

Details of the proposed Ashdown Forest parking scheme copied from <https://consultation.eastsussex.gov.uk/governance-and-community-services/ashdown-forest-car-parking-charging/> when the consultation was open

## INFORMATION ABOUT THE PARKING SCHEME

Payment for parking would be able to be made through payment machines located on five of the largest and busiest car parks using credit cards and smart phones, by using a smart phone-based app, and through a website. Alongside many other rural locations, to reduce the risk of theft, cash payments are not proposed.

Car parks would be visited by parking wardens employed by a management company who will check vehicles have followed the parking charges.

Charges would apply every day (Monday to Sunday), including bank holidays, during opening hours (6am to midnight).

The charges under consideration by the Conservators have been based on a comparison with 11 other similar sites that charge for parking. To achieve the required level of income, charges are proposed to be in the region of:

- £2.00 for up to 1 hour
- £2.50 for up to 2 hours
- £4.00 for up to 4 hours
- £6.00 for an all-day pass (16 hours)

An annual parking pass would cost from £80 to £100.

There would be no charge for Blue Badge holders or motorbikes.

All parking tickets and passes would be valid for all car parks managed by Ashdown Forest for the duration of their validity.

These charges would be introduced in all Ashdown Forest car parks from Spring/Summer of 2022.