 04 2020 06:32 PM	Make it free. The town centres are dying especially now because of covid. Give businesses a chance to recover
603	Dec 04 2020 06:29 PM	PARKING SHOULD BE FREE - THEY HAVE BEEN WELL USED DURING THE PANDEMIC AND REDUCED THE CONGESTION/DANGER ON THE SMALL SIDE STREETS - ANGUS COUNCIL NEED TO FIND OTHER WAYS TO MAKE MONEY It is ridiculous that angus council implemented these car parking charges in the first place. We all pay our council tax for these purposes and it affects the local businesses. It appears the council will not be happy until we are left with ghost towns.....on your head be it if you continue with these charges and hope to be re-elected
604	Dec 04 2020 06:22 PM	
605	Dec 04 2020 06:20 PM	Please deal with all vehicles parked on yellow lines who do not possess a blue badge.
606	Dec 04 2020 06:18 PM	Resident permits should be introduced for on street, short stay and long stay car parks. It is unfair and unjust that residents in areas with parking restrictions are ignored when they have no options on parking at times.
607	Dec 04 2020 06:16 PM	If you decide to do free short stay parking then you must enforce it properly not having parking team in certain areas on certain days as people get to know the shift pattern eventually and will abuse it
608	Dec 04 2020 06:12 PM	You should have done this in the first instance. PLEASE listen to local shopkeepers and consider elderly with dental, optician etc appointments which may overrun
609	Dec 04 2020 06:06 PM	People who stay in town centre should get free parking

610	Dec 04 2020 05:57 PM	<p>Businesses in Angus are struggling enough without having people put off by parking charges. You need to accept, however reluctantly, that parking charges in Angus means the death of the town centres.</p> <p>I think all the fuss about paying to park is ridiculous. I think it is only right and proper that we pay for parking however I just don't think the options to pay and purchase were correct previously. Hopefully this survey will allow changes to be made whilst still providing income for the council - which all reasonable people understand is essential in the current financial situation that Local authorities find themselves in. There needs to be compromise with the services expected by us and paying a small fee for parking (like the vast majority of Scotland) is a price I'm willing to pay in order to protect some of our other essential services e. G SW and Education from further cuts.</p>
611	Dec 04 2020 05:54 PM	<p>The car parks need to be used by parents for school/nursery drop offs and pick ups. I don't personally live within the town my children go to school etc. Meaning I have to drive them. The car parks ideally should remain free as they were previously to help save the local high street and parents as mentioned above. Or atleast have a first hour free option.</p>
612	Dec 04 2020 05:35 PM	
613	Dec 04 2020 05:20 PM	Stop charging people to use car parks
614	Dec 04 2020 05:11 PM	<p>parking should be free to help all traders in the area, and visitors, there should be air type parking for motorhomes with facilities provided, to generate income. Parking should be free to help promote local businesses. The alternative is that people won't shop local and they will just drive to supermarkets and out of town retailers where you don't pay to park. Yes folk should walk, but not all find that a manageable option, especially in rural communities where bus services are infrequent and people drive into the towns. Keep it local, save fuel, save CO2 emissions, promote local towns, help employment, grow small businesses. Put up council tax by a few pounds instead.</p>
615	Dec 04 2020 05:10 PM	
616	Dec 04 2020 05:09 PM	Free off-street parking should be provided with a time restriction.
617	Dec 04 2020 04:58 PM	An initial free period in the off street car parks will allow businesses NOT on the high street where there are only one or two shops to have customers visit for small purchases without having to pay

- 618 Dec 04 2020 04:54 PM There should always be an alternative available for free parking in a locality that has charges for parking. There should be a balance.
I think the parking should be monitored more by wardens. People still take their chance longer than they should and parking on double yellow lines in Brechin especially is ridiculous
- 619 Dec 04 2020 04:50 PM Listen to the businesses, your scheme killed my business. I had to move premises and now were seeing a rise in trade again and it's because of free parking. If you introduce this I'll thought out scheme then we will lose more businesses. It's been hard enough due to covid without angus council stepping on us harder.
- 620 Dec 04 2020 04:49 PM
- 621 Dec 04 2020 04:47 PM nothing to say
Resident only parking in cul-de-sac.
- 622 Dec 04 2020 04:46 PM Market St /High St residents Montrose often park second cars in Orange Lane for months.
- 623 Dec 04 2020 04:41 PM It's really important to do everything we can to keep businesses in the town centres supported. Free parking really helps to keep our towns vibrant. Local businesses have been impacted by parking charges in small towns like Brechin. Since free parking reintroduced in car parks they have been full. Biggest impact for my family is on-street congestion. Car parks were empty while areas close to schools suffered the knock on effect of traffic congestion due to on-street parking in residential areas being favoured . I previously used car park close to my childs primary, for short period to drop off child for school & shop. I stopped when I had to pay, and judging by the currently busy car parks, other parents have done the same. I commute to Dundee to work - and with parking charges & time restrictions, was shopping outside Angus to avoid the charges & inconvenience caused locally.
- 624 Dec 04 2020 04:33 PM If your house is on a street where it's only 30 mins Monday to Friday you should be able to buy a permit to park whenever you want to save parking a mile away, like most other cities in the uk have
- 625 Dec 04 2020 04:32 PM

- 626 Dec 04 2020 04:31 PM Think it's ridiculous that just because you live in the highstreet with parking restrictive areas you have to pay a ridiculous amount of money to be able to park outside where you live. Parking should be free for individuals who are unfortunate enough to live at an area that has parking restrictions instead of struggling to find a free parking space miles from your home address.
- 627 Dec 04 2020 04:27 PM The people of Angus should be able to park in car parks for free, some of them have to work in the town and can be there all day for work and shouldn't have to be worrying about parking
- 628 Dec 04 2020 04:23 PM Although I have to drive to meetings etc I would not pay for parking
- 629 Dec 04 2020 04:21 PM Arbroath high street was on its last legs before parking charges, since introducing the charge Angus Council has killed the high street.
- 630 Dec 04 2020 04:19 PM What's the point no one listens. Angus Council are useless! FACT I used to be a regular visitor to the Meffan Museum and Art Gallery in Forfar. And would go to Tiffin Cafe for lunch. I have not visited since parking charges have been in place. I also don't visit Arbroath anymore. Shame as the local shops are losing my custom but I refuse put my card details in to a street machine and prefer having option to pay using coins.
- 631 Dec 04 2020 04:11 PM machines MUST be able to accept cash - card only screens often aren't readable due to lighting conditions, not enough time to respond, are too difficult for folk to understand, not everyone has a credit card and many wont want to use a debit for security reasons - or credit card for that mater !!! The current machines didn't accept non UK car reg numbers - what about tourists ????? - which is just plain stupid !
- 632 Dec 04 2020 04:07 PM
- 633 Dec 04 2020 04:01 PM Free parking, keep the High Street alive
- 634 Dec 04 2020 03:55 PM Why does parking only involve towns? Are country car parks like Lunan Bay irrelevant? There has been more problems here in recent months than I have seen in any towns car park.
- 635 Dec 04 2020 03:51 PM This survey is flawed. On ranking questions there should always be a choice of free but this isn't the case on all questions. This could then be used to paint a false picture of what people are willing to consider. This is pretty underhand and should be acknowledged and corrected.

- 636 Dec 04 2020 03:50 PM Paying for parking harms the local economy as people cannot park to access local shops. Free or low priced parking will increase availability for local shops
- 637 Dec 04 2020 03:47 PM Parking should be free to encourage more people to use our high street shops. Too many have closed since charges were introduced!
- 638 Dec 04 2020 03:45 PM Be the council stands above the others and doesn't charge there are other resources that could generate cash for council
Parking in Angus should be free for all Angus residents. If you want to support the high street why penalise customers and employees? Should never have been introduced.
- 639 Dec 04 2020 03:41 PM
- 640 Dec 04 2020 03:31 PM £1.00 / for up to two hours ,would be reasonable
One of the reasons I use angus to shop is free parking. Once paying cake into place I used angus less and went into dundee as more choice. I feel it essential to local shops to continue free parking
- 641 Dec 04 2020 03:29 PM
- 642 Dec 04 2020 03:24 PM Save the high street businesses struggling post covid and cancel parking charges
- 643 Dec 04 2020 03:24 PM Off Street Parking should be free in smaller towns. On street parking a much bigger issue
I'm all for paid off street parking. If anyone tells you it affects the local shops they are liars. At the moment the off street car parks are choc-a-bloc and you cant get parked to use the shops and the shops are still EMPTY....go figure. Folk are parked there for 3 or 4 days at a time without movement which hinders those wishing to support their local businesses!
- 644 Dec 04 2020 03:23 PM
- 645 Dec 04 2020 03:18 PM I work in Montrose and there is a major lack of long stay parking therefore have to park a distance away from work place on the street.
- 646 Dec 04 2020 03:09 PM Should not have to pay
- 647 Dec 04 2020 03:07 PM Much prefer being able to park for free for 1 or 2 hours. Happy to pay after that

- 648 Dec 04 2020 03:05 PM Since car parks have had no free parking, my customers have been parking in residential areas to avoid weekly charges. This has resulted in residents, quite rightly, being angered and finding no free parking outside their houses. Since the suspension of charges the car parks are being used again meaning residents have on street parking again and it is much safer. I worry about the access for emergency services with all high street and West port users trying to avoid charges. As the town is so small, it is possible to park in residential areas for free to avoid charges. It's not safe or responsible.
- 649 Dec 04 2020 03:00 PM In the last 30 years society has went from being a 1 car family to a 3/4 car family so we need more free/ cheap parking. We don't need to be ripped off by out of touch councillors who tend to waste a lot of our taxes on frivolity's.
- 650 Dec 04 2020 02:57 PM Admit you've made an **** of this and face the fact you've failed the people of Angus
- 651 Dec 04 2020 02:54 PM The shops in town have been busier since the parking charges were stopped. It's good to see the town with people in it again
- 652 Dec 04 2020 02:54 PM Carnoustie high street has been noticeably busier since all car parks became free.
- 653 Dec 04 2020 02:23 PM I feel Angus has been lucky with free parking when you look at other towns and how much they have to pay. Car parks need the funds to repair and maintain parking. I would rather pay than dodge pot holes.
- 654 Dec 04 2020 02:14 PM If councilor's what to save money they should look at their own shocking expenses they take. They councilor's are the worst in the history of Angus. They should step aside and admit they are not up to the job.
- 655 Dec 04 2020 02:03 PM I won't pay for parking, so local shops will lose my business if I can't get parked near them.
- 656 Dec 04 2020 02:00 PM Go and look at the car parks, they're full. Now remember what they were like before the machines were covered? Yeah, empty. Doesn't matter what you charge, people won't use them unless they have to. Doesn't take 30mins to shop in Arbroath, theres nothing here. Charges and covid have killed high street shopping. Why would I pay to park to go and browse ***** gift shops when I can get better quality, more original gifts online...and park for free on my drive?

Another Council consultation weighted to give a particular response, in this case parking charges.

The initial implementation was poor and the continuing drift away from physical shopping means the Council should be permanently abolishing parking charges.

The cost of the machines and maintenance of them along with widely optimistic projections on returns does not reflect well on the Council and sends the wrong message about Angus being open for business.

There are a number of car parks, usually small in size, which should never had parking charges applied in any situation and I note that there is no option in the previous questions to suggest that only some (main) car parks should attract fees. Again it appears that all car parks will be treated the same.

657 Dec 04 2020 01:49 PM

I think it's so important to support local businesses regardless of COVID situations. The high street is in dire need of cash flow & having to pay for parking is killing small local businesses.

658 Dec 04 2020 01:41 PM

Charge for parking on street. Do not charge for parking off street. Parking charges should equate to the cost of maintaining parking meters, employing wardens.

659 Dec 04 2020 01:32 PM

Stupid decision in the first place to charge for parking in Angus, our high streets were not busy before and have suffered greatly as a result of these charges.

660 Dec 04 2020 01:27 PM

Surely it's clear to see that it didn't work you don't need a survey to tell you this. Free parking will help the shops greatly and is the only way forward for our high streets

661 Dec 04 2020 01:25 PM

That has to be the most confusing survey that I've ever filled out, its almost like its been designed so that people wont bother filling it out.

662 Dec 04 2020 12:56 PM

I noticed that once parking became free due to Covid the car parks filled up! Therefore local businesses must have seen an increase in customers and not just because of lockdown. I strongly object to being charged to park, plus the payment machines were a nightmare to use.

663 Dec 04 2020 12:45 PM

Car parks are full by all day parking and can't get a space when just have to nip to the shops...so not averse to paying for longer parking ...first hour free would be advantageous ...

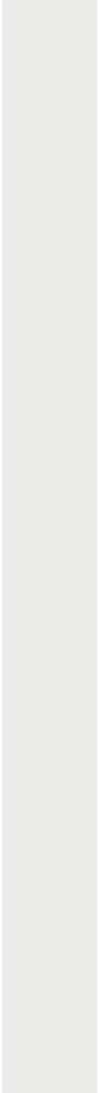
664	Dec 04 2020 12:04 PM	<p>We need a disabled parking bay on both sides of East High Street and one on West High Street.</p> <p>This consultation does not provide for comments from the householders affected by overspill from the council provided car parks when the parking charges are introduced. In my instance when parking charges were introduced the street where I live became the de facto car parking place for persons working in Forfar town centre and for shoppers and clients of town centre businesses. This means I CAN NO LONGER PARK ANYWHERE WITHIN 100 YARDS OF MY HOME. This also means that the street sweepers no longer clean the street which at the time of year can end up LOOKING LIKE A TIP. Parking during the day effectively leaves the street with one lane available for through traffic causing potential conflict as vehicles are forced to reverse or mount the pavement to pass.</p>
665	Dec 04 2020 11:24 AM	<p>It would be very helpful for there to be free parking for short stays. For example, if you are just going to post something or drop something off, paying money for a 10/15 minute stay is pretty inconvenient and a deterrent for going into a town centre.</p>
666	Dec 04 2020 10:51 AM	<p>More car parks.</p>
667	Dec 04 2020 10:14 AM	<p>More shops</p>
668	Dec 04 2020 10:02 AM	<p>Can't see the the reason for charges for parking as it must cost about as much to administer it as it takes in, also I would think shops have had it hard enough already</p>
669	Dec 04 2020 09:48 AM	<p>Off street resident car parks such as Little Causeway to be reinstated for residents only</p>
670	Dec 04 2020 09:47 AM	<p>Free parking, at least for the first hour, encourages people to do what they were wanting to do and go, allowing another person to use that space. And it prevents thoughtless parking in front of peoples houses.</p>
671	Dec 04 2020 09:18 AM	<p>Parking should be free. Don't limit our towns by moving people away from them. Having to pay to park outside your own house is unacceptable, it's ridiculous to ask someone to pay to simply park close to their home. Free short stay parking would ensure that folk parking in car park stay only a short while meaning a good availability of spaces ongoing throughout the day for shoppers to use on a daily basis.</p>
672	Dec 04 2020 08:20 AM	

673	Dec 04 2020 07:42 AM	Anon Angus Council made a huge error of judgement with the initial introduction of car parking charges,
674	Dec 04 2020 07:29 AM	Small local businesses need support and people need to be encouraged to come into town centres. This survey is very prescriptive and it does not make it easy to reflect the anger and injustice felt by the introduction of these parking charges. If the new charges are too high the people of Angus will yet again refuse to use the car parks. Please do not make the same mistake twice We don't all have hi paying jobs, keep it real keep it cheap and more will use it.
675	Dec 04 2020 06:35 AM	Also the people with good jobs who have maybe 2/3 cars will pay for more vehicles
676	Dec 04 2020 04:13 AM	X

The comments made in Surveys conducted by public bodies on matters affecting the wellbeing of local residents, as Council Tax payers, in the XXI c.AD should be made public withholding the identity of contributors. Rural communities in Scotland, (North of Dundee) including the Western Isles attract tourism. All tourists require somewhere to park and expect to park and are willing to pay reasonable fee for their visits. A fee for of 1-3 hrs, 3-6 hrs, 6-10 hrs and overnight parking, specially for caravans and camp vans, should be considered. Leaving street parking free for residents and not tourists but people from other boroughs who visit neighbouring Bourgogne simply to purchase unique goods and groceries that are part of the local economy e.g. fish in Arbroath, good quality clothes in Forfar Jarvis Bros. amazing department store and the best North of Edinburgh, Naturelle, Canvas Art, Fuji shop etc. Visocchis Ice cream in Kirriemuir apart from being the gateway to the Angus Glens. Therefore, space for Tourists parking is essential. The local economy was severely affected by the introduction of street parking. Additional to the adverse impact of introducing parking fees into rural towns street often visited by farmers, their families and extended family visitors, Estate owners and their employees etc. The community spirit was destroyed. Older people parked legally wherever they found a space and had several appointments hair cut, meet a friend or friends for a coffee or lunch and then drive off to their main local supermarket. A few of older people some retired and others on Estate pensions living in the outskirts of the towns disappeared and their independence and routines were taken away. Perhaps concessions for them should be made as the boom of older people in Angus those 60+ is set to increase, planning forward should be done based on household surveys about the regularity of their visits to towns. Perhaps days of free parking only for shopping or socialising. Measures need to be put in place to stop the closure of local trade and promote tourism from within the population living in the outskirts rural areas of Angus. Perhaps even selling £4 monthly parking tickets for any stays between 2-6 hours on any two days visits to allow visits to hair dressers, cafes, exploring the local shops, visits to museums etc. and make those permits available from the local shops. Find out how many shopkeepers may be willing to pay for parking in a designated area of the town not far from their shops. Rural areas are fragile. Perhaps give all residents of Angus a free sticker that says RESIDENT whereby they will not need to pay to park in the town for more than 4 hours. Thereafter charge £1 per

Dec 04 2020 01:25

677 AM



each extra hour up to 2 extra hours maximum. The permutations are endless. Look at other rural areas calculate how many people require a car to access their local towns' commerce and enable them to use their towns.

678	Dec 03 2020 11:28 PM	I believe that car parking prices should be kept to a minimum to allow our town centre businesses to recover. Perhaps it's too late. Most of the damage was done by yourselves before covid struck. If you must insall parking machines they should have a facility for accepting coins. We need to encourage tourism back to our town centres P.S. As far as this council is concerned I have no political bias.
679	Dec 03 2020 11:02 PM	.
680	Dec 03 2020 10:58 PM	Keep cash payment option open. HATE paying by card for such small amounts and just keep it fair.
681	Dec 03 2020 10:45 PM	I own a high street shop in Angus and limiting the time of parking in the bays is noticeably better for parking availability throughout the day. When it isn't being managed people quickly become aware and you see the same cars parked on the high street all day (or even all week!)
682	Dec 03 2020 10:36 PM	weekend free
683	Dec 03 2020 10:36 PM	Better signage for short stay times at on street bays and free parking in on street bays for 1 hr instead of 30mins.
684	Dec 03 2020 10:26 PM	Town businesses have been devastated by your parking charges
685	Dec 03 2020 10:25 PM	Private parking for council employees in the Vennel should be for short stay for shoppers. I believe that installing the parking meters in Angus car parks has lead to more people using street parking to avoid charges. This has made it more difficult for disabled people to park close to the place they are visiting while car parks now lie half empty a lot of the time.
686	Dec 03 2020 10:06 PM	The council had better listen to the voice of the public this time and restore parking in Angus to its historical and successful position to support local business
687	Dec 03 2020 09:58 PM	
688	Dec 03 2020 09:50 PM	Carnoustie high street is a shadow of its former glory. Since the parking charges have been brought in the town has suffered because of it
689	Dec 03 2020 09:45 PM	None

- 690 Dec 03 2020 09:14 PM My feeling is that parking fees are killing the high street.
- 691 Dec 03 2020 09:12 PM Make parking free. Instead bring in the revenue by massive fines for parking on double yellow lines and speeding cars. You'd make a fortune on Roods in Kirrie.
- 692 Dec 03 2020 09:09 PM Need free parking in the small towns
- 693 Dec 03 2020 09:08 PM Parking should be Free or fee should be nominal.
I suggest £50 permit per year if a permit HAS to be purchased , realistically I would prefer it was £0 , as going from 0 to £260 is just criminal , no one can afford this & Kirriemuir did not have a parking problem before these charges came into place it has just killed this small town , then COVID on top of this is just too much , please have some decency & do not put charges in place for a long time yet !
- 694 Dec 03 2020 09:01 PM
- 695 Dec 03 2020 08:53 PM All parking in Angus should be free as you just need to look at the state of our high streets
- 696 Dec 03 2020 08:50 PM Remove all parking charges. It is costing more money to administer the system and is killing local circular economy.
- 697 Dec 03 2020 08:44 PM All parking should be free
- 698 Dec 03 2020 08:41 PM Brechin should have no parking charges, it has little enough shops as it is and lack of footfall is going to be detrimental to the shops that are left.
There should be a free time allocation to encourage shopping local and help the community and local businesses. Many people do not use local Shops as they don't want to pay for parking
- 699 Dec 03 2020 08:34 PM
- 700 Dec 03 2020 08:25 PM stop taking my money
- 701 Dec 03 2020 08:20 PM No parking charges
- 702 Dec 03 2020 08:12 PM We have to encourage as many people to shop locally and for visitors to come to Angus therefore parking must be free.

- 703 Dec 03 2020 07:59 PM Free parking to protect business. I would find parking in residential area before paying to park
- 704 Dec 03 2020 07:54 PM If you want to encourage shoppers into Angus stop charging for parking! If parking charges are reintroduced the SAME charges should be made for council employee car parks!!!!
- 705 Dec 03 2020 07:48 PM Brechin will die if paid parking is reintroduced
- 706 Dec 03 2020 07:26 PM The cost of wardens plus hire vans for them, the damage they do to the town centre economy when it is quiet, shops are moving out to the outskirts and I can't blame them.
- 707 Dec 03 2020 07:19 PM I virtually stopped using local shops since parking charges were introduced until the charges were suspended due to the pandemic. I can't see that changing unless there is at least a free period before a charge is applied as I won't pay for an hour's worth of parking for something that will take a substantially less amount of time.
- 708 Dec 03 2020 07:11 PM As a health and social care worker, I am often supporting people with mobility issues or anxiety and mostly don't hold blue badges. This causes a lot off issues when needing to park further away in car parks due to only having 30mins to support to appointments or local services such as access office, library etc
- One hour would also be beneficial to supporting my mother in law to access the chemist or post office. She walks slow and chatting while out so 30min really doesn't work. Then she panics as I move to another street and hasn't looked at her phone.

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709 Dec 03 2020 07:10 PM

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I pay to park in Dundee for a much wider range of shops. I am unlikely to pay to pop to the shop in an Angus town.

Asking to pay for off street parking is forcing people to street park which in turn is a big problem for those who live on the street or nearby, and who normally leave their cars parked on the street. Effect on local business is also a serious situation, and at least a 2 hour free parking arrangement should be provided to give people time to shop. Some of these old run down unused buildings should be demolished to provide some additional spaces and done quickly, not take years and years.

711 Dec 03 2020 06:55 PM

712 Dec 03 2020 06:53 PM

Charges for short term parking (less than one hour) make me less inclined to use local town centre businesses.

713 Dec 03 2020 06:10 PM

Paid parking ruins small businesses

714 Dec 03 2020 06:05 PM

I can see there is a need to charge something for parking but it needs to be simple for people and affordable for those using it daily.

Charging for parking at such a high rate has decimated the high streets in Angus. Going forward please bear in mind the effect of COVID on local businesses and local people who have tried to support them through this, reintroducing car parking charges may have a catastrophic effect on small business which will lead to less revenue for the council in the longer term. There should also be an option to pay by cash for parking as these machines confuse the elderly and not everyone uses phone banking services. I can't pay by phone and I felt vulnerable when at one of these machines with my friend as there were some odd characters loitering and could have snatched the bank card away

715 Dec 03 2020 06:05 PM

- 716 Dec 03 2020 05:58 PM Parking should be free to promote and sustain local businesses
- 717 Dec 03 2020 05:19 PM Free parking only.
Scrap all parking charges in council car parks. Minimal charges for on street parking quite reasonable in town centres to deter all day parking and congestion. Current system of paying for parking in council car parks is destroying our town centre and trade for local shops not to mention costing more than the cash generated by them.
- 718 Dec 03 2020 05:12 PM Parking should be free especially for people who live in areas where they have no other alternative but to use car parks
- 719 Dec 03 2020 05:12 PM
- 720 Dec 03 2020 04:48 PM xx
The car parks have never been so empty since you brought in these charges which hurts the towns and communities you serve. Make them free and keep them free
- 721 Dec 03 2020 04:45 PM
- 722 Dec 03 2020 04:40 PM Parking spaces for Motorhomes should be made with signage to direct to them. Motorhomes bring trade to a town
- 723 Dec 03 2020 04:31 PM We already pay enough
- 724 Dec 03 2020 04:30 PM As a disabled driver I don't often use the car parks as access to shops not so easy. More disabled bays would be helpful. Thank you
- 725 Dec 03 2020 04:29 PM My guess is that it is uneconomic to administer parking charges in Carnoustie. Parking charges do NOT help local businesses.
What the parking charges did to local businesses was absolutely shocking. Since the parking charges have been suspended, Forfar's high street has thrived, which is what a local council should advocate for. The car parks were also extremely quiet when charges were enforced and have been packed when suspended, it speaks for itself what should happen. Keep them free.
- 726 Dec 03 2020 04:26 PM
- 727 Dec 03 2020 04:25 PM As a resident of Arbroath Town Centre, I feel town centre residents should get a free residents permit as we have no alternative. I move my car possibly twice a week then struggle to get parked when I return home

728	Dec 03 2020 04:17 PM	I live on nursery street and the parking here is terrible cant get parked for vans and cars of people who dont live here councilor mclaren who has hair dresser should pay for his parking aswell if you are charging people why should he park for free in nursey street there even parking on the grass and you cant get past on the pavement for vans blocking the paths it is getting worse we need residents parking sign up and give the town free parking so we can get more people in the town and get more shops open forfar was a great place once with lots o shops and lots of people lets get it back to what it was.
729	Dec 03 2020 04:08 PM	Keep all pay points with cash options! Far likely to use cash than my card.
730	Dec 03 2020 03:55 PM	If fees are a must then I think the first hour should be free in all car parks. But free parking would always be my first option as it would be a much needed boost to local shops and business as they are suffering terribly. Please please end parking restrictions and payments in towns, its crushing our highstreet and our local shops. There are so many people now going to other places or just shopping in supermarkets rather than using the town centre, as a way to avoid paying for parking. I now refuse to park in the town centre and know that I don't visit local shops and my high street as much as I want to, because I grudge paying to park in my own town. Please stop the parking charges, and instead encourage people to shop local, to support local businesses.
731	Dec 03 2020 03:48 PM	Parking should be free at all car parks for a reasonable amount of time, including recreational parks, such as Monikie. On-street parking and off-street parking should be free for maximum of 1 hour. Recreational parks should be free for up to 2 hours, or if participating in a paid-for event, then for the duration of that event.
732	Dec 03 2020 03:32 PM	I don't know any other local authority area that has free parking. This is a luxury that residents of Angus have had for a long time but in this financial climate, it's no longer sustainable I'm afraid. In Broughty Ferry, there is free on street parking for up to 45 minutes which seems to work well as people can pop into local shops for the things they need.
733	Dec 03 2020 03:16 PM	
734	Dec 03 2020 02:24 PM	All parking should be free

Less complicated machines . Just put £1 coin in and go, plus tap card or use an app, at minimum though £1 coins .Current machine are complicated and time consuming for most regular users, hate to think what the occasional user go through to use it. Long sad queue at machine when funeral in old parish, Kirrie is terrible to see, distressed, older people trying to understand how to use this unnecessary technology. Needs of the user must be assessed and prioritised of fancy "money saving" technology otherwise as has been shown the user will simply not use it the parking and income from parking will continue to be not even enough to cover cost of machines. Principle of paying to park, I don't believe, is the issue as much as the complicated machines. Think seriously about an hour free parking either on street or car park to allow time to shop regularly and people maybe happier to put their £1 or 2 in for longer visits to town for using coffer shops, hair/beauty salons etc. Get the people into the county towns to spend their money there instead of heading to Dundee. Find ways to keep the current business generated by covid restrictions in our county towns must be a priority.... car parking, rates/rents on town premises, keep people local will pay off long term....

