

## CABINET MEMBER DECISION

(17/09/2021)

KEY DECISION: NO

### Suspension of Disabled Bays in Lichfield City Centre

<b>1. Decision: To extend suspension of Disabled bays on Market street, Conduit Street, Tamworth Street and Bore Street in Lichfield City Centre</b>
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- 1.1 To extend the current suspension of on street disabled bay parking in place on Market Street, Tamworth Street, Conduit Street and Bore Street in Lichfield City Centre until 30 September 2022.
- 1.2 The Bays were suspended in July 2020 in consultation with the highways authority Staffordshire County Council in response to the CV19 pandemic.
- 1.3 Any lost on street disabled parking bays will be accommodated for on Bird Street Car Park and Lombard streets Car Park.

<b>2. Statement of Reasons:</b>
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- 2.1 In July 2020, the on-street parking bays were suspended by the District Council in consultation with the Highway Authority, Staffordshire County Council in line with Covid guidelines. This was to enable additional pedestrian space to be provided for residents to socially distance during the Covid 19 Pandemic and to encourage shoppers safely back into the city centre.
- 2.2. The suspension of the bays will support 18 local businesses who have a pavement licence on these streets, currently active until September 2021. The extension of the suspension of the bays will allow the pavement licenses to stay in place until September 30 2022, in line with the Business and Planning Act 2020 (Pavement Licences) (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 extend temporary pavement licence provisions to 30 September 2022.

<b>3. Any Alternative Options:</b>
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- 3.1. To not extend the current suspension of the disabled bays that lapse on 30 September 2021, resulting in 18 local businesses having to reapply to the District council for a pavement licences and reapply to the county council for a suspension of a disabled bay to accommodate outside dining.

**Cllr Elizabeth Little, Cabinet Member for Major Projects**  
**Date of Decision: 17 September 2021**