

Appendix 2 – Review of neighbouring Authorities approach to parking charges

		Wrexham	Cheshire West	Powys	Anglesea	Ceredigion
Were charges suspended	YES	YES	NO	NO	Not initially, but recently changed to free after 10am. Coastal car parks remain at full charge.	YES
When are charges be re-introduced	Reintroduced charges in on beach and countryside car parks on the 6 th July. Reintroduced charging in town centre car parks on 3 rd August.	1st October	N/A	N/A	Town centre sites – standard charges to be reintroduced on 1 September 2020. Coastal car parks re-introduced on 6 th July	No date set but not likely to be before end of August/September
Will any changes be made to parking charge structure?	6 town centre car parks (mostly short stay) will remain free until 31st Dec with a max stay of 2 hours (2.5 for blue badge holders)	Car parking charges will be free after 2pm (this was a previously approved policy change and not related to COVID - will implement on the 1st October)	No	From 25th July to 31st April - allowing 2 hours free parking in all car parks.	No, from the 1st September.	No
Relevant Comments	Introduced PayByPhone as an additional “contactless” payment option. They were planning to do this before Covid but have accelerated its implementation		Continued with charges to discourage people attending the town centre. Using parking technology to support businesses with discount in shops. 50-60% loss in footfall in town centre.	April & May income down by 97%, June down by 91%, July down by 80%	Pay by phone parking payment option to be introduced. When fully charging income down by 90%	N/A