

New arrangements for on-street parking and traffic management from 1 April 2023

1 - On-street parking changes:

From 1 April 2023, responsibility for on-street civil parking will return to Hampshire County Council transferring from Basingstoke, Eastleigh, East Hampshire, Havant, Hart, Rushmoor district and borough councils and Winchester City Council. From this point all aspects of on-street parking across Hampshire will be under the direct management of the County Council following the successful transfer of on-street civil parking from Fareham Borough Council, Test Valley Borough Council, New Forest District Council and Gosport Borough Council in 2020.

**The changes for parking enforcement and the management of Residential parking permits in Winchester City Council will take place from 1 October 2023 although requests for new or amended parking controls will be dealt with by the County Council from 1 April.*

What does this mean for residents living in Residential Parking Zones?

From the date of transfer, people with existing on-street residents' parking permits will need to renew their permits, **but only once they have expired**, with Hampshire County Council via an online permit system, MiPermit. New permits will be digital, rather than paper based, with current permits remaining valid until the date of their expiry.

Hampshire County Council will be writing to residents who currently have permits living in residential parking zones in March to provide information about these changes and how to apply for their new permits (letters to Winchester residents who hold parking permits will be sent ahead of the 1 October transfer).

No action is required from residents until they need to apply for a new permit, or renew their existing permit – all existing permits will remain valid until the stated expiry dates.

Residents parking permit charges will generally remain at the same price as currently charged by each district and borough for 2023-24.

Responsibility for off-street car parking will remain with district/borough councils or relevant private owners except for Durngate Car Park in Winchester which is managed by the County Council.

What are the benefits to residents?

All new permits issued by Hampshire County Council will be digital allowing residents to apply through an app, online, or over the telephone. Residents will be able to activate visitor permits and make changes, such as updating their vehicle details, themselves without having to contact the County Council.

A directly controlled and operated service will provide a consistent approach across the county for residents who live in areas that require an on-street parking permit. For more information on the County Council's parking services visit: [Parking and traffic enforcement | Hampshire County Council \(hants.gov.uk\)](https://www.hants.gov.uk/parking-and-traffic-enforcement).

2 - Traffic management changes:

From 1 April 2023 responsibility for new and amended parking controls – including yellow lines, disabled parking bay applications, and access protection markings – will also return to Hampshire County Council.