

Draft Parking Management Plan for East Dunbartonshire

Evidence

Overarching

High car ownership in East Dunbartonshire – 630 cars available per 1000 people aged 17+.
Concerns raised about pavement parking and inconsiderate parking across the area.

Town Centres

Concerns were raised about effect of parking charges on town centre footfall. Analysis in Kirkintilloch and Milngavie showed that footfall sustained following introduction of parking charges.

Rail Stations

Five stations in East Dunbartonshire have associated parking. Common concerns raised about capacity and effect on nearby residential streets prior to the pandemic.

Schools

37% of pupils driven at least part of the way to school in East Dunbartonshire. Major safety concerns for parents due to the volume and nature of parked vehicles outside schools.

Parking Policies

Overarching

1. Operate a Parking Management Hierarchy

7. Continue to operate Pay & Display in off-street car parks

Town Centres

2. Carry out enforcement on restrictions that have been made through the Parking Management Hierarchy

8. Review the Pay & Display scheme to determine if it should be expanded

Rail Stations

4. Support an enhanced electric vehicle public charging network

10. Suspend parking charges for key events and activities

Schools

6. Ensure provision of sheltered cycle parking at key locations

12. Introduce on-street parking charges where appropriate

3. Implement and enforce the parking bans included in Part 6 of the Transport (Scotland) Act 2019

9. Manage all Council car parks to ensure proper use

5. Require electric vehicle charging infrastructure in new developments

11. Keep town centres clear to create people friendly environments

13. Support access to rail stations by active travel

16. Encourage more journeys to be made by active and sustainable modes in line with the Schools Access Hierarchy

14. Manage parking issues on streets near rail stations in line with the Parking Management Hierarchy

17. Encourage and promote more responsible and safe parking in the vicinity of schools

15. Maximise use of existing car parks and investigate increasing capacity

18. Review parking restrictions in place and consider need for further restrictions at each school

This policy has a supporting action to deliver a pilot programme of traffic-free schools to improve safety and encourage active travel to school.

Information and next steps

This Draft Parking Management Plan sets out a coordinated Council approach to dealing with parking management and enforcement. It outlines the evidence base, current Council practices and the roles and responsibilities of key groups involved. In addition, the Draft Plan includes some new policies and actions for parking.

The Council is therefore raising awareness of the Council's current practices and actions for parking and seeking comments on new initiatives to help shape the final Plan. **The issues being consulted on specifically are highlighted in red on this page.**

Get Involved

Survey

The Council would like to hear your views on the aspects of the Plan which propose new practices and initiatives. Please view the Draft Plan in full and share your views through our website: www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk/draft-parking-management-plan-consultation

