

# **Public notice**

# Introduction of parking charges in parks

The London Borough of Southwark (Off-street parking places) (Parks) (No. \*) Order 201\*

- 1. Southwark Council hereby GIVES NOTICE that it proposes to make the above order under sections 6, 35 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984<sup>1</sup>, as amended.
- 2. The general effect of the order would be:-
- (a) to introduce a parking charge of £2.00 per hour, payable using 'Pay by Phone', which would apply at any time in the following off-street parking places:-

BELAIR PARK CAR PARK - Gallery Road, London SE21;

BURGESS PARK CAR PARK - Albany Road, London SE5;

DULWICH PARK CAR PARK - College Road, London SE21;

HONOR OAK SPORTS GROUND CAR PARK - Honor Oak Park, London SE23:

PECKHAM RYE CAR PARK - Straker's Road, London SE15; and

SOUTHWARK PARK CAR PARK - Hawkstone Road, London SE16;

Vehicles would be required to park wholly within parking bay markings within these off-street parking places.

- (b) to provide disabled persons' parking bays, in which vehicles displaying a valid disabled person's badge may be left without time limit or charge, in all of the above off-street parking places;
- (c) to provide a solo motor cycle parking bay, in which solo motor cycles may be left without time limit or charge, in DULWICH PARK CAR PARK; and
- (d) to provide loading bays, in which vehicles may load or unload for up to 30 minutes at any time without charge, provided no vehicle returns to a loading bay within 1 hour, in DULWICH PARK CAR PARK and SOUTHWARK PARK CAR PARK.
- 3. For more information please contact the Council's Parks and Leisure team by e-mail parks@southwark.gov.uk.
- 4. Copies of this notice, the proposed order, a statement of the Council's reasons for making the order and a plan of the proposals may be found online at <a href="http://www.southwark.gov.uk/trafficorders">http://www.southwark.gov.uk/trafficorders</a>, paper copies may be obtained from or viewed at Highways, Environment and Leisure, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor hub 2, 160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH. E-mail <a href="mailto:traffic.orders@southwark.gov.uk">traffic.orders@southwark.gov.uk</a> (or call 020 7525 3497) for details.
- 5. Anyone wishing to object to or make any other representations regarding the proposal, may use the form labelled 'Parking Road traffic and highway schemes responding to statutory consultation notices' at <a href="https://forms.southwark.gov.uk/">https://forms.southwark.gov.uk/</a> or send a statement in writing to: Traffic order consultations, Highways, Southwark Council, Environment and Leisure, P.O. Box 64529, London SE1P 5LX or by e-mail to <a href="mailto:traffic.orders@southwark.gov.uk">traffic.orders@southwark.gov.uk</a> quoting reference 'TMO1920-001 Parks Parking' by 6 May 2019. Please note that if you wish to object to this proposal you must state, in writing, the grounds on which your objection is made.
- Under the requirements of current access to information legislation, any letter or e-mail sent to the Council in response to this Notice may be subject to publication or disclosure, or both, including communication to other persons affected.

Dated 11 April 2019

Nicky Costin - Parking and Network Management Business Unit Manager, Regulatory Services

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 1984 c.27

# Statement of reasons Introduction of parking charges in parks



The London Borough of Southwark (Off-street parking places) (Parks) (No. \*) Order 201\*

Off-street car parking within the London Borough of Southwark's parks provides a small but appreciated service to the low proportion of visitors who choose to drive by car to Southwark's parks. However, the provision of that service has a cost that is met by the wider public, irrespective of how they travel to Southwark's parks.

In the case of Southwark's parks those costs include sweeping, maintenance of roads and car park surfaces, signing and lining and the deployment of Civil Enforcement Officers to deter dangerous or obstructive parking to manage parking when demand for space exceeds supply.

Those costs need to be met by someone and this report recommends that someone should be the user of the carpark. Whilst many motorists expect car parking to be free, the limits on space, costs involved and demand for spaces mean that car parking needs to be managed properly. Often the most effective way to do this is by the introduction of parking control measures and charging for parking which recognises:

- the value of a car parking space;
- the needs of other users of the facility;
- the environmental impact of driving; and
- the need to maintain and improve car parks by reinvesting income.

It is noted that the provision of parking within these six parks is a historical one from an era when the negative impacts of car ownership (health, congestion, pollution) were not understood. If these parks were built today, in inner London, they would undoubtedly provide for blue badge (disabled) parking but they would not have general use parking bays installed - in recognition that green space within a park is far more valuable than car parking space. This is demonstrated in the recently completed Burgess Park West project which has delivered the successful removal of New Church Road in favour of increased green space.

As well as providing a fairer funding arrangement, the introduction of parking control measures and parking charges will offer additional benefits:

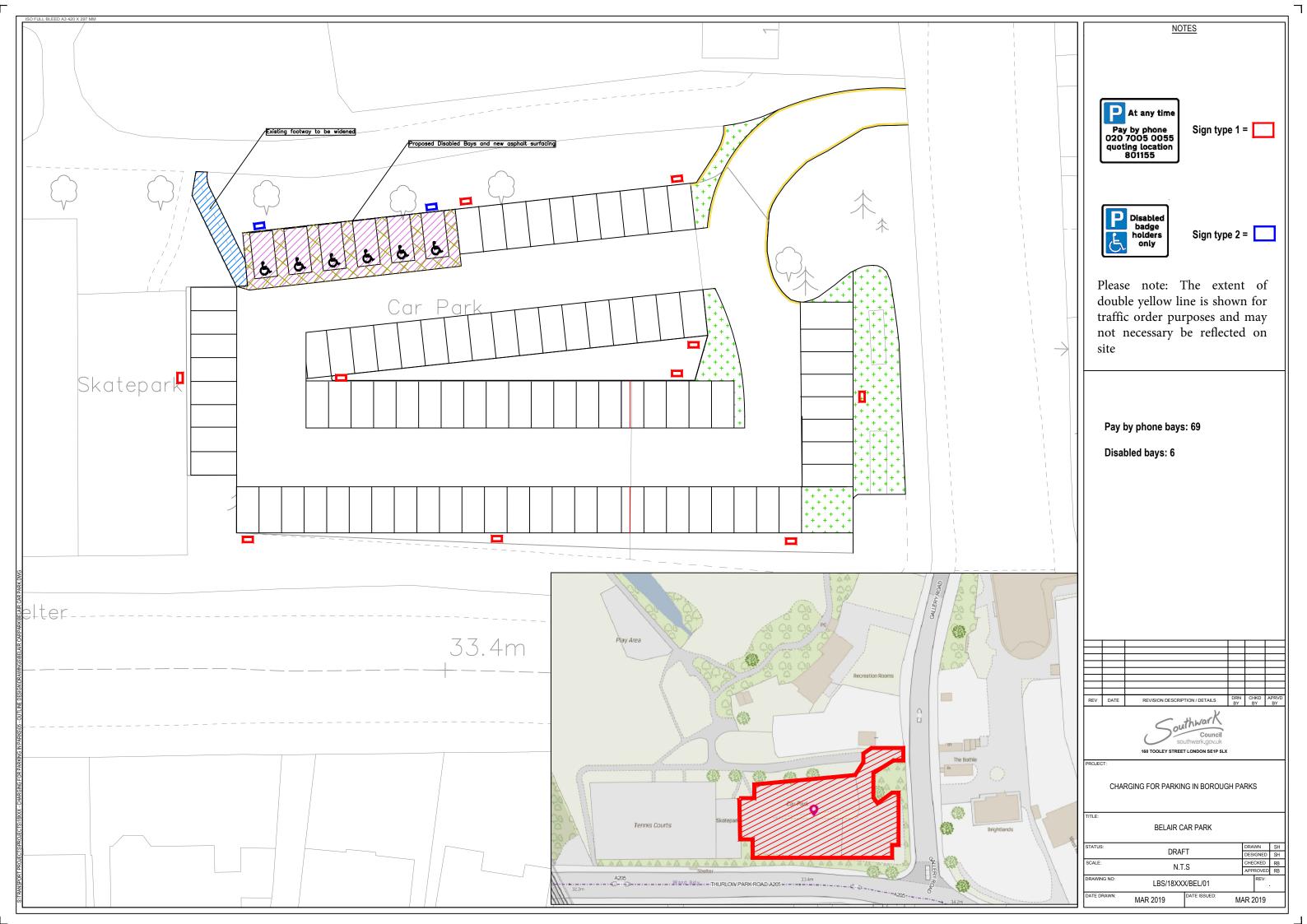
- the new controls will be help ensure fair access to parking spaces for visitors to the parks, by discouraging commuter and non-leisure users who make it difficult for people who need to use cars to get there;
- it will trigger an improved turnover of parking spaces by motorists visiting the public parks (i.e. regulation of parking spaces providing more spaces per day for more visitors).
- it will reduce abuse of disabled parking spaces, by making sure spaces are enforced and available for genuine Blue Badge holders;
- it will likely cause an increase in visitors arriving by more sustainable modes of transport leading to less congestion and cleaner streets and parks;
- it will help ensure self-sustaining costs of car parking provision (including enforcement) and maintenance, such as repair of car park area within the public parks; and
- revenue made from the introduced parking charges can be re-invested to improve the parking facilities in road safety, Highways maintenance and road improvements projects.