735 Dec 03 2020 02:22 PM

736 Dec 03 2020 02:13 PM

Free car parking to bring people into the town
I feel it is of primary importance that residents should be positively encouraged to shop in the various town centres. Thus there should be no parking charges in off-street car parks for 1-4 hours.

737 Dec 03 2020 02:07 PM

Also whoever chose the light green colour scheme for this website should be disciplined - has no-one given thought to the colour blind - black and white is all that is required. Also the web-site for this survey was not well sign posted. almost as if an attempt to keep it hidden and user UNFRIENDLY was being made.

738 Dec 03 2020 02:02 PM

Angus is not the same as Aberdeenshire or Perthshire. We just don't get their level of tourism. There should be no parking charges in Angus. Please help local businesses and encourage people to shop locally by abolishing all parking charges.

739 Dec 03 2020 02:00 PM

I believe in Free parking ! We pay enough Tax / Road tax etc that should cover the costs for road Maintenance etc

- 740 Dec 03 2020 01:47 PM it only takes me about 10 minutes to shop and it is now too far to walk nowadays as i am 85
Charges have been a disaster.
- 741 Dec 03 2020 01:30 PM This survey should have been done before being bullied into this standoff. Charging for parking is totally short sighted and a great way to kill off our High St shops. Angus council should be encouraging people to shop in the Angus towns by providing free parking. I am 100% against parking charges and would never pay them in our small towns. The charging in Montrose has just resulted in the Mid Links being turned into a massive car park - not sure where the residents are meant to park! Terrible policy which needs to be reversed.
- 742 Dec 03 2020 01:05 PM Charging for parking is totally short sighted and a great way to kill off our High St shops. Angus council should be encouraging people to shop in the Angus towns by providing free parking. I am 100% against parking charges and would never pay them in our small towns. The charging in Montrose has just resulted in the Mid Links being turned into a massive car park - not sure where the residents are meant to park! Terrible policy which needs to be reversed.
- 743 Dec 03 2020 01:05 PM Mid Links being turned into a massive car park - not sure where the residents are meant to park! Terrible policy which needs to be reversed.
- 744 Dec 03 2020 12:18 PM tesco and other supermarkets will be pleased when car parks go back to been free so get there car parks back
- 745 Dec 03 2020 12:18 PM support your local shops with free easy access parking
- 746 Dec 03 2020 12:14 PM Parking fees discourage me from local shopping so I use supernarkets
- 747 Dec 03 2020 12:08 PM Since parking charges have come into force I no longer use Angus Council Car parks. I will instead park slightly outwith town centre's and walk in.
- 748 Dec 03 2020 12:03 PM There is no place for parking charges in Angus. Either the council supports the local community by abolishing these charges or it reintroduces charges and drives shoppers out of town centres. Brechin, Kirriemuir and Carnoustie town centres were brought to their knees when these charges were introduced. I've responded having parked in Brechin. Other towns might need different charging systems due to circumstances (eg the distance from car parks to shops). "One size fits all" may not apply.
- 749 Dec 03 2020 11:55 AM

Very unsatisfied with survey question answer options - insufficient answer options in first 5 questions and there should have different answer options in relation to payment and permit questions.

As a resident of Angus this survey is important. My understanding is that there should be a published Traffic Management Plan for Angus outlining how to maintain free flow of traffic in our towns/villages and parking plan to ensure plan is efficient and effective. Plan should ensure that off street car parks are being fully utilised and that on street has a reasonably quick turn over. Since payment parking was introduced nearly every car park in Angus is significantly under utilised. Best system in my opinion is regular enforcement of on street parking (making sure good turnover of vehicles) which pushes longer staying and excess short stay vehicles to utilise off street parking at small cost. Should never have started payment parking - system at start with good enforcement and free parking worked well for Angus.

750 Dec 03 2020 11:54 AM

751 Dec 03 2020 11:46 AM

N/a

752 Dec 03 2020 11:43 AM

good job

753 Dec 03 2020 11:32 AM

All car parking in angus car parks within town boundaries should be free for as long as needed by user

The parking charges have made huge steps in wiping out high streets. If you make people pay to park in the city centre but parking at big shopping areas such as elliot in arbroath is free, why would anyone have any reason to park and browse the town centre. It will just put a hurdle in the way and business will suffer. Arbroath high street needs proper thought put into rather than quick-buck council money making schemes. The town centre will soon be like an abandoned town.

754 Dec 03 2020 11:29 AM

755 Dec 03 2020 11:21 AM

All the rates proposed for parking permits are extortionate and absolutely disgraceful. Shame on you all for taking such gross advantage of people, many of whom have no other option. Just another way to tax the middle class.

756	Dec 03 2020 11:14 AM	The opportunity to provide opinions and preferences is welcome. I would say that more comms re the potential need to charge for parking, giving actual examples, would perhaps remove some of the contention around this matter. If people have the bigger picture and things aren't simply imposed on them, along with further consultation, then change can be more palatable. Given the current situation and likelihood of many more people being financially affected due to the pandemic, as well as the obvious impact on our local business, any reintroduction of charging will meet resistance.
757	Dec 03 2020 10:58 AM	Particularly difficult to park at a reasonable price if going away in a train for the day. Official train car parks always full.
758	Dec 03 2020 10:57 AM	I think the parking charges has killed our towns!
759	Dec 03 2020 10:53 AM	Parking restrictions really affected local businesses. Would like free parking to continue.
760	Dec 03 2020 10:44 AM	Parking in Angus towns should be free to encourage shoppers to visit unless congestion becomes a problem. The parking meters, particularly if they did not take coins, put me off coming to Forfar. Surely it is better to have people coming into town than making a few pounds out of difficult to use parking meters.
761	Dec 03 2020 10:30 AM	There's a lack of discussion on residents of areas where there is no parking ie pedestrianised areas - where the car parks are filled with the shoppers/workers etc. When charges were introduced, residents had to pay a permit for empty car parks and now charges have been scrapped they can't get parked. It concerns me that yet again there will be thousands spent on new signs and the erection of these. Plus the reprogramming of all the parking machines.
762	Dec 03 2020 10:22 AM	Everything the council does seems to be at an extortionate amount of money that im sure does not always have to be so.
763	Dec 03 2020 10:06 AM	Angus council seem to be trying their best to close down town centres. Unless they change stance on parking charges this is a likely scenario.
764	Dec 03 2020 10:05 AM	They are always saying to shop on the high St but council just drives you away to to supper markets so there will be no need for an Angus council they want there money but they need the public to

- 765 Dec 03 2020 10:02 AM Pedestrianisation of Castle Street, The Cross and East and West High Streets . I gave up driving years ago as I didn't want the burden of a car and wanted to walk everywhere. Hopefully the parking fees will make more people feel the same and give up their cars for a greener life. With exceptions for disabled people or people who cannot walk very far like my partner. I think there should 've special parking bays in town for access to pharmacies to make life easier for them that would be free to access but have some sort of system involved that attributes to pharmacy parking only so that idiots won't park there to do a massive shop in town. I think people waste money shopping for rubbish anyway and hopefully parking fees will deter people from this also.
- 766 Dec 03 2020 09:55 AM I think it would be better to provide free parking permits for all Angus Council Tax payers, issued annually with Council Tax bills. Charging should still apply for others using off street parking, so that would ensure visitors and tourists continue to pay. I also think cash machines should be used to make it easy for elderly people
- 767 Dec 03 2020 09:51 AM All parking should be free in each town and village. The local shops cannot compete with multi national retail parks which you councillors allowed to surround our towns. Then have the audacity to implement parking fees in town centres. NO wonder our ' high streets' are dying on your watch.
- 768 Dec 03 2020 09:48 AM All parking should be free in each town and village. The local shops cannot compete with multi national retail parks which you councillors allowed to surround our towns. Then have the audacity to implement parking fees in town centres. NO wonder our ' high streets' are dying on your watch.
- 769 Dec 03 2020 09:48 AM The fact that the Council cancelled parking charges in these extraordinary times recognises the fact that parking fees had a detrimental impact on local shops.
- 770 Dec 03 2020 09:36 AM Decisions must be made that provide maximum support to local shops and businesses. This must be the priority.
- 771 Dec 03 2020 09:35 AM I have no objection to paying £1 for an hour in bigger towns like forfar but in smaller towns like Kirrie it's annoying to have to pay for an hour's parking if you are just popping into the butcher's.
- 772 Dec 03 2020 09:21 AM I definitely feel we need to keep the free 30/45 mins high street parking to help save the shops on the High Streets

773	Dec 03 2020 09:19 AM	Parking charges have made drivers look for alternative parking and decreased footfall on angus high streets. Installation of meters was a solution to a problem that didnt exist and a waste of money.
774	Dec 03 2020 09:16 AM	None Any parking charges will discourage shopping and visiting in town centres. The officers and councillors who wasted hundreds of thousands on the fiasco of parking charges should be pursued through the courts for reimbursement of the wasted public funds
775	Dec 03 2020 09:16 AM	Our shops must be supported and imposing parking charges closes private business. We must be able to stop and nip into local shops for free. This is imperative for local businesses.
776	Dec 03 2020 09:15 AM	
777	Dec 03 2020 09:04 AM	During COVID times and for a good while afterwards I think all parking should be free as businesses need help to get customers in their shops!
778	Dec 03 2020 09:02 AM	I am not personally against charging for on street parking if it could be 30 minutes free then a subsequent charge for up to a defined time say 1 hour or perhaps 2 hours. Parking needs to be free. If you had done a proper consultation and engagement exercise, you might have pulled off an approach that people could live with but this has been an utter embarrassment. Protect our small high street businesses, especially after this year, and those who have lost jobs or income over COVID. If you truly want Angus to be a go-to place for business, you'll put your money where your mouth is. Have you seen how busy car parks are since lockdown eased? We need to capitalise on people buying more likely goods in our high streets, not shoo them away again.
779	Dec 03 2020 08:54 AM	
780	Dec 03 2020 08:52 AM	Will not pay for parking. Killing the high street and not fair on residents. Would rather walk or shop else where.

Forfar town centre has been decimated by the imposed parking charges. I run a center of town business and we have seen huge loss of footfall and turnover like many other businesses I have spoken to since parking charges were introduced. This was prior to pandemic.

Out of town cafes became busier as they have free parking. Shops have lost trade in Forfar where someone could have killed 2 birds with one stone by using free carparks and spending more time to shop local. Its greener also. Reality is they will now use supermarkets on way back from out of town cafes or simply just bypass town centre all together.

Supermarkets have never been busier since pandemic at expense of local shops, cafes and restaurants.

These small businesses collectively employ as much or more than the huge profit making supermarkets.

Owners of these businesses have not had an income for over a year.

Angus councils efforts should be to ensure local businesses are supported not crippled with zero customers.

To have this survey shows how out of touch your council is with reality.

Seems Angus council are more concerned about making a business case out of parking at the expense if their local economy. Bad move and the electorate will let you know this.

To charge residential area car parks is also a joke.

Low paid town centre workers are being forced to pay for blinkered council incompetence.

Why not charge high profit supermarkets more in business rates to recoup.

Or to spread business around more an out of town travel tax to make people

think greener in the efforts to achieve Net Zero carbon.

Anyone travelling to work at the business park where council offices are getting free parking. Why not charge for parking there. It's no different.

Your inflated costs of parking meter installation, maintenance and administrative costs make your charges not worth the effort where you could simply put another £20 a year on every Angus council tax charge per household. Nobody would complain about that.

To be penalised for working for or shopping and supporting local shops and businesses is outrageous and typical of a council out of touch with reality and the electorate it serves.

You make the case for charging for parking by comparison with large towns and cities.

That is wrong.

You need to be attracting people to Angus towns not putting people off which your parking charges has done since beginning.

Now more than ever since pandemic and we are by no means out of this, I see no argument for car parking charges especially coupled with brexit cliff edge.

Businesses have lost out, people have lost out on wages, there will be massive job losses and you want to have a case to tax the public more? Madness.

- 783 Dec 03 2020 08:42 AM Free parking was always a great thing for the towns of Angus and help people use High Street stores more. Surely as a Council you would want to support your community.
Carnoustie is a small town with independent traders desperate for footfall. Parking in car parks should be free, if not free then at least the first two hours should be free to encourage folk to shop there. I have never paid to park in such a small town and have no intention to either. Since parking charges were introduced side streets near the high street are flooded with parked cars. A good idea is to Increase charges for on street parking if they stay over 30 minutes.
- 784 Dec 03 2020 08:37 AM
- 785 Dec 03 2020 08:29 AM There needs to be an element of free parking for short term parking to entice people back into the town centres. The charges as were have strangled the town centres and already helped several shops to close down
- 786 Dec 03 2020 08:27 AM Give residents the option to pay for a parking permit at the same time as their council tax. ie tick box to add. Same could be done for green waste, perhaps a discount if this option was taken would encourage more take up.
- 787 Dec 03 2020 08:14 AM Parking on and off street needs to be free. Permits for residents are also not acceptable. You shouldn't be penalised because you happen to live in the town centre.
- 788 Dec 03 2020 08:08 AM There needs to be a facility for a free 30 mins or hour in carparks for those people just popping in for necesseties etc otherwise they park all over the street, hover on double yellow lines and cause problems
It is essential that parking charges return to protect the council's ability to provide services. I couldn't change the mistake in my answer re on street parking - this should be 30 mins. And free short and long stay for first hour would encourage people to use the car parks instead of in street parking. Make the permits as cheap as possible to encourage people to buy then and get into the habit of paying for parking - prices can then be incrementally increased. You went too far too fast first time. Stop pandering to lobbyists and do what is right.
- 789 Dec 03 2020 07:59 AM

790	Dec 03 2020 07:59 AM	I think it's important not to assume (without concrete / research-based evidence) that more convenient (i.e. free / cheap) parking attracts people to shops. I have read articles that cast doubt on this widely held assumption. Streets that are not full of parked and moving cars, make for a more pleasant environment and safer and thus (perhaps) attract people to shops. Another point is that environmental considerations (e.g. air quality), making space for people in our town centres etc ought to be a central issues: I feel that the views of 'business' drown out these crucial issues.
791	Dec 03 2020 07:43 AM	Not everyone uses smartphones and bank cards. Meters that use coinage are still required I don't think its fair to ask someone that is working in the town or outskirts to pay for all day parking, public transport between towns is not suitable. if you are shopping then pay the minimum, people don't think twice about paying for parking, when out with angus
792	Dec 03 2020 07:40 AM	Businesses pay rates. They should get parking provision for their customers, who don't get charged to park at Tesco.
793	Dec 03 2020 07:39 AM	Its great being able to park outside shops ie in Murray Street Mo trose and half an hour is ample for picking up heavier items. For longer stays and shopping in multiple places 2 hours free is not really adequate. 4 hpurs probably more realistic if having a coffee etc.
794	Dec 03 2020 07:37 AM	I live rurally - too far to walk to a town and not on a bus route. I have to use my car and don't want to be penalised just because I don't live in a town.
795	Dec 03 2020 07:30 AM	Get rid of this stupid parking fees ! Doesn't make any sense. Who thinks of these stupid things?
796	Dec 03 2020 07:26 AM	

Parking Charges have created an area of serious congestion and concern at the end of Carlogie Rd Carnoustie.

The current system has forced everyone to park double sided in this one area which is a main Bus Route, causes traffic build up and a serious risk to pedestrians trying to cross the Rd at that end of Carlogie Rd on multiple occasions I have witnessed elderly and young residents of Carnoustie struggle to get across the Rd if not be involved in near miss incidents, yet reports of this into Council and the Police fall on deaf ears as its not about public safety but lining the pockets of the council and councillors.

Nothing gets done in Angus unless it benefits an Angus Councillor this is evidenced by the complete disregard for safety complaints for child crossing safety around Spencer Crescent, Maule St, Craigmill Gardens and now Carlogie Rd none of these issues directly effect a councillor so nothing gets done.

797 Dec 03 2020 07:12 AM

I would be pleasantly surprised if I actually heard back on any of this.

Yes

Parking for the first two hours should be free everywhere so that you can buy what you need on the Hugh street. High street shopping is vital and the council should be promoting high streets before in line shopping by doing whatever they can! I don't work in the Hugh street but feel for anyone trying to make a living. The parking situation does put people off.

798 Dec 03 2020 07:08 AM

Look at how your parking charges have caused town centres to go in to decline. Look at how people are parking on side streets and in bays that are free causing congestion. Actually talk to the people you serve.

799 Dec 03 2020 06:51 AM

The highstreet shops have been in decline for a number of years now so parking should be free to encourage shoppers. There is also the aspect of employees having to use the off street parking facilities to go to work. Parking charges would eat into already, low paid salaries.

800 Dec 03 2020 06:41 AM

801 Dec 03 2020 06:40 AM

It should be free!!!

802 Dec 03 2020 06:38 AM

Parking charges gives everyone a chance of a spce to park, when free its hard for visitors to get a space

803	Dec 03 2020 06:32 AM	<p>Paying for parking in small towns is killing small independent shops. All parking should be free to the local shoppers on the high streets</p> <p>The businesses need all the help they can get or the high st is finished</p> <p>I don't know why the local councillors can't see this</p>
804	Dec 03 2020 06:13 AM	<p>Been w waste of local funds since day one</p>
805	Dec 03 2020 05:54 AM	<p>Please please remove parking charges permanently- you are killing our town centres!</p>
806	Dec 03 2020 05:24 AM	<p>Parking should be free of at worst minimal tariffs to encourage local trade and to support local businesses in these difficult current circumstances.</p> <p>Your survey is not great unsurprisingly, your permit question doesn't let you add free which would rank no. 1, the way you have gone about the parking charges debacle has been typical angus council so no one should be surprised that the survey is flawed like the council.</p>
807	Dec 03 2020 03:52 AM	<p>Given the number of hairdressers in all Angus towns and the fact that some services do exceed 4 hours I would have liked to have seen an option for an extra length of time on the short stay carparks.....up to 6 hours would be ideal</p>
808	Dec 03 2020 03:49 AM	
809	Dec 03 2020 03:17 AM	<p>None</p>
810	Dec 03 2020 02:48 AM	<p>No point</p> <p>There is 2 very big carparks one at the Large COOP. There is numerous roads in Brechin being used as a carpark market street especially. There is a very thin space between cars and spaces. We need calming measures in place before somebody or something gets killed especially when there is a school and kids about. This seams very bias towards car park charges another way of making money</p>
811	Dec 03 2020 02:32 AM	
812	Dec 03 2020 02:14 AM	<p>More disabled bays as hard to park on Castle Street</p>

		I live in a street in Monifieth that has a car park for the residents. Although there is a sign saying for residents only other folk from surrounding area use it. I think a yearly parking fee for
813	Dec 03 2020 02:00 AM	Residents would be a good idea
814	Dec 03 2020 01:47 AM	I don't think parking should be a money making exercise. Keeping our towns alive is more important. If charges have to be made it should be minimal.
815	Dec 03 2020 01:03 AM	Get rid of the parking fees we already pay enough tax!
816	Dec 03 2020 12:58 AM	NA
817	Dec 03 2020 12:44 AM	None
818	Dec 03 2020 12:04 AM	All parking in small town should be free of charge!!!! if councils can afford to subsidise big bus companys to run about empty with no one using them then allow people that want to spend money in small towns free parking .
819	Dec 02 2020 11:54 PM	Think parking should be free
820	Dec 02 2020 11:54 PM	Shops are suffering due to the car parking fees introduced. A period of free parking for short visits would really make a difference
821	Dec 02 2020 11:54 PM	Parking should be free in all Angus Burroughs to protect our high streets In the current economic climate parking should be free, when you charged for it the majority of people did not come to our town centres and business suffered - you ***** it up!
822	Dec 02 2020 11:50 PM	Still feel that if you have to charge the public to park the £1 coin is the best means to charge for it ! Especially for the elderly who don't understand new technology
823	Dec 02 2020 11:34 PM	
824	Dec 02 2020 11:29 PM	There is no consideration given or anything put in place to help people working in the community who need to use their cars to visit people within work time.
825	Dec 02 2020 11:28 PM	Remove the redundant aprkign meters, they are disdvantage the town traders.

826	Dec 02 2020 11:28 PM	<p>If you have free parking for 1st hour public will be onsite. Payment should be with coins aswell as other means.</p> <p>my I insurance only allows me to park at home my policy goes up by over 500.pounds to leave it in an off street parking area out of view</p>
827	Dec 02 2020 11:26 PM	<p>my house has parking bays out front but depending on what shift I work determines if I can park or not due to no one wanting to walk through town to car park and not see there car from home</p>
828	Dec 02 2020 11:20 PM	<p>Make parking free everywhere and increase the number of wardens to police the illegal parking</p>
829	Dec 02 2020 11:11 PM	<p>Town centre properties with no private parking. Mostly lower value but have to pay. Also any off road private parking now invaded by unwilling payers</p>
830	Dec 02 2020 11:10 PM	<p>Make it free again Allow</p>
831	Dec 02 2020 11:07 PM	<p>Short stays on single yellows to help businesses with deliveries</p>
832	Dec 02 2020 11:03 PM	<p>Seen a Hugh change in foot fall since the parking was introduced and would hate to see all our small towns disappear due to parking charges Prefer free parking in all off street parking facilities and Payment for street parking to be prioritised if funds are necessary. This would make streets safer for both pedestrians and drivers alike</p>
833	Dec 02 2020 10:54 PM	<p>We park in various places out-with Angus and think nothing of paying! Why should angus be different, revenue has to bad found for services to be provided I understand money was spent putting meters back in car parks and due to this charges will return. I wonder if it would be better to extend the free parking as an incentive for people to spend money at local businesses and then perhaps a phased return with free parking all weekend for a period of time before returning fully to the 'old' system</p>
834	Dec 02 2020 10:53 PM	<p>Car parking in Angus towns should be free as far as possible. A small charge is fine for longer periods of parking but the current charges are driving people either away from the town centre shopping or to park in residential streets</p>
835	Dec 02 2020 10:52 PM	
836	Dec 02 2020 10:51 PM	

adjacent to the town centre.

- 837 Dec 02 2020 10:48 PM We visited Forfar and Arbrith regularly before lockdown. One of the main attractions was free parking
What problems were there before when parking was free ?
- 838 Dec 02 2020 10:47 PM or is it a greed thing ? Angus relies on tourism and now no one wants to go to these town's, if there has to be a cost then make it free for the first couple of hours then charge after that.
- 839 Dec 02 2020 10:46 PM Not a fair survey, as restricted to the answers you want us to give - where is the option - none of the above?
I shop and use local businesses less since the parking charges started. The current 30 mins isn't long enough to visit a cafe, the hairdresser or beautician, and its a push to even visit more than one shop and actually have time to browse. The pay and display machines are just a hassle I can't be bothered with.
Do I'm doing more shopping outwith the high Street at places with a free.car park.
- 840 Dec 02 2020 10:46 PM
- 841 Dec 02 2020 10:46 PM Free Parking for everyone that live in Angus
- 842 Dec 02 2020 10:44 PM Parking should be free
2 hours free gives people a chance to support local businesses, but people wont hog the spaces all day. If I have to pay for parking I will just stay at home and shop on Amazon. Do we really need as many double yellow lines as we now have? If you can get rid of them, do it and allow people to park there again, like they used to quite safely in the 80's. If you ask the public, they will tell you where the pointless double yellows are!!
- 843 Dec 02 2020 10:41 PM I only use the parking occasionally and never for more than 1 hour to run errands. It would be great if I could use the car parks free for this time, I wouldn't mind paying for long-term stays
- 844 Dec 02 2020 10:39 PM

845	Dec 02 2020 10:38 PM	I believe putting free parking (and if not that the easiest, cheapest and most understandable /straightforward system) in place will mean more people use car parks or bays on a regular basis. Visitors to and residents of Angus will be happier and more relaxed about using facilities, working in and spending money and time in Angus. Streets will be kept clearer of vehicles and traffic wardens will be needed less frequently and can focus on vehicles parked illegally or dangerously at crossings, corners, double yellow lines, schools, etc.
846	Dec 02 2020 10:37 PM	Make all parking free in Angus. Parking should be free, enforcement officers should focus on litter and dog fouling to generate income for the council rather than shoppers supporting the local economy
847	Dec 02 2020 10:35 PM	Card payment not a good idea, as people would have probably gladly paid if cash could have been used. If a survey had been done before parking charges started about cash or cards, money could have been saved on the useless machines.
848	Dec 02 2020 10:34 PM	
849	Dec 02 2020 10:27 PM	Scrap off street charges altogether please I feel that all main streets should have parking restrictions. This allows traffic to travel through the town better. It also allows customers to park for a short period of time to drop into the local shops. If they plan a longer stay then park in the main car parks within the town. This would also assist in local businesses to get more customers through the doors.
850	Dec 02 2020 10:27 PM	
851	Dec 02 2020 10:24 PM	I do not live in Angus but am a regular visitor (still have family in the area). Area i come from has no free parking. .
852	Dec 02 2020 10:23 PM	Please stop charging for parking, you have killed all small town centres throughout the burgh
853	Dec 02 2020 10:22 PM	Please stop charging for parking, you have killed all small town centres throughout the burgh
854	Dec 02 2020 10:20 PM	Parking in council workplace car parks should remain free
855	Dec 02 2020 10:19 PM	.

