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Waterford City & County Council

**DO: GACH BALL DE CHEANTAR CATHRACH PHORT LÁIRGE
TO: EACH MEMBER OF THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF WATERFORD**

Draft Waterford Metropolitan District Control of Parking Bye-Laws 2023 - Commencement of Process

The current Control of Parking Bye-Laws have recently been reviewed and the proposed amendments set out below have also been brought to the Transport & Infrastructure SPC. Your approval to commence the statutory process for public consultation of the draft bye-laws is required.

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Director of Services,
Roads, Water and Environment.
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Review of Waterford Metropolitan District Council Control of Parking Bye-Laws 2019		
Bye-Law	Proposed Amendment	Reason for Amendment
Part 1 No. 5 Interpretation	Insertion of S.I. No. 325/2014 – Road Traffic (Traffic and Parking) (Car Clubs and Electrically Powered Vehicles) Regulations 2014.	Update of legislation.
Part 1 No. 5 Interpretation	<i>Insert “Electrically Powered Vehicle”</i>	Inclusion of definition as assigned to it by Article 4 of the National Regulations.
Part 1 No. 5 Interpretation	Insert “Electrically Powered Vehicle Recharging Bay”	Inclusion of definition as assigned to it by Article 4 of the National Regulations.
Part 1 No. 5 Interpretation	Remove “Exemption Permit”	No longer in use.
Part 1 No. 5 Interpretation	Insert “Loading Bay”	Inclusion of definition as assigned to it by Article 4 of the National Regulations.
Part 1 No. 5 Interpretation	Insert “Valid Virtual Parking Ticket” means a ticket issued by means of phone/App/Pay and Display machine where parking has been registered at the commencement of the parking period by phone interface or other with Waterford City and County Council by use of the designated parking App or by any other means that may be provided by the Council whereby a physical Pay and Display ticket is not required”	Definition required for new parking App and vehicle registration entry pay & display machines.
Part II Pay Parking General 6 (1) (e)	Remove “This bye-law shall not apply to a pay and display ticket parking place where the pay and display parking ticket machine for that pay and display ticket parking place is temporarily suspended from operation save where another pay and display parking ticket machine is provided at that pay and display ticket parking place or pay by app is available”	Bye-law no longer required, sufficient number of alternative machines and other options available.
Part II Pay Parking General (11)	Inclusion of new bye-law “Tramore – Turkey Road as per Schedule 1 – the parking of Motor homes, Motor Caravans and Camper Vans are only permitted during the hours 08.00 to 22.00 hours, no overnight parking allowed. Camping equipment including awnings, tables, chairs, generators and any other equipment shall not be placed on the public footpath/road at any time.	To prohibit campervans parking overnight on Turkey Road and allow enforcement by An Garda Síochána on behalf of WCCC.
Part IV Pay by Phone Parking 13.(1) 14. (1) (2) (3) (4)	Include “Virtual”	Description required for new parking app and enforcement.

Part V Parking Permit for Residents 21.(6)	Amendment of bye-law “where a residential development complex is provided and significant off street parking forms part of the development, a resident’s parking permit shall not be issued. unless and until the resident demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Council the non-availability of such off street parking”	Residents parking permits are not provided to residents of apartment complexes where off street parking is provided by the developer. The amendment of the bye-law is required to delete the last part of the sentence as the Council is not in a position to match the potential corresponding parking spaces.
Part VIII Miscellaneous 43. Disabled persons parking bay	Include addition to bye-law see text in red “A person shall not stop or park a vehicle, or cause such vehicle to be stopped or parked in a disabled person’s parking bay, without having on display a valid disabled person’s parking permit issued pursuant to Article 43 of the Regulations of 1997. The vehicle shall be parked for the convenience of the person to whom that permit was granted. A vehicle displaying a valid disabled persons permit shall not be parked for longer than is specified on the information plate, if any, or is a prohibited vehicle”	Campervans are currently prohibited from parking on the Prom in Tramore and this includes campervans parking in disabled parking bays displaying a disabled parking permit. This bye-law is being amended to allow enforcement of same.
Part VIII Miscellaneous 46. Non Application of bye-laws to specified vehicles No. (5)	Remove “(iv) a valid exemption permit”	Exemption permits no longer in use.
Part VIII Miscellaneous 46. Non Application of bye-laws to specified vehicles No. (7)	Insert new bye-law “An electrically powered vehicle while actively charging at a designated charging point”	Inclusion to specify charging of electric vehicles.
SCHEDULE 1 – Tramore	Insert “Any designated campervan site provided by the Council” Tariff J	To provide a charging regime for future designated campervan parking facilities.
SCHEDULE 1 – Tramore	Insert Turkey Road Tariff H	Inclusion of Turkey Road to locations schedule to allow enforcement, the tariff is Free.
SCHEDULE 2 Parking Ticket Fees	Amendment to Tariff F to include months “April, May”	To extend the pay and display parking by 2 months to include April and May to reflect the commencement of the busy summer season. No change to rate.
SCHEDULE 2 Parking Ticket Fees	Insert new tariff “H” Parking Fee Free Monday to Sunday 24 hours – no overnight parking for campervans between the hours of 22.00 to 08.00 Monday to Sunday. No maximum Stay.	To eliminate overnight campervan parking on Turkey Road and other locations as required.
SCHEDULE 2 Parking Ticket Fees	Insert new tariff “J” Parking Fee €15 for 24 hours Monday to Sunday April, May, June, July, August, September Maximum Stay 48 hours	To provide an overnight rate for campervans in designated parking spaces.