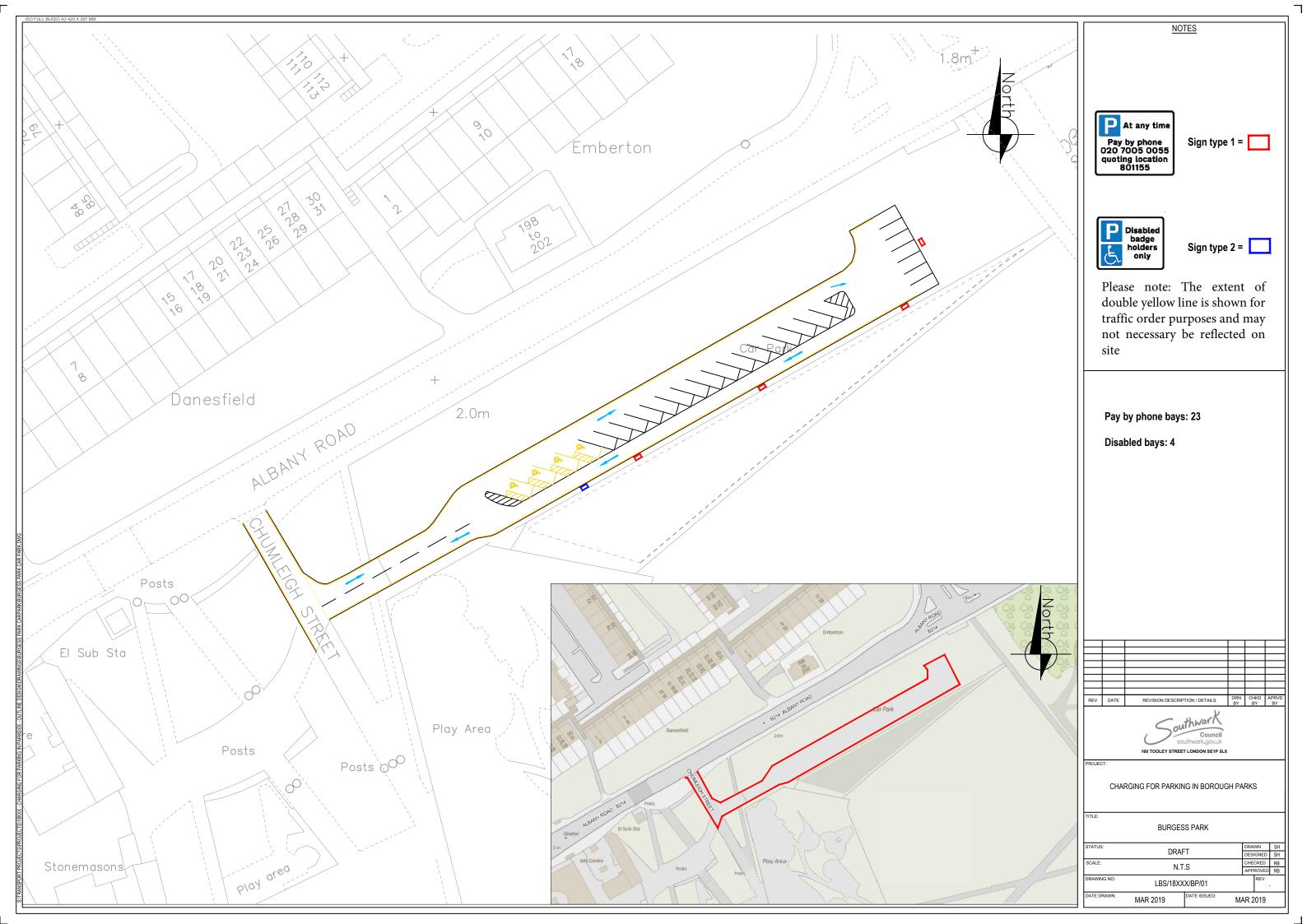
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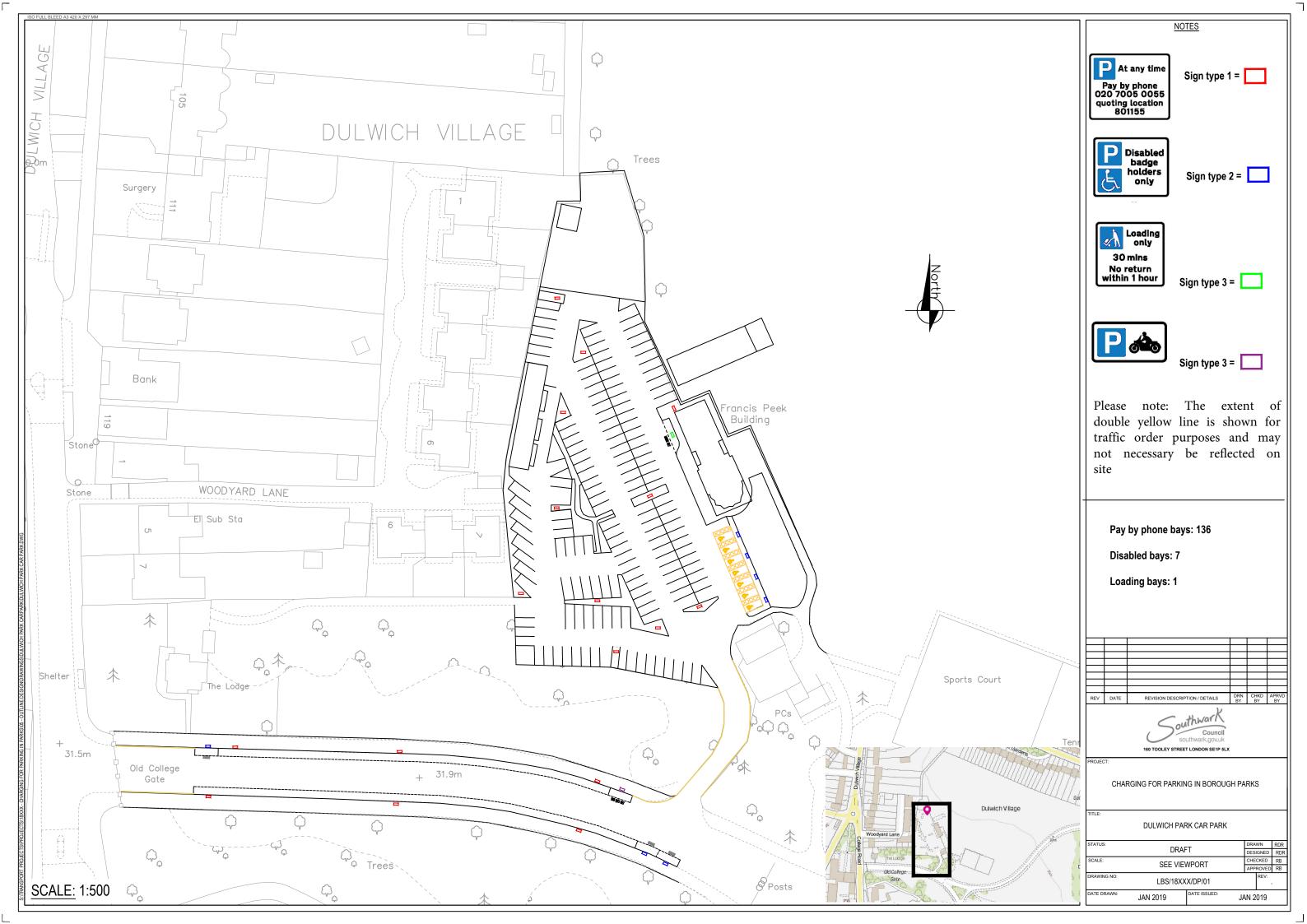
