

EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

LEAD MEMBER – TRANSPORT AND ENVIRONMENT POLICY SUMMARY

PROVISION OF SPECIAL ON-STREET PARKING BAYS FOR BLUE BADGE HOLDERS	PS4/18
<u>Purpose of Policy</u> <p>This policy sets out a practice for providing special parking facilities in addition to those automatically available through national legislation.</p>	
<u>Specific Policies</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">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.	
<u>Supporting Statement</u> <p>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.</p> <p>The following additional parking facilities are available through national legislation:-</p> <p>[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.</p> <p>[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.</p>	
<u>References – Further Information</u> Highways & Transportation Committee - Agenda Item 7 Highways & Transportation Committee - Agenda Item 21 Lead Member for Transport and Environment - Agenda Item 10	<u>Date of Approval</u> 01.03.1977 15.03.1995 06.11.2006