

Report of the Interim Deputy Chief Executive

PARKING SERVICES ANNUAL UPDATE

1. Purpose of report

To provide Committee with a general update on parking services including shared service arrangements.

2. Broxtowe Detail

The Council currently has 28 town centre car parks and 2 car parks near to Beeston train station. Further financial and statistical information is given in appendices 1 and 2.

3. Shared service arrangements

In addition to managing the Council's 30 car parks and the Council's CCTV service, the Parking Services team also manages Rushcliffe Borough Council's car parks and manages on-street enforcement on behalf of Nottinghamshire County Council in both Broxtowe and Rushcliffe. These arrangements began in June 2008 and October 2014 respectively, and generate the income highlighted in appendix 1. Further details are given in appendix 3.

4. Recent developments

A new 60 space public car park was opened in August 2018 at Technology Drive, Beeston (next to Beeston train station). The capital costs were borne by the developers of the Beeston Business Park. Appendix 2 contains a graph showing very encouraging growth in usage since its opening. The original forecast was for annual income to be in the range £10,000 to £30,000 per annum. It is currently on track for annual income in excess of £20,000 per annum.

Victoria Street car park in Eastwood will be resurfaced in the current financial year and, subject to the council's annual budgetary processes it is hoped to instigate a programme of resurfacing one car park every year.

5. Financial implications

The financial implications are set out in the appendices. In future years the growth in income from the new Technology Drive car park is likely to be offset by the loss of two temporary car parks in Beeston when the Square Phase 2 is re-developed. However, arrangements are being made with the purchasers of the residential site to keep the two car parks open until actual construction starts.

Recommendation

The Committee is asked to NOTE this report.

Background papers

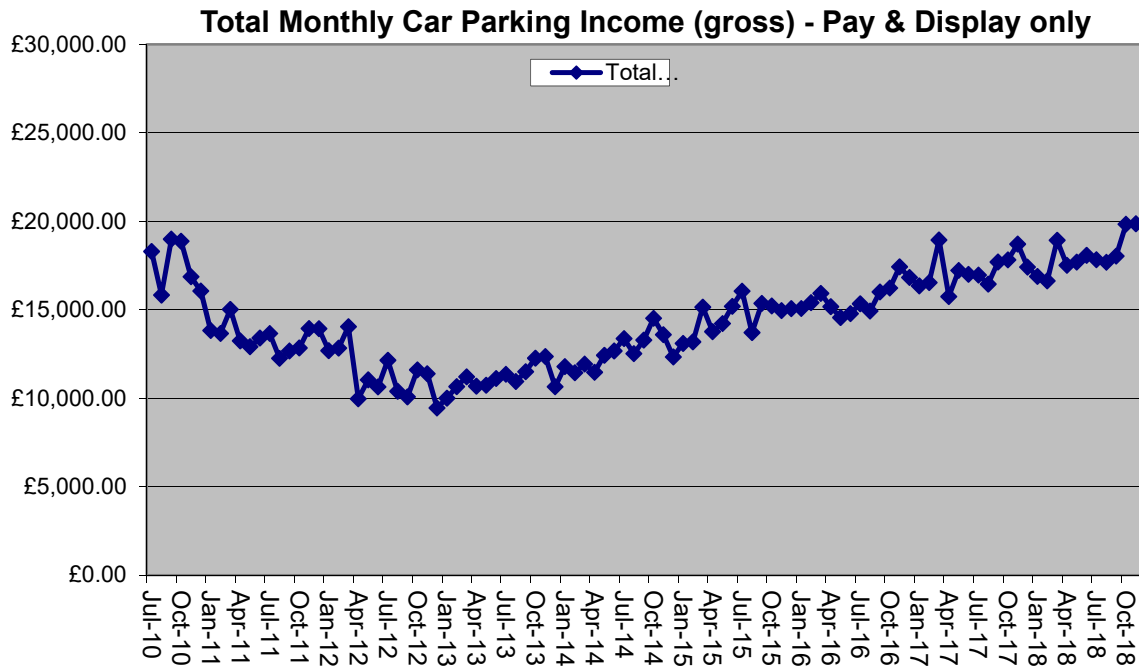
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APPENDIX 1