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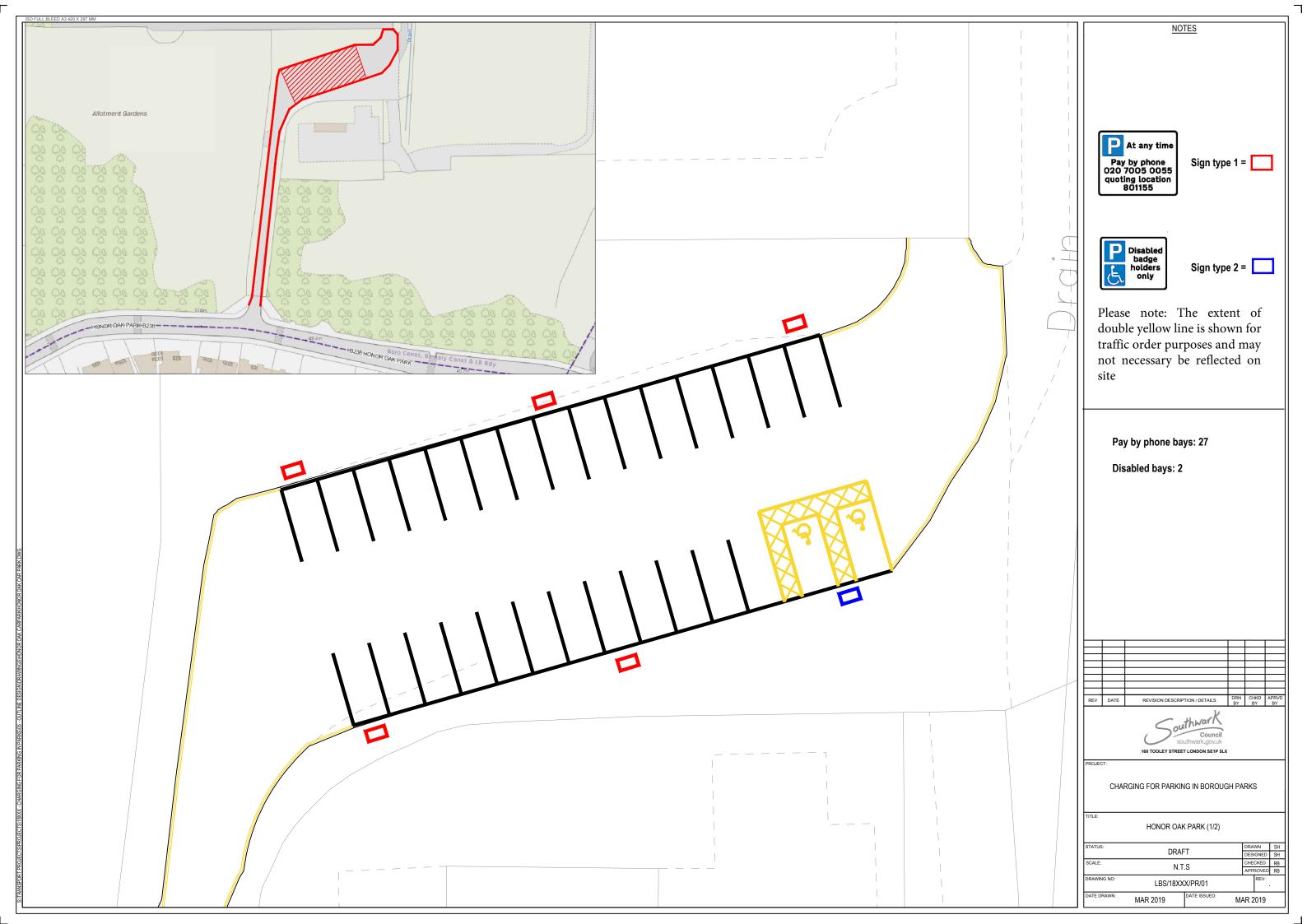
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