## EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

## LEAD MEMBER – TRANSPORT AND ENVIRONMENT POLICY SUMMARY

## PROVISION OF SPECIAL ON-STREET PARKING BAYS FOR BLUE BADGE HOLDERS

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Purpose of Policy

This policy sets out a practice for providing special parking facilities in addition to those automatically available through national legislation.

Specific Policies

- 1. Special parking bays shall not normally be provided in shopping streets where there is a high demand for general parking to serve local businesses and any bay is unlikely to remain available for use by a specific applicant.
- 2. Where there is an established need, a special parking bay may be provided for drivers or passengers holding a Blue Badge. However, the prime responsibility in providing a parking facility should rest with the Blue Badge holder if suitable private "off-street" parking is available.
- 3. The need for a bay in terms of traffic problems shall be determined by the Director of Transport and Environment. Where necessary, a mobility/needs assessment and a report recommending provision or otherwise of a bay shall be sought.
- 4. Advisory bays shall be provided as a general rule, although Traffic Regulation Orders may be promoted in particular circumstances.
- 5. All special parking bays shall be subject to periodic reviews to establish the continuing need.
- 6 No charge shall be made for the provision of a special on-street parking space for a Blue Badge holder.

Supporting Statement

The holder of a Blue Badge may be a disabled driver or passenger, a registered blind passenger or a club or organisation which conveys disabled or blind passengers.

The following additional parking facilities are available through national legislation:-

[a] For a period of up to 3 hours on a single or a double yellow line, which is not in a mandatory bus or cycle lane nor where loading restrictions apply.

[b] Without charge or limit on duration at a voucher or pay and display space or in a length of street where there is a time limit imposed on other users.

References – Further Information	<u>Date of</u> <u>Approval</u>
Highways & Transportation Committee - Agenda Item 7 Highways & Transportation Committee - Agenda Item 21 Lead Member for Transport and Environment - Agenda Item 10	01.03.1977 15.03.1995 06.11.2006