

**2017 Review of Dittisham Parish Council Car Parks Operation
Extraction of Data Held be Clerk at 23/2/18**

Agreed Terms of Reference

- 1 Assess 2016/17 income in comparison with forecast and previous years.
- 2 Assess 2016/17 costs in comparison with forecast and previous years.
- 3 Review end of season public consultation responses and prior public feedback.
- 4 Consider impact on parking in the Village.
- 5 Consider enforcement operations
- 6 Consider whether tickets should be valid in both DPC car parks.
- 7 Review the operation of the permit system including:
the number of permits issued and
the operation of a virtual permit system.

1 Assess 2017/18 income in comparison with forecast and previous years.

1.1 2017/18 Car Park Income

	HCP	LCP
Actual to 1/ 2/18 machine & 20/2/18 RingGo	£19,960	£11,570
Forecast year end at Feb 18	£21,500	£12,400
Forecast 2017/18 budget	£17,000	£10,000
Actual 2016/17	£16,930	NA

1.2 Factors effecting income

- HCP & LCP commissioned 22/3/17
- LCP use commenced May 2017
- HCP Income 27% increase in 17/18 compared 16/17
- Enforcement by SHDC commenced 3 July 2017.
- HCP Tariff change

Current Tariffs (from 22/3/17)

Car Park	½ hour	1 hour	2 hours	3 hours	4 hours	All day	1800 to 0900
The Ham	50p	£1	£2	£3	£3.50	£5.00	no charge
The Level	n/a	£1	£2	£3	£3.50	£5.00	no charge
	Seven days / 168 hours £25						

Historical HCP Tariff

Up to four hours £2
Over four hours £4

1.3 Income/space

HCP	LCP	SHDC LCP
gross income per space (year end forecast at Feb 18)		£20,000 total (TBC)
25	18 paying spaces	£556 space
£858	£691 per space	

These figures are based on usage estimates – indicative only.

1.4 Proportion by sales method

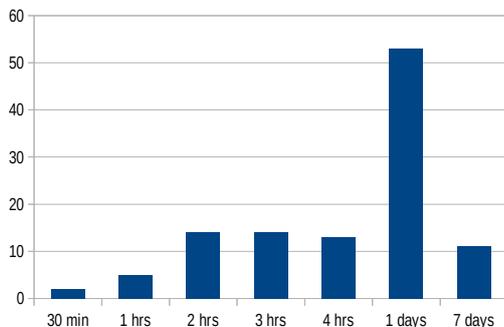
	HCP	LCP
total machine	14,592	5,832
total RingGo	2,712	5,738
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	17,304	11,569
RingGo % total	16%	50%

1.5 Tariff Breakdown - Machine

HCP	22/3/17 – 20/2/18		LCP	22/3/17 – 20/2/18	
TIME	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL	TIME	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
0.5	506	8%	1	559	25%
1	1407	23%	2	636	29%
2	1594	26%	3	337	15%
3	846	14%	4	294	13%
4	827	13%	ALL DAY	359	16%
ALL DAY	945	15%	7 DAYS	9	0%
7 DAYS	2	0%		2194	100%
	6127	100%			

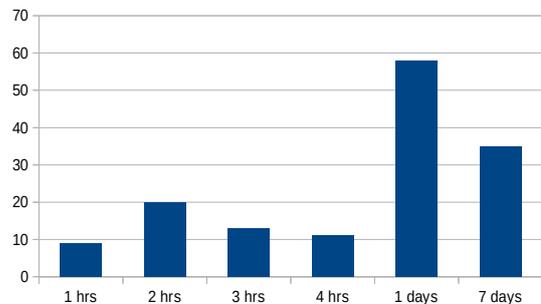
1.6 Tariff Breakdown – RingGo

The Ham Car Park
1 August 2017- 31 August 2017



Total - 112

The Level Car Park



Total - 146

1.7 Net Income forecast example

	HCP 2018/19	LCP 2018/19
Income		
machine receipts		
DSC Payment		
weekly permits		
cash		
	£21,000.00	£12,000.00
Expenditure		
maintenance	£423.00	£423.00
supervision	£600.00	£600.00
loan		£5,000.00
rates	£2,656.00	£2,516.00
reserve	£1,000.00	£1,300.00
	£4,679.00	£9,839.00
Net income	£16,321.00	£2,161.00

2 Assess 2017/18 costs in comparison with forecast and previous years.

HCP 2016/17	LCP 2016 17	HCP 2017/18	LCP 2017/18
Capital Expenses		Capital Expenses	
two machines	£7,890.00	line painting	£660.00
title & legal costs i	£40,825.00	signs+machine installation	£1,607.20
		Loan repayment	£17,815.00

3 Review end of season public consultation responses and prior public feedback.

End of season public consultation pending.