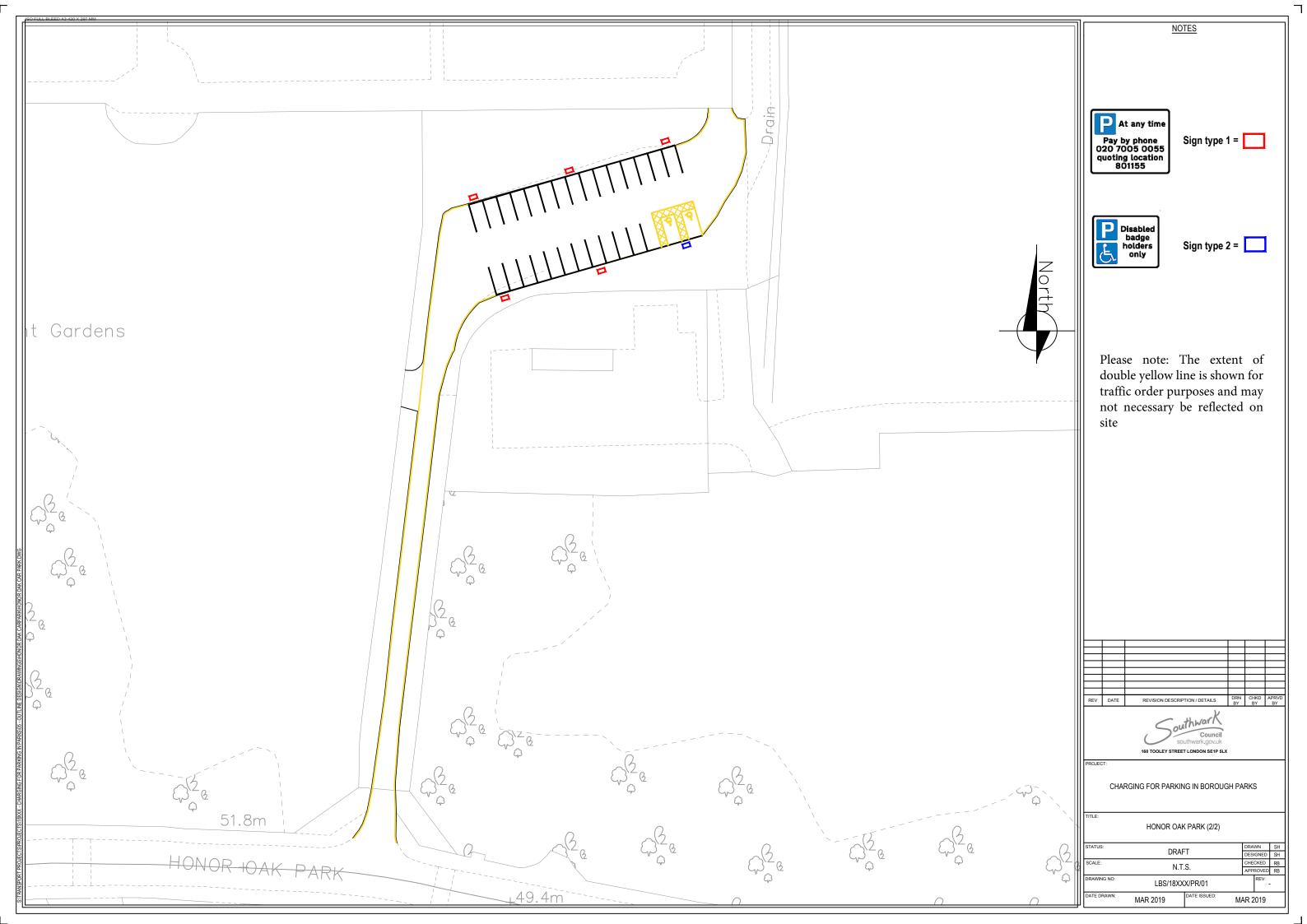
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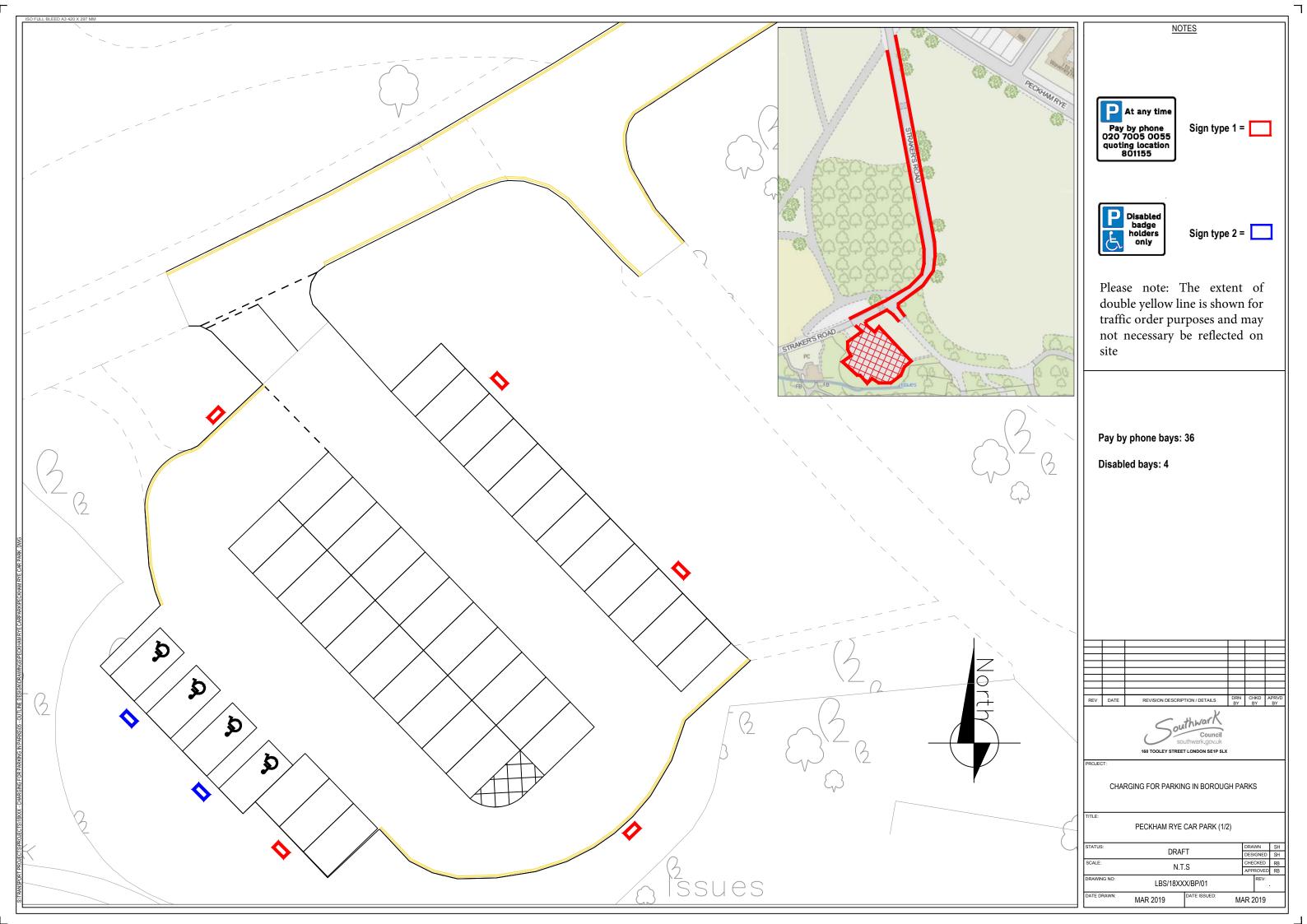


