Emissions based parking policies

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Overview

- Benefits of emissions charging
- Scheme and permit design
- Effective communication
- Using technology to manage and enforce
- Summary



Ask the audience

Which of the following parking pricing options do YOU think has the greatest potential for encouraging more sustainable travel?

- Salary based
- 2. Vehicle emissions
- 3. Daily charge
- 4. Fixed annual fee
- 5. Zonal

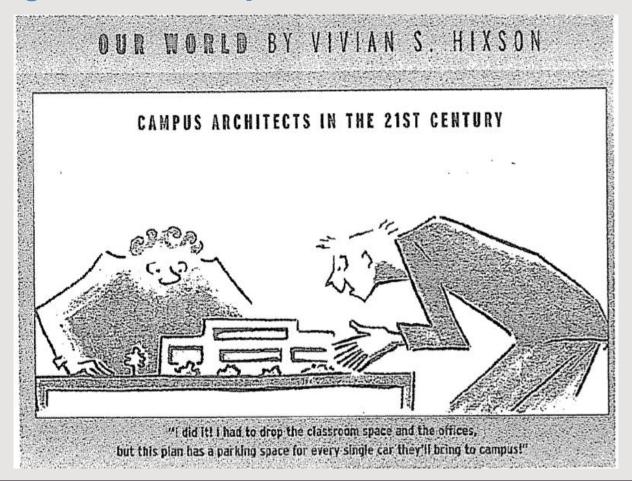


Benefits

- Reduce Scope 3 emissions
- Meet travel plan conditions
- Ability to pay as you park as a user
- Reinvestment into the travel plan
- Reduce subsidy inequality between car and non-car users
- Reduce reputational risk with neighbours

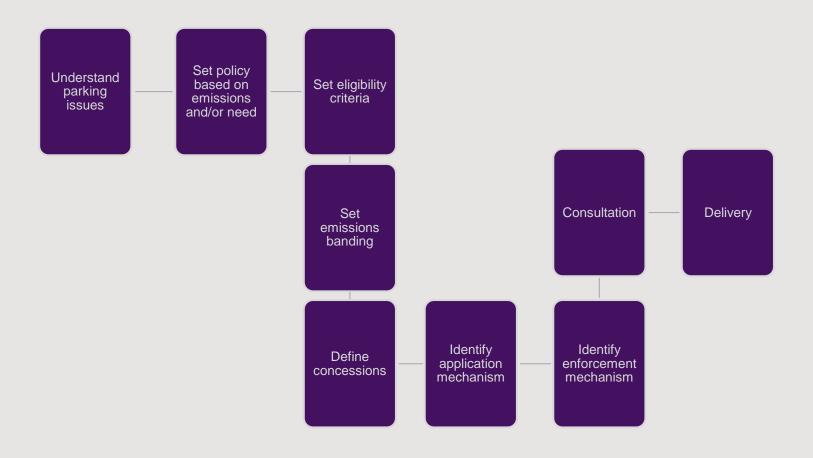


Maximising valuable land space...





Scheme and permit design - overview





Scheme and permit design – key questions

- Emissions based charge only?
 - link to parking need
 - could also have salary weighting
- Equitable policy for staff and students?
- Lower paid and part-time staff
- What to do about car sharers and motorcycles
- Occasional user permits make sure a quota is set



Allocating by need





Graduated charges

	DVLA tax band	CO ² Emissions	Pay Grade 1-3	Pay Grade 4-6	Pay Grade 7-8	Pay Grade 9+
Lower Band 1	A-C	Less than 120 g/km	£20	£24	£30	£36
Standard Band 2	D-F	121-150 g/km (up to 1,549cc)	£40	£48	£60	£72
Higher Band 3	G-K	151-225 g/km (1,549- 2,000cc)	£60	£72	£90	£108
Top Band 4	L-M	More than 225 g/km (over 2,000cc)	£80	£96	£120	£144

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Emissions issues – things to think about?

- How far do you go for cars that emit <100gCO₂/km?
- Do you use an automated DVLA look up?
- What do you do for cars registered before 2001?
- How many cars do you allow per applicant?
- Does the policy apply 24 hours?



