### Parking Services and CPE administration

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# Civil Parking Enforcement and the reason for it

- A Highway Authority manages the highway using the <u>Road Traffic</u> <u>Regulation Act 1984</u> – this is Law!
- The law applies for speed limits, permitted manoeuvres, weight and height limits, and parking management
- The law is used for addressing road user safety and traffic movement issues, and balancing parking demand
- All highway laws apply whether or not they enforced, and:
  - · a 30mph speed limit applies even when a police officer is not there to enforce it
  - yellow lines apply when a Civil Enforcement Officer is not there to enforce it
- The Suffolk Constabulary was not able to adequately resource enforcing parking management law, and with Suffolk County Council, sought civil enforcement powers from Government
- The district and borough councils now enforce the RTRA law regarding parking, which is provided by a piece of legislation called 'The Civil Enforcement of Parking Contraventions Designation Order 2020'

### Civil Parking Enforcement and the reason for it

#### **Applicable legislation**

- Traffic Management Act 2004
- SI 362: The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016
  - Traffic Signs Manual
- SI 14: The Civil Enforcement of Parking Contraventions Designation Order 2020
- SI 3482: The Civil Enforcement of Parking Contraventions (England) Representations and Appeals Regulations 2007
- SI 3483: The Civil Enforcement of Parking Contraventions (England) General Regulations 2007
- SI 3487: The Civil Enforcement of Parking Contraventions (Guidelines on Levels of Charges) (England) Order 2007
- <u>SI 2489: The Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations</u> 1996
- Statutory guidance: Guidance for local authorities on enforcing parking restrictions

### The last year for Parking Services

- Partnership work with SCC, Suffolk Police, Ipswich Borough Council, and West Suffolk Council, and liaison with the Department for Transport to make <u>The Civil Enforcement of Parking Contraventions Designation Order</u> 2020 and agreements
- Employed and trained twenty-seven parking services staff
- Procured parking fine and permit management systems
- Raised awareness of ESC's RingGo service
- Patrolled 182,000 streets and off-street parking places
- Started nearly 69,000 observations
- Detected more than 20,000 illegal parking practices
- Processed more than 3,000 'appeals' (11,000 pieces of correspondence)
- Processed and issued more than 2,500 permit and exemption applications
- Simplified and levelled-up tariffs and Made a CPE compliant off-street parking places Order
- Upgraded nearly 100 pay-and-display machines
- Installed more than 1,100 new signs in ESC's off-street parking places communicating clearly the rules for each

The last year for Parking Services



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#### The scope of a parking services operation

- Parking Services teams:
  - provide customers with the correct advice for highway and parking related enquiries
  - undertake the legislative process for the serving and processing of Penalty Charge Notices (PCNs) (parking fines)
  - administer applications for permits, exemptions and dispensations
  - ensure all PCN challenges and representations are dealt with in a fair, reasonable and consistent manner considering the relevant facts, evidence, and mitigating circumstances where applicable
  - understand how customers perceive the quality of advice and instructions in accordance with relevant legislation

### In accordance with the Strategic Plan, service delivery is via digital solutions

- Web: www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/parking
- Taranto: PCN administration and permit management
  - Configured with 1,157 streets in the district comprising 7,280 regulations for patrol; and 75 demand managed off-street parking places
- RingGo: Navigation to 75 demand managed parking places and contactless payment of fees
- Flowbird: Pay-and-display ticket machines

\*(Supported by other service channels where appropriate)

#### **Taranto**

- Experienced: We have been working in the parking sector since 2000
- Support: 50+ people based in Liverpool and London
- Widely used: 60+ clients: Nottingham, Stoke-on-Trent, Manchester,
   Edinburgh, York, Sheffield, South Lakeland, Blackpool, Camden, Islington
- Flexible: DFFC, MGP; London Congestion Charge; DVLA Tax Evasion. We don't do "one size fits all" - Taranto is configured for your use
- Established: 1,000s back-office users and 9million+ PCNs issued annually
- Proven: 2018 (14 contracts) 2019 (7 new contracts) 2020 (4 contracts)
   British Parking Award winners