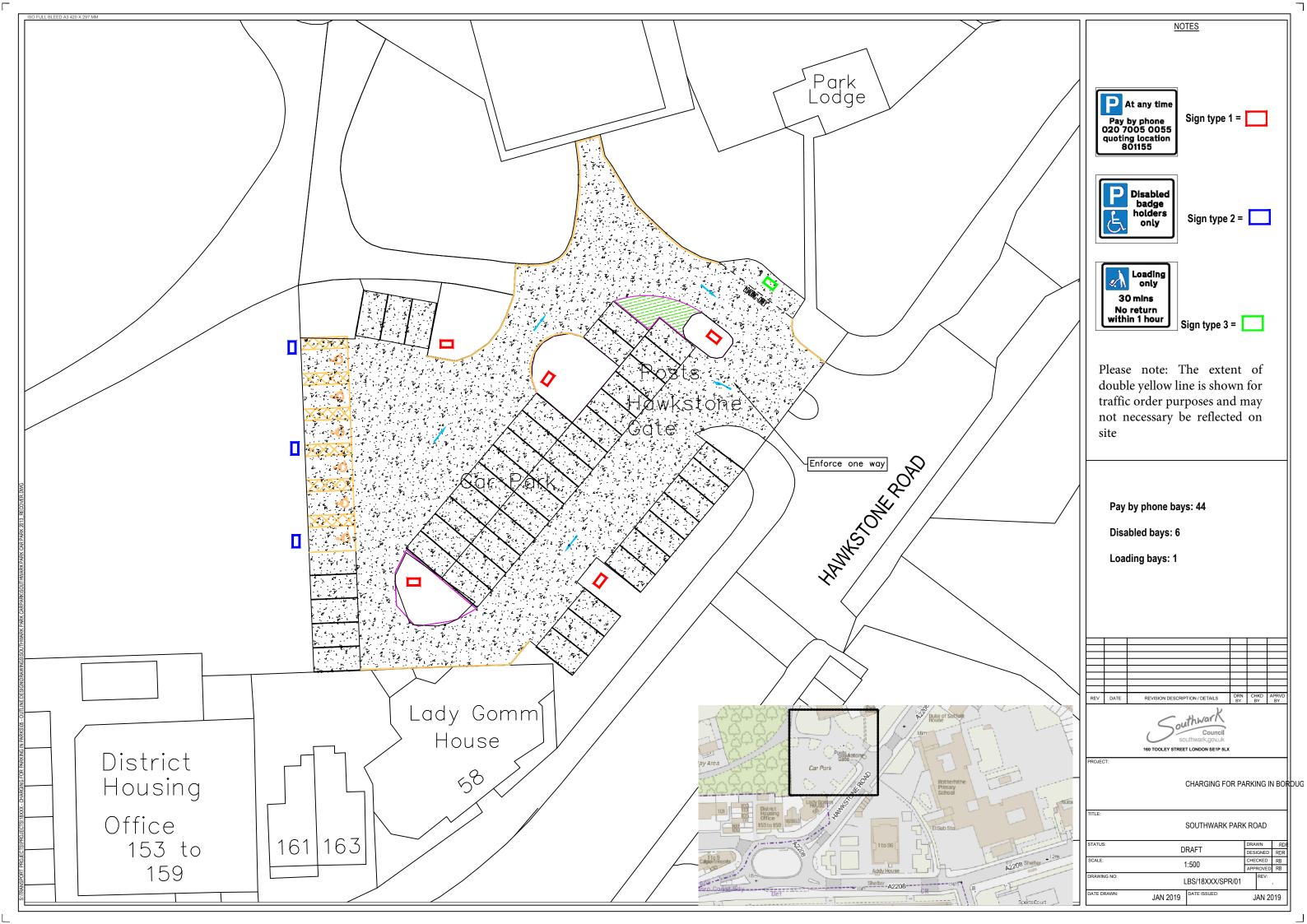














#### THE COUNCIL OF THE LONDON BOROUGH OF SOUTHWARK

### TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ORDER

201\* No. 0\*\*

The London Borough of Southwark (Off-Street Parking Places) (Parks) (No. 1) Order 201\*

Made: 201\*

Coming into force: 201\*

The Council of the London Borough of Southwark, after consulting the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 35 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984<sup>a</sup>, as amended, and of all other powers thereunto enabling hereby make the following Order:

#### Citation and commencement

1.1 This Order may be cited as the London Borough of Southwark (Off-Street Parking Places) (Parks) (No. 1) Order 201\*, and shall come into force on 201\*.

