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Background

The [Disabled Persons' Parking Places \(Scotland\) Act 2009](#) ("the Act") was passed by the Scottish Parliament on 26 February 2009, receiving Royal Assent on 1 April 2009, and coming into force on 1 October 2009. The Act places a duty on all local authorities to promote the proper use of disabled parking places, and aims to make all disabled persons' parking bays enforceable.

Under the Act, local authorities have duties to identify all advisory disabled parking places and either remove them or begin the statutory procedure to make them enforceable. The Act states that this duty was to be performed within 12 months of the coming into force of the Act (by 30 September 2010).

The Act also places a duty on local authorities under section 11 and the Scottish Ministers under section 12 to publish annual performance reports. [Part 1 and Part 2 of the Schedule](#) to the Act details what the reports should include.

Local Authorities' Duty under section 11:

Section 11 of the Act requires a local authority to prepare, publish and send to Scottish Ministers a copy of, '*a report on its performance of its functions in relation to parking places for disabled persons' vehicles during the reporting period.*' Part 1 of the Schedule specifies what information the report should contain.

Scottish Ministers' Duty under section 12:

Section 12 of the Act requires Scottish Ministers to prepare, publish and lay before the Scottish Parliament, '*a report on the performance by the local authorities of their functions in relation to parking places for disabled persons' vehicles during the reporting period.*'

Part 2 of the Schedule to the Act details what the Scottish Ministers should include in their report. This is provided at **Annex A for reporting period 2020/21**.

The preparation, publication and laying of this report will fulfil those requirements for the reporting year 2019/20 and cover the period from 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021. The [Scottish Ministers' reports](#) are published on the Transport Scotland website.

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Scottish Ministers' Reporting Duties

The following information is reported as a requirement of section 12 of the Act. The following information should be read in conjunction with the [Schedule to the Act](#).

1. Schedule, Part 2, paragraph 3 (a): 'details of the action that each local authority took in fulfilment of its duty under section 1'.

Local authorities reported the following information under paragraph 3 (a) in respect of the reporting period:-

Aberdeen City Council

- Aberdeen City Council continues to process applications for disabled persons' parking places where criteria are met. Advisory disabled persons' parking places are provided until the statutory process is completed. Aberdeen City Council also removes any disabled persons' parking place that is no longer required.
- Blue Badge holders, when requesting a disabled parking facility are fully advised of the regulations, that they are open to any Blue Badge holder and that the badge requires to be displayed at all time.
- Aberdeen City Council enforces all disabled persons' parking places governed by a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) and has officers in place to investigate fraudulent use of Blue Badges.
- Aberdeen City Council has information regarding Blue Badge spaces on our website.

Aberdeenshire Council

- Aberdeenshire Council promotes the proper use of parking spaces for disabled persons' vehicles by routinely issuing excess charge notices to those using such spaces improperly in car parks covered by the Aberdeenshire Council (Off-Street Parking) orders. The number of such notices issued during the reporting period (2020-21) was 105 of which 18 were subsequently cancelled following successful appeals and 23 are currently outstanding having not been paid.

Angus Council

- Angus Council are continuing to process applications for new street disabled bays where criteria are met. Advisory bays are provided until the statutory process is completed. Disabled person parking places which are no longer required are removed.

Argyll & Bute Council

- 4 temporary bays marked. TROs yet to be progressed to formalise the bays (currently under way in FY 2021/22).

City of Edinburgh Council

- Staff within Parking Development provide advice and the relevant application form to customers who wish to apply for a DPPP outside their home. For new developments there are procedures in place to make the developer aware of the duty of local authorities to promote the proper use of parking places that are designated for use only by disabled persons' vehicles. As part of the planning process the developer is asked if they wish CEC to enforce disabled persons' parking places.

Clackmannanshire Council

- Traffic Orders has been progressed this year but due to COVID and home working applications and orders are taking longer to process.

Comhairle nan Eilean Siar

- The most recent TRO was completed in 2018. This has not been updated during this period.
- Applications are being received and assessed.

Dumfries & Galloway Council

- Processing applications as and when received.
- Review of TTROs periodically.

Dundee City Council

- Information is available on the DCC website relating to the scheme, rights and responsibilities of Blue Badge holders. Press publications have also been released informing motorists of the increased budget made available to meet standards and maintain existing disabled spaces.

