

Amendment to the Revenue Budget 2017/18

Appendix Green 2

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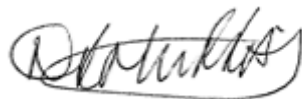
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Directorate/ Service	Description of amendment	Implications of Service Delivery	Estimated Costs/ Savings £000	Equality Impact Assessment
<p>Transport</p>	<p>Introducing higher charges for older diesel vehicles in the residents' parking zones from February 18 With the aim of reducing nitrogen oxide emissions in the city centre we propose that BCC follows Labour Islington Council's example and raise the cost of a residents parking permit for pre-2015 diesel vehicles (preferably pre-Euro 6 diesel engine standard but this may be difficult to capture using DVLA current systems). We propose the permit price for these vehicles becomes the same price as a second vehicle permit ie £96. Assuming that 40% of the vehicles in the residents parking scheme are affected diesel vehicles this would be likely to result in excess of £300,000 additional revenue per year. Taking into account the need to give drivers adequate notice of scheme changes to change their vehicle if they wish to, we propose that this change is brought in in February 2018. This additional revenue created would be used in 17/18 to fund the set up costs of the scheme and beyond 17/18 to fund active and public transport improvements.</p>	<p>Revenue in February and March 18 from introduction of higher charges for older diesel vehicles.</p>	<p>Revenue £20,000</p>	<p>The NICE December 2016 guidelines for Consultation on air quality state that any reduction in air pollution is likely to help tackle health inequalities. Removing older vehicles from the road would reduce health inequalities, provided disadvantaged groups can get to the places and services they need.</p> <p>Additional mitigations would be needed for disabled drivers who are additionally reliant on their vehicles and for whom public transport is less or not accessible.</p> <p>If diesel drivers are given adequate notice and wish to, they can sell their diesel vehicle and replace it with a petrol engine vehicle at a similar price, to avoid parking scheme charges. It is possible that the local market for diesel engines could diminish over time and the value of diesel vehicles could be less than a commensurate petrol vehicle. Older people are less able to tap into the internet car sales market to get a good price for their vehicle. Lone parents, older people and disabled people can be more vulnerable if their cars breakdown and therefore feel less able to trade down to an unproven vehicle.</p>

Transport		IT programming changes to residents' parking software. Any required amendments in Traffic Regulation Orders. Communication to affected residents.	Costs £20,000	Communication to affected residents would need to include non-digital communication (other than email or text) to ensure equal access for the 50% of older people who do not use the internet.
			£ Total 0	

The net financial impact of the amendment on the budget **MUST** be zero and cannot use capital budgets in place of revenue or vice versa

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