856 Dec 02 2020 10:13 PM First hour free is a good idea

857 Dec 02 2020 10:11 PM To support businesses we need to have free parking I'm sure during the free time in covid local shopping has taken a rise and maintained there presence this must be a priority

858 Dec 02 2020 10:11 PM I feel that all parking should be free in Arbroath we want more people to shop and visit here I feel this would help

859 Dec 02 2020 10:10 PM Nothing

860 Dec 02 2020 10:09 PM Parking should be free to help keep local shops alive..needed now more than ever
the parking charges have made a dent in the high street shops and business throughout Angus. We should be encouraging visitors and locals to shop in our Angus towns, if the shops are quite busy due to higher visitor numbers, then the council will get more in shop rates from the shops business being open. People will spend more time in the towns and have a longer look around if the parking is free. People from Dundee and tourists will return to use the towns more with free parking. I know my self when on holiday in England wales or other towns in Scotland if it is free parking we tend to have a better look round and often pop in to more shops and cafes to buy things. Certainly not bother or just a quick pop in to buy an essential item if one has to pay to park.

861 Dec 02 2020 10:08 PM best wishes
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862 Dec 02 2020 10:07 PM

863	Dec 02 2020 10:06 PM	I feel it's a bit late in the day to actually be consulting people on this matter after having already wasted so much of our money and caring very little about the impact the changes had on our local communities
864	Dec 02 2020 10:05 PM	NA
865	Dec 02 2020 10:03 PM	There should be more Disabled Parking bays provided close to the shops.
866	Dec 02 2020 10:01 PM	Remove parking charges altogether. They should have never been installed as they've caused nothing but damage to our local businesses and our high Street.
867	Dec 02 2020 09:59 PM	Parking should be free in Angus to allow the High Street to flourish instead of slowly degenerating into a street full of empty or charity shops. Parking charges were/are a good way to kill off local commerce. It is noticeable that since charges were suspended, the car parks have been more fully utilised.
868	Dec 02 2020 09:59 PM	No parking charges for angus
869	Dec 02 2020 09:58 PM	The car parks should be free. On street parking should be 60 mins. Stop being bellends. PS we all cheat the system and avoid paying anyway. Greedy feckers
870	Dec 02 2020 09:53 PM	Charging for local parking is killing the local shops and is building resentment toward the council.
871	Dec 02 2020 09:52 PM	Car parks should definitely offer a free period, even just 30mins as the availability of on street 30min bays is almost non existent.
872	Dec 02 2020 09:51 PM	Free parking
873	Dec 02 2020 08:57 PM	Need to encourage people to shop in Arbroath and free parking would help this
874	Dec 02 2020 08:43 PM	Stop people from parking on the pavement.
875	Dec 02 2020 08:38 PM	Parking has been free for years in Angus. If we want to encourage shoppers into the High Streets and visitors to the area, it should remain free.

876	Dec 02 2020 08:33 PM	Due to current times Retail are struggling and have already faced tough times trading in Angus due to parking charges. We need to encourage supporting local shops and promote Angus and other a whole paying off parking will destroy local retail.
877	Dec 02 2020 08:26 PM	Angus towns trading is too fragile for car parking fees to be introduced. Especially at this time. If introduced on street times should should be long enough for elderly to get a bit of shopping or go for a coffee Parking in Angus should be free for everyone, especially those who work on a high street and need to park near their place of work. Car parks should also be free for both residents and tourists alike; residents because some of whom may be disabled and/or financially compromised and cannot afford to pay for parking, and for tourists to attract them to our county.
878	Dec 02 2020 08:21 PM	
879	Dec 02 2020 08:18 PM	More disabled bays on street and long stay please Need to sort out dispensation parking for small businesses, currently having to pay £50 to park where we need to work (with hose running from van) for a £50 job. It is quite a joke
880	Dec 02 2020 08:08 PM	I thought the installation of parking meters was a dreadful misjudgment by the council, Angus has always prided itself on having FREE CAR PARKS! This was so good for local shops, customers local and visiting . I will NEVER use a pay for parking space in Angus, EVER.
881	Dec 02 2020 07:56 PM	
882	Dec 02 2020 07:54 PM	Brechin is a ghost town anyway, I will not pay for parking. First 2 hours must be free to help local businesses (shops in particular) that way people can meet for a coffee without having to pay an additional parking charge whilst having a lunch break or meeting friends. Parking charges may be acceptable for large cities, but small market towns cannot stand the loss of shoppers who may think I might as well pay for car parking in the city and have much more choice of shops than pay for a few shops in Kirriemuir as an example.
883	Dec 02 2020 07:50 PM	
884	Dec 02 2020 07:47 PM	This should have been done before introducing the park charges and going to the expense of purchasing machines!

- 885 Dec 02 2020 07:44 PM Residents should have permits to park free for up to two hours e everywhere, they get a display pass and a timer card, they set the card to the time they have arrived, this can then be checked. It works in Germany well
- 886 Dec 02 2020 07:44 PM Parking should be free in all Angus towns.
- 887 Dec 02 2020 07:44 PM Parking should be free in all Angus towns.
Living one street away from the High Street & having 30 minute parking restrictions outside the house. I would like the option to have a Residents Permit to park on streets outside my home. I would be happy to pay if this was an option!
- 888 Dec 02 2020 07:40 PM I have never parked in a car park since the charges came in, however once the charges were suspended due to covid I have regularly used the car parks and shopped locally as a result. Any attempt to reinstate the charges as they were will result in economic damage to our small local businesses. You need to prioritise keeping the traffic moving in the on street parking within the allocated time, people parking on double and single yellow lines and in disabled bays without a permit. If you allowed 2 hours free in any carpark (short or long stay) it would give people time to do their shopping locally helping the economy. For anything over 2 hours people should pay which would stop people abandoning their cars indefinitely. It's all about balance.
- 889 Dec 02 2020 07:36 PM
- 890 Dec 02 2020 07:34 PM More secure cycle parking and cycle friendly buses needed. Also you have an error in question 9...i assumed you meant 2-3 hours
- 891 Dec 02 2020 07:34 PM Car parking should be free
- 892 Dec 02 2020 07:33 PM More secure cycle parking and cycle friendly buses needed. Also you have an error in question 9...i assumed you meant 2-3 hours
You fail to identify the type of parking meter that people would prefer, a credit card machine has been the source of complaint since introduction. The administration obviously still fail to recognise the disdain most people have for inputting personal banking details into a non accountable system, it is a fact that
- 893 Dec 02 2020 07:29 PM what is input can be utilised by some people for other means.

- 894 Dec 02 2020 07:26 PM encourage shopping with free parking.
- 895 Dec 02 2020 07:26 PM Parking should be free to encourage local shopping and for people who work in town
- 896 Dec 02 2020 07:22 PM All meters must be both cash and card acceptable, if this had been the case from the start there wouldn't have been an uproar.
- 897 Dec 02 2020 07:11 PM Angus towns are small so I'd rather park out of the town centre and walk in
- 898 Dec 02 2020 07:09 PM I will avoid paying to park and will use other facilities where I can.
I'm still of the opinion that in town street parking should be charged by meter like other towns such Dundee, St Andrew's, as this is premium parking, car parks away from the town centre should be long stay and free to encourage people to park away from the town centre. You can see how popular car parks have been when free they have been full, if you reintroduced paid parking in car parks people will start leaving cars on residential roads near the town causing problems for residents. Kirriemuir Brechin Road is a prime example of this, there were continual problems with people blocking drives when there were charges in the car parks.
- 899 Dec 02 2020 06:59 PM Parking in Angus should continue to be free, you ask us to shop local but you are putting the public off by charging for the parking also those coming into Angus are used to free parking, businesses have suffered due to your charging policy which has not brought in the money you expected the amount spent on the machines will still being paid for well into the future
- 900 Dec 02 2020 06:53 PM
- 901 Dec 02 2020 06:51 PM Parking should be free
- 902 Dec 02 2020 06:40 PM Parking permits for residents on the bottom half of John street Montrose.
- 903 Dec 02 2020 06:37 PM All parking should be completely free

- 904 Dec 02 2020 06:36 PM I work in care in the community and respond to callouts, knowing I may be longer than 30 minutes I park in the nearest car park but think it's unfair that I should have to pay for the pleasure even though my employer is Angus council. I would prefer parking in off street car parks free for the first hour for this.
- 905 Dec 02 2020 06:34 PM I think questions 11 & 12 are not listening to the people of Angus as there is no "zero parking fee" option to rank along with the options given
- 906 Dec 02 2020 06:31 PM On street parking should be free for first half hour. Sometimes you just need to pop into the shop for bread milk etc
I realise that we have to pay for parking BUT make it cheap and people will use it ! Don't price the area out trying to make money. The drivers are already supporting the area by coming there!
- 907 Dec 02 2020 06:24 PM
- 908 Dec 02 2020 06:13 PM To be really aware that parking charges add cost to shoppers for a variety of reasons, most of them essential. If there were to be charges they would need to be much lower than moment as everyone is on a budget.
- 909 Dec 02 2020 06:12 PM parking should be free in all angus burghs to encourage visitors to area
- 910 Dec 02 2020 06:12 PM parking should be free in all angus burghs to encourage visitors to area
- 911 Dec 02 2020 06:10 PM Option selection on phone survey a shambles, is it drag or drop or drip down , KISS.
- 912 Dec 02 2020 06:01 PM Paying by cash or card
Since parking fees have been installed in Kirriemuir and also with bank of scotland having closed I have not been back in town as I do not have a smart phone and would not use my credit card to pay for a ticket for £1 or even £2. I think it is ridiculous with the only paying option as not all people especially elderly have a mobile phone/smart phone or maybe not even a credit card. I go to ALyth as you can put cheques in at Post Office and don't have to pay to park for 20 minutes!!!!
- 913 Dec 02 2020 05:59 PM
- 914 Dec 02 2020 05:56 PM Only 30 mins for street parking , free off street parking and wardens to enforce .

- 915 Dec 02 2020 05:51 PM Local businesses were suffering with the parking charges before lockdown. They need help not to get customers
The current charges are driving people, both local and tourists away from towns in Angus. The car park charges encourage the use of off street parking, making it difficult for people with less mobility to find a space close to where they want to be.
- 916 Dec 02 2020 05:38 PM
- 917 Dec 02 2020 05:36 PM Free parking to encourage high street shopping and discourage dangerous parking when trying to avoid parking charges.
- 918 Dec 02 2020 05:35 PM Free parking to encourage high street shopping and discourage dangerous parking when trying to avoid parking charges.
- 919 Dec 02 2020 05:32 PM Car parks always very busy since it became free. Notice a big difference on the streets and shops a lot busier
- 920 Dec 02 2020 05:26 PM Make residential areas permit holders only. For example Kinloch Park which is a complete joke for residents to park outside their own homes.
- 921 Dec 02 2020 05:24 PM Make a reasonable charge for parking not the previous expensive rates. People do not object to reasonable fees. Otherwise they Won't shop in Angus.
- 922 Dec 02 2020 05:18 PM Your parking charges are tearing the heart out of Angus.
- 923 Dec 02 2020 05:15 PM Parking should be free to assist retailers, I would happily pay more Council tax for this to be achieved and to save jobs and our local towns
- 924 Dec 02 2020 05:15 PM N.a
We need to encourage walking, or bus travel but at the same time I can't walk to collect money or if I nip in on way home. All the moaners about the charges were barking up the wrong tree as when there were none I couldn't get a space so didn't stop in town exactly what they were moaning people weren't doing with charges. I walk into town I live in the town. People have become so reliant on cars they expect to get parked at the door. We need free parking to encourage visitors but not to allow workers to hog the car parks. We'll kill towns if you charge for parking, in the case of forfar,
- 925 Dec 02 2020 05:11 PM I'll go to bank of Scotland and leave town as I can't park there to go into town. I'll

go to retail park in Dundee when at work or online as amazon and next is free delivery with my account. The overgate is the same I'll not go there as it charges I'll go to Gallagher. Its an invitation to allow custom.

- 926 Dec 02 2020 05:11 PM The questions are loaded
Free parking will bring trade to local shops
- 927 Dec 02 2020 05:10 PM If there is to be a charge for parking then all off street parking should have a longer or no maximum stay as people are paying to park so they should at least get to stay for as long as they need to.
- 928 Dec 02 2020 05:09 PM Parking should be free as it was before just money grabbing
- 929 Dec 02 2020 05:08 PM Introduce a permit for on-street parking for residents
- 930 Dec 02 2020 05:07 PM Provision of free parking would help to attract people back into towns and help local businesses.
- 931 Dec 02 2020 05:04 PM Keep them free
- 932 Dec 02 2020 05:00 PM Long stay car parks should be free or £1 per day, more people would use them and get less cars on street
- 933 Dec 02 2020 04:58 PM Off street parking should be free. On street parking should be charged for or banned to keep roads clear
As I work in social work it is not often possible to have an exact timescale I would spend with a service user in an appointment as the appointment may bring up things that need to be addressed therefore I could be anything between
- 934 Dec 02 2020 04:50 PM and hour or more with one person therefore it is inconvenient as I can not just leave in the middle of an appointment to top up my parking.

935	Dec 02 2020 04:49 PM	On street parking should be free to encourage use of our town centres - particularly during and post covid. It is perverse that supermarket or out of town shopping centres in Angus, Dundee or Aberdeen have free parking but not our town centres. Preventing death of our town centres (with employment and associated benefits) must start with proper, free parking
936	Dec 02 2020 04:46 PM	Support local businesses provide free parking where possible eg Forfar, and affordable parking elsewhere. Parking charges have discouraged people from shopping locally resulting in businesses closing. It is important that parking is free for first hour to encourage local commerce.
937	Dec 02 2020 04:44 PM	
938	Dec 02 2020 04:29 PM	Do not penalise small businesses free parking for everyone I appreciate that Angus Council must obtain revenue. I think it must be necessary to charge for parking on street and off street, but it should be done in a straight forward, simple manner not through a complicated credit card system as it is now. If a charge of £1 (coin)had been introduced originally this problem of payment avoidance at any cost by the public could have been avoided.
939	Dec 02 2020 04:23 PM	
940	Dec 02 2020 04:22 PM	Free parking in small towns or you will kill high streets
941	Dec 02 2020 04:21 PM	Free parking in small towns or you will kill high streets
942	Dec 02 2020 04:14 PM	Just stop this nonsense & make it free Local shops have suffered from Parking Charges. Car Parks virtually empty while street parking full. What can be done about drivers who use the Electric Car Charging Points for all day Parking even when Parking charges are not applied during the Covid Crisis ? This will be exaserbated when parking charges are re-applied.
943	Dec 02 2020 04:11 PM	
944	Dec 02 2020 04:06 PM	Option to pay cash at machines.

945	Dec 02 2020 04:02 PM	The parking charges are just a stupid idea for a place like Angus, they should never have been implemented in the first place. The impact that has been had on the high streets has been devastating and I believe the council has much to answer for! There was little to no support for the parking charges from the residents of Angus towns, and any shortfall in the budget should be met by the councillors that approved the charges to be implemented. Cut backs should not be tolerated by the people as they never asked for this!
946	Dec 02 2020 03:53 PM	I would like to see short stay up to 45 minutes on street parking and free parking in short stay car parks. This will keep the town centre shops open! Town centre businesses need as much help as possible and after many years of free parking in the town , starting to charge potential customers to park will definitely have a negative impact on already struggling retailers. We should do all we can to encourage visitors to the town.
947	Dec 02 2020 03:48 PM	I feel that we must pay for parking just as we used to but there must be concession for people who have to park all day because of employment in the town.
948	Dec 02 2020 03:38 PM	Parking should be free to encourage trade and tourists to Angus. Some kind of reasonable fee should be introduced for shop workers and residents to stop spaces being taken up for long periods that could be used by shop customers. No parking permits or parking charges. It's not fair on those with lower in come, especially if they want to park near their home. Fear of receiving a ticket just to be close to home is unfair.
949	Dec 02 2020 03:20 PM	
950	Dec 02 2020 03:19 PM	
951	Dec 02 2020 03:19 PM	All parking should be free!!!!
952	Dec 02 2020 03:04 PM	N/a
953	Dec 02 2020 02:44 PM	A reduced rate for business owners and staff travelling from one burgh into work
954	Dec 02 2020 02:41 PM	Make car parks and street parking free across Angus and more people may visit local shops and help keep high streets open

955	Dec 02 2020 02:25 PM	As a business owner who relies on footfall and people coming in for appointments lasting up to two hours the parking charges have had an adverse effect on my business. I get my husband to drop me off and pick me up to avoid paying myself. £4 a day five days a week adds £20 a week to my expenses which as a trader I cannot afford. That's £1000 a year plus rent electricity water etc. adding a burden to a small business can break it.	
956	Dec 02 2020 02:23 PM	Streets were quieter and there was less congestion and inconsiderate parking when parking was free.	
957	Dec 02 2020 02:21 PM	Parking has always been free and should continue to be free I think on street parking should be timed but not charged so as to avoid abusing the spaces but off street parking in car parks should be free, especially to residents. It's unfair on businesses locally that customers wont come in because they are clock watching for their parking. You really are killing the high street and losing rates and rents for full shops and cafés to try and raise money through parking. It's silly and hasn't been well thought out. Please remove charges and stop being selfish.	
958	Dec 02 2020 02:16 PM		
959	Dec 02 2020 02:07 PM	Will these charges also apply to electric vehicles if they are actively charging at a ChargePoint within one of these car parks, thanks? As we go into a unknown period with lasting affects of COVID to the public and economy , shops closing etc . We need to support the local shops and venues . As you will have noticed the car parks are again full with no charges in the long stay car parks . Shops in small towns in Angus need support of there communities to visit shops and coffee spaces therefore minimal or no charge please . Those wardens employed to police the parking could be employed in so many other ways in the towns .	Yes
960	Dec 02 2020 02:05 PM		
961	Dec 02 2020 02:03 PM	This survey is not fit for purpose as it does not allow you to complete it without filling in answers to all questions even if none of the answers are acceptable. We need residents' permits for Montrose High Street as the current rules are a barrier to the regeneration of the street as they deter people from living here.	
962	Dec 02 2020 02:01 PM	Businesses have a hard enough time without customers having to pay for parking	

- 963 Dec 02 2020 01:56 PM I honestly think parking should be free of charge in order to support local businesses. It is so nice to see the town busy again. this has been a complicated survey to complete!!! and we all know the outcome already. Angus Council remember didn't consult the public, bought expensive machines that need to be paid for..... We are not stupid and wise to your ways. i do believe if you had consulted the public and put cash machines in the first instance that this would never have been the issue it has come + let that be a lesson to you!!!!
- i am a Little Causeway resident and because of your poor management of car parking (no consultation with town centre dwellers) We cannot park at our homes because of this - its a disgrace. the residents of the street would be happy to pay for permits to enable us to park. We feel no one is listening to us and thats a disgrace! the state of the area of conservation is going downhill because of non residents and this is unacceptable and very costly - i believe the cobbles need to be uplifted and relaid. you should be ashamed of the way we have been ignored. some of the residents i believe have written in their deeds that they have residents parking.
- 964 Dec 02 2020 01:55 PM its time you addressed this for us!!
- 965 Dec 02 2020 01:53 PM I live in southern Angus but do travel to Forfar on occasion for shopping. I'm afraid I can't comment on long stay parking as I have no need for this.
- 966 Dec 02 2020 01:44 PM If you want to help us help local business free up parking charges
- 967 Dec 02 2020 01:32 PM I would allow over 65 years old to be free. Pensions are low enough without other bills, and they tend to be the people who shop daily and need to drive as their mobility may be poorer. The car needs to be registered to someone over 65
- 968 Dec 02 2020 01:32 PM .
- 969 Dec 02 2020 01:21 PM You certainly need to bring back parking charges. It brings in much needed money to the council. I don't mind paying for parking. Since the car parks have been free you are very lucky if you can get a space to park in!

- 970 Dec 02 2020 01:21 PM I think that the days parking monitors will be in certain areas, should be made public and in advance
- 971 Dec 02 2020 01:16 PM Why would anyone pay for Council parking when there's free alternatives very short distances away? When businesses are struggling, charging is a great idea way to keep people away from town centre.
On street parking. Cn you justify the time the wardens spend each day walking up and down the streets checking if cars haven't overstayed their time? Also
- 972 Dec 02 2020 01:14 PM issuing tickets if cars aren't within the bays, because the bays are too narrow for modern vehicles.
Just wanted to let you know that we go less to Monikie and Crombie because of the 2.80 charge + There should be a card payment facility!
- 973 Dec 02 2020 01:12 PM We would be happy to pay a parking charge in an off street car park of £4 only if there was enough to keep a family occupied all day. We probably wouldn't return if we were charged more. £2 is an amount that wouldn't scare us off if we thought we'd spend 2-3hours somewhere. If we're only spending 1-2 hours, we'd hope it would be £1. I think carparks near play parks should be free for an hour at least. I'm thinking of mums and dads forgetting tickets or payments to keep kiddies occupied.
- 974 Dec 02 2020 01:08 PM Parking should be free
Recently I have visited car parks in Forfar and Kirriemuir at weekends and during the week and they were both very busy with parked cars which means they would probably be spending money in the towns which we all need to save
- 975 Dec 02 2020 01:03 PM our local shops. If the parking charges return this would put people off again from visiting the towns.
- 976 Dec 02 2020 12:57 PM If there is no other option but to have to pay for short or long stay parking, PLEASE make the machines able to accept coins rather than permit or pre-booked on website.

