

**REPORT TO:** CITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – 25 MARCH 2013

**REPORT ON:** DISABLED PERSONS' PARKING PLACES (SCOTLAND) ACT 2009  
- ADDITIONAL FUNDING REQUIREMENTS

**REPORT BY:** DIRECTOR OF CITY DEVELOPMENT

**REPORT NO:** 70-2013

## **1 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 This report seeks Committee approval for additional funding in order to comply with the demand and requirements of the Disabled Persons' Parking Places (Scotland) Act 2009 for Dundee City Council.

## **2 RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Committee approve the additional expenditure required for financial year 2013/2014 and 2014/2015 in order to comply with the requirements of the Disabled Persons' Parking Places (Scotland) Act 2009 (DPPP Act 2009).

## **3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 3.1 The total cost of completing the remaining removal, adding and remarking of all the disabled persons parking spaces to comply with the requirements of the DPPP Act 2009 is estimated at £290,000. A detailed breakdown is provided in Section 4 – Background below and these costs will be met from within the Car Park Trading Account over financial years 2013/2014 and 2014/2015.

## **4 BACKGROUND**

- 4.1 The 2012/2013 budget for disabled persons' parking places is £60,012.63. This consists of £40,000 for the implementation of the DPPP Act 2009 and £20,102.63 carried over from 2011/2012. The £60,012.63 budget provides 74 new disabled bays and the removal of 325 disabled bays.
- 4.2 Currently there are approximately 1,000 disabled bays and it is proposed to bring all disabled bays and requests for disabled bays up to standard and comply with the DPPP Act 2009. In order to comply with the DPPP Act 2009 there are approximately a total of 800 bays which require a new compliant disabled bay sign at £250.00/bay. Estimated cost £200,000.
- 4.3 In addition, out of these 800 bays there are 400 bays which require to be repainted to current standards. The estimated cost for the repainting of the 400 bays is £200.00/bay. Estimated cost £80,000.
- 4.4 Following the implementation of the DPPP Act 2009 the law requires Dundee City Council to remove disabled bays no longer in use by the applicant entitled to use the bay. It is estimated that there are 100 bays that require to be removed at £100.25/bay. Estimated cost £10,025.
- 4.5 The total cost required for the entire current amount of bays to comply with DPPP Act 2009 is therefore estimated at £290,000.

- 4.6 Once the current amount totalling 1,000 disabled bays complies with DPP Act 2009, there will be the requirement for the future annual maintenance. This will be required to provide the following:
- a 70 new additional bays at £350/bay with an estimated cost of £24,500;
  - b 50 existing bays no longer in use to be removed at £100/bay with an estimated cost of £5,000; and
  - c 300 existing bays to be repainted at £100/bay with an estimated cost of £30,000.

This will require a total estimated cost of £59,500 per year.

## **5 POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 This Report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management.
- 5.2 The major issues identified are that the proposed measures will positively assist disabled motorists, allowing them to achieve better access to their place of residence.

## **6 CONSULTATIONS**

- 6.1 The Chief Executive, the Director of Corporate Services and Head of Democratic and Legal Services have been consulted and are in agreement with the contents of this report.

## **7 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 7.1 Report 216-2012 Disabled Persons Parking Places (Additions and Removals) Order 2012.
- 7.2 Report 443-2009 Disabled Persons Parking Places (Scotland) Act 2009.

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