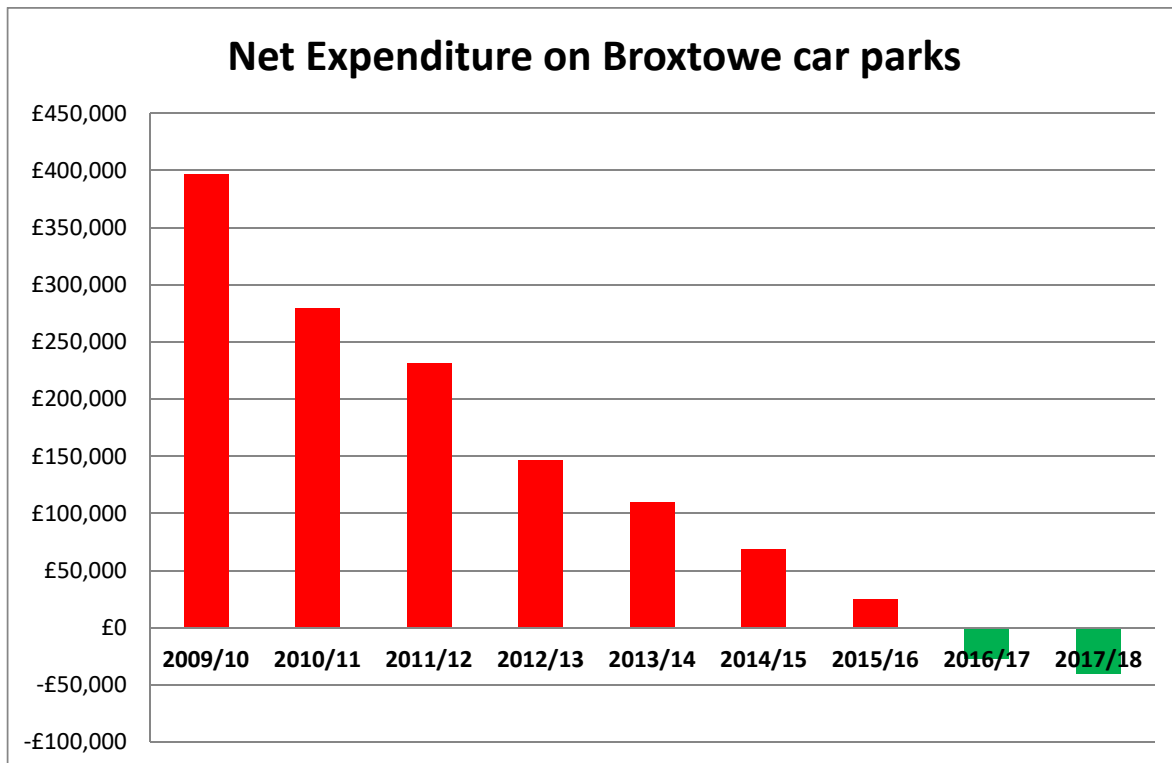
Broxtowe off-street car park data for 2017/18 and 2016/17

General Car Park Information	2017/18	2016/17
Number of car parks	29	29
Total number of spaces (inc. blue badge)	828	828
Total number of blue badge spaces	72	72
Total number of charging spaces	726	726
Number of Pay & Display machines	29	29
Pay and Display Use		
Total number of Pay & Display tickets purchased or free 1hr vouchers issued	750,381	735,695
Total Pay & Display Income (net)	£176,451.20	£161,365.04
% using free hour	77.5%	78.7%
% paying £1.00	16.6%	15.8%
% paying £1.50	2.6%	2.2%
% paying £2.00	3.2%	3.2%
% paying £3 plus (Beeston train station)	0.1%	0.1%
Penalty Charge Notices (PCN)/Permits		
PCN's issued	4,017	3,795
PCN Income	£122,405.20	£101,540.23
Parking Permit income (net)	£14,136.41	£8,930.16
Income from NCC/Rushcliffe BC	£60,936.49	£60,936.49
Total Income	£373,929.30	£332,771.92
Costs		
Direct Employee Expenses (operatives)	£68,400.00	£62,600.00
Repairs and Maintenance	£76,266.93	£78,456.83
Utilities	£50,731.83	£60,162.54
Cash Collection	£13,436.16	£17,782.56
PCN Processing charges	£26,913.90	£24,038.68
Total Expenditure	£235,748.82	£243,040.61
Net Cost of Service	-£138,180.48	-£89,731.31