977	Dec 02 2020 12:55 PM	The reason I think public were not happy was more to do with the meters you used. I avoided them as found them difficult to use and the majority of people living in Angus are older. Why you need to put your registration number in i don't know. Why couldn't your get a ticket and pay by cash or contactless. I found the parking meters complicated to use and i am a lot younger than some of the people that would have used it. Hopefully you will get it right this time.
978	Dec 02 2020 12:51 PM	Get rid of your ridiculous machines. They are ruining an already fragile economy in Angus towns! My opinion is that if it made more cost effective more people will use it, therefore more income. I do believe that parking over 2 hours there should be a charge and personally would be willing to pay the charge if required. No charge for the first two hours would be a huge benefit to the high streets which are suffering at the moment
979	Dec 02 2020 12:46 PM	
980	Dec 02 2020 12:46 PM	Be sensible with charges, so people will use off street car parking
981	Dec 02 2020 12:44 PM	Scrap fees and save the high street
982	Dec 02 2020 12:42 PM	In light of the ongoing Pandemic Angus Council need to suspend All Parking Changes to support small businesses. This Pay for Parking scheme was ill-concierges and introduced with minimal Public consultation. I think short stay parking should be free and costs for longer stays to be kept to a minimum. More people of Angus would then start to park again within the car parks which would reduce the parking and congestion on streets, making them safer. Consideration has to be given to the local retailers and building the local economy back up we need to help all the local businesses that have kept us supplied with food/goods over the pandemic. Keep the town alive for the next generation.
983	Dec 02 2020 12:37 PM	
984	Dec 02 2020 12:36 PM	Free parking would encourage people to shop locally I think the issue of charging for parking is very unpopular and should be dropped. the situation during Covid has meant people are back to parking in the towns and more so than ever we need to encourage people back to town centres to support businesses.
985	Dec 02 2020 12:35 PM	

986	Dec 02 2020 12:34 PM	Need to increase the rapid electric charging points in town centre car parks	
987	Dec 02 2020 12:23 PM	Parking should remain free - no other option and no parking permit issued saving admin cost to council. Why is the survey so weighted against a free option?	Yes
988	Dec 02 2020 12:21 PM	Better use of enforcement agents and more powers for them not just yellow line enforcement.	
989	Dec 02 2020 12:10 PM	Car parking should be free	
990	Dec 02 2020 12:08 PM	Car parking should be free in Angus shops are suffering as it is just now	
991	Dec 02 2020 12:07 PM	30 minutes free parking on high streets is essential for local traders. Otherwise, if you can afford to run a car you can afford reasonable parking charges	
992	Dec 02 2020 12:06 PM	What town centres need free parking to attract trade and visitors not another stealth tax in motorists that is also detrimental to the already decaying high streets. Small towns like Kirrie have suffered greatly through parking restrictions. Kirrie needs people to buy and stay and spend locally. It's also great for older people to be able to sit in a cafe and meet friends etc. We live rural and shopping in town was hard and we spent little time there. Since suspended parking	
993	Dec 02 2020 12:01 PM	restrictions visited Kirrie more often spent money there. I didn't notice over parking or hard to park because of the suspension.	
994	Dec 02 2020 12:00 PM	Hope you manage to devise a system that people will use and will make some profit without penalising local shops.	
995	Dec 02 2020 11:59 AM	To allow the continuation of local businesses parking should be free to encourage visitors and residential use.	
996	Dec 02 2020 11:59 AM	Free permits for people who have no off street parking at their homes	

997	Dec 02 2020 11:59 AM	Car parking charges only encourages drivers to park in all the wrong places while car parks remain almost empty. Like many of my friends and colleagues, I personally never have and never will pay for parking in Angus.
998	Dec 02 2020 11:56 AM	Parking charges especially off street are typical in many other council areas and should be applied in Angus otherwise cuts will require to be made elsewhere to already tight budgets thatnks to the Tory Government down south
999	Dec 02 2020 11:56 AM	At least part of the time free would encourage people to try to shop locally rather than first choice being to travel to Dundee where free parking is available for at least a 2hr period in some areas.
1000	Dec 02 2020 11:55 AM	Residents who need to use the car parks for their car parking should be offered a discounted permit - as they do in Dundee When shopping (not supermarket) and I have to pay parking I travel to bigger towns e.g. Dundee - better value for money as there are more shopping options; or I shop online. If you opt to have charges for selected car parks e.g. Forfar I would still travel the extra distance to gain access to a better variety of shops and also use online retailers. However, when there's no parking charges I'm more likely to visit Angus towns for their shops or have frequent trips to a cafe e.g. Costa, I stopped this when parking charges were introduced and opted to call in at McDonald's for a coffee as they offer free parking for 90 mins. Although I can understand why parking charges are implemented by various Council areas I feel this has been detrimental to residents of Angus (in particular those in rural areas that don't have access to decent public transport), and I can see why shop revenue has fallen due to lack of custom. I think that due to lock-down there will be more people who will opt to continue with online retail as it's convenient therefore zero parking charges may be a lifeline required to get people back to the High Street
1001	Dec 02 2020 11:54 AM	
1002	Dec 02 2020 11:52 AM	Free parking is a must or the town centres die and you get no parking at all then, scrap the council official cars and drivers first.
1003	Dec 02 2020 11:41 AM	Listen to the public this time

1004	Dec 02 2020 11:37 AM	Charging people to park in rural towns has been disastrous for local businesses and has drastically reduced the frequency/flow/currency is money from shopper to business to business etc... And In my opinion ultimately to the council.
1005	Dec 02 2020 11:34 AM	Free on street parking for up to 4 hours to allow for shopping and meals or visits to local facilities same also for main off street car parking and no charges after 5pm to allow residents of property in town centres to park over night
1006	Dec 02 2020 11:32 AM	Please make the machines easier to use and accept coins/ notes and give change. This was a major drawback when I left home without my wallet but had cash in the car and had to return home so I could use the machine to park.
1007	Dec 02 2020 11:28 AM	I think parking for less than an hour should be free.
1008	Dec 02 2020 11:26 AM	N/A
1009	Dec 02 2020 11:25 AM	Bring back free parking, your making a loss with these new meters anyway! Support local people and their businesses and fix our roads
1010	Dec 02 2020 11:20 AM	Get rid of fees for off street parking
1011	Dec 02 2020 11:20 AM	A useless survey asking which tariff as I think it should all be free
1012	Dec 02 2020 11:17 AM	Parking should be free in all.amgus car parks. Excess parking charges in small towns deter visitors and damage the economy. We are not Edinburgh or Glasgow!
1013	Dec 02 2020 11:15 AM	Towns are dying we need to actively encourage visitors.
1014	Dec 02 2020 11:10 AM	Free Parking everywhere for 1st 2hrs seems a very good standard. Permits to be given free to residents but chargeable to other(s) and non transferable. Please start thinking about the local businesses.
1015	Dec 02 2020 11:09 AM	10 and 11 far too much so never did them

1016	Dec 02 2020 11:05 AM	Coin operated machines would be the simple answer for elderly people.
1017	Dec 02 2020 11:02 AM	I live on montrose high street. Often end up with parking tickets, it's a disgrace, people who live on high streets should be exempt from having to pay tickets! I bet that if you asked all the first tier of workers across all departments what could be done to save money you would be able to tally up the equal income you tried to generate through parking charges, (but failed because to achieve because you did not understand the population). Look at all the mileage costs for a start and try and make a saving there without reducing service delivery. Make staff think about their travel and double up where possible. Do more online training - better free training might be available for example across the world.
1018	Dec 02 2020 11:02 AM	Think out of the box and make the savings rather than claw it in from the public. It leaves a better taste really.
1019	Dec 02 2020 10:57 AM	N/a Why pay parking in Carnoustie it has worked perfectly well for years it is causing more congestion because people will not use them if they have to pay. The paying car parks are empty as are the shops and businesses because they have to pay.
1020	Dec 02 2020 10:55 AM	You are killing small traders on the 'high streets'. I.e. You cannot shop/have a coffee without having to add Parking fee which makes it too expensive for most people. First hour should be free. I do not have an I phone so cannot pay that way. You are punishing elderly people and those who cannot afford expensive equipment which is ageist and hitting the vulnerable.v
1021	Dec 02 2020 10:50 AM	
1022	Dec 02 2020 10:48 AM	Believe in free parking in Angus burgh towns to help support traders, particularly in the current climate. My suggestion... Both off street and car parks in Angus Burgh £1 per day
1023	Dec 02 2020 10:46 AM	£5 per week saving £2

£15 per month saving £5

£165 per year saving £15

- 1024 Dec 02 2020 10:46 AM Angus struggles enough to maintain small businesses and shops. I think parking should be free to encourage local shopping.
- 1025 Dec 02 2020 10:43 AM If first 1/2 hours free, please enforce it, particularly in short stay car parks, too often exploited by nearby offices
- 1026 Dec 02 2020 10:42 AM Couldn't you just make parking free? I mean, I know you've got egg on your face from the parking meter scandal, but there are other ways to make money.
- 1027 Dec 02 2020 10:38 AM Parking should be free as the charges are killing trade and clogging up side streets and free areas. Thank you
Parking really must be free to all Angus residents. Not only does that help local businesses but having people pay to park outside their own front doors is patently absurd.
- 1028 Dec 02 2020 10:36 AM
- 1029 Dec 02 2020 10:32 AM Parking should be free like it always was.
- 1030 Dec 02 2020 10:32 AM I think we all know this has been an embarrassing disaster.
There is no longer any reason to restrict parking on John Street, Montrose. It was reasonable when the registrar's office was functional, but is now unfair to residents. I contribute to the local economy by practising as a mobile massage therapist, yet I have to transport my couch a considerable distance on foot, straining my own musculoskeletal system! The only parking fines I have ever incurred in Angus have been for parking outside my own home. It's simply unfair. Parking should be free - there should be no charge. You are actively driving people away from the high street and our local businesses by charging for parking.
- 1031 Dec 02 2020 10:24 AM
- 1032 Dec 02 2020 10:22 AM
- 1033 Dec 02 2020 10:20 AM No consultation, impact study on small towns and refusal to accept this was a disaster for Local shops by inhibiting visitors to rural communities. Incompetent

1034	Dec 02 2020 10:19 AM	<p>Brechin is struggling enough, with shops in particular finding things difficult, without people not being able to park for free. We must support our local shops but having to pay for parking does not help at all.</p> <p>The towns need to provide parking for people who work in the town but don't live in the town.</p>
1035	Dec 02 2020 10:16 AM	<p>The parking charges, & complicated pay stations has stopped the country folk from driving into the towns to meet their friends in the coffee shops - whatever the council decides to do regarding their parking facilities they have a duty to consider the elderly, less mobile & lonely members of the community as well as the visitor who needs to feel welcome to spend their much needed money in our towns.</p>
1036	Dec 02 2020 10:16 AM	<p>Free parking for all in Angus. Better for shops and businesses. Shor term to pay. Penalising workers.</p> <p>Towns throughout Angus were much better off before parking charges were introduced. The high street is a sorry looking place and the last thing the council should do is force shops out of business which is exactly what parking charges are doing. Pre-parking charges, If I was meeting someone for a coffee I'd park in an off-street area for example, have coffee and then walk around and look in shops. Now I'm forced to rush coffee and head straight to the car park to leave the area before my time runs out. I've never paid £4 for 4 hours. It's too expensive when every penny counts. Plus that's another 2 coffee's I could be buying in a local coffee shop. The fact is people are now rushing about to move their cars... this is decreasing footfall in shops and preventing the pennies from rolling through the tills.</p>
1037	Dec 02 2020 10:11 AM	<p>Parking should be free. There should be no parking charges at all in Angus. It is a small community with small towns. There is no need to charge parking. STOP CHARGING PARKING TO LOCAL PEOPLE WHO WANT TO SHOP LOCALLY AND SUPPORT BUSINESS IN THEIR LOCAL COMMUNITY.</p>
1038	Dec 02 2020 10:11 AM	<p>In a small village such as Angus the stores and local economy need free parking . If not allowing free parking the whole economy falls apart and therefore the community itself. The village is not as developed as others that do require paid parking for their stores etc . So free parking with limits is the best solution</p>
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1040	Dec 02 2020 10:10 AM	I think short term off street parking should be encouraged to keep streets free from congestion but in order to get people to use them there certainly needs to be a reasonable period of free parking.
1041	Dec 02 2020 10:09 AM	Parking should be free to encourage people to use town centre shops, end of I think its disgusting parking charges have been introduced. People have never
1042	Dec 02 2020 10:08 AM	been so hard up, food banks etc and Angus council decided to introduce parking charges. Pathetic. Charging for parking is not the way too boost your money,
1043	Dec 02 2020 10:08 AM	Look after the environment the rest will follow
1044	Dec 02 2020 10:06 AM	car parks should have a parking fee for all day priced at £1 this would make it within in all peoples budgets, car parking permits are way to expensive for people working in the town, not all people are are large salaries I think it would be helpful if residents who do not have parking attached to their property can be given a discount to park in their nearest car park. We live at 62
1045	Dec 02 2020 10:03 AM	High Street, Carnoustie and there is a car park opposite us. I think the price for a permit is unacceptable at the moment if I'm honest.
1046	Dec 02 2020 10:02 AM	Why was this survey not carried out before implementing the charges in the first place. Councillors are after all supposed to implement the wishes of those they serve , the constituents who elected them. You have a responsibility for travel in Angus. In a large conurbation this is best met by a system of public transport but this is not practical in a rural situation. This mean that most travel has to be based on cars. If the public is then required to buy and fuel their cars, it should not also be required to pay to park them! It
1047	Dec 02 2020 10:01 AM	certainly should not be the case that the council should seek to make a profit from parking.
1048	Dec 02 2020 10:00 AM	The "Horses bolting and stable doors" saying comes to my mind when the public are asked their views on car parking charges.

1049	Dec 02 2020 10:00 AM	<p>Again from Angus Council this not a consultation on parking charges. All the questions are weighted towards charges coming back. Our town centres were devastated the last time charges came in. If they are ever gong to recover from the Covid crisis they can't be reintroduced. To do so would be folly of the highest order. I'm aware that Angus Council needs to balance the books, but has there been a proper cost benefit analysis done of the impact empty high streets will have on the local economy and in business rate income?</p>
1050	Dec 02 2020 09:59 AM	<p>I think on street parking should be limited to a 30 minute maximum stay as it's hard to get parked to pick up a prescription and it's even hard to get round the streets with all the cars</p>
1051	Dec 02 2020 09:56 AM	.
1052	Dec 02 2020 09:55 AM	<p>get rid of the parking charges it's killing local businesses If charges are introduced , the means of payment must be simple , fast and offer choices , ie cash or card. I personally haven't objected too much to paying fees in the past and I still tried to support local business by shopping on high street and paying the parking fee- unfortunately however there are a lot of people who won't do that. As an alternative to free parking (free parking is still my first choice), what about a straightforward blanket approach fee regardless of the length of stay , eg £1 , it's simple , people don't need to think about durations etc and revenue still collected. Also , is there a way of local shops benefitting from the process , eg discounts / special offer available by producing copy of ticket or something ?</p>
1053	Dec 02 2020 09:55 AM	
1054	Dec 02 2020 09:55 AM	<p>Free or cheap parking will be required to stimulate business if people are to return to high street shopping and reduce online shopping after Covid 19</p>
1055	Dec 02 2020 09:55 AM	<p>Extend the time on the on street parking, and maybe either try a free hour in the car parks then charge £2 max understand that the charges may need to stay but try make it fair</p>
1056	Dec 02 2020 09:54 AM	<p>The coucil must support local businesses by offering free parking to encourage shoppers and visitors to the towns. The best way for them to make money would be to sell the parking machines and forget the idea of charging people to park otherwise there will be no local businesses for people to come to eventually.</p>

1057	Dec 02 2020 09:52 AM	Please go back to free parking so have a business ok carnoustie high street and find it frustrating I can only park car for 50 minutes and also clients can't park close if they have mobility issues. I also live in carnoustie and have had numerous parking tickets which is ridiculous the on street parking should be better
1058	Dec 02 2020 09:49 AM	
1059	Dec 02 2020 09:48 AM	N/A
1060	Dec 02 2020 09:46 AM	The implications of parking charges needs to be thought about as part of a wider approach to thinking about the role town centres play in the Angus economy, and how that can best be supported through a range of mechanisms. The Council will be tying it's hands behind it's back if it does otherwise.
1061	Dec 02 2020 09:46 AM	I think that Carnoustie needs to bring people into the High St and town not put them off coming in. It should be free. COVID restrictions with us for long time to come, free parking needs to be longer to allow for queuing.
1062	Dec 02 2020 09:46 AM	£1 and all the faffing about with cards etc really discourages folks who only want to nip to 1 shop for 1/2 items. Makes shopping needlessly expensive. Would rather save the pound and burn it in fule going to retail parks in Dundee.
1063	Dec 02 2020 09:46 AM	All parking should be free to help local shops.
1064	Dec 02 2020 09:46 AM	.
1065	Dec 02 2020 09:45 AM	Stop the Provest from having a vote because he is not impartial
1066	Dec 02 2020 09:45 AM	Parking should be free
1067	Dec 02 2020 09:45 AM	Charging to park will impact on the local shops again.
1068	Dec 02 2020 09:44 AM	The high street is on its last legs ... the last thing it needs is to penalise drivers

1069	Dec 02 2020 09:44 AM	<p>Parking for council staff undertaking their duties is taking into consideration and the costs that paying to park when undertaking their duties has on their personal income. By providing a permit for staff this be alleviated or eliminated. High street, short stay parking should remain at 30 minutes and free to keep people coming to the visit local businesses.</p> <p>I haven't parked in an off street car park since the charges were introduced. I think it's crazy to charge for car parks as you want them to be used.</p>
1070	Dec 02 2020 09:41 AM	<p>In the current pandemic I think it's important to encourage people to come into town centres to use local shops and businesses. Angus council used to pride itself on this kind of support but charges changed my view of the council...</p>
1071	Dec 02 2020 09:33 AM	<p>na</p> <p>Parking charges have destroyed our high streets long before COVID-19 hit. My grandmother loves to support small businesses and cafes and could no longer do this as she couldn't work the parking meters. This has been a massive waste of the money paid, on top of the massive council tax charges we already pay.</p>
1072	Dec 02 2020 09:33 AM	<p>There are children living in poverty in our own town and our council would rather spend money, to make themselves more money.</p>
1073	Dec 02 2020 09:32 AM	<p>N/a</p>
1074	Dec 02 2020 09:29 AM	<p>Parking prices kept me away from spending in local shops :(.</p>
1075	Dec 02 2020 09:29 AM	<p>Parking machines which accept cash payments would be more suitable for elderly. I would not use current machines.</p>
1076	Dec 02 2020 09:26 AM	<p>Save your town centres and local businesses. Make it free parking in car parks and small fee for on street parking.</p>
1077	Dec 02 2020 09:22 AM	<p>Enforcement of no parking in yellow lines at junctions etc</p>
1078	Dec 02 2020 09:15 AM	<p>Please return to free car parking in order to support vital and deserving small shops and businesses.</p>
1079	Dec 02 2020 09:12 AM	<p>Angus council single handedly decimated small town like kirriemuir and Brechin, they did not listen to their community as usual.</p>

- 1080 Dec 02 2020 09:08 AM Increase duration allowed for on-street parking to 1/2 hours, even if that means a small charge of £1/£2 via parking meters on a pay and display basis
- 1081 Dec 02 2020 09:08 AM Free parking in Angus simple!!
- 1082 Dec 02 2020 09:05 AM Hate the ticket machines as too complicated. Prefer coin operated one
- 1083 Dec 02 2020 08:58 AM Free parking. Retailers effected by covid
I believe parking charges are required - they are used across the entire country and small villages have still thrived, we have been very lucky that we had free parking for so long. I have a private parking area at my house, however when the parking charges came in everyone thought they could park there despite signs up saying private property. I think too many people seem to think its their given right to have everything for free - and that is not the case. During the free period during covid and when shops were allowed to open again - people who genuinely wanted to shop and park in the towns were unable to do so as householders/tenants were using the car parks as their own parking - and yet it is the shopholders who are complaining the most. I support the introduction of parking charges and have paid for parking without hesitation across Angus.
- 1084 Dec 02 2020 08:56 AM
- 1085 Dec 02 2020 08:55 AM Parking in Angus towns should be free. Charging for parking is detrimental to the mainly small businesses trying to survive in an already difficult environment.
- 1086 Dec 02 2020 08:53 AM Car parks should be free
Parking needs to encourage people to the local towns to carry out their business.
- 1087 Dec 02 2020 08:50 AM Or it will be more beneficial/ cost effective for them to go elsewhere.
- 1088 Dec 02 2020 08:44 AM I am retired and there is not an option in the do you work in Angus section. On street limited patching should always be free. Don't really mind paying in the main car park after an hour or two. It's too small a town to be charging. Charging causing financial loss to businesses because if I need to pay I'd rather Goto Dundee and get more shops.
- 1089 Dec 02 2020 08:43 AM

1090	Dec 02 2020 08:42 AM	I work for Angus Council and do not think I should pay for parking when out and about due to my work commitments. If payment needs to happen AC employees should be exempt.
1091	Dec 02 2020 08:40 AM	Our businesses are struggling enough in current climate. Allowing a couple of hours free would keep our town centres vibrant and viable
1092	Dec 02 2020 08:40 AM	2hours free parking would surely bring more people into town ,shopping coffee lunch etc
1093	Dec 02 2020 08:38 AM	I understand that you need to generate income but after the difficult year we have had abs will continue to have for some time I think you should be doing all you can to ensure people stay local for work, shopping and living.
1094	Dec 02 2020 08:38 AM	I hope that if parking is to continue to be charged for angus council staffs car parks will be included in this. It's not fair to expect everyone else to pay to park for work and not council staff!
1095	Dec 02 2020 08:37 AM	Over this period of free parking, places have been so full of people bringing life and energy back to High streets and beyond Angus is built in a way many streets have no parking and used to use the free parking. Many businesses relied on this and with charges introduced customers had no place to park so stopped coming. I work in the community and when visiting anyones homes in central Forfar I have to pay to park - I need 1 hour to assess and this can run over dependent on needs. Therefore I now had the added complication of finding money for parking and reclaiming. With 2 hour slots I can get in and out and still conduct my duty.
1096	Dec 02 2020 08:37 AM	
1097	Dec 02 2020 08:36 AM	The car park charges are killing the towns. Tell us how much it cost to put in, how much the wardens cost and how much you've collected since the end of free parking
1098	Dec 02 2020 08:35 AM	Make parking free for residents of the burgh for example if you stay in Kirriemuir then you automatically get a free pass, like wise if you stay in Forfar etc. That way you keep people local.
1099	Dec 02 2020 08:34 AM	Extra parking spaces created near to Bridge Street, Montrose for residents 99-109 as currently getting ticketed for parking on front path despite there being adequate space to do so. The design of the path at the front of these properties indicate its use is for parking.

1100	Dec 02 2020 08:33 AM	<p>I have seen the decline in footfall throughout the shops in Angus when the parking charges were introduced, one of the worst decisions Angus council made, the charges were too high, the machines/website too difficult for some people to use, I made it a point to find a spot where I didn't have to pay on point of principal, and so far have not paid to park in Angus, if the charges had been more reasonable in the first place then you wouldn't have to be running yet another costly consultation. More incompetence from Angus council.</p> <p>After the backlash and outcry over this Angus Council cannot be seen to do a u-turn and remove charges. It will damage the reputation even more than it has. The decision to keep the meters needs to be justified financially which is why my preference is to keep as is. If you felt sure in those enough in those figures at the time then they should stand. Albeit the car parks have been busier since the meters were covered over.</p>
1101	Dec 02 2020 08:32 AM	<p>There is a duty to try to recover some public money that was spent or to limit the damage by cutting loose this idea now rather than continue to spend money.</p>
1102	Dec 02 2020 08:31 AM	<p>Listen to the feedback. Our highstreets are already struggling before Covid and before the parking charges came in. Why make things worse? Support our high streets. It should be free at all times, but at least free for an hour or two.</p>
1103	Dec 02 2020 08:27 AM	<p>It's imperative that charging continues - firstly to ration the limited places and secondly to contribute to the sorts associated with parking. However it should NOT be a cash cow for the Council.</p>
1104	Dec 02 2020 08:25 AM	<p>I do not mind paying for parking.</p> <p>How about offering a reduced rate parking permit for residents or at least remove the time restrictions in line with Dundee City (Unless it has changed since i last bought a permit). This was enforced/ checked at the time of issue with the resident showing proof of address and that the vehicle was registered there.</p>
1105	Dec 02 2020 08:24 AM	<p>As manager of a high street business, I feel offering free short term parking will benefit our shops. However, I feel wardens need to stamp down on illegal parking, as so many folk park on double yellow lines and on pavements, causing disruption and potential accidents to pedestrians and other road users. This is where £ should be raised, rather than from people parking in car parks and</p>
1106	Dec 02 2020 08:23 AM	

shopping local.

- 1107 Dec 02 2020 08:21 AM People working in shops and businesses in the town shouldn't have this additional charge deducted from their salaries.
- 1108 Dec 02 2020 08:20 AM Na
You have encouraged the death of the high streets in so many of the smaller Angus towns. And for what? How much revenue did you make? How much revenue was lost by the High Streets? How much has Angus Council's reputation and that of their council "leaders" suffered? Do the right thing and scrap the parking charges.
- 1109 Dec 02 2020 08:17 AM I wish to see free parking reintsated
- 1110 Dec 02 2020 08:16 AM Free parking!
- 1111 Dec 02 2020 08:16 AM Parking should be free in Angus.
- 1112 Dec 02 2020 08:13 AM Parking should have remained free in Angus. Fund through common good if required. Free parking in Angus was an attraction for visitors
- 1113 Dec 02 2020 08:12 AM The whole concept of parking charges was not thought out properly, you seem to always want to protect your organisation at the expense of those you are meant to serve. Your organisation would not survive in the private sector.
- 1114 Dec 02 2020 08:11 AM Many people feel very strongly about this and will not use parking that has to be paid for in principle. This will not help local business and communities. Too many people were annoyed by the way it was introduced.
- 1115 Dec 02 2020 08:11 AM

Parking charges are outrageous and should be scrapped.

But if you must insist on them I think 1 or 2 hours free to begin would be more sensible.

1116 Dec 02 2020 08:09 AM

I think it's awful though and it's just money grabbing from local residents and community and businesses, you should be ashamed...

1117 Dec 02 2020 08:06 AM

I understand charges are required but there has been a big difference for small businesses with parking free at present so minimum charges in my opinion may keep this going.

1118 Dec 02 2020 08:03 AM

Would rather have an option for one or two free hours parking then £1 per hour for max of £4 for car parks

1119 Dec 02 2020 07:56 AM

N/a

1120 Dec 02 2020 07:54 AM

Parking charges are detrimental to businesses in smaller towns. The Greens and Myre car parks are much busier now since parking became free again resulting in greater footfall locally. Surrounding streets have become less congested too !

Do not introduce Parking Charges for the initial 2 hours in any of your car parks please.

1121 Dec 02 2020 07:54 AM

As a small business in Kirriemuir, I have seen the town numbers dwindle to such an extent it is not worth being open on a Saturday afternoon. Help us, please don't hobble us.

1122 Dec 02 2020 07:52 AM

Parking should be free for a minimum of 2 hours to encourage local shopping.

It's great that you are doing a survey, however I think the people of Angus are no longer disillusioned with all this spending and nothing to show for it! It's time to bring back High Street Shops then and only then can the council even think about bring in any parking tariffs. There are no shops to entice the public back to the towns. No shops no revenue and the more people will venture further afield! It doesn't need to be shops it can be anything. So maybe the focus should be on free car parks and more graft on promoting the empty shop spaces that is seen around Angus. Once the High Streets are up and running then impose gradual tariffs.