Prior feedback:

- Signage is inappropriate to the AONB

See permit feedback below.

4 Consider impact on parking in the Village.

- Public feedback to February 2018 meeting raised concerns about increased cars on Church end of Riverside Road April to October 2017.

5 Consider enforcement operations

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7 Review the operation of the permit system including: the number of permits issued and the operation of a virtual permit system.

Carers' permits were discussed in 2017 with a view to assisting those with need for home nursing support.

Public feedback regarding permits:

- those wanting a permit have to have the car (for which they want the permit) registered to an address in the local area where the parking is and provide proof through their car registration document. Everyone would have to apply in the same way. It is legal. If you look at Bristol there are options to get visitor permits up to a maximum number per year, some free then a cost per permit. They are only valid for a 'day'. It's a little bit of a minefield but does provide a very simple basis for the right to apply. The sailing club would fall foul of it but could perhaps have an allocation of visitor permits which are valid for fixed dates.

If someone has a home elsewhere where they have residents parking so do not want to register their car to their second home here, then they have a choice to make. It would of course work the other way and catch people who live here and have flats in London with residents parking. But then again there are very few full time properties here that actually need to have parking in the car parks.
- ...it's clear that car parking is more important than to others in Dittisham i.e. Those without parking like me! It doesn't seem unreasonable that those without a place to park might be given some priority over those who do. In addition it also seems unfair to discriminate those who are 2nd homeowners, we after all pay the same levels of council tax! ... We don't always come down in one car, although we do try. Is it so much to ask to have 2 tickets for car parking, especially if you can't interchange the ticket between cars. We should also consider the use of an annual ticket, perhaps with a fee of say £100 pa for those who are regular users of Dittisham but who don't have a home there. These are just a few quick thoughts,
- We keep a boat on the river at Dittisham Can we purchase a weekend parking ticket, so we would not have to go back to the Ham Car Park on a Saturday and Sunday morning to revisit the machine? Or do we have to park on Riverside Road, which seems to be getting very, very busy.
- Disturbing to hear that it is proposed to issue two parking vouchers to residents and only one to second home owners when we all pay the same council tax! Probably illegal discrimination!

Also worried by the complications and expense of the proposed new scheme. Surely we don't want to put people off coming to the village? A simple voucher issued to the owners of each property permitting parking by occupiers of their properties would be cheap and simple to operate. You could raise funds by charging for them (in which case they'd have to be voluntary).

Alternatively why not issue scratch cards which would be paid for by the property owners and enable their occupiers to use the car parks. A widely adopted solution where the user writes in the registration number and scratches off the date and times.

Either way please have regard to the importance of encouraging people to come to and love Dittisham!

And yes as previously indicated I appreciate that the P.C. has to raise funds to service its debts,
- ...I have taken legal advice. I am sure you are aware of the Wednesbury Corporation case which put briefly decided that a Council must not act patently unfairly between its constituents. To do so would be ultra vires. Whereas at the time the original parking scheme was introduced residents paid council tax at a higher rate than second home owners, therefore it was not unreasonable to give them more parking. This is no longer the case. Second

home owners pay the full rate of council tax and therefore to differentiate against them by allowing them less parking is patently unfair and probable ultra vires. I would comment here that it is also in many ways illogical.

... The D.P.C. scheme as currently proposed would mean for example that I could not share the cottage ... and I am sure there will be plenty of similar situations. Furthermore the restrictive on line registration scheme will be a big turn off quite apart from the cost. However may I suggest in a spirit of compromise that the D.P.C. issue two four car permits to all households, thus getting over the legality point?