#### Interpretation

2.1 In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires:-

"chargeable hours" means the times specified in column (2) of an item in the Schedule to this Order and in relation to the respective off-street parking place specified in column (1) of that item;

"civil enforcement officer" means a person authorised by or on behalf of the Council to supervise any parking place and enforce the provisions of this Order;

"Council" means the Council of the London Borough of Southwark;

"disabled person's badge" has the same meaning as in the Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Exemptions for Disabled Persons) (England and Wales) Regulations 2000<sup>b</sup>;

"driver", in relation to a vehicle waiting in an off-street parking place, means the person driving the vehicle at the time it was left in the off-street parking place;

"electronic payment system" means an electronic system, using a telephone connection or electronic application set up and maintained by a service provider and which can transmit data to and receive data from hand-held devices whereby:

(a) the driver of a vehicle, or some other person authorised by that driver on their behalf, uses a telephone or electronic apparatus to communicate with the service provider and make payment of the parking charge in respect of a specified vehicle, a specified parking

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<sup>1984</sup> c.27

b SI 2000/683

- place and for a specified parking period by use of a debit or credit card, in accordance with instructions given by the service provider at the time of using the system; and
- (b) the service provider, on behalf of the Council, accepts payment of the parking charge by the method referred to in paragraph (a) of this definition and records such payment together with the parking period for which payment has been made, the parking place in which the vehicle is left, and the registration mark of the vehicle in respect of which payment has been made;

"goods" means goods of any kind whether animate or inanimate and includes postal packets of any description and "delivering" and "collecting" in relation to any goods includes checking the goods for the purpose of their delivery or collection;

"goods vehicle" has the same meaning as in Schedule 1 to the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016<sup>c</sup>;

"hand-held device" means a wireless hand-held computer used by a civil enforcement officer, which is programmed to interface with the electronic payment system;

"loading bay" means any part of an off-street parking place indicated by means of a sign or surface marking as being a place in which a vehicle may wait for the purpose of loading or unloading only;

"motor vehicle" and "motor cycle" have the same meaning as in section 136 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, provided that for the purposes of this Order the term "motor cycle" shall be deemed to include a solo motor cycle and a motor cycle with sidecar attached;

"off-street parking place" has the same meaning as in section 142(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984;

"parking bay" means any part of an off-street parking place indicated by means of a sign or surface marking as being a place for the leaving of a vehicle;

"parking charge" means the amount payable, subject to the provisions of this Order in respect of a vehicle left in a parking bay in an off-street parking place referred to in column (1) of the Schedule to this Order:"

"passenger vehicle" means a motor vehicle (other than a motor cycle) constructed or adapted solely to carry not more than eight passengers (exclusive of the driver) and their effects;

"service provider" means the company authorised and appointed by the Council to operate, administer and maintain the payment of parking charges using the electronic payment system;

"solo motor cycle" has the same meaning as in Schedule 1 to the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016;

- 2.2 Any reference in this Order to a numbered Article, Schedule or Item shall, unless the context otherwise requires, be construed as a reference to the Article, Schedule or Item bearing that number in this Order; and any reference to a Schedule shall be construed as a reference to the Schedules to this Order.
- 2.3 The provisions of this Order are in addition to and not in derogation of any of the applicable provisions of the Council's Byelaws for Pleasure Grounds, Public Walks and Open Spaces<sup>d</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup> SI 2016/362

d London Borough of Southwark, Byelaws for Pleasure Grounds, Public Walks and Open Spaces (20 November 2008)

#### Use of off-street parking places

- 3.1 Each off-street parking place specified in column (1) of the Schedule to this Order may be used, subject to the following provisions of this Order, for the leaving of such vehicles as are passenger vehicles of not more than 2.28 metres in height, goods vehicles of not more than 2.28 metres in height or motor cycles.
- 3.2 No vehicle shall be left in an off-street parking place other than in a parking bay and every part of the vehicle must be within the limits of the parking bay and, other than in the case of a parking bay indicated as being for the use of solo motor cycles only, not more than one vehicle shall occupy any one such parking bay.
- 3.3 The driver of a vehicle using an off-street parking place shall stop the engine as soon as the vehicle is in position in a parking bay in that off-street parking place and shall not start the engine except when about to change the position of the vehicle within or to depart from the off-street parking place.
- 3.4 Notwithstanding the provisions of this Order, the Council may by notice displayed at or near an off-street parking place close or reserve for any purpose such an off-street parking place or part thereof for any period and vehicle shall be left in such an off-street parking place or part thereof when it is so closed or reserved except with the prior permission of the Council.
- 3.5 No vehicle shall be left in in a parking bay that has been indicated by means of a sign or surface marking as being a parking bay for use by disabled persons only at any time unless that vehicle displays a valid disabled person's badge.
- 3.6 No vehicle shall be left in a parking bay that has been indicated by means of a sign or surface marking as being a parking bay for use of solo motor cycles only at any time unless that vehicle is a solo motor cycle.
- 3.7 No vehicle shall wait in a loading bay at any time unless:
  - (a) the vehicle is attended and goods are being loaded onto or unloaded from the vehicle;
     and
  - (b) the vehicle waits within the loading bay for no longer than a maximum stay of 30 minutes; and
  - (c) the vehicle, having been taken away from the loading bay, does not return to that loading bay until a period of one hour has elapsed from the time it was last waiting in the loading bay.
- 3.8 No person shall use any part of an off-street parking place or any vehicle while it is in an off-street parking place in connection with the sale or offering or exposing for sale of any goods to any person in or near the off-street parking place or in connection with the selling or offering for sale of their skill in handicraft or their services in any other capacity, except where the written consent of the Council to do so has been given and such conditions and requirements as the Council may impose are being complied with.