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| 1123 | Dec 02 2020 07:52 AM | You need to start thinking outside the box. Tap into the community and ask for innovative ideas and suggestions that have achievable goals. Make Angus a great place to stay again. |
| 1124 | Dec 02 2020 07:51 AM | Parking should be FREE, businesses are being affected. 30 minutes isn't long enough to do anything. Ridiculous!! |
| 1125 | Dec 02 2020 07:48 AM | Parking should be free. Paid for parking is destroying small town businesses. |
| 1126 | Dec 02 2020 07:47 AM | No other comments |
| 1127 | Dec 02 2020 07:47 AM | Free parking for at least a short period on street and off street to stimulate town centres
When allowing street parking consideration should be given to pedestrians and their safety especially the elderly and disabled. I am an occasional driver and tend to walk everywhere that I can and I often find that there are very few safe areas to cross the road. I would also like to see the traffic wardens looking further than the main streets as it is becoming harder to cross safely in other streets due to staff and customers of businesses parking inconsiderately and unsafely clearly ignoring double yellow lines and parking directly in front of residents driveways and being very disrespectful to the residents. |
| 1128 | Dec 02 2020 07:46 AM | |
| 1129 | Dec 02 2020 07:45 AM | I would not expect off street charges to apply overnight. |

1130	Dec 02 2020 07:42 AM	In Carnoustie since the lifting of the fees there has been a huge increase in parking (off-street sites) which must be to the benefit of local business. Prior to that very little use. The benefits of free parking is evident to both private citizens and local shops. Angus Council should take note.
1131	Dec 02 2020 07:42 AM	I have found the range of survey options that were then attributed to various types of short/long stay on/off street parking to be complicated.
1132	Dec 02 2020 07:41 AM	The parking charges are terrible. Need to be scrapped to bring our high streets to life again. Angus council have ruined the economy
1133	Dec 02 2020 07:41 AM	Free parking...shops and businesses are suffering, especially in the current climate
1134	Dec 02 2020 07:37 AM	Parking charges have been disastrous for Kirriemuir, Brechin, and Forfar - both economically and socially.
1135	Dec 02 2020 07:37 AM	None
1136	Dec 02 2020 07:32 AM	Paying for parking means people don't shop locally. Surely shops are suffering enough. It's not rocket science!!!!

I think this fiasco has been ill thought through and caused a lot of unnecessary heartache and distress for the people of Angus. You need to recognise that the population is ageing in Angus and this age group will have money to spend in the Angus towns. They generally prefer face to face shopping than internet. If the parking is free you encourage that spending and our towns become more vibrant. Our children can meet people up the street of all generations and experience a sense of community and connectedness. Older people need their cars more and you have successfully shut them off from going into town. Many won't pay to park on principle. We know what isolation does to people. Free parking should be reinstated with immediate effect. It is simply not true that you have to have this money to fund other services. Any good housekeeping will show that there are other ways to tighten your belt. The savings you will make from workers delivering services from home can offset some of the possible income generated from parking charges. Please focus on social enterprise and do the maths about where departmental processes could be leaner and more efficient. Ask the public for ideas. Make it worth their while in sharing their ideas. Play to our strengths... we are good at recycling so what can we recycle into something else to generate income instead of parking charges. Get the universities involved in developing ideas. Make valued roles for people who can contribute like people with learning disability who have time and energy. Of course it is not easy but we have just seen the commitment of community members in helping through COVID. There has got to be something that you can harness from that. The money you have spent to encourage people to shop local (badges?!?) may not have been necessary (or appeared so farcical) if you had not pushed people away from using the high streets in the first place. Inclusion policies not exclusion policies please

1137 Dec 02 2020 07:32 AM

1138 Dec 02 2020 07:32 AM Cut the charges to FREE if not make a free 1st hr & max stay 6 hrs. Free on Sunday's & public holidays. Preferably FREE would be best.

1139 Dec 02 2020 07:31 AM

Too many option in survey confusing for elderly

1140 Dec 02 2020 07:30 AM

Parking in Angus should remain free of charge.

1141	Dec 02 2020 07:26 AM	<p>Gated car parks where Angus residents register their car number and postcode (as proof of Residency in Angus) to receive free parking but visitors to the area have to pay. Most visitors are already happy to pay to park. But as an Angus resident who see council services get cut frequently being able to park for free would certainly be a bonus and help with our struggling local economies.</p> <p>I firmly believe that the introduction of parking fees has had a detrimental effect on local economy. High Street shops have suffered as shoppers have opted to take advantage of the free parking available in retail outlets on the outskirts of town and do the majority of their shopping there instead. The current 30 minutes free parking offered in the High Street only gives enough time for someone to do the bare minimum, for example to visit the chemist or pop into the post office, but not enough time to browse round shops. Many people are unwilling to pay the parking fees in the off street car parks, or have had difficulties using the machines due to card payments or paying via mobile phone, especially for elderly people who might not have these options available.</p>
1142	Dec 02 2020 07:25 AM	<p>If shoppers were able to meet a friend for a coffee or have a proper browse around the shops, a 60 minute free parking slot would allow this, thus helping to boost the local economy.</p>
1143	Dec 02 2020 07:23 AM	<p>Parking should be free in Angus simple</p>
1144	Dec 02 2020 07:23 AM	<p>I think the motor bikes should be paying aswell</p>
1145	Dec 02 2020 07:21 AM	<p>I think it's important to have free parking to encourage people to shop local</p>
1146	Dec 02 2020 07:20 AM	<p>I don't agree with any parking charges as it encourages people to shop in areas outwith the high streets.</p> <p>Parking in Angus should be free but with time limits.</p> <p>Time limits for on street should be minimum 45 mins as some appointments last over 30 minutes.</p>
1147	Dec 02 2020 07:18 AM	<p>Off street parking should be free for first 2 hours</p>

Parking permits should be offered for free to residents who have no parking with houses.

- 1148 Dec 02 2020 07:18 AM I don't require parking permit. However for those who need to use the car parks as they park there for use from their house should only have to pay a nominal fee
- 1149 Dec 02 2020 07:16 AM Please give visitors enough free parking to shop for a couple of hours, but we need to make sure people do not park all day for free so there is spaces
- 1150 Dec 02 2020 07:12 AM Your parking charges have ruined businesses in Angus
- 1151 Dec 02 2020 07:10 AM This survey is biased. In many of the questions you ask how much people would be willing to pay for permits without offering the possibility of paying nothing.
- 1152 Dec 02 2020 07:10 AM All parking should be free to help local businesses to stay open
I appreciate parking charges can raise much needed revenue but free parking does prompt people to use local shops. I have certainly driven to supermarkets rather than shops on the high street when the parking charges were introduced.
- 1153 Dec 02 2020 07:07 AM It has been a real difficulty for those with disability since car park charges were introduced because more people park on the street and on the pavement.
I work in Forfar & what a difference in the green car park every morning since it's been free. It must have about 5 times the amount of cars it normally does. This frees up streets like Victoria Street & North street where people (incl myself) park for free.
- 1154 Dec 02 2020 07:05 AM

I feel the car parking charges affected the shops and businesses and now than ever these retailers need support from the consumer and therefore they the option to have two hours free is important for nipping to the shops or an appointment

If you are working then yes pay for all day

Also it should be fair across the county where all Angus council car parks are chargeable

For example Angus house, masiondieu primary

1155 Dec 02 2020 07:00 AM

Campus car parks etc

1156 Dec 02 2020 06:58 AM

I think we need to be encouraging as many people to our high streets as possible. We don't want to as a council be responsible for turning our high streets into ghost towns. Support local businesses!! Making parking free to allow locals to pop in

1157 Dec 02 2020 06:55 AM

All free at public holidays

1158 Dec 02 2020 06:46 AM

Having these charges removed to access the town more easily would be preferable. Being able to park without fear of a ticket is what's needed to promote business in our local towns. 30 min free is not enough whilst Covid causes queues etc,

1159 Dec 02 2020 06:40 AM

Parking should be free to allow the high streets of Angus to thrive again. In a time where our high street are screaming out for support, any charges for parking are not acceptable in any form. The money wasted on these charges being set up is beyond ridiculous and AC should have done due diligence and realised this "idea" would never be supported!! Crazy.

1160 Dec 02 2020 06:39 AM

1161 Dec 02 2020 06:37 AM

To save the high street and encourage people to shop local parking needs to be free

1162	Dec 02 2020 06:37 AM	Parking in Angus Burgh towns needs to be free to encourage visitors
1163	Dec 02 2020 06:32 AM	I think this survey should have been done previously before the council wasted tens of thousands of pounds on installing meters Kirriemuir is such a small town we desperately need free parking to enable the older people in the area to shop and ourshops need us to survive this towns economic survival depends on free parking
1164	Dec 02 2020 06:30 AM	Free on and off street parking is a must to encourage people to use local shops.
1165	Dec 02 2020 06:27 AM	Get people back into the towns. But don't fill car parks with people using them all day for free.
1166	Dec 02 2020 05:59 AM	Our small high streets are struggling and allowing people free parking makes a huge difference to shop and street footfall. For example when I'm driving home from work I'd be more likely to stop in at a local shop if I could park for free . it needs to made easier to use the ticket machines. in the past I have had to assist older adults to help use the machine. Definitely need a cash option and bigger clearer writing with the instruction, also more machines, it would be good if they were under cover and lit up.
1167	Dec 02 2020 05:44 AM	To keep the towns /businesses going in Angus we must offer some free parking.
1168	Dec 02 2020 05:27 AM	Also important for key nhs workers not to need to pay for parking all day near health centres
1169	Dec 02 2020 04:44 AM	The people of Carnoustie have already voted by their response to paying for parking. We need more encouragement for people to use local traders not less. The town centres in Angus were busier when parking was free in the past, when the parking charges came back in the town centres became quieter again. Free parking helps local businesses and the whole community. When businesses thrive the Council benefits from rates instead of empty shops.
1170	Dec 02 2020 04:38 AM	Free parking to help high street shops.
1171	Dec 02 2020 03:36 AM	Retail park parking is free .
1172	Dec 02 2020 03:09 AM	.
1173	Dec 02 2020 02:52 AM	I

1174	Dec 02 2020 02:30 AM	Businesses suffered greatly when charges were introduced. Busy car parks emptied, placing more pressure on residential parking availability. Parking should be free/ as close to free as possible to help boost economy via spending in local shops.
1175	Dec 02 2020 01:28 AM	Free parking all the time There needs to be special consideration for those of us who LIVE in the town centre and work elsewhere rather than vice versa. To me this was the biggest failing if the previous system: it was all about commuting into town centres and ignored people who LIVE here and have no option but to park in Council car parks. The 72 hour limit should not apply to people who live in the town centre, otherwise they are incentivised to drive more which is the opposite of what the policy aims to achieve. Treating town centre residents as visitors or commuters is neither logical nor fair.
1176	Dec 02 2020 01:17 AM	Free parking is the only thing left which would possibly help the high street to recover, you've already ruined most of it (and Covid has finished it off), empty shops, no shoppers, well done ...
1177	Dec 02 2020 01:16 AM	
1178	Dec 02 2020 12:58 AM	N/a
1179	Dec 02 2020 12:49 AM	I think the first hour should be free folk might be more likely to use the car parks . I am more likely to travel to dundee where there is a larger range of shops and pay for parking. Dont eat out in cafes as much because of parking charges. If Livingston can charge 50p an hour why is angus so steep! Car parks sit empty and shops going bust.
1180	Dec 02 2020 12:48 AM	Carnoustie High Street requires support and regeneration. Central on street parking and central car park parking should be free as an incentive. Alternatively an Honour system. Maybe sounds wacky. But seems to me there needs to be a culture change around the centre and the town...to create a sense of community engagement/loyalty/ownership in terms of developing and sustain a vibrant town centre. Mechanical/ordinary financial strategies (car park fees et al) being focused on first seem counter intuitive to achieving this.
1181	Dec 02 2020 12:08 AM	
1182	Dec 02 2020 12:05 AM	If you must charge for parking allow people to pay with cash

1183	Dec 02 2020 12:05 AM	Better ticketing for the xars rhat are now parking outside peoples homes etc instead of payong and hence causing congestion etc. Maby residents only or lit this kind of parking. If the car park wasnt as expensive wtc in the dirst place this wouldnt happen, car park charges they way they are have killed the town center and caused nothing but problems. Also was waste of public money installing meters that weren't fit then needed replacing at an even greater cost. For off street parking a bucket system where you toss a pound coin in on the way out. No parking bay charges and residents should be entitled to free permit parking. If my above answers do not correspond, it's because the questions didn't allow for my responses.
1184	Dec 02 2020 12:03 AM	Machines with payment type options rather than just mobile phone. Coin and card too please.
1185	Dec 02 2020 12:01 AM	Parking should be free - people shouldn't have to pay to park their car outside where they live !!!!! We pay council tax and car tax that's enough!!!!
1186	Dec 01 2020 11:57 PM	I worry if you charge for car parks again it will stop people shopping in Angus and encourage them to go to free retail parks
1187	Dec 01 2020 11:52 PM	Don't impose any parking fees as this will kill businesses in small towns, we will end up with ghost towns. Empty shops = no rates.
1188	Dec 01 2020 11:48 PM	Ensure mobile parking apps are used and up to date to book and pay for parking. I find it's a good use of technology and can 'top-up' parking if needs be
1189	Dec 01 2020 11:41 PM	Free free
1190	Dec 01 2020 11:38 PM	Parking should be free in a small town like Carnoustie. Businesses are already struggling, even more so with the pandemic so anything that makes it easier for people to use local shops and businesses will help them to continue. You only need to compare the number of vehicles which occupied the car parks before charges were introduced and during Covid with the occupation, or lack of, during the time that charges were introduced and then suspended. Car parks were well used before charges and lay virtually empty once charges started.
1191	Dec 01 2020 11:33 PM	This had a detrimental effect on small businesses in Angus. These businesses will not be able to generate Council Tax if they cease to trade.
1192	Dec 01 2020 11:32 PM	Get rid of the pay for parking it's killing the high street. Many say it's picked up business since COVID cause parking free
1193	Dec 01 2020 11:24 PM	

1194	Dec 01 2020 11:23 PM	Well for a start the council building are on the out skirts of town so no local trade for local businesses bring back that into the middle of town you wouldn't of done this if the council workers had to pay so why do this for the residents of Forfar/Arbroath/Kirrie/Montrose etc who live in the town the town is a ghost town think you need to put money back into the town give the people what they want. Cheaper rates of business permits etc then people will come back to the town the. Start maybe charging for parking why charge for parking when you have nothing to give to the towns back in the late 90/2000 places where booming ask your why better shops in towns now you have to get shoes from Dundee/Edinburgh/Glasgow you can't get decent things from any of Angus or everything out cause the can't pay the rent of the shops and some of the shops are not worth the money you are asking
1195	Dec 01 2020 11:20 PM	Free parking is essential for the survival of local business and tourism within Angus. This has become even more important during and moving on from the pandemic. It is an important aid to supporting local trade and tourism. There was nothing wrong with the parking system in the first place. Angus Council attempted to pick low hanging fruit to deal with the tory led austerity agenda that left Angus with an impossible deficit to fill. This has been a calamity from start to finish, the purchase of the wrong machines, the marginalisation of certain demographics, local businesses suffering and the premise that passing tourism would be flocking to fill the meters was speculative to say the least. Time to admit defeat and bring some proper honest commerce to the county with public consultation at all levels.
1196	Dec 01 2020 11:19 PM	The shops in Carnoustie must see a huge difference with customers shopping because of free parking. I have noticed Angus Council car parks are busy again due to free car parks.
1197	Dec 01 2020 11:16 PM	
1198	Dec 01 2020 11:15 PM	Just. Raise. Council tax.
1199	Dec 01 2020 11:13 PM	Free parking encourages tourist and community spending in local shops , good not only for our high streets but brings in money for our council – how much business rates do you get from empty premises?

1200	Dec 01 2020 11:12 PM	<p>Forfar Town centre is not busy enough to need paid parking. Older folk need the social aspect of cafes or coffee mornings etc. Paying to park has killed businesses and pushed cars into residential streets. Empty car parks prove folk found ways not to need to use permits. When in place i stopped my visits to other towns in angus where i used to browse shops and have coffee because i refuse to pay to park when there is so little to visit since so many places have already closed. With covid businesses have suffered enough. More folk walking further increases risk. Elderly i know had seriously reduced activity in towns before parking fees were lifted. They need free parking.</p> <p>Forfar Town centre is not busy enough to need paid parking. Older folk need the social aspect of cafes or coffee mornings etc. Paying to park has killed businesses and pushed cars into residential streets. Empty car parks prove folk found ways not to need to use permits. When in place i stopped my visits to other towns in angus where i used to browse shops and have coffee because i refuse to pay to park when there is so little to visit since so many places have already closed. With covid businesses have suffered enough. More folk walking further increases risk. Elderly i know had seriously reduced activity in towns before parking fees were lifted. They need free parking.</p>
1201	Dec 01 2020 11:12 PM	<p>Forfar Town centre is not busy enough to need paid parking. Older folk need the social aspect of cafes or coffee mornings etc. Paying to park has killed businesses and pushed cars into residential streets. Empty car parks prove folk found ways not to need to use permits. When in place i stopped my visits to other towns in angus where i used to browse shops and have coffee because i refuse to pay to park when there is so little to visit since so many places have already closed. With covid businesses have suffered enough. More folk walking further increases risk. Elderly i know had seriously reduced activity in towns before parking fees were lifted. They need free parking.</p> <p>Forfar Town centre is not busy enough to need paid parking. Older folk need the social aspect of cafes or coffee mornings etc. Paying to park has killed businesses and pushed cars into residential streets. Empty car parks prove folk found ways not to need to use permits. When in place i stopped my visits to other towns in angus where i used to browse shops and have coffee because i refuse to pay to park when there is so little to visit since so many places have already closed. With covid businesses have suffered enough. More folk walking further increases risk. Elderly i know had seriously reduced activity in towns before parking fees were lifted. They need free parking.</p>
1202	Dec 01 2020 11:12 PM	<p>Forfar Town centre is not busy enough to need paid parking. Older folk need the social aspect of cafes or coffee mornings etc. Paying to park has killed businesses and pushed cars into residential streets. Empty car parks prove folk found ways not to need to use permits. When in place i stopped my visits to other towns in angus where i used to browse shops and have coffee because i refuse to pay to park when there is so little to visit since so many places have already closed. With covid businesses have suffered enough. More folk walking further increases risk. Elderly i know had seriously reduced activity in towns before parking fees were lifted. They need free parking.</p>
1203	Dec 01 2020 11:12 PM	All parking should be free to save the high street and the town
1204	Dec 01 2020 11:10 PM	Free parking gives you longer to visit various shops to help the local economy
1205	Dec 01 2020 11:09 PM	Parking in car parks should be free. Would save people parking on the streets and blocking roads because they don't want to pay for parking charges

1206	Dec 01 2020 11:06 PM	Make all car parking free as you are destroying the High St, Montrose. Car parks are now empty and people park in nearby streets instead. I live in High St and tradesmen have to pay to park at my door when they work in my home. They then pass on their parking cost to me! Recently got stung as I got the parking charges from a plasterer, joiner and decorator - I was not happy about that! Please remove all parking meters from Montrose car parks.
1207	Dec 01 2020 11:05 PM	You need to make the town centres accessible so that the local shops & businesses can continue to flourish.
1208	Dec 01 2020 11:02 PM	Free parking in all cases
1209	Dec 01 2020 10:56 PM	Please keep free parking or low price parking. High streets need shoppers I don't think parking in Angus should be charged for. If memory serves me correctly XXX took Angus Council to court on this matter and won prior to parking charges being done away with over 20 years ago. If I am mistaken and it is legal to charge for off street parking in Angus I would suggest 1 hour free then charge of £1 total for any amount of time over the free hour which could be paid using coins. Everything possible should be done to encourage people to come back to visit and shop in Angus towns and allow workers to afford to park. The High Streets are dying as are the businesses/shops.
1210	Dec 01 2020 10:56 PM	
1211	Dec 01 2020 10:55 PM	I have noticed both carnoustie and forfar centres busier as parking free at present Could employ more parking wardens to get money instead of paying to park.
1212	Dec 01 2020 10:55 PM	You'd make a fortune especially when it becomes illegal to park on pavements. Or do both and get loads cash
1213	Dec 01 2020 10:54 PM	I only go into Angus to shop . Supermarket parking free , toilet free . To shop on the high street and support local business you have to pay . Also some garden centres ie Brechin Castle have free parking and toilets and seen to be able to have whatever in shops they please which also takes away from high street
1214	Dec 01 2020 10:54 PM	I have noticed both carnoustie and forfar centres busier as parking free at present
1215	Dec 01 2020 10:52 PM	N/A

1216	Dec 01 2020 10:51 PM	No charges whatsoever
1217	Dec 01 2020 10:51 PM	All parking should be free
1218	Dec 01 2020 10:50 PM	I rarely shop in the town as 30 mins is not long enough
1219	Dec 01 2020 10:50 PM	Car parking in car parks should be free but charge for parking on high st
1220	Dec 01 2020 10:49 PM	Free parking at the weekend I feel would help local shops. Since the introduction of parking charges there has been an increase in parking in side streets which is a hazard, especially in towns where the streets are narrow and traffic include buses, whilst the car parks are sitting empty.
1221	Dec 01 2020 10:48 PM	Residents who live just off town centres are being inconvenienced by people parking to avoid the charges, again whilst the car parks are sitting empty. Start looking for more creative and productive ways of both raising money for the council and not putting another nail in the coffin of small town centres and their retail sector. If people do not want to pay the parking fees they will either park where there are no metres (often end up being residential roads etc) or they just won't bother visiting the town centres as everything they need is now online. The function of towns should come before the typical money chasing ways of Angus council
1222	Dec 01 2020 10:46 PM	
1223	Dec 01 2020 10:45 PM	Free parking!!!
1224	Dec 01 2020 10:44 PM	Feel people would use car parking with the coin option rather than permits since the coin meters have been in place car parks getting used more
1225	Dec 01 2020 10:42 PM	.
1226	Dec 01 2020 10:41 PM	Please address issue of people parking in the residents only car parks especially the one on Queen Street in Montrose which is full every day of people going to work, get haircuts, nails done or shopping. We can never get parked where we live and is VERY irritating!!!!

1227	Dec 01 2020 10:40 PM	I never use a car park where I have to pay. Have started using local shops again since charges were stopped
1228	Dec 01 2020 10:40 PM	I never use a car park where I have to pay. Have started using local shops again since charges were stopped
1229	Dec 01 2020 10:38 PM	In Brechin, the initial complexity in Pay Carparks(for elderly or non card-users) has helped to close many shops in the town by causing those who need vehicle mobility within the town to shop elsewhere.e.g Montrose
1230	Dec 01 2020 10:36 PM	You have, over the years, denied sensible car access to many High Streets. It is imperative that local businesses are allowed to benefit from free on and off street parking, wherever possible, for their customers both local and visitors.
1231	Dec 01 2020 10:36 PM	Parking charges should be scrapped entirely to encourage local shopping custom
1232	Dec 01 2020 10:35 PM	To help local shops I think all parking should be free
1233	Dec 01 2020 10:35 PM	Pleased with the provision of electric charging points in Angus Council car parks.
1234	Dec 01 2020 10:34 PM	Parking should be free for short stay parking.
1235	Dec 01 2020 10:34 PM	Parking should be free
1236	Dec 01 2020 10:34 PM	Parking should be FREE.
1237	Dec 01 2020 10:32 PM	I honestly believe car parking should be free, Even if it's timed with a ticket required. The condition of the roads here terrible, Yet how much money was wasted on all this? Ridiculous. Do not charge for parking in all Angus towns and villages. When charges were applicable, the car parks were empty and local businesses suffered. During the last months when charges were suspended the car parks were busy and local businesses were busy. You have been told all this before but you dont listen.
1238	Dec 01 2020 10:32 PM	Will you keep sending out surveys until you get the answers you want i.e. car parking charges to be applied. LISTEN to what people are saying. Just listen and take heed

1239	Dec 01 2020 10:31 PM	Parking charges have had a detrimental effect on local business
1240	Dec 01 2020 10:30 PM	Due to car parks in the fit o the toon not being free, the streets around these are used to park. A permit system should be trialed in order for residents to be able to park.
1241	Dec 01 2020 10:29 PM	Some of the streets in our towns are narrow , and we should have free parking in the car parks to encourage cars off the street. Short stay car parks should also have a limited free parking time.
1242	Dec 01 2020 10:28 PM	If our town centres are to survive and recover after the pandemic, you must keep charges to a minimum. Streets near high streets particularly Arbroath which don't have restrictions are over packed due to the current tariffs. In Arbroath, union street, south street etc residents cannot get parked. These residential streets should have permits for outside their doors/on their streets to stop all these people using our streets as free parking. It's ridiculous and makes people want to move out of the area. I'd happily pay a yearly permit to ensure I can park in my own street.
1243	Dec 01 2020 10:25 PM	
1244	Dec 01 2020 10:25 PM	Free parking for first hr for electric vehicles
1245	Dec 01 2020 10:25 PM	Although I think parking should be free, if it is to be chargeable I think this should be able to be paid with cash and not online or mobile as I simply would not pay this way
1246	Dec 01 2020 10:24 PM	The charging of parking has a huge negative impact on the local businesses and the economy. Please consider covid related stress on top of reintroducing charges and how this would be the final nail in the coffin for many.
1247	Dec 01 2020 10:24 PM	Have more places to park bikes
1248	Dec 01 2020 10:20 PM	It would be good to be able to park on street for 45 minutes to 1 hour. 30 minutes isn't enough time
1249	Dec 01 2020 10:19 PM	Remove Disabled bays on the street where they are no longer used. Church Street in Edzell has 6 such bays, ridiculous.
1250	Dec 01 2020 10:18 PM	None

1251	Dec 01 2020 10:18 PM	If parking was free the car parks would be used and side streets safer due to no parking
1252	Dec 01 2020 10:16 PM	Survey site jumped all over the place making it near impossible to correctly fill in. For the sake of local business in a small town parking has to be free for a certain length of time to enable people to shop locally
1253	Dec 01 2020 10:16 PM	Rather a biased survey when you ask for charges to be rated 1-3 giving no option for no charge
1254	Dec 01 2020 10:14 PM	The parking fees are discouraging me to shop in the High Street. When I do shop there i make sure I park where there are no fees. The fees are killing the shops.
1255	Dec 01 2020 10:13 PM	Thank you for the opportunity to answer these questions
1256	Dec 01 2020 10:13 PM	High streets are struggling enough without customers having to pay for parking as well.
1257	Dec 01 2020 10:12 PM	This should be free. Its killing the trade. How can no one see that! Especially after the tough year they've had
1258	Dec 01 2020 10:11 PM	Your survey is flawed. It's a test of arithmetic only. Obviously everyone will rank the choices cheapest first. Small businesses are closing in Angus. People will not pay to park to shop in empty towns. Free parking might encourage people to shop local and keep businesses open in Angus
1259	Dec 01 2020 10:11 PM	Your recent change to charge has encouraged people to head into Dundee to spend their money instead of staying in angus. Please listen to the people this time and get our high streets thriving again
1260	Dec 01 2020 10:11 PM	There are not enough free parking bays in Angus towns, therefore the car parks should be free for an initial period. This would still encourage customers to shop in local shops
1261	Dec 01 2020 10:07 PM	N/A
1262	Dec 01 2020 10:06 PM	I believe that parking should be free within Angus to encourage shopping at local shops otherwise the High Street will die
1263	Dec 01 2020 10:05 PM	I own a business in Carnoustie and will not pay for the privilege of parking to go to work. Maybe you could charge all council employees to park at council offices