East Ayrshire Council

- The East Ayrshire Council (Various roads within East Ayrshire)(Disabled Person's Designated Parking Places)(Revocation) Order 2019 was made on 14/01/19.

East Dunbartonshire Council

- East Dunbartonshire Council continue to promote the proper use of parking places designated for the leaving of a vehicle displaying Blue Badges as require through the Disabled Persons' Parking Places (Scotland) Act 2009.
- During the reporting period, a total of 277 Penalty Charge Notices (PCNs) were issued for the offence of being parked in a designated disabled parking bay without a valid Blue Badge.

East Lothian Council

- Advertising literature "Don't park in my space" has been displayed in all Council offices

East Renfrewshire Council

- In order to fulfil the Councils duty under section 1 of the Act the Council considered the method best suitable for delivering and maintaining disabled persons parking places within East Renfrewshire.
- Records of locations of all enforceable disabled bays, both on-street and off street continue to be updated and maintained.

Falkirk Council

- Falkirk Council considered all requests for disabled persons parking places by qualifying persons and has where possible commenced the statutory process to make Orders for those applicants.

Fife Council

- The Council enforce the misuse of disabled bays using their DPE powers.

Glasgow City Council

- The Council continued to receive and grant applications for the provision and repaint of disabled parking bays by qualifying persons.
- All new developments have been checked and where necessary developers will be contacted and invited to participate.

Highland Council

- The Highland Council are currently rolling out decriminalised parking enforcement throughout the Highlands. As part of the rollout we are identifying existing disabled bays that were not included in the original traffic regulation order and including them in the new order as well as adding more disabled bays where necessary.

Inverclyde Council

- Inverclyde Council promotes the creation of parking places for disabled persons through an on-line application process on the Council's website.
- With the introduction of Decriminalised Parking Enforcement throughout Inverclyde, Orders were created to regulate Off-Street car parks and include Disabled Persons' Parking Places. The consultation and publicity processes served to highlight the provision of Disabled Persons' Parking Places within the car parks.

Midlothian Council

- All off-street bays for which Midlothian Council is responsible have been identified, assessed and made enforceable by inclusion in a TRO.
- New applications are assessed, processed and actioned as quickly as internal resources, and availability of external marking contractors, allow.

Moray Council

- Following the process undertaken previously, to identify all historic advisory disabled parking spaces, the council have been assessing all new applications over the most recent reporting period (1/4/2020 to 31/3/2021) in accordance with the Act and supporting advice. The Traffic and the Blue Badge Teams continue to provide ad hoc advice on the use of Blue Badge Spaces.

North Ayrshire Council

- North Ayrshire Council continue to process applications when required. We have also agreed a process with the Housing service whereby all bays put in by them will be included in an order.

North Lanarkshire Council

- North Lanarkshire Council has continued to assess requests for disabled persons' parking places and promoted a number of Traffic Regulation Orders to allow the use of parking spaces to be enforced by the Council's parking attendants.

- Advisory markings have been placed at requested locations initially and will remain in place until procedures to promote Traffic Regulation Orders are complete.
- The Council also written to private car park owners asking whether they wanted their disabled bays made enforceable.

Orkney Islands Council

- The Council continues to identify both on-street and off-street parking places when applications are received.

Perth & Kinross Council

- Parking Attendants regularly inspect and enforce the bays to ensure the proper use of the parking places for disabled persons' vehicles.

Renfrewshire Council

- Renfrewshire Council has made its 6th Disabled Persons' parking Place On-Street Order which came into operation on the 16 November 2020.
- This 6th Order provided an additional 222 new disabled parking bays; removed 16 disabled parking bays that are no longer required and refurbished 87 bays to required dimensions of Act
- Work has commenced to consult on the 7th DPPP Order for the Council which comprises 38 additional new bays.
- The Council has now completed preparations to re-engage with all existing premises within the Council area with off-street disabled persons parking places to determine if the landowners would now wish disabled bays to be made enforceable by the Council.

Scottish Borders Council

- We have not actively promoted proper use of disabled persons parking places. If we receive a complaint regarding the use of a bay we will follow this up in writing.

Shetland Islands Council

- The council provides information through various sources in order to reach as many in the community as possible.
- The council web page highlights eligibility, the statutory process and application forms with all relevant information.
- Local weekly newspaper (The Shetland Times) to highlight all stages of the statutory process.
- All new developments are encouraged to participate in the provision of disabled parking bay(s).

