

Dear Cllr Desmonde,

I am writing as chair of Liskeard Town Forum, which is a non-political body that allows residents, businesses, and organisations around Liskeard to raise concerns and discuss local matters.

As you are no doubt aware, in support of Liskeard businesses last year, Liskeard Town Forum requested car-parking charges be lifted during December 2020, to support the high-street, especially after the impact of the Covid-19 lockdowns.

The Liskeard Town Forum gained a lot of support, for some form of free parking during December 2020, including support from some of your colleagues; I attach Cllr Taylor's email as an example.

At a recent meeting of Liskeard Town Forum, the issue of car-parking charges was again discussed, and I am writing to ask that your new administration supports the Liskeard high-street during the Christmas run up this year, by lifting parking charges for December 2021 in your car-parks?

This would be a great message for Liskeard businesses, and the local high-street.

I understand all budgets are tight at the moment, but the ability of the high-street to compete with on-line, and out of town stores is, I am sure, important to us all?

Free parking during the whole of December, (and ideally before), would be a welcome boost, and I trust you will look favourably on our request, and hopefully be able to implement this for every Cornish community during the Christmas run-up.

Secondly, I would also like to ask if you, or a member of your department, would be willing to attend a meeting of the forum, on January 19th, 2022 at 7.30pm, to discuss the car-parking matters in Liskeard. In-particular, I would like to follow up on information provided by the previous administration for local bodies to work with Cornwall Council, to develop car-parking charges that best suit their local communities?

I have copied in our local 'The Cornish Times', as I understand they approached you on the matter of parking during this summer.

I look forward to your reply, and hopefully positive answer.

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Many thanks.

Kind regards,

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