1264	Dec 01 2020 10:04 PM	While I understand the need for revenue, the introduction of parking fees in small towns like Carnoustie, Monifieth, etc., is restrictive for small businesses especially in these difficult times. Think that enough money has been wasted on installation of parking meters with nothing like the revenue forecast. Angus needs to support what shops will be left trading on our High Streets after this pandemic and having to pay for parking certainly won't help.
1265	Dec 01 2020 10:03 PM	Free parking in car parks it has been good to see car parks and high streets busier again
1266	Dec 01 2020 10:03 PM	Please go back to free parking with restrictions to encourage people back to the high street.
1267	Dec 01 2020 10:02 PM	In Montrose , move the two bus stops to the railway station, reroute buses away from High Street and create extra parking spaces in High Street
1268	Dec 01 2020 10:02 PM	.
1269	Dec 01 2020 10:02 PM	.
1270	Dec 01 2020 10:01 PM	Parking should be free you can see that the car parks are mostly empty
1271	Dec 01 2020 10:01 PM	Parking charges kill small businesses and COVID-19 has already taken its toll on them. why wasnt the public consulted before the charges were introduced.
1272	Dec 01 2020 09:58 PM	There should be no parking charges for the next 3 years at least 30 minutes is not long enough for free parking in the parking bays, queues are too long in shops now.
1273	Dec 01 2020 09:58 PM	It is so difficult to get parked, most of the time parking bays are full and if you just have to nip to one shop people are not likely to pay for stopping for 10 minutes. Short term free parking is a must if you want to encourage people to use local services. It's ridiculous that we will drive to Broughty Ferry for coffee and an ice cream over using a local cafe purely because we can park for free, but that's what happens! You need to accept this and make parking free, for at least an hour. Like dundee.
1274	Dec 01 2020 09:56 PM	

1275	Dec 01 2020 09:54 PM	I think it would help the local retailers and local people if it was 1 hour parking in the high st, just think if you need the chemist then need to nip to the charity shop and then need to buy a gift for someone that would take anyone at least an hour.
1276	Dec 01 2020 09:54 PM	.
1277	Dec 01 2020 09:53 PM	Please revert back to free parking to help keep our local shops and help our community. This will also help the horrendous side street parking that currently takes place.
1278	Dec 01 2020 09:52 PM	Parking should be free in the off street car parks, and short stay free for on street with no option to stay for a long time
1279	Dec 01 2020 09:51 PM	Town is struggling economically and people are struggling financially. Bring back free parking
1280	Dec 01 2020 09:50 PM	The car parks will remain empty so long as there is a charge. Businesses are suffering as a result from a lack of footfall
1281	Dec 01 2020 09:49 PM	I agree with charging office workers to park but not shoppers that are contributing to the local economy.
1282	Dec 01 2020 09:46 PM	Parking should be free.
1283	Dec 01 2020 09:41 PM	I have only used the car parks recently because they are free if charges are introduced again I will not be using them. Shops need our support
1284	Dec 01 2020 09:40 PM	If charges must be applied, please ensure that coin operated machines are used which also do not require car registration details to be entered
1285	Dec 01 2020 09:40 PM	Happy to pay to park if it is longer than an hour or two but not for a quick pick up from shops or dropping into the post office
1286	Dec 01 2020 09:37 PM	Please consider local businesses and at least offer short time -preferably an hour- to encourage folk to shop locally
1287	Dec 01 2020 09:37 PM	Please consider local businesses and at least offer short time -preferably an hour- to encourage folk to shop locally

- 1288 Dec 01 2020 09:32 PM This is a very poor survey, badly set out. It does not address the key question in as much as the towns in Angus have different needs. As a Brechin resident I decided to go to Montrose to shop where parking is largely free. We are not the only ones, to give an example I have to drive into Brechin to pick up my paper, charges meant that my paper cost me a pound more, That adds £7 a week, £30 -£31 a month just to buy a paper...ludicrous
- 1289 Dec 01 2020 09:30 PM Would prefer machines which take cash
- 1290 Dec 01 2020 09:28 PM No other comments
- 1291 Dec 01 2020 09:25 PM Car park charges are killing the boroughs of Angus and parking should be free. I have used our local car park again since the parking charges have been waved as , by the look of how busy it is , so are a lot of other people . People are parking and WALKING round our town centre , GOING INTO local our local shops . Shop foot fall has increased hugely since the charges have been waved , even though there is limited numbers in shops , people are willing to wait as they are not panicking about limited time . The High Street is dead. Retailers are hanging on by the skin of their teeth. I don't pretend to know the answers to the problems but charging people to park is putting people off going into town.
- 1292 Dec 01 2020 09:24 PM Hopefully this review will point to a fairer way of charging. Given we had had free parking for years and were then faced with your overpriced parking charges it is no wonder people stopped coming into town. That didn't cause the death of the High Street, and charging or not charging for parking won't bring the High Street as we knew it back. The world has moved on and changed and now with this awful pandemic who knows what the future will bring.
- 1293 Dec 01 2020 09:13 PM
- 1294 Dec 01 2020 09:13 PM Prior to having restrictions on parking in the town centre you couldn't get parked in town but since the restrictions started you can easily find a parking space. Also it used to be people working in the town centre that took up all the spaces so their cars were parked there all day. Now it is easier to get a space I pop into

shops all the time which I previously didn't do

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| 1295 | Dec 01 2020 09:07 PM | Should not have to pay to park as road tax is already paid for. Shops need business. |
| 1296 | Dec 01 2020 09:06 PM | NA |
| 1297 | Dec 01 2020 09:04 PM | just look how full the car parks are and how busy the shops are,and get rid of the traffic wardens,bunch of jobworths. |
| 1298 | Dec 01 2020 09:02 PM | Prefer for the first 30 to 60 minutes to be free for all parking. |
| 1299 | Dec 01 2020 09:02 PM | More electrical charging points and better maintained road surfaces
In total agreement that wardens are fantastic for towns of Angus but I would like to see the free 45 minute on street parking permitted and a period of up to 2 hours free off street then charging there after. £2 per hour. Could the car parks not be monitored by cameras as well allowing the wardens to concentrate on the illegal parking on street? The costs associated with these cameras would significantly reduce the staff costs of wardens. Please help support local businesses |
| 1300 | Dec 01 2020 08:59 PM | significantly reduce the staff costs of wardens. Please help support local businesses |
| 1301 | Dec 01 2020 08:59 PM | Charging for parking affects local businesses and the effect is businesses having to close. |
| 1302 | Dec 01 2020 08:57 PM | Allowing for cost effective parking charges encourages people to shop in our towns. We need to encourage residents of Angus to buy local. Why do you think Supermarkets have such large parking areas!
I don't mind paying something for parking but I feel the first 2 hours shpuld be free. The charge after that should be set at a fixed sum. I previously purchased a permit but it is far too expensive. |
| 1303 | Dec 01 2020 08:52 PM | free. The charge after that should be set at a fixed sum. I previously purchased a permit but it is far too expensive. |
| 1304 | Dec 01 2020 08:50 PM | Scrap the entire thing. |

1305	Dec 01 2020 08:49 PM	I think all parking should be free to benefit traders and encourage custom. Save our high streets As a resident in the town centre in Arbroath I find it difficult to understand how residents aren't offered discounted parking. In big cities like Aberdeen etc they pay a permit of £60 per year. I have not paid for parking since the charges were imposed I have found alternative often inconvenient parking but I cannot afford to pay your fee's therefore unable to park near my home.
1306	Dec 01 2020 08:47 PM	
1307	Dec 01 2020 08:42 PM	Swallow your pride and reinstate free parking in Angus.
1308	Dec 01 2020 08:42 PM	I think a charge for parking in Angus should go ahead as the residents in Angus tiwns dont complain when they have to pay in other places eg Dundee There are too many options in questions and some really stupid options,
1309	Dec 01 2020 08:40 PM	obviously everyone is going to put the permit options from cheapest to dearest so why ask the questions
1310	Dec 01 2020 08:40 PM	Better enforcement required but reduce the fines to a more affordable level; the offence doesn't warrant such a level of fine, in the current economic conditions some people could have trouble with the levels being charged. Since the free off street car parks have been replaced by metered (pay) car parks. It has had an impact on local businesses and left a negative view on the council/government. I would like to see them return to what they once were (free). They used to be used frequently by lots of people and now they are empty and the streets are full. Which is causing issues with traffic and residents trying to find somewhere to park close to home. Especially elderly people who now have to park further from home forcing them to take an unexpected walk through some quiet rough areas in some difficult weather conditions. I think it ridiculous and thoughtless that the council have created these issues just so they can squeeze as much money as possible from the residents of Angus.
1311	Dec 01 2020 08:37 PM	
1312	Dec 01 2020 08:36 PM	Please make off street car parks free. I'm an nhs worker in Montrose and cannot afford to pay for a parking permit. Instead I have to park on offside streets and it's a shame on the people who live there and can't get parked.
1313	Dec 01 2020 08:35 PM	council should be installing free electric charge points in ALL bays for off street car parks to encourage people to switch to driving electric cars

1314	Dec 01 2020 08:35 PM	One hour free parking on high streets will encourage more shoppers to use high street shops
1315	Dec 01 2020 08:33 PM	introducing charges for parking in off street parking i think dissuades locals and visitors from using the car parks and subsequently reduces footfall in the town centres and adversely affects trade.
1316	Dec 01 2020 08:32 PM	Short term on and off st parking should remain free. Long term then yes charge.
1317	Dec 01 2020 08:32 PM	Parking durations need to be aligned with the services in the area. e.g outside bank is shorter before payment than outside hairdressers. Off street near pubs are cheaper that in town to encourage park, drink, leave car
1318	Dec 01 2020 08:29 PM	Free parking in all Angus towns our town centres are dying and even more so now due to so many businesses closing down and jobs being lost we should be encouraging people to visit our town centres .
1319	Dec 01 2020 08:23 PM	The questions are rigged. I am retired so therefore, I do not work in Angus. This is a very poorly designed questionnaire.
1320	Dec 01 2020 08:22 PM	Keep free parking!! Save our local shops
1321	Dec 01 2020 08:21 PM	I am a local resident of Carnoustie and live on the High street, think it's ridiculous that we are charged for parking, especially in our local car parks.
1322	Dec 01 2020 08:17 PM	In and around Carnoustie short stay is much more necessary than long term car parks
1323	Dec 01 2020 08:16 PM	This survey was extremely poor. The council has let everybody in Angus down by introducing these ridiculous parking charges and they should all be removed.
1324	Dec 01 2020 08:14 PM	Hg
1325	Dec 01 2020 08:14 PM	1hr max stay for all high streets, car parks free until 2hrs stay I would like to see all parking to be free. I think there should have been an option to put that through the questions in the survey. Paying for parking discourages people from coming into the town. The only time I have used the car parks is when they have been free. I refuse to pay for parking.
1326	Dec 01 2020 08:13 PM	

- 1327 Dec 01 2020 08:12 PM Car parking charges should be free or minimal to support the rural community buisnesses
I think that any parking free for up to 2 hours in on street and off street (like what we have in Abbeygate, or e.g. gallacher retail Park, Dundee) would encourage shoppers into town high streets to browse and maybe have a coffee. 30 mins is not enough time to enjoy multiple shops and shop local. I appreciate you are trying to fund your budgets but don't feel that confusing ticket machines and driving customers out of the High Street and into housing streets (when the weather can be bad) is healthy for town centres. Im an average woman in my 50s who would jump in car, shop local, nip in and out of shops, want to chat to friends in passing (social interaction is important) and then pop home again.
- 1328 Dec 01 2020 08:09 PM More likely to go to supermarket with free parking over than the principle of paying and therefore denting local economy
- 1329 Dec 01 2020 08:06 PM Free parking for shoppers should be a prerequisite for developing and supporting town centres. You should be encouraging businesses to flourish and engaging with residents and visitors to use town centres.
- 1330 Dec 01 2020 08:05 PM You will lose more money from reduced business rates than you will gain from parking charges. Capital sums spent on introduction is cretinous waste of funds.
- 1331 Dec 01 2020 08:04 PM I need to park in the street for work related duties. I am a nurse working in the community
When parking charges were applied all the side streets became clogged with parked cars making some of the roads impassable to two lane traffic and the car parks were empty. Residents near the high street were unable to park outside their own homes causing friction between residents, shoppers and people trying to find parking to go into their work
- 1332 Dec 01 2020 08:03 PM I would prefer the car parks to have a period of free parking and then a £1 per hour. I don't have sue with paying to park, but I think it's unfair to pay just to nip into the chemist for five minutes etc. I do like the time limit for parking on the street as this means it's easier to get parked to just nip into a shop etc and it means people aren't spending all day taking up the street spaces. I would like that to continue in some form, if there's an hour free in the car park it would possibly free up street parking too.
- 1333 Dec 01 2020 08:03 PM

- 1334 Dec 01 2020 07:56 PM Charges for parking have killed the local shops. I don't shop locally any more because I'm not willing to pay for an hour each time. I'm not alone.
- 1335 Dec 01 2020 07:54 PM N:a
Iv only ranked the permit as there was no free option, however I would buy a homeowner permit for people living beside the car parks
- 1336 Dec 01 2020 07:53 PM Resident permits are required, try getting parked at your home when you are charging for car parks.. Its imoossible
I work for Angus council and rely on parking in mainly residential area but
- 1337 Dec 01 2020 07:48 PM previously have had to on the street to enable people with poor mobility access to the car and this has been difficult at times.
I love in part of brechin where parking is very limited. If you are not parked before 4pm you will not get parked at all. People are parking on grass verges and it makes it almost impossible to see along the road. Just an accident waiting to happen. Why can't you turn grass areas and other off street area into proper parking . people around where I live often have a works van and a private car.
- 1338 Dec 01 2020 07:47 PM There are no parking area near my house which is on the street. It's a fight every day to park.
Feel that the way the council went about this in the first place was wrong. You did not consider the businesses and the effect it would have on them. Arbroath is
- 1339 Dec 01 2020 07:47 PM the worst of the Angus towns and it's about time Angus Council worked with the public instead of working against them at every turn.
- 1340 Dec 01 2020 07:45 PM With empty car parks and busy side streets, spoke volumes once meters were installed.
- 1341 Dec 01 2020 07:45 PM With empty car parks and busy side streets, spoke volumes once meters were installed.

Since the parking charges have come in it is impossible to park beside my house (I stay in the town centre).

I work a minimum wage job and struggled enough financially without parking charges. When these came in, I spent hours trying to find free parking or more money on petrol moving my car etc to avoid charges. I can't afford a permit for something that quite frankly, since I pay council tax and live in the town centre, I should be entitled to free of charge.

Since Covid-19 has started and the parking charges have ceased, my life has actually become stress free again because I don't need to worry about parking.

The parking charges might be fine for people who earn enough to pay for this but please think about those people who are on minimum wage who this is not an option for. And don't suggest that I move because that is not an option.

Parking should be free

Any plan to charge for parking in and around the high street area of Montrose, will kill the High Street off for good. Small businesses are struggling as it is and the council should be doing all it can to encourage people back to the high street and not drive them away. I agree with some sensible restrictions on time or some fees for longer than 2hr stays however more needs to be done to get trade into the high street and surrounding area.

There should be increased monitoring and penalty-issuing for bus bay parking, pavement parking, random either side of road parking on narrow streets and yellow line parking.

Local shops are struggling and parking charges may stop people coming to town.

I refused to use Angus council car parks when we had to pay, however since the temporary removal I have used the parking and returned to local shops.

It is noticeable that the car parks and local shops are benefiting from the removal of charges.

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1348	Dec 01 2020 07:40 PM	None
1349	Dec 01 2020 07:35 PM	Free parking over the time of the pandemic has seen use of car parks again, and less parking congestion on side streets etc. The free parking should stay for the sake of residents on these side streets, and for safety too.
1350	Dec 01 2020 07:33 PM	Parking meters that take cash as well as card. You are spending more money on metres, staff, surveys etc etc than you are making. Please encourage people to support local businesses - make parking free in large car parks. You are making people park outside car parks causing congestion.
1351	Dec 01 2020 07:30 PM	
1352	Dec 01 2020 07:28 PM	Save our towns encourage business back and support by maximising footfall As a business owner I seen first hand the issues it has cause not only for many local businsses but local residences too. The 30min parking is just not viable for anyone aside from dropping off or picking people up. I understand we cant give all parking free but making it more realistic. Allow a customer to get a treatment and lunch. So for me free 2 hour free parking should be informed. After that it's charged therefore you are supporting small local businsses but still charging. I would also look at an app company for paying via the apo rather than using card only. There is systems out there many other councils use for there parking costs.
1353	Dec 01 2020 07:26 PM	
1354	Dec 01 2020 07:25 PM	Prior to the COVID-19 lockdown it was obvious that the parking situation was affecting the shops. The lockdown has hit the shops badly and the continually parking fees may well be the final nail in the coffin of many shops
1355	Dec 01 2020 07:23 PM	Don't mind paying in car parks with cash but stopped visiting Angus towns when you had to pay electronically.
1356	Dec 01 2020 07:20 PM	there wasn't a problem with parking in Angus until you introduced fees

Stop discriminating against older and not so able people and allow them to access shops more easily with free parking otherwise lose the high streets and local shops altogether. Also only take the first answer in each question, do not try to get the results you want by counting them any other way. This will result in seats being lost in local elections. People want to park and shop without any direct charge for going to support local shops. Councillors park in supermarket car parks free for council meetings yet expect old people who need a loaf of bread to pay an extra pound! Why? Shops pay rates. Empty shops cost jobs and don't contribute any revenue. Our towns are small and need local and tourists to support them. We are retired and cannot walk too far. We park near the local butcher, baker and shop there too support businesses. How are old, infirm and disabled supposed to shop when the centres of our local towns are gone? We are not going to be able to drive long distances. You are not building 2 bedroom houses to enable people to downsize and families move in to their family homes now that their families have flown the nests, instead you are building more and more houses for young families. Wise up! Let people move to bungalows from large houses and continue to shop locally. Fill gap sites with sheltered housing. Keep people near town centres and NO PARKING CHARGES.

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Having at least 45 minutes on street parking encourages families to use the library such as the book big sessions which are 30 minutes, this raises literacy levels in children and helps to lift families out of poverty through raising attainment. The same goes for dental appointments / healthcare appointments / job centre visits etc where people can't afford to pay to park.

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Scrap these silly charges and allow businesses to get business again
Provision should be made allowing parking in car parks for 24 / 48 hour stays such as near railway stations.

If car parking charges are introduced they should be fairly applied across ALL car parks throughout Angus.

1363 Dec 01 2020 07:16 PM

The decision making process must adopt budgetary realism and transparency for the people of Angus and not the fictional figures that were promoted during the initial parking introduction i.e. £700,000 a year.

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None

- 1365 Dec 01 2020 07:12 PM Please consider the effect on small businesses when working out timings, one hour sometimes isn't long enough for appointments or when you have to go to multiple shops
- 1366 Dec 01 2020 07:11 PM Car parking charges have killed the shops.
- 1367 Dec 01 2020 07:03 PM It is essential to get people into the Angus high streets - parking should be free!
- 1368 Dec 01 2020 06:54 PM The council managed before parking charges. You are affecting local business. We park in shop car parks for free.
- 1369 Dec 01 2020 06:54 PM I wouldn't pay to park in the centre but 30 mins is not long enough for high street bays as can take longer going to multiple shops, especially now we queue for covid. If you increase free parking time on Main Street I'd be tempted to pay for off street parking if I required longer but would probably just park elsewhere
- 1370 Dec 01 2020 06:53 PM Parking in the off street bays should have an initial free period so the small businesses can benefit from this period especially in the car parks outside the central area. Like Leonard street and StMary Street
- 1371 Dec 01 2020 06:51 PM Save local businesses, and free up on street parking for local residents, and make parking affordable.
- 1372 Dec 01 2020 06:51 PM In smaller towns in Angus it is detrimental to local businesses to charge for parking
- 1373 Dec 01 2020 06:51 PM I think all parking should be free.the town shop s have lost a lot of business due to parking charges
This survey is confusing. This will be another huge waste of money. It is clear that again this is weighted towards parking charges as an option. This is a failed project and communities will not forgive this, we will again have side streets full and empty car parks. Where is the support for local businesses. The last Chief Exec admitted that Angus Council had failed our High Streets and it looks like it continues to fail under this Chief Executive. It is clear by this survey that once again you are not listening to the public.
- 1374 Dec 01 2020 06:48 PM
- 1375 Dec 01 2020 06:42 PM Parking permit charges are too high

- 1376 Dec 01 2020 06:41 PM Parking should be free or £1 maximum for 4hours parking. That to me seems an affordable amount and will also encourage people back to the high streets to help boost local shops.
It's a simple fact that if you don't support local business by having free parking for the first hour then local communities will lose their shops and services as the users will go out of town . If you simply use parking fees as a revenue earner you will eventually kill off the local shop demand and create ghost town centres.
- 1377 Dec 01 2020 06:41 PM You can prevent long term parking congestion by charging of course to prevent clogging. Please reverse all local first hour parking charges
- 1378 Dec 01 2020 06:39 PM We need to support small businesses in out Angus towns
Angus towns do not have a traffic problem needing solved as they are not tourist spots or hives of economic activity. If you want the towns to die altogether then just keep charging. Charges are much easier for buffoons to maintain rather than attracting people to the area.
- 1379 Dec 01 2020 06:38 PM Free car parking should continue well past March 2021, March 2022, would be more appropriate. Businesses are struggling and need all the custom that they can get.
- Personally as long as I am able to walk from my car, I have no intention of Ever paying for parking in Angus.
- Introducing parking fees in Angus has backfired.
- 1380 Dec 01 2020 06:37 PM Give Angus town centres and independent businesses, a chance.
- 1381 Dec 01 2020 06:36 PM Your car parks are half empty since you started charging. Streets are full of cars.
- 1382 Dec 01 2020 06:35 PM To install coin paying machine for paying short hours parking not just card payments which seem to fail a lot.
Car parking should be free for the first 2hrs, then charges should be reasonable for all day parking. Payment should be by all available methods as not everyone uses apps and mobile phones.
- 1383 Dec 01 2020 06:35 PM
- 1384 Dec 01 2020 06:34 PM Current Parking Charges are causing High Street businesses to collapse, and are pushing people out of towns to big shopping areas

- 1385 Dec 01 2020 06:32 PM Really think there must be car parking charges like most of Scotland and keep rates as low as possible.
- 1386 Dec 01 2020 06:32 PM Make payment machines both cash and card
- 1387 Dec 01 2020 06:32 PM I stay in Forfar and have always been against the parking charges. I believed that the Myre car park is on common land for the people of Forfar and should not be a chargeable car park.
- 1388 Dec 01 2020 06:32 PM All parking should be free
This should never have been put in place in Angus the way it was done. Some people have nowhere else to park if they live in an area with double yellows outside their house and I don't think they should be penalised especially if they have young children. Not everyone has a driveway!
- 1389 Dec 01 2020 06:31 PM I know there is a need to raise money but should have made the meters easier to use and able to take cash as well as contact less and not having to put in car reg
- 1390 Dec 01 2020 06:31 PM I do think first two hours free in car parks as this will help retail businesses and pay machines which can take cards and cash, not everyone wants to pay by card
- 1391 Dec 01 2020 06:30 PM Parking should be free in Angus. Charges were brought in with no public consultation & have not raised the funds they were predicted too as it was assumed the car parks would be full - but who can afford £20 a week to pay for parking at work in Arbroath - I can park in Dundee for not much more!
- Shops are struggling as it is and if the high st shops are to compete with the new retail park they shouldn't have barriers put in their way and personally I would shop in Dundee if I am paying for parking and want high st shops as there is more choice - or drive to Dundee for the retail parks. I am not going to pay to park to shop in Angus.
- 1392 Dec 01 2020 06:29 PM And how much has it cost for the machines that then had to be changed to accept cash because this council were determined to push through this folly?
Too little too late.