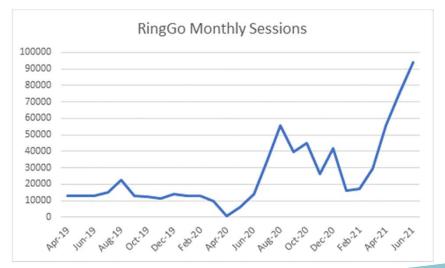






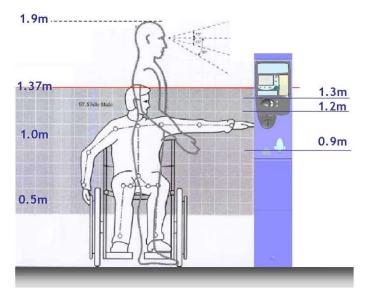
#### RingGo

- Available in Suffolk Coastal and Waveney since 2012 but been promoted in East Suffolk from 2020
- 2019: 150,000 parking sessions 3.5% of all sessions
- 2020: 300,000 parking sessions 46.6% of all sessions
- Q1 of 2021/22: 200,000 parking sessions



#### **Flowbird**

- Parkeon Strada used in the district since April 2016
- Flowbird has 300,000 machines deployed worldwide 35,000 of them in the UK
- The Strada meets the requirements of the disability discrimination act (1995), Equalities Act (2010), and all EU directives and complies with accessibility standards (EN15291/ADA/DDA standards) which includes the location of all interfaces (controls, display...)
- The Strada is 'Smart City' capable to help achieve ESC's Smart Towns objectives and facilitate potential aspirations for mobility and transportation





# Travel planning and transport management

- Car is not the only way travel, and the Parking Services operation encompasses parking management for cycles, motorcycles, buses and coaches, cars, campervans, and commercial vehicles including HGVs
- 'Car parks' is a redundant service and the newly formed 'Parking Services' encompasses understanding of 'trip purpose' related to mobility, accessibility, and connectivity through environmentally sustainable travel and evolving transport management thinking
- ESC's climate emergency declaration and its ambition to become a carbon neutral council by 2030 provides the mandate for transitioning its policies and strategies

# Travel planning and transport management

- Government, regional and local Highway Authority policy and strategy require district councils to support and facilitate in this way:
  - Reducing emissions from road transport: Road to Zero Strategy GOV.UK
  - The ten point plan for a green industrial revolution GOV.UK
  - <u>Transport-East-Decarbonisation-Evidence-Base-and-Strategic-Recommendations-Report</u>
  - SCC Local Transport Plan 2011 2031
- The Economic Development and Regeneration teams and the community partnerships also speak about mobility, accessibility, and connectivity related to health, housing, social isolation and other topics
- All the community partnerships prioritise active and sustainable transport solutions
- 'People & Places: Revitalising town centres' surveys revealed 22% to 68% of respondents did not travel into town by car

### Summary (food for thought 1)

- CPE is administered in accordance with law
- The customer experience is simple for buying on-street permits and offstreet tickets
- A lot of legislation and thought has gone into enabling drivers to park their vehicles legally and considerately:
  - Off-street parking places park between two lines and obtain a ticket (digital or paper)
  - On-street regulated kerb-space park in a bay and obey the sign
- Parking management is a support service for access to healthcare,
   education, work, retail and leisure it is not parking for parking sake

### Summary (food for thought 2)

- The cost of parking will influence driver behaviour
  - Free parking = lots of car use (including congestion, noise, and carbon emissions)
  - £50 for 30-minutes = serious consideration about car use, especially walkable and cyclable distances
- Not properly considered car parking management will undermine
   Government, regional, local, and community partnership objectives
- Travel planning is about selecting the right way to travel for the trip purpose and distance, and the number of people completing that particular trip

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Questions

