Wokingham Borough Council announces free car parking in its car parks in the three Saturdays leading up to Christmas

I am pleased that Wokingham Borough Council will be offering free parking in council owned town and village centre car parks all day on Saturday 8th, 15th and 22nd December. This will be welcomed by shoppers and businesses alike.

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FREE SATURDAY PARKING DURING FESTIVE PERIOD

Shoppers are set to get an early Christmas car parking present from Wokingham Borough Council as it announces free parking in its car parks on the three Saturdays leading up to Christmas. Council-owned town and village centre car parks will be offering free parking all day on Saturday 8, 15 and 22 December 2018

For the last few years, car parking on the three Saturdays before Christmas has been free to encourage people to make use of their local shopping areas. The move has proved very popular with both traders and the public.

Car parks included in this festive offer are shown below:

- · Polehampton Close, Twyford
- School Lane, Wargrave
- Council offices car park at Shute End, Wokingham
- Denmark Street, Wokingham (council-managed section only*)
- Easthampstead Road (East and West), Wokingham
- · Cockpit Path, Wokingham
- Headley Road, Woodley
- Crockhamwell Road, Woodley
- Lytham Road (East and West), Woodley
- Former M&S car park, Rose Street, Wokingham
- Carnival Pool Multi Storey car park, Wokingham

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Cllr Anthony Pollock, executive member for highways and transport, said: "I am pleased to announce that we will be offering free parking for the three weekends running up to Christmas once again. I hope that this can give people a good incentive to visit the array of wonderful shops during the festive period here in Wokingham Borough."

Although parking will be free on the three Saturdays before Christmas, maximum stay limits and disabled parking bays will still be enforced and any vehicles breaching these regulations will be subject to the usual Penalty Charge Notices being issued. The free parking offer only applies to council car parks which are town centre related (not associated with train stations), and does not apply to privately managed car parks.

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Further information:

- 1. More from Cllr Anthony Pollock, executive member for highways and transport, email: anthony.pollock@wokingham.gov.uk
- *Anyone parking for free at Denmark Street car park should ensure they are in the COUNCIL-OWNED SECTION (behind Anvil Court and next to Wokingham Library), <u>NOT THE EURO CAR PARKS SECTION</u> (BEHIND THE POLICE STATION).