1393	Dec 01 2020 06:29 PM	<p>I have noticed the car park was completely empty during charges. This must be having an effect on the local economy which needs our support. People from local area need to park or will shop elsewhere. I am not a retailer but sympathise with the local retailers.</p> <p>Small business and High Streets have been struggling in recent years with large retailers offering free parking, small business pay rates and contribute that way.. they should not be further penalised by parking charges. If the parking charges continue it forces customers elsewhere which in turn leads to empty units and job losses all which takes its toll on council costs in the long term.</p>
1394	Dec 01 2020 06:28 PM	<p>Small business needs the help of local councils.... especially in the near future.</p>
1395	Dec 01 2020 06:27 PM	<p>Space for bicycles and better lighting for car parks at night. Also all car parks to be resurfaced.</p>
1396	Dec 01 2020 06:27 PM	<p>Parking should be free in Angus.</p> <p>Free parking will attract more to the high street. A lot of people can't afford to pay charges to pop down to pick up an item, thus going to use free parking in retail parks or park in side street corners etc blocking roads and making it difficult for pedestrians.</p>
1397	Dec 01 2020 06:27 PM	
1398	Dec 01 2020 06:26 PM	<p>Parking should be free for short stay</p> <p>Free parking and the sack for the individuals involved in the decision making over council spend on the ill advised machines being installed. If you intend to pursue a residents parking permit then look to the adjacent council areas and charge similar amounts, £80 annual charge is acceptable not the current fee which is vastly more than the City of Westminster. So I may have a double first but do you lot have an O grade between you?</p>
1399	Dec 01 2020 06:25 PM	
1400	Dec 01 2020 06:24 PM	<p>Parking meters should take cash or card or allow for payments through a payment app such as JustPark or RingGo like in Dundee</p>
1401	Dec 01 2020 06:23 PM	<p>Most important thing would be a short term free for quick visits to shops or customers</p>
1402	Dec 01 2020 06:23 PM	<p>Just make it free to all..instead of people who work in the few shops are left bearing the cost</p>

1403	Dec 01 2020 06:22 PM	Off street parking must be free
1404	Dec 01 2020 06:22 PM	Cash options on all machines Now is not the time to restart the issue of car parking in Angus. Credit is given when the council postponed charges until 2021 due to COVID 19. The pandemic will not go away immediately, despite vaccines which means our local businesses and public will require much more assistance in the future. It is fully understood that money for any Council has and will be even more problematic in the future, but taking money from the public will be a backward step. Time to get the begging bowl out and challenge the Scottish Government to provide greater funding during this difficult period.
1405	Dec 01 2020 06:21 PM	Off street parking should be free. A large proportion of your residents live in town centre locations with no residential off street parking and need to park their vehicles daily. Charging for off street parking merely led to people parking elsewhere leading to congested streets and empty carparks.
1406	Dec 01 2020 06:18 PM	
1407	Dec 01 2020 06:16 PM	You need to encourage people to use the car parks. And keep streets free for resident parking.
1408	Dec 01 2020 06:16 PM	Main Street parking must be longer as 30 minutes is killing the shops and high streets
1409	Dec 01 2020 06:16 PM	All parking should be free
1410	Dec 01 2020 06:15 PM	Parking should all be free to encourage people into the towns Think of local businesses please and take into account the fact that the public...
1411	Dec 01 2020 06:10 PM	your public gave a clear message last time the council attempted to raise money in this fashion
1412	Dec 01 2020 06:10 PM	I think there should be free parking everywhere except where on street parking would be deemed dangerous.

1413	Dec 01 2020 06:09 PM	<p>We live across from a school on market street and parking charges has hugely impacted the safety of my children and all children attended maisonodeu primary Brechin when parking charges were introduced as parents parked on the zig zags and blocked the lane so we couldn't get out to work or home from work. Rather than park in the car park because of charges parents were parking on our street. Having a warden on the off occasion helped but children shouldn't be put a risk for profit</p> <p>This is a small town environment where the ability to attract visitors who spend money relies on low cost access. Additionally the cost of maintaining and governing the parking system will outweigh the benefits and returns.</p>
1414	Dec 01 2020 06:03 PM	<p>It was unnecessary and an expensive folly to introduce it in the first place</p>
1415	Dec 01 2020 06:03 PM	<p>There needs to be an option for a cheaper pass for people to buy through their company if they need to park for going to work</p> <p>The administration of</p>
1416	Dec 01 2020 05:58 PM	<p>Reimbursing long-standing permit holders for the coronavirus crisis for vehicle owners who had paid in advance was unjustly slow and requires an investigation so that it never re-occurs</p>
1417	Dec 01 2020 05:57 PM	<p>Bring back free off street parking.</p> <p>I will never pay to park in Angus because the previous system was an extra tax on people who live and need to park their vehicles during the day such as shift workers. It is also a penalty for people who work in the town and need to park. It will never be made to be a paying proposition. I have also seen visiting tourist abandoning trying to pay at the machines and driving away.</p>
1418	Dec 01 2020 05:50 PM	<p>Happy to pay parking charges as I do in Dundee or Perth.</p>
1419	Dec 01 2020 05:49 PM	<p>I would like to see a review of the designations of streets. E.g Montrose Street in Brechin has been designated a shopping street when most of the shops have actually closed and it is mainly residential.</p>
1420	Dec 01 2020 05:46 PM	<p>All car parks should return to free and unfair to charge anyone for a parking permit due to their locality of home</p>
1421	Dec 01 2020 05:46 PM	

Parking should be free as it always was. The introduction of charged parking has been a monumental failure in Angus Council's part. It has cost more money than revenue generated & the impacting trade for business & small business owners has been detrimental. Those businesses will not survive & will further reduce income for Angus Council with reduced business rates coming in.

The car parking meters are unreliable, not user friendly & drive custom away from small towns.

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| 1422 | Dec 01 2020 05:45 PM | Admit defeat & return to free parking for the good of residents, business owners & visitors to Angus. |
| 1423 | Dec 01 2020 05:43 PM | If there was to be more parking wardens I would be prepared to see more expensive parking than the answers I've given.
I understand that the reasons why the Council has to find extra income and parking is an easy target. With the main off street car parks fees suspended during Covid there has been a marked increase of the car parks being used again and much fewer cars parked on streets outside of the centre of the town. I just feel that after Covid things are going to be very tough for businesses and shoppers alike and do not want to see the town centres die because of parking fees. I am fortunate I do not require a parking permit and am within walking distance of the centre for shopping. |
| 1424 | Dec 01 2020 05:43 PM | |
| 1425 | Dec 01 2020 05:40 PM | I would prefer not to buy a parking permit but if I had to then only if it was valid in all Angus towns. |
| 1426 | Dec 01 2020 05:40 PM | All parking should be free to try and bring visitors back to town centre |
| 1427 | Dec 01 2020 05:39 PM | Bring back free parking, but only after the councilors that brought this in refund the people of Angus from their own pockets for the waste of money that they have caused. |
| 1428 | Dec 01 2020 05:35 PM | More on street disabled park |

1429	Dec 01 2020 05:34 PM	<p>Disabled parking for disabled only and only them and more of them on high streets. X</p> <p>If car parks are not free(which they should be) there should at least be something in place for people working in the town to park for free as I work in the local butchers and trying to find off street places I can park all day is becoming more and more difficult as more people try to avoid paying to park. Which means</p>
1430	Dec 01 2020 05:28 PM	<p>if I have to park in the car park just now I would be £24 a week off of my minimum wage that the boss isn't going to subsidise for me.</p> <p>Parking charges are just another cost of private motoring. I can't think of anywhere else I can go and expect free parking. Given climate change we should be using public transport more but for that to work there needs to be demand and only we can create that demand by taking a decision to be greener.</p>
1431	Dec 01 2020 05:24 PM	<p>We should also consider walking and cycling to tackle obesity</p> <p>I feel this survey will be difficult and confusing for some people to work out the best options. Angus council need to stop all parking charges to allow small businesses to maximise footfall. On street parking should still be limited and time restrictions enforced as this again maximises footfall for shops.</p>
1432	Dec 01 2020 05:24 PM	<p>Make parking free as then more People would tend to stay in town to shop and support local stores instead of going to a city and paying for the same parking and getting cheaper stuff from big chain shops</p>
1433	Dec 01 2020 05:21 PM	<p>Reasonable to expect to pay for parking. Council needs money to support other priority work like child poverty.</p>
1434	Dec 01 2020 05:18 PM	<p>Thank you</p> <p>Free parking encourages people to shop in Forfar. It can be seen that the car parks have literally been empty since the charges were enacted. Footfall has reduced . You should encourage ,especially during and after the pandemic, to shop locally</p>
1435	Dec 01 2020 05:14 PM	<p>People especially older ones would prefer to pay cash so at least have machine to pay cash with..</p> <p>I like the idea of 2 hours free but have no problem paying after that time. I feel certain people take advantage and leave their car all day prohibiting visitors and elderly people from getting spaces.</p>
1436	Dec 01 2020 05:09 PM	
1437	Dec 01 2020 05:07 PM	
1438	Dec 01 2020 05:07 PM	

- 1439 Dec 01 2020 05:03 PM All on street and off street parking should be free for an initial period which would benefit all retailers and keep our town centres alive. Residents permits should be affordable but numbers limited so that car parks are not full of residents cars. I normally play fiddle with Salvation Army at Arbroath Town Centre, every Tuesday, 1pm until 3.15, so just over a 2 hour limit,voluntarily, to entertain old folks. I am facing possible redundancy. This is a lifeline for the 80plus people who attend. Some of the musicians are elderly and carry heavy instruments. Can there not be a scheme wherby such volunteers can apply to park free, for the common good, as well as those working on minimum wage, carers visiting private homes etc. Also a system where allowances are made on production of receipts if shopping in small local shops.
- 1440 Dec 01 2020 05:02 PM Where we should really be charging is for the large mobile homes who take up 4 spaces, block the views along the seafront for everyone else, shop in Asda and Macdonalds, then drive off and are no boost to the local economy. If they can afford such luxury vehicles they can afford to pay. We should also be chargeing staff who are on good wages and parking all day. Where I live in Brechin, I have no option but to use the car parks and purchase a permit which I am more than happy to do HOWEVER, can the council not allocate some spaces to permit holders only and police it in the same way they do for electric car parking and for disabled bays? This would encourage the purchase of permits and help generate revenue and Id also be more likely to get a parking space!
- 1441 Dec 01 2020 04:59 PM The whole parking saga has been nothing short of an absolute disgrace, made Angus a laughing stock and, more seriously, once again the Council acted illegally with the tickets/refunds and refused to act on the outcomes of the local consultations. You have decimated local communities and caused more suffering to local businesses. You lied about the use of the money to fund vital local services when we now know it was ring fenced to repair roads. Give this up and restore some semblance of dignity to our once great area, now ruined by officials and elected members who are incompetent. SCRAP THE CHARGES FOR GOOD.
- 1442 Dec 01 2020 04:57 PM Residents parking permits are something the entire population would welcome. We dont mind paying for the right to park as close to our homes as possible
- 1443 Dec 01 2020 04:57 PM

1444	Dec 01 2020 04:55 PM	<p>I previously would park in a central car park and walk to shops - even for one item. I was privately scathing of those who drove around in circles looking for that elusive space on the street. A consequence of street parking now being free and that I would now have to go to a ticket machine and pay in a car park is that I now also cruise the streets looking to park. The system has encouraged parking out of the car parks onto the streets. With increased congestion and pollution which has resulted I would suggest a rethink of the strategy of where we actually want cars to park and incentive it.</p> <p>The parking car park has been ridiculous from the moment people have had to pay for parking. Problems with machines only taking card payments. Money then spent to adjust the machines for cash payments to be accepted. Other problems are in side streets for people to park outside their own homes and not being able to as people refusing to pay in car parks therefore parking in side streets, Victoria Park entrance etc. Vertainly dont feel that Angus council have benefited from the car park payments. Since the lockdown it's actually nice to see car parks fuller as not having to pay. Please take notice of what Angus people are saying in the surveys</p>
1445	Dec 01 2020 04:54 PM	<p>Parking charges have/are destroying small businesses in Angus towns. People have shown that they will find alternatives and the experiment should be scrapped.</p>
1446	Dec 01 2020 04:52 PM	<p>Parking should be free in small towns. Having fees is killing local business. No more parking fees or permits. It's a disgrace..</p>
1447	Dec 01 2020 04:51 PM	<p>I have used the car parks in Angus more over the last six months as I work a full day 8am till 6pm and wouldn't pay for parking all day as it to expensive.</p>
1448	Dec 01 2020 04:46 PM	<p>Free Parking in the town that you live in.</p>
1449	Dec 01 2020 04:45 PM	<p>Free parking is a must for Angus towns for them to survive</p>
1450	Dec 01 2020 04:42 PM	<p>Please retain/introduce sufficient free parking for local Angus shopping or yet more will go to out of town and area.</p>
1451	Dec 01 2020 04:40 PM	<p>I think a return to diagonal parking in High Street would provide more spaces. Its really hard to find a space close to a shop for drop off or collection of bigger items or when I have elderly relatives in my car so that they can visit shops.</p>
1452	Dec 01 2020 04:38 PM	

1453	Dec 01 2020 04:37 PM	I do not use pay car parks if I can help it. Given the rural setting parking should be free or kept to a minimum. People do not use the car parks when there is a charge therefore you have to look at cost effectiveness
1454	Dec 01 2020 04:36 PM	Finding appropriate parking (in terms of being charged for same, having limited time in same or having to be some distance from the shops) makes me think twice about going into town for errands.
1455	Dec 01 2020 04:33 PM	You might consider free car parking in car parks but pay as you go for street parking
1456	Dec 01 2020 04:28 PM	Parking should be free , help our wee towns and make it a pleasure to shop there . Since they have been free lately I do most of my shopping local , getting good customer service , protecting jobs and helping our community.
1457	Dec 01 2020 04:28 PM	I now shop mainly on line due to your fascist party parking ***** , My elderly parent will not park in town for fear of getting a ticket, Well Done Angus Council, You did what Hitler didn't you put people off shopping locally
1458	Dec 01 2020 04:27 PM	None
1459	Dec 01 2020 04:26 PM	Should have nothing choice for 10 and 11
1460	Dec 01 2020 04:26 PM	Should have nothing choice for 10 and 11
1461	Dec 01 2020 04:20 PM	A short free period will allow greater turnover for town centre visitors. However, a longer free period in off-street parking will allow visitors to do some shopping then perhaps have a coffee, otherwise shopping will be done at supermarkets where parking is free.
1462	Dec 01 2020 04:19 PM	Free parking on Montrose High Street. Very unfair to those that live on the high street and can't park outside their own home.
1463	Dec 01 2020 04:17 PM	The whole process was and is a shambles, thousands of pounds spent and wasted because the current administration did not listen to the good people of Angus
1464	Dec 01 2020 04:16 PM	This survey appears to be stacked towards a return to parking charges being reintroduced. The wording of the questions leave me in no doubt that once this happens, we'll be told that we voted for this! The reintroduction of parking

charges WILL kill the local high street and small traders.

- 1465 Dec 01 2020 04:11 PM Bringing in parking charges was a monumentally bad decision by Angus Council. Town centres are struggling, parking charges means more people will go outwith town or shop online. Making it easier /cheaper for people to shop supports local businesses and means shops will be occupied and rates will be paid. A dead highstreet is a dead town!
- 1466 Dec 01 2020 04:03 PM Parking off street should be free at all times or else you risk destroying the High Street footfall even further than you have already.
As someone who is fortunate enough to own and use a car I think that the current car parking charges and arrangements are good value and I would rather the council used its resources to provide services and support to those less fortunate than myself. I also believe that actions that reduce unnecessary short car journeys are a good thing and should be supported to reduce carbon emissions and tackle climate change. Car parking charges help in this regard. The costs provided for permits should be rounded to the nearest pound or 50p. Provision of burgh specific permits seems over complicated and difficult to manage - keep it simple. There is no detail in relation to electric car provision located in car parks - this provision should be charged just the same regardless given the future drive to this type of vehicle and the use only to this type of vehicle reducing the available space to other vehicle types.
- 1467 Dec 01 2020 04:02 PM
- 1468 Dec 01 2020 04:00 PM
- 1469 Dec 01 2020 03:58 PM Off street permits for workers in that area
Free parking being removed was one of the council's biggest mistakes as it has driven so much business from towns which already had low footfall.
- 1470 Dec 01 2020 03:55 PM Please restore free parking in all Angus burgh towns
- 1471 Dec 01 2020 03:51 PM Why do the last few questions not have a free to park option? Clearly trying to steer the results to show a pay only option making this survey a sham
Local independant shops need people to be able to park for a short period outside the shop. Otherwise customers park in supermarket or at out of town stores.
- 1472 Dec 01 2020 03:49 PM

Best to allow an hour or two free parking to support people who need to visit e.g. chemists, dentists and other health related destinations, which are often near local authority car parks.

However, after 1 or 2 hours, we need charges to prevent people using the car parks to 'abandon' their vehicles (due to convenience) for long periods, meaning people who have a genuine need to park there to visit vital services and businesses choose to go elsewhere. Such as nearby cities with sensible parking rules, or large free out of town shopping areas, like Dundee or Aberdeen. This is not environmentally sustainable, and further it drives spending out of our authority area, affecting jobs and the whole local economy.

Basically, we need to create some turnover in these car parks so people can find spaces, while dissuading people from parking there all day (or all month, year etc.!).

1473 Dec 01 2020 03:41 PM

Cheers

There needs to be some free time to allow visits to shops etc.

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Parking enforcement needs to be more frequent and robust as when wardens are not visible the parking on the main streets is ridiculous!

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Parking charges should never have been taken away and should stay, but extend the first hour to free. Have to pay everywhere else so why not in Angus. My concern is the massive increase in cars being park in side streets since carparking fees was introduced. This has also affected Victoria Street in Forfar which is a bus route and used heavily by lorries, parked cars a causing a disruption to the traffic. They are also causing residents difficulties in parking on their driveways and elderly residents aren't able to park near their homes.

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Parking restrictions will need to looked at for the side streets to prevent these being clogged with worker's cars.

What a pickle you have got yourselves into, asking the public now, on a ludicrous policy you implemented without consulting the public 2 years ago.

1477 Dec 01 2020 03:27 PM

Scrap all parking charges in Angus now, you useless showers of so an so's.

1478	Dec 01 2020 03:25 PM	Parking comes at a cost and we should be able to pay for it. Currently with the payment being deferred residents in town centres are filling up car parks over a 24 hour period. This will be detrimental to visitors to the town who will come back once Covid restrictions are eased and have a negative effect on town centre businesses.
1479	Dec 01 2020 03:23 PM	Pensioners should be free in all parking areas. Revenue needed to come from parking so don't mind paying but needs to be carefully thought out as might put some people off which could affect small businesses. Also means of payment should be simple as all people are not au fais with technology.
1480	Dec 01 2020 03:19 PM	People are still parking on double yellow lines in the roads when the car parks are free. Not enough patrolling of some areas.
1481	Dec 01 2020 03:19 PM	Free public transport for all
1482	Dec 01 2020 03:12 PM	Montrose High Street shops are suffering and parking fees are not helping the situation
1483	Dec 01 2020 03:11 PM	DO NOT BRING BACK CHARGES -YOU BEGAN THE PROCESS OF KILLING THE HIGH STREET BY INTRODUCING CHARGES AND IT LOOKS LIKE COVID IS BRINGING BUSINESSES TO THERE KNEES! DO NOT BRING BACK CHARGES IF YOU ACTUALLY HAVE AN OUNCE OF CARE!!
1484	Dec 01 2020 03:10 PM	Not enough shops in town to warrent pay to park
1485	Dec 01 2020 03:03 PM	.
1486	Dec 01 2020 03:02 PM	Make sure that you make a sensible decision that seems fair to all users. I agree there should be a charge, but surely full car parks on nominal charge is better than empty car parks and high charges
1487	Dec 01 2020 02:57 PM	You must allow people to park and visit a number of town centre shops and perhaps go for a coffee or they will only shop in the supermarkets where they can park for free. Workers should expect to pay to park.
1488	Dec 01 2020 02:54 PM	

1489	Dec 01 2020 02:53 PM	To keep people shopping locally all parking should be free I don't think people living on main streets should have to pay for parking outside their own residence. Also people should definitely be able to park short term in the main streets for nipping into a shop.
1490	Dec 01 2020 02:48 PM	
1491	Dec 01 2020 02:46 PM	Due to work, it would be useful to be able to park from 30mins - 3 hours free or all some pass for social care workers
1492	Dec 01 2020 02:38 PM	N/A Carparks that were usually busy were noticeably empty when the charges were on. Now the charges have been lifted the carparks are full and the towns are busy again. When I go shopping I want to park my car and go straight to the shops. I don't want to stand in the cold in a queue to fumble in my bag for whatever personal data the user-hostile machine demands.
1493	Dec 01 2020 02:23 PM	
1494	Dec 01 2020 02:15 PM	As a business owner i am utterly disgusted with the parking charges. My business dropped shockingly as soon as you put the charges in. Are you wanting to kill the town. Plus now with covid. Take these charges away!!!!
1495	Dec 01 2020 02:12 PM	Parking should be free in all areas of the town

The survey does not allow participants to disagree with some questions/options or with the proposed charges.

The questions are leading and can have participants inadvertently supporting charging.

Asking people to rank something they disagree with will only provide you with the answer/solution you want.

These questions do not allow participants to make the point that 'parking charges is not the answer'.

On questions 8 and 9, if someone only believes in 'Free' parking, you still require them to rank charging? Why?

Providing an option of 'NONE of the above' with questions 10 and 11 would serve the survey better.

If participants decide not to rank all the options in these questions but still complete the survey, will it result in their survey being declared 'spoilt' or 'invalid'?

I have only ranked the questions where the options provided were relevant. I have not ranked/rated other questions/answers where the options provided are not what I agree with.

After so many years of free parking in Angus, what a retrograde decision to introduce charges to off street car parks. This approach was out of touch with local needs. It displayed more of a follow or copycat decision based upon what other authorities/councils were doing. Why?

This decision resulted in side streets being used by commuters/workers/visitors to park cars.

On street parking in town centres was abused and caused many shoppers not to Yes

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stop or to travel elsewhere to do shopping.

Car parks were not being fully utilised. It also put additional pressure upon Supermarket car parks (which are free) and were being used by people rather than pay charges (even elected members were caught doing this).

A clear indication that the proposed/implemented charging was not what was required.

Surely, a forward thinking and proactive Council and elected members should be looking at ways to encourage both visitors and locals to use Angus facilities (including shops/retailers), not discourage visitors and shoppers from stopping.

At the outset, the forecast/budget proposal communicated in the press was lacking. Clearly, 'income' and 'profit appeared to have been mixed up'. It also appeared set-up costs had been omitted along with ongoing costs. The information shared made the whole proposal look like wishful thinking rather than a serious business case.

The embarrassing changes to parking machines (to allow cash payment), tickets without a proper address being used and causing complaints/challenge on the charges levied.

These incidents only highlight a lack of attention to detail, a poorly managed proposal, business case and implementation plan.

Continuing with the issue of parking, why are Parking Attendants not working beyond normal working hours?

Parking issues and problems (causing obstructions, misuse of disabled parking bays, double yellow line abuse, double parking, inconsiderate and dangerous parking . . . the list goes on) continue long after normal retailing hours. I'm sure locals would be more supportive of parking fines/charges like these being implemented and offenders being tackled. In doing so, a more community focused approach/service (along with a genuine revenue stream) is being



provided.

I would like a response to the points I have raised.

1497	Dec 01 2020 02:04 PM	Free off street parking. Time limited on street parking would be best for all businesses in the area. This would allow a steady flow of traffic/parking and the vaunrable could pop into stores easily for short periods.
1498	Dec 01 2020 02:03 PM	Support local business by giving 2 hours free in off-street cat parks. Time for shopping and a coffee or lunch. It's a fact that apart from my food shop where the car parks are free, I now shop exclusively online because I will not pay for parking given that I already pay road tax. You are killing the high street and with it revenue from tourism and employment. People won't even want to work in the area as parking charges are like an extra tax. Haven't even been for a coffee in Montrose since parking charges began. Take a walk along Montrose High Street at the empty shops. Total disgrace of management.
1499	Dec 01 2020 01:55 PM	If first 2 hours were free in car parks on street parking should not require any amendment from current 30 minutes. Anyone wishing to park longer than 30 minutes would have the choice to use car parks thus decreasing parked vehicles on street.
1500	Dec 01 2020 01:52 PM	
1501	Dec 01 2020 01:47 PM	Cash and card to be taken at all car parks
1502	Dec 01 2020 01:46 PM	Help the local towns so people can shop even for 1hour The recent Covid19 pandemic has resulted in many Angus residents reverting to a 'shop local' policy. This will surely greatly help to revive our Angus towns whose town centres were in danger of becoming shopping deserts. Angus Council should remove ALL parking charges to encourage this trend to continue. Alternative means should be considered to raise any potential lost revenues.
1503	Dec 01 2020 01:45 PM	
1504	Dec 01 2020 01:34 PM	Parking should be free throughout Angus to help promote shops etc round towns
1505	Dec 01 2020 01:31 PM	All parking should be free to encourage trade in town centres.
1506	Dec 01 2020 01:30 PM	None

1507	Dec 01 2020 01:30 PM	All parking should be free I stay off the Montrose high street and struggle to get parked outside my house
1508	Dec 01 2020 01:28 PM	Weekend parking and bank holidays should be free Free parking over winter months eg nov to mar.
1509	Dec 01 2020 01:28 PM	Charges over other moths
1510	Dec 01 2020 01:27 PM	I agree that parking should be paid for to help bring money into our towns but we need a time frame of free parking. And we also need to have more things in our towns to warrant people coming to town and paying for parking
1511	Dec 01 2020 01:25 PM	Start charging council employees to park So many taxi ranks in Forfar. Like gold dust to get a space. What happens to covid testing space which is currently in the myre car park. I don't want to park anywhere near a testing station.
1512	Dec 01 2020 01:24 PM	Think parking should be free, particularly now since the pandemic the shops have been hit hard enough and people would be more encouraged to go to the shops if parking was free
1513	Dec 01 2020 01:23 PM	You Should have surveyed people in this way first time round and saved yourselves a lot of heartache. Parking in both short and long stay should have had a free period at least as long as you were able to park for free on the street. But at least you are trying to sort it out now. Better Late than never. Personally I have never had a problem with paying but I definitely had an issue with not getting any free time in the car parks. I had to pay for an hour for a five minute drop off then pay again an hour or so later for a five minute pick up. So glad you are finally sorting this out.
1514	Dec 01 2020 01:22 PM	
1515	Dec 01 2020 01:20 PM	scrap them and be done with it. That's what the public want.
1516	Dec 01 2020 01:16 PM	Free parking for a minimum of an hour but preferably 2 hours is very important to encourage people to shop locally or go for lunch (2hours needed) or a coffee with friends & keep our town centre from becoming ghost towns

1517	Dec 01 2020 01:16 PM	<p>Exclusive town/burgh parking i.e Arbroath only is a fantastic idea if this is to reflect savings. I previously paid the monthly charge for parking when it was first implemented but could no longer justify paying the fee when colleagues found free street parking a minutes walk from long-stay car parks. I would happily resume monthly payments for parking in 1 town only were this to be under £10 a month as the car parks are far more convenient than street parking</p> <p>On the survey - A spell check might make this look more professional - "I have never uses Angus Pay to Park". There is a clear bias here, trying to steer the responses. I don't think it will be a recognized as an honest attempt at public consultation, because it isn't.</p>
1518	Dec 01 2020 01:13 PM	<p>On parking - free parking supports the local economy. It doesn't matter how much the Council doesn't want to take that on board. If you want local people in local jobs, and supporting local businesses, then punitive parking charges don't help, especially when other areas recognise this and remove charges for Christmas etc. Please listen and don't make the same mistakes as before over the cash/no cash debacle.</p>
1519	Dec 01 2020 01:13 PM	<p>First hour needs to be free as some of us just park to nip in for 10 minutes</p>
1520	Dec 01 2020 01:11 PM	<p>Parking should be free!!!!</p>
1521	Dec 01 2020 01:06 PM	<p>Charge for on street parking and keep the off street car parks free. This would make the high streets safer for shoppers</p>
1522	Dec 01 2020 01:03 PM	<p>Shopkeepers are crying out for custom. Any impediment to people getting to shops is the product of Trump-like logic.</p>
1523	Dec 01 2020 01:01 PM	<p>Residents should not have to pay to park their car. We currently have 3 cars and will definitely not pay to park these</p> <p>Perhaps there should be a message about links to reducing carbon footprints by encouraging those who can walk should walk. I know many employees of shops etc fill the spaces and live close to work. Also message about visitors to areas who can't get parked because car parks full of residents who could walk, results in visitors driving on because they can't stop, no spaces for them. Change of culture needed with residents to not selfishly fill the car parks because it's easier to drive 500 yards to a free car park than walk the same 500 yards</p>
1524	Dec 01 2020 01:00 PM	

1525	Dec 01 2020 12:59 PM	I think all short and long stay parking should be ticket for free upto 4 hrs then a fair reasonable price, free permit for businesses loading and unloading only
1526	Dec 01 2020 12:58 PM	Would like the free parking to continue in public car parks.
1527	Dec 01 2020 12:58 PM	I feel parking should be free and more bays need to be put around the Forfar area
1528	Dec 01 2020 12:58 PM	Bring back Free parking. You are killing the small towns and businesses who need the footfall during these very challenging times.
1529	Dec 01 2020 12:58 PM	As the previous failed experiment with parking charges has clearly shown that these charges are killing the high street and local shops and businesses, all on and off street parking should be completely free. I paid a monthly parking permit and it worked well, always got a space, now cannot get a space most of the time. I believe that there should be some form of parking charges but to make this work it would have to be coin machines as this puts a lot of people off (my parents for example)
1530	Dec 01 2020 12:56 PM	We are a rural authority and as such depend on transport and that is primarily private transport. Allowing and encouraging car use is essential to achieve a vibrant mobile community and workforce which will encourage jobs and employment. Make more space for personal transport, a lot more space.
1531	Dec 01 2020 12:55 PM	Question 11 doesn't have a free option, why do they need to pay for a permit?
1532	Dec 01 2020 12:55 PM	All parking should be free
1533	Dec 01 2020 12:55 PM	Parking charges are killing High St shops. If you allow the 1st hour to be free, at least there will be, a turnover of vehicles
1534	Dec 01 2020 12:54 PM	The question do you work in Angus should have an option of RESIDENT in Angus otherwise figures could be skewed. .