Broxtowe off-street car park income trends 2010-2018

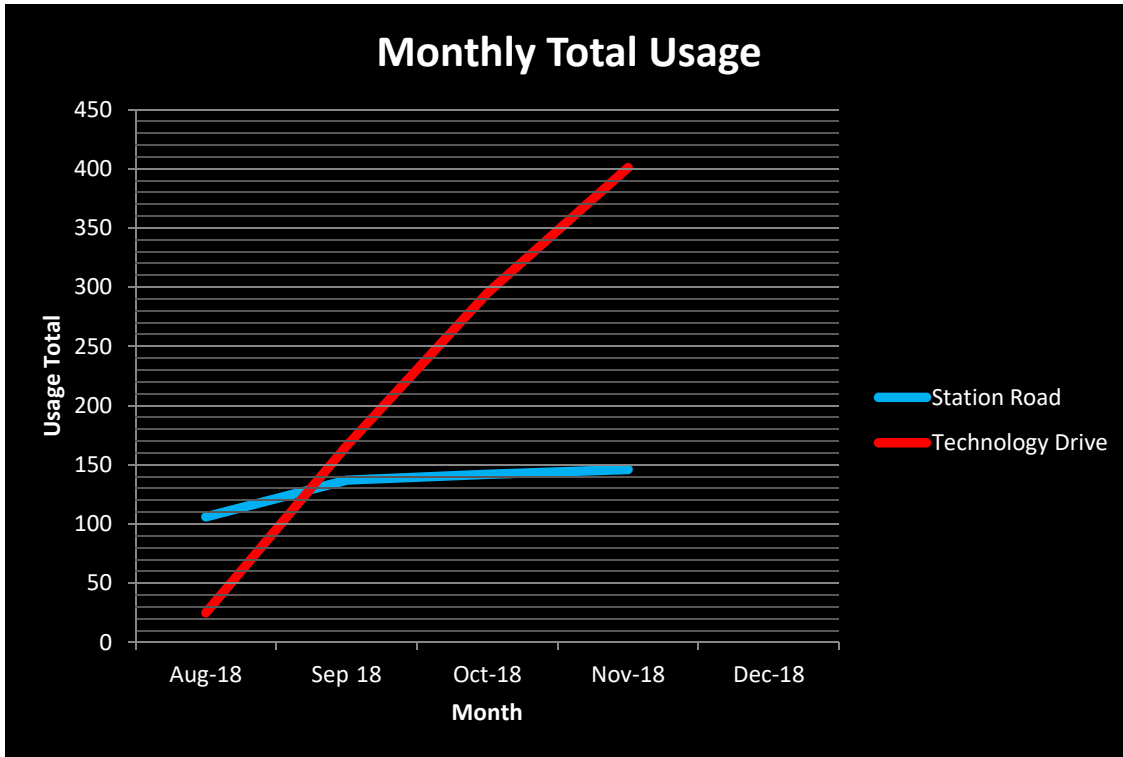


Net cost of Parking Services 2009/10 to 2017/18



Note: The 2016/17 and 2017/18 figures shown on the above graph differ to the bottom lines shown in Appendix 1 due to a different treatment of recharges to other departments and nominal capital costs. These are included in all the years shown above, but not in Appendix 1.

Usage of car parks adjacent to Beeston Train Station



APPENDIX 3Shared service arrangements

The Council's arrangements with Nottinghamshire County Council date back to June 2008 when Civil Parking Enforcement was introduced across the County. Broxtowe Borough Council manages on-street car parking enforcement in Broxtowe on behalf of the County Council. In October 2014 this arrangement was extended to include the management of on-street parking in Rushcliffe.

The Council's arrangements with Rushcliffe Borough Council date back to October 2014 since when Broxtowe Borough Council has managed Rushcliffe's off-street car parks. This includes management of capital projects such as the installation of new pay and display machines, and management of complex projects such as:-

- Introduction of new off-street car park orders
- Revision of car parking tariffs
- Introduction of car parking charges outside of West Bridgford

The main advantages to this Council of these shared service arrangements are as follows:

- Income for Broxtowe Borough Council (see appendix 1)
- Increased resilience (pays for a second member of office staff)
- Greater voice for Broxtowe in countywide discussions as Broxtowe staff are representing two authorities
- Economies of scale in procurement (for example bulk purchase of pay and display tickets)

Both partnerships are overseen by officer boards with regular board meetings.