#### Payment of the parking charge

- 4.1 Subject to the provisions of Article 6, the parking charge for a vehicle left in an off-street parking place during the chargeable hours referred to in column (1) of an item in the Schedule shall be as set out in column (3) of that item.
- 4.2 Payment of the parking charge shall be made, in accordance with the next following paragraph, immediately after a vehicle is left in a parking bay in an off-street parking place referred to in the Schedule.
- 4.3 The parking charge shall be payable on the leaving of a vehicle in a parking bay in an off-street parking place referred to in the Schedule using the electronic payment system and by following the instructions for payment of the parking charge as indicated on a sign relating to that parking bay.

#### Indications and evidence by the electronic payment system

- 5.1 Where a vehicle has been left in a parking bay in an off-street parking place referred to in the Schedule during the chargeable hours using the electronic payment system, an indication that payment has been made and the parking period for which payment has been made shall appear on a hand-held device.
- 5.2 Subject to the provisions of Article 6.1 to 6.2 inclusive, if at any time while a vehicle is left in a parking bay in an off-street parking place referred to in the Schedule during the chargeable hours and no indication appears on a hand-held device that payment of the parking charge has been made using the electronic payment system, or an indication that the parking period for which payment was made has expired, it shall be presumed, unless the contrary is proved, that either:-
  - (a) the parking charge has not been duly paid in respect of that vehicle; or
  - (b) the parking period for which payment was made has expired.

# Exemptions for vehicles displaying a disabled person's badge, solo motor cycles and loading and unloading

- 6.1 A vehicle which displays in the relevant position a valid disabled person's badge may be left in a parking bay in an off-street parking place indicated by way of a surface marking or sign as being a parking bay for the use of disabled persons' vehicles only without time limit and without charge.
- 6.2 A solo motor cycle may be left in a parking bay in an off-street parking place indicated by way of a surface marking or sign as being a parking bay for the use of solo motor cycles only without time limit and without charge.
- 6.3 Any vehicle may wait for the purpose of attended loading or unloading in a loading bay in an offstreet parking place without charge, subject to the provisions of Article 3.7.

#### Alteration of position of a vehicle in a parking bay or loading bay

7.1 Where any vehicle is standing in a parking bay or loading bay in an off-street parking place in contravention of the provisions of Article 3.2, a civil enforcement officer may alter or cause to be altered the position of the vehicle in order that its position comply with those provisions.

#### Movement of vehicle in a parking bay or loading bay in an emergency

8.1 A civil enforcement officer or a police constable in uniform may move or cause to be moved, in case of emergency, to any place he thinks fit, any vehicle left in a parking bay or loading bay in an off-street parking place.

#### Revocation

- 9.1 Without prejudice to the validity of anything done or to any liability incurred in respect of any act or omission before the coming into operation of this Order:-
  - (a) the London Borough of Southwark (Free off-street parking places) (Burgess Park) (No. 2) Order 2012<sup>e</sup> and the London Borough of Southwark (Free off-street parking places) (Dulwich Park) (No. 1) Order 2014<sup>f</sup> are hereby revoked in their entirety; and
  - (b) the London Borough of Southwark (Free off-street parking places) (Southwark Park) (No.
     1) Order 2016<sup>g</sup> shall have effect as though the item relating to 'Southwark Park car park: Hawkstone Road entrance' in the Schedule therein were omitted.

Dated this xxxx day of xxxx 201\*

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NICKY COSTIN
Parking and Road Network Business Unit Manager
Regulatory Services

e LBS 2012/113

f LBS 2014/031

g LBS 2016/014

#### SCHEDULE - OFF-STREET PARKING PLACES

Off-street parking place (2)	Chargeable hours (3)	Parking charge (4)
BELAIR PARK CAR PARK Gallery Road, London SE21	At any time	£2.00 per hour
BURGESS PARK CAR PARK Albany Road, London SE5	At any time	£2.00 per hour
DULWICH PARK CAR PARK College Road, London SE21	At any time	£2.00 per hour
HONOR OAK SPORTS GROUND CAR PARK Honor Oak Park, London SE23	At any time	£2.00 per hour
PECKHAM RYE CAR PARK Straker's Road, London SE15	At any time	£2.00 per hour
SOUTHWARK PARK CAR PARK Hawkstone Road, London SE16	At any time	£2.00 per hour

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This Note is not part of the Order)

This Order defines certain car parks within public parks as 'charged-for' parking in the London Borough of Southwark.