1535	Dec 01 2020 12:54 PM	Hi, Unfortunately Angus is in the unique position that you can park free just yards away from 'off street' car parks. I live in Carnoustie and the 'off street' car park is 95% empty as no one needs it. I work in Arbroath and initially bought a permit, but, gave it up as I can park easily on the street each day a few hundred yards from any 'offsite' car park. Although I think if charging was brought in then a free period followed by £2 would be more sensible option to discourage on street parking in residential areas. Having worked in Arbroath for 25 years I have never struggled to get a parking space therefor the level of charges didnt work and its even easier to park in Carnoustie making charging totally a waste of resources.
1536	Dec 01 2020 12:53 PM	Working locally the visitors struggle to work the card payment machines and also use co op rather than pay or go to hotels with free parking for their usual coffee so it's not bringing as many to the town when having to pay to park !
1537	Dec 01 2020 12:48 PM	I don't want to pay for any permit as I stay on Carnoustie high street and there is no parking
1538	Dec 01 2020 12:48 PM	Given the downturn in local business since the start of car parking charges, I feel that is losing income from the loss of local companies by charging for parking. I believe there should be more patrols regarding on street parking and powers to ticket for obstructive parking should be within the powers of the wardens rather than the police. There should be a small charge for using the off street parking but nothing too high as it has resulted in the streets being parked up and being parked stupidly. I live on Millgate loan and it is absolutely impossible for me to park anywhere near my property when the parking charges were enforced. I also
1539	Dec 01 2020 12:43 PM	feel that anyone who lives in an area that is forced to use the car parks should be given a discount for their parking permit.
1540	Dec 01 2020 12:42 PM	Need to consider this question on a burgh by burgh basis. Parking capacity is different in each down and blanket charging systems will impact in different ways.
1541	Dec 01 2020 12:40 PM	Residents living in the town should apply for a free permit to park on the streets where they live

Our high streets need our support more than ever, to help support economic recovery following COVID 19 and due to the already existing decline in our high streets which has now accelerated.

Parking charges do not encourage more people to visit our high streets, and should have no place in rural local authority locations.

A one council approach is required to help maintain and revitalise our high streets, which means there really is no place for charging our residents to shop locally, while our services, businesses and individuals strive so hard to maintain the vibrancy of our high streets.

We need to encourage town centre living, parking charges do not provide an incentive for this.

We need to encourage businesses to remain on our high streets, and new businesses to locate to our high streets. This becomes less attractive if staff have to pay unnecessary costs.

1542 Dec 01 2020 12:38 PM

1543 Dec 01 2020 12:37 PM

Free parking like before!

1544 Dec 01 2020 12:37 PM

As a resident in the town centre on street or carparks are the only place to keep my vehicle, considerations should be taken for residents who's only option is to park in public car parks

1545 Dec 01 2020 12:35 PM

Stop putting single or double yellow lines randomly in street parking Area's in Towns in Angus

1546 Dec 01 2020 12:35 PM

Off street parking to remain free on street parking should be free for 1st hour then £ 1 1st hour then £ 2 thereafter

I find it ridiculous that Angus Council once had their car parks for free and now expect people to pay to use them. I refuse to pay any money in a charged car park when I can park elsewhere for free. These car parks are often empty because of this.

1547 Dec 01 2020 12:33 PM

The uptown parking restrictions are ridiculous. Where do you expect people who live up the town to park? It's a nightmare to get parking near my house in the town because of this. Also shops in the town are slowly disappearing because of these restrictions and charges. If people can go somewhere where they can shop and park for free instead, they will. Angus Council are slowly killing Montrose Highstreet with their parking charges and restrictions.

1548 Dec 01 2020 12:31 PM

As a resident of North street Forfar, I would really like to see restrictions where members of public can park here between 10am-4pm,4pm-10am residents only. Like what aberdeen council do. All residents to be given permits to park here free of charge, also white lines to be put down to ensure people park properly.

1549 Dec 01 2020 12:26 PM

Back to free parking where possible. At least car parks should be free for a certain length of time but not all day to deter all-day parking for work premises.

1550 Dec 01 2020 12:24 PM

We need to help local business increase footfall so parking should be free for up to an hour

1551 Dec 01 2020 12:24 PM

Small town are struggling so think free parking helps
If AC decides to make all parking free, then there should still be some sort of supervision for street parking, we are disabled, and find it almost impossible to get street parking bays when the parking is not supervised, as some people just take advantage

1552 Dec 01 2020 12:24 PM

With the current economic state and Covid our fragile high streets are under even more threat. These hard working retailers are fighting for their lives. I live in Kirrie and would hate to see our high street decimated. I have also had to run out of the hairdressers with my gown on and foils in my hair to top up the meter. The current time limit is ridiculous.

1553 Dec 01 2020 12:23 PM

Parking permits should be lower in line with other towns. £50-£90 max per year. this is penalising residents who live in the town. Also why no option for permits to be free for residents.

1554 Dec 01 2020 12:21 PM

1555	Dec 01 2020 12:20 PM	Whilst I would like to have free parking throughout Angus, I understand that this might not be possible. I do however feel that there should be more double yellow lines around the high street in Carnoustie for example and also in streets like park avenue
1556	Dec 01 2020 12:17 PM	Not allowing parking is destroying the communities hard working small businesses.
1557	Dec 01 2020 12:15 PM	None
1558	Dec 01 2020 12:12 PM	More on-street parking in Castle Street Forfar and blue badge bays. I would like to see all car parks designated as long stay with no parking charges/permits. Charges, if they are desired, could and should be placed on on-street parking. This would have benefits for traders, shoppers, motorists, pedestrians and cyclists. A 15 minute free period could be introduced with charges thereafter. This would allow people who want to stop to visit premises where they know they will only be a few minutes e.g. chemist, newsagent and encourage those who want a longer visit to park in the free car park or pay to park on-street. This would assist with the flow of traffic, pedestrians would benefit from clearer views of traffic and AC could continue to receive an income from parking. The questions do not include an option to have no permits for parking and therefore people could make the assumption that whatever the outcome of this consultation AC has already decided that there will be car parking charges.
1559	Dec 01 2020 12:12 PM	
1560	Dec 01 2020 12:10 PM	Under current climate car parks should remain free to encourage use of local shops. Limited on street parking on the high streets should remain to keep a flow and availability for people who need to get close to a shop.
1561	Dec 01 2020 12:10 PM	The free parking has clearly been successful with more people in the town. If local businesses are to be supported free parking, or inexpensive parking if unavoidable, is the way forward
1562	Dec 01 2020 12:08 PM	Don't mind paying something for parking but do think payments for parking permits are far far to high by a lot

1563	Dec 01 2020 12:04 PM	<p>The problem with introducing parking charges in Angus Is that you will just force the problem onto the residential side streets where parking for residents is already at a premium. As you saw when the charges were implemented prior to the current moratorium the majority of people will go elsewhere and refuse to pay the parking charges.</p> <p>Angus towns, before car parking charges were introduced, were thriving communities with excellent assorted individual shops to browse in. Since charges came in, the high streets have become noticeably quieter and feel abandoned with the many stores that have closed and the premises left vacant. We need to revitalise the high streets and make the shopping experience a pleasurable one. Charging on an hourly basis was always going to be detrimental, as I, like many others, felt pressured to do my shopping as quickly as possible so that I did not fall foul of going over the limit. The constant clock watching meant that I frequented the towns less and less. The machines should have always taken cash, as well as cards, as this was another thing that, personally, I thought was very detrimental, particularly to the older generation. We are in the middle of a medical and financial crisis.</p>
1564	Dec 01 2020 12:04 PM	<p>There is absolutely no point in charging people who are on benefits or pensions - charges discourage visiting the towns and only assist companies such as Amazon- for gods sake get some people on the council who comprehend basic business !</p> <p>The Scottish Government has passed the law on pavements parking ,yet Angus have done nothing. Streets like Barry Road are a nightmare for patients attending the health centre . If no enforcement is to be implemented do nothing don't spend more money.</p>
1565	Dec 01 2020 12:03 PM	<p>Don't reintroduce the parking charges</p> <p>Obviously free parking would be the dream. However, I understand cuts must be made and the Council have to make difficult decisions. I don't think twice about having to pay for car parking in Dundee. Aberdeen, Perth etc so why not in Angus.</p>
1566	Dec 01 2020 12:00 PM	<p>Questions 10 and 11 don't give the option of free parking therefore these questions will distort the results</p>
1567	Dec 01 2020 11:59 AM	
1568	Dec 01 2020 11:58 AM	
1569	Dec 01 2020 11:57 AM	

1570	Dec 01 2020 11:55 AM	leave it the way it is at the moment...glad the traffic wardens are back we need them to keep people safe.
1571	Dec 01 2020 11:50 AM	Nothing Parking to be free Victoria Street is awful since you introduced paying in car parks. with it free just now it's back to being quiet and not busy. People are shopping again in the town and its bringing money into the shops. Your car parks were empty. You were lucky if 10 cars parked in the Greens car park daily, it was always empty. Shops were struggling so definitely free for all.
1572	Dec 01 2020 11:49 AM	I do not agree with parking charges in Angus. If additional revenue is required, this should be sought from other sources for example review head count within Angus Council Executive and Councillors.
1573	Dec 01 2020 11:49 AM	There should be another type of residents permit for those with addresses in the charge zones who have no choice but to use bays and carparks to park for their places of residence, it should be free with proof of address or a minor charge to cover minimal admin cost, it should only cover them for immediate parking and not all angus car parks etc so some type of coding system for wardens to know who should be using them where and registrations registered to permits/household, like with blue badges in a way. Its unfair due to where someone lives that they are forced to pay the same way and rates as visitors and workers in the area to then more than likely have to pay even more to go and work too, why should residents be penalised due to postcode! Also ive tried and failed to pay for parking in the past, too disabled to physically use the things, dont use parking enough to warrant buying permits cost wise, yet not disabled enough to qualify for blue badge, im in a group forgotten about.
1574	Dec 01 2020 11:48 AM	I believe that all parking in Angus should remain free to support local business, help families and those less able to access facilities easier and to support public/local authority relationships
1575	Dec 01 2020 11:48 AM	Abolish the parking charges completely, but retain the wardens to manage the streets. They are superb at preventing bottlenecks on busy narrow streets, and they (the wardens) can stop lazy people parking long term on the streets, when there should be a quick turnover of cars parked on a daily basis.
1576	Dec 01 2020 11:45 AM	
1577	Dec 01 2020 11:41 AM	Free off street parking

1578	Dec 01 2020 11:39 AM	With businesses and individual being hit financially throughout the pandemic, it would be unfair to place a levy on parking until the economy has had a chance to recover and people are no longer furloughed. There is far too much financial hardship just now.
1579	Dec 01 2020 11:37 AM	Free car park parking in car parks, on street 45 mins max. More fines for illegal parking, double yellows, no excuse if parking free. The return of parking wardens has made it easier to access Arbroath High Street shops & I probably visit more now as it is easier to get a space. The spaces aren't taken up by residents/workers parking in the same location all day. I think on street parking should remain free for a limited time. This allows for things like picking up a prescription, posting something...little jobs that it is benefit to be able to park close to the location and get in & out quickly.
1580	Dec 01 2020 11:36 AM	Wouldn't matter what the results of this survey are, you will reintroduce parking charges as AC don't take any notice of what residents want. You didn't before and you won't now. Don't know what we pay Council Tax for because all services are being cut.
1581	Dec 01 2020 11:32 AM	I am against paying to park full stop. I work on my local high street and the high street is dying as it is without people having to pay to park cars. People go to supermarkets instead so they don't pay parking... COVID has also put a massive strain on bight street shops with many having to close their doors. Free parking might actually bring people to the bight street to shop..
1582	Dec 01 2020 11:31 AM	
1583	Dec 01 2020 11:29 AM	Cash and card machines. Since the parking has been free during the pandemic I have started using them again, and find i am lingering round local shops/visiting cafes etc. Really hope the free parking stays (returns!)
1584	Dec 01 2020 11:27 AM	Scotland seems to have adopted the everything is free mantra , we see more added to the list almost weekly , very good however we all know things are not free and someone somewhere is paying be it cuts to services or higher taxes etc.
1585	Dec 01 2020 11:27 AM	

1586	Dec 01 2020 11:27 AM	Charging for parking has been detrimental to Arbroath. re introducing pay to park is likely to be the final nail in the coffin for many shops and Arbroath centre is already dire so this would make it worse. I am a professional and I often need to park for home visits but when my employer (angus council) refuses to refund me on parking costs I refuse to pay to park so waste my time driving round looking for spaces. I will shop locally when I can but if I can't get a parking space I just buy online or in big retail parks where parking is free. Shops pay high rates and get very little back, I believe free parking is the least you can do. I believe local people will continue to boycott the car parks if they are being asked to pay so it makes sense to get rid of metres and boost the local economy.
1587	Dec 01 2020 11:25 AM	fine the drivers who go over the time limits
1588	Dec 01 2020 11:25 AM	If other car parks can be free for 1 or 2 hours I am sure Angus can do the same, The Overgate is £1 for all day parking (on a Sunday) and i am sure they still make a profit!
1589	Dec 01 2020 11:24 AM	We need free parking for the foreseeable future. This whole sorry saga was a farce that impacted negatively on business and town centre residents.
1590	Dec 01 2020 11:24 AM	Free short term parking policed by wardens and free permits for residents combined with creating more near town centre free car parks is the way to go. The shopworkers and shop owners were the loudest voices condemning the parking charges. Yet these are the very people who clog up the car parks all daywhen they are free. They complain about losing business but their own laziness results in full car parks with nowhere for customers to park. They can't have it both ways
1591	Dec 01 2020 11:22 AM	
1592	Dec 01 2020 11:21 AM	We should be encouraging people to live in the town centre therefore permits should be free for residents. Scum bags!
1593	Dec 01 2020 11:20 AM	Parking should be free, have you seen the high streets? There dead and suffering as your charges are crazy. Hold.your head in shame Angus

1594	Dec 01 2020 11:20 AM	Periods of free parking are essential for the support of our local businesses and especially for the safety of children in Brechin around school start and finish times at the car parks around Maisondieu primary school
1595	Dec 01 2020 11:19 AM	Make parking free and support the local businesses during this tough time
1596	Dec 01 2020 11:17 AM	We need to support local businesses and paying for parking puts this out of spending ability for some and makes it less desirable
1597	Dec 01 2020 11:15 AM	The way forward is to make the parking free its surprising how much business is lost by the parking charges
1598	Dec 01 2020 11:13 AM	Parking should be free in Angus, you've wasted 1000s of taxpayers money on a scheme that clearly does not work but yet you still DO NOT listen
1599	Dec 01 2020 11:12 AM	I think paid off and on street parking is required but the best cost may need a bit of trial and error over a few years to get it right. What suits one town in angus probably won't fit another FREE PARKING! The high street is doomed because of your selfishness! Get a grip. What's the point in having the car parks if there is nothing on the high street.
1600	Dec 01 2020 11:12 AM	Let's stop the fat cats getting fatter! It's time to trim the tree from the top! Loading questions 10 and 11 is pretty poor. Quite simply the only acceptable solution for parking is to charge for on-street parking after allowing enough time for people to visit a few struggling local shops (30 mins is ridiculous) and reduce the long stay charges. Consulting the public after 2+ years of this utter shambles is also an absolute farce. When i started working for Angus Council 20-odd years ago we had a decent reputation as a small but fairly well run local authority
1601	Dec 01 2020 11:11 AM	- we are now widely regarded as a joke, largely due to PR disasters like the Parking Charges implementation. The present limit on short term parking has killed the High Street and boosted out of town shopping centres in Montrose
1602	Dec 01 2020 11:09 AM	You can hardly get a hair cut or a decent shop in the street

1603	Dec 01 2020 11:09 AM	<p>Parking should be FREE in Angus!! Need to support our high street not drive people away</p> <p>I would like to see alot more electric Charging stations incorporated into car parks around Angus. With all of the EV incentives currently available via the Scottish Government there has been a big uptake in 2019/2020 in EV</p>
1604	Dec 01 2020 11:09 AM	<p>ownership, so would be good if the infrastructure for this was increased from what it currently is.</p> <p>The present limit on short term parking has killed the High Street and boosted out of town shopping centres in Montrose</p>
1605	Dec 01 2020 11:08 AM	<p>You can hardly get a hair cut or a decent shop in the street</p> <p>Something requires to be done about vehicles parking on pavements and blocking safe passage for elderly and folks with prams or wheelchairs. More attention to double line parking especially near junctions which is a nuisance in Carnoustie at least - Police don't seem to bother these days.</p>
1606	Dec 01 2020 11:07 AM	<p>The reason I would not purchase a parking permit is. I have off street parking at home and whilst I work for Angus Council and need to park regularly I often park further away from destination so cost don't rise with parking although this can be re-imbursed there is still the initial out lay for the employee before being reimbursed</p>
1607	Dec 01 2020 11:04 AM	<p>Short duration parking needs to be free e.g. under 1 hour. Small town businesses rely on quick trade and customer footfall particularly in the current situation. Parking charges can dissuade people from going into towns.</p>
1608	Dec 01 2020 11:02 AM	<p>On street parking and illegal parking on pavements/double yellows should be more enforced to make up for free parking else where.</p>
1609	Dec 01 2020 11:02 AM	<p>Parking permits for High Street residents to park on High Street for unlimited time would be great</p>
1610	Dec 01 2020 11:01 AM	
1611	Dec 01 2020 10:59 AM	Na
1612	Dec 01 2020 10:59 AM	Again this survey is set up to get t he answers the Council want. 😞😞😞

I don't mind paying for parking - paid parking is everywhere else so Angus shouldn't be any different however i think the on street parking bays should be for longer than 30 minutes (maybe free for 30 minutes but a cost for longer) 30 minutes is not use whatsoever - you can barely do anything in that time.

1613 Dec 01 2020 10:57 AM

I work in Angus - for Angus Council and don't see why i should have to pay to park when i am working. I do regular home visits, collect children and transport them to contacts, school and 1;1 sessions and trying to find a parking space is a nightmare especially around my office area - if i am out doing my job i don't always carry my purse with me and this has caused no end of problems. Please don't make it any harder for us workers trying to do a service for Angus Council and do our best to support families and children in the community. Our job is hard enough without having to scramble to find money to pay for parking especially during very emotive difficult visits/ sessions. I would suggest we get a permit for using while we are working.

1614 Dec 01 2020 10:55 AM

I do think we should pay for parking as we cant have everything for free but that it shouldn't be unaffordable to people and still be attractive enough to encourage us to shop in our own town centres.

1615 Dec 01 2020 10:54 AM

With so many shops struggling on the high street I believe off street parking ie car parks should be free however I think on street parking should be paid for. This would cut down on congestion on our streets.

1616 Dec 01 2020 10:53 AM

The parking charges have caused so many people to now avoid the high street and the meters are very confusing for some to use
I feel that if you make parking free then people will just park all day either in street or car parks and people that need to visit shops etc won't be able to get parked. I understand the need for residents to be able to park however if they have no off street parking then a residents permit should be a "nominal" fee to allow them to park at any time.

1617 Dec 01 2020 10:53 AM

I think the only cars that should be allowed to park for free should be zero tailpipe emissions vehicles such as fully electric or hydrogen. Phev should be chargeable.

1618	Dec 01 2020 10:49 AM	<p>Questions 10 and 11 force the participants into confirming that a monthly charge should be in place. There should be a free option also.</p> <p>At present, the parking on streets (while paying car parks remain unused) are causing a very real hazard to pedestrians.</p>
1619	Dec 01 2020 10:49 AM	<p>To support our local shops, we need free parking. The charges imposed have killed our high streets</p>
1620	Dec 01 2020 10:46 AM	<p>Consider making it as easy as possible for people to park in town centres to help keep local businesses trading, especially older less mobile residents.</p>
1621	Dec 01 2020 10:44 AM	<p>Nil</p> <p>If you want to charge people for parking you should also provide free passes for people who are living and work in town centres. I do not understand why I have to pay for the car park if this is place where I live and work. People who live out of the town centres do not have to pay for their car parks.</p>
1622	Dec 01 2020 10:43 AM	<p>You maybe need to specify if one is the highest going down the numbers. Have answered this on the basis one is top preference</p>
1623	Dec 01 2020 10:41 AM	<p>I haven't paid to park in angus and will not do so either. I rely on my car as I live rurally but have moved to shop online to avoid parking expense</p>
1624	Dec 01 2020 10:40 AM	<p>All parking should be free for short periods of time. This is required for all local shops.</p>
1625	Dec 01 2020 10:35 AM	<p>We need to encourage people back into our towns to support local businesses and economy, so the benefit of a 2hr free parking zone would be crucial.</p> <p>I own a small shop in an Angus town, if I pay for parking or purchase an annual permit that would be all my takings gone. The off street parking is all taken before 9am by local council Workers leaving me not much option but to close my shop permanently once reintroduced next year disgusting how can small local towns with small businesses survive</p>
1626	Dec 01 2020 10:29 AM	<p>Appreciate that council needs to raise funds, but this shouldn't be at the expense of retail businesses custom, hence my preference for a reasonable amount of free parking before fees kick in</p>
1627	Dec 01 2020 10:28 AM	<p>I think people finding alternative parking spots, ie parking on pavements/double parking on streets is a bigger problem.</p>
1628	Dec 01 2020 10:28 AM	
1629	Dec 01 2020 10:27 AM	

- 1630 Dec 01 2020 10:26 AM Free parking
- 1631 Dec 01 2020 10:18 AM Parking permits available for high St montrose parking bays for local High St residents, instead of extending the double yellow lines in the back streets making it harder than ever to get a space. ***** disgrace
Parking in/around high street should be free for residents it's a bit of a nightmare if you live in the town centre.
- 1632 Dec 01 2020 10:14 AM Also need more CCTV coverage because vandalism is getting worse.
Provide affordable parking for residents who need it - free or very cheap
- 1633 Dec 01 2020 10:09 AM residents parking permits for those without off-street parking. Plan for electric charge points for residents without off-street parking.
I cannot see why there is an issue with charging for parking in Angus. Are we exempt compared to other areas in Scotland ? All this propaganda about parking charges killing businesses is complete nonsense. Keep things as they are with those who use cars paying for parking, as I'm sure any reductions would result in all tax payers in the county footing the bill.
- 1634 Dec 01 2020 09:48 AM
- 1635 Dec 01 2020 09:46 AM Why not split the large car parks into short and long stay areas, perhaps with permit holder designated areas as well. Could be reviewed annually.

Q13 Please provide us with any other comments or suggestions you wish to share with us on our car parking review. If you require a response from us then please leave contact details, otherwise your survey responses will be anonymous.

small towns council tax permits year stop therefore feel street car don t empty
 support local cars work required S COVID area long stay go support
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 Arbroath local shops survey will minutes
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