Effective communication

- Emissions based charging may make good financial sense and encourage mode shift BUT winning hearts and minds is the key
- Policies may be challenged on a variety of grounds:
 - Equality
 - Safety
 - Recruitment and retention
- Need strong business case and to ensure senior managers are on side



Dealing with the common arguments

Perception	Reality		
Another tax on staff	Parking costs are usually heavily subsidised, meaning all users are paying, not just car users		
Emissions charging targets the poorer paid staff	Conversely, research shows that poorer paid staff do not actually have higher emissions for their vehicles and are less likely to drive		
Staff will leave	Good luck! Everyone else is already changing their policies		
There is an increased safety risk to vulnerable staff	Parking revenue can help to make car parks safer		
Why is money being made from staff?	We are only reducing the losses associated with parking. If we do not recoup parking costs, salaries and jobs will be affected.		



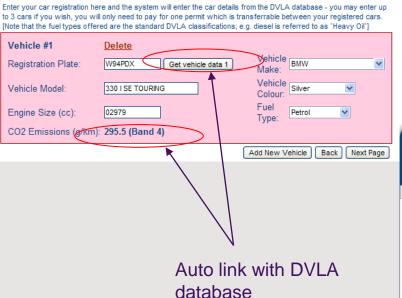
Using technology to manage and enforce

 Emissions based charging lends itself to fully automated online permit application software





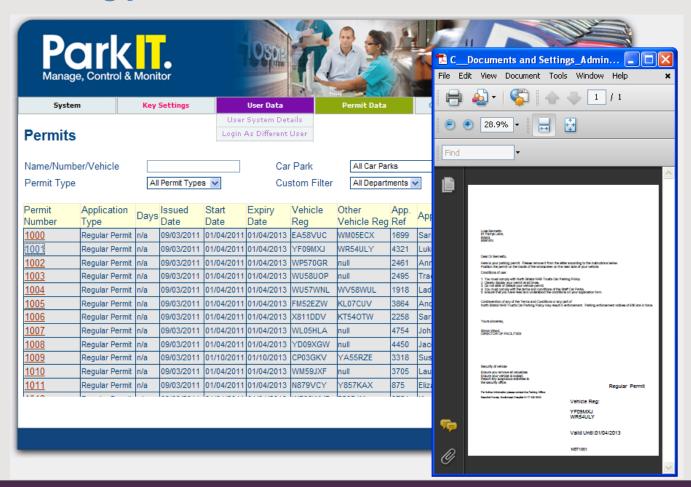
Online permit applications



Ability to bulk allocate permits System **Key Settings** User Data Other Permit Tools Statistics **Provisional Permit Allocation** Total records: 68/ Bulk allocation Alloc. Cash Pending Export List 5240 Car Driver Permits All Car Parks Total spaces Remaining spaces 1227 Other Permits Filter by Applicant App Date Start Reason Applicant Notes Score Car Park Txt A B C Zn £ Action Type Abdalla Regular 28/02/2011 01/04/2011 1525 Southmead 3135 Allocate /iew Elgahmi Susannah Regular 01/04/2011 2169 Prov. Allocate (docs) Available spaces /iew <u>Johnson</u> Permit Frenchay: 204(420) Dawn Minchin Regular 28/02/2011 01/04/2011 2205 Permit Regular 28/02/2011 01/04/2011 Southmead Sign out James Goldman



Printing permits





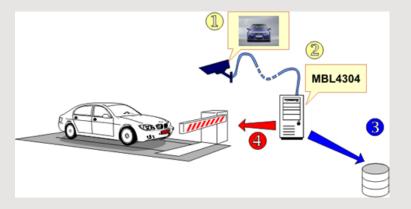
Enforcement options

- Clamping and removals being phased out
- This leaves
 - Patrols
 - Barriers
 - > ANPR
- Focus on new technology



What is ANPR?

- Automatic Number Plate Recognition
- Digital CCTV operating system to identify and log vehicle number plates
- Output depends on complexity of support software
- Main uses include:
 - 1) Controlling entry/exit to sites
 - 2) Parking enforcement
 - 3) Police uses





Pros and cons

Benefits	Disadvantages
Good reporting of peak flows	Set up costs can be high
Can be used with permit management database to estimate commuting emissions	Still need on site enforcement
Effective deterrent of parking abuse	Prone to vandalism
Real-time information	Read errors
Improves security	



Summary

- Emissions based charging can make a real difference to commuting emissions, especially by allowing the ability to 'pay as you park'
- Need to factor in other factors such as salary and the needs of the user
- More thought needed on the management of permits, application process and enforcement approach
- Reinvestment into the travel plan, wayfinding and the overall parking experience should be clearly visible
- Policy needs to be reviewed at least every two years to account for improved vehicle efficiency



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