South Ayrshire Council

- Published information on Council web site. Ongoing training of parking attendants to promote proper use of the parking places and blue badges through education and enforcement.
- Will shortly be promoting updated TRO covering proper use of disabled parking places on-street (delayed).

South Lanarkshire Council

- South Lanarkshire Council enforces the regulated disabled persons' parking bays in line with its policies and procedures.

Stirling Council

- Continue to assess all applications received for a disabled person's parking space under the Council's current criteria which was amended following the introduction of the Disabled Person's Parking Places (Scotland) Act 2009 within 15 working days whenever possible.
- Where the applicant meets the criteria for a disabled person's parking space outside their property, we aim to arrange for the marking of an advisory space within 10 working days of receiving their agreement on its location.
- Once the TRO process has been completed, arrange for the necessary signage to be erected.
- On completion of the TRO the applicant's details are entered into a database to ensure a complete record is maintained.
- Stirling Councils Traffic Regulation Orders and parking policy continue to allow vehicles displaying a Blue Badge to park free of charge and without time limit within any "on-street" or "off-Street" pay and display parking area, in addition to any designated disabled parking spaces.
- 6 disabled persons parking spaces were revoked as they were no longer required.

West Dunbartonshire Council

- West Dunbartonshire has an up-to-date database for all on-street disabled parking bays; this identifies those already legally enforceable and those which are currently advisory only. This is constantly updated to include all new on-street parking bays. Each time a new TRO amendment order is implemented, the bays marked as advisory are automatically included in this schedule.

West Lothian Council

West Lothian Council has provided information through various sources in order to reach as much of the community as possible. The following methods have been used to convey information.

- Information on the council web page at all times.
- The back doors of council vans have been vinyl wrapped with a message promoting the correct use of disabled parking places.

2. Schedule, Part 2, paragraph 3 (b):

'the total number of parking places designated by the local authorities as being for use only by a disabled persons' vehicle by virtue of the provisions of this Act (except section 9)'

Table 1 below sets out the total number of parking places (excluding temporary places) designated by individual local authorities as being for use only by a disabled person's vehicle, as reported. The table reports only new disabled parking places made enforceable by an order in the reporting year 2020/21 and does not take account of those removed.

Local authority / places		Local authority / places		Local authority / places	
Aberdeen City	26	East Lothian	0	Orkney Islands	0
Aberdeenshire	24	East Renfrewshire	0	Perth & Kinross	21
Angus	0	Falkirk	44	Renfrewshire	222
Argyll & Bute	0	Fife	37	Scottish Borders	0
City of Edinburgh	10	Glasgow	0	Shetland Islands	5
Clackmannanshire	12	Highland	0	South Ayrshire	59
Comhairle nan Eilean Siar	0	Inverclyde	37	South Lanarkshire	48
Dumfries & Galloway	28	Midlothian	95	Stirling	23
Dundee	0	Moray	0	West Dunbartonshire	23
East Ayrshire	30	North Ayrshire	0	West Lothian	0
East Dunbartonshire	5	North Lanarkshire	0		

Table 1 – Number of parking places (excluding temporary places) designated by individual local authorities as being for use only by a disabled person's vehicle in the reporting year 2020/21.

3. Schedule, Part 2, paragraph 3(c): The Scottish Ministers are required to report: 'for each category of information under paragraph 1 that requires the reporting of a number or a date, a table setting out the number reported by each local authority.'

Local authorities reported the following information:

Local Authority	PART 1(1)(d)(i): <i>'the number of requests received under section 5(1)'</i>	PART 1(1)(d)(ii): <i>'the number of parking places which it identified under section 5(2)(b)'</i>	PART 1(1)(d)(iv): <i>'the number of parking places in relation to which it started the statutory procedure under section 5(3)(b)'</i>	PART 1(1)(f)(i): <i>'the number of relevant developments for which a planning permission mentioned in section 7(1) was granted'</i>	PART 1(1)(f)(iii): <i>'the number of premises that include a parking place for the provision of which it sought to make arrangements under section 7(5)'</i>
Aberdeen City	87	69	0	8	0
Aberdeenshire	50	38	24	35	0
Angus	52	52	0	N/A	0
Argyll & Bute	25	21	0	0	0
City of Edinburgh	30	30	23	Unknown	0
Clackmannanshire	14	12	0	0	0
Comhairle nan Eilean Siar	3	2	0	8	0
Dumfries & Galloway	47	28	12	Unknown	0
Dundee	87	71	71	20	20
East Ayrshire	39	30	30	15	0
East Dunbartonshire	10	8	0	2	0
East Lothian	32	32	0	0	0
East Renfrewshire	15	15	15	0	0
Falkirk	67	53	45	7	0
Fife	193	68	68	0	0
Glasgow	11	9	0	0	0
Highland	28	24	24	144	0
Inverclyde	62	43	62	TBC	0
Midlothian	70	59	59	Not known	0
Moray	52	35	0	7	0
North Ayrshire	58	18	18	Unknown	0
North Lanarkshire	151	111	0	This data is not held.	0
Orkney Islands	0	0	0	0	0
Perth & Kinross	45	21	21	0	0
Renfrewshire	38	38	38	0	N/A
Scottish Borders	72	63	49	9	0
Shetland Islands	5	5	5	0	N/A
South Ayrshire	74	59	0	19	0
South Lanarkshire	157	48	48	0	N/A
Stirling	22	24	24	N/K	0
West Dunbartonshire	42	23	0	5	0
West Lothian	60	29	68	25	0

Table 2 – Each category of information under paragraph 1 of part 1 of the Act that requires the reporting of a number or a date

Local Authority	PART 1(1)(f)(v): 'the number of parking places in relation to which it started the statutory procedure under section 7(6)'	PART 1(1)(g)(ii): 'the number of premises that include a parking place for the provision of which it sought to make arrangements under section 8(4)'	PART 1(1)(g)(iv): 'the number of parking places in relation to which it started the statutory procedure under section 8(5)'	PART 1(1)(h)(i): 'the number of such orders for the making of which it started the statutory procedure in accordance with this Act'	PART 1(1)(h)(ii): 'the number of parking places designated as being for use only by a disabled persons' vehicle under such an order'
Aberdeen City	0	0	0	0	0
Aberdeenshire	0	0	0	0	0
Angus	0	0	0	0	0
Argyll & Bute	0	N/A	N/A	0	0
City of Edinburgh	0	0	0	0	0
Clackmannanshire	0	0	0	0	0
Comhairle nan Eilean Siar	0	0	0	0	0
Dumfries & Galloway	0	0	0	4	854
Dundee	0	0	0	1	71
East Ayrshire	0	0	0	0	N/A
East Dunbartonshire	0	N/A	N/A	0	0
East Lothian	0	0	0	0	0
East Renfrewshire	0	0	0	0	0
Falkirk	0	0	0	45	44
Fife	0	0	0	17	37
Glasgow	0	0	0	0	0
Highland	0	0	0	1	214
Inverclyde	0	0	0	2	12
Midlothian	0	0	0	2	2
Moray	0	0	0	0	N/A
North Ayrshire	0	0	0	1	229
North Lanarkshire	0	86	0	1	0
Orkney Islands	0	0	0	0	0
Perth & Kinross	0	0	0	1	TBC
Renfrewshire	0	0	0	1	38
Scottish Borders	0	0	0	1	453
Shetland Islands	0	0	0	5	5
South Ayrshire	0	0	0	0	N/A
South Lanarkshire	N/A	0	0	48	48
Stirling	0	N/A	0	5	24
West Dunbartonshire	0	0	N/A	0	0
West Lothian	0	0	0	1	68

Table 3 – Each category of information under paragraph 1 of part 1 of the Act that requires the reporting of a number or a date

4. Schedule Part 2, paragraph 3(d): The Scottish Ministers are required to report: 'for each category of information under paragraph 1 that requires the reporting of a period, a table setting out the period reported by each local authority.'

Local authorities reported the following information:

Local Authority	PART 1(1)(d)(v): <i>'the period, in each case, between the identification of a parking place under section 5(2)(b) and the starting of the related statutory procedure under section 5(3)(b)'</i>	PART 1(1)(h)(iii): <i>'in relation to each such order, the period between the start of the statutory procedure and the making of the order'</i>
Aberdeen City	1 - 4 months	Approximately 12 months
Aberdeenshire	Around 6 months	114 days on average
Angus	Angus Council proposes to promote a Traffic Order on an annual basis to add and delete bays as appropriate, however due to retirement there was no Traffic Order completed 2020-2021	N/A
Argyll & Bute	12 months	N/A
City of Edinburgh	4 months	N/A
Clackmannanshire	12-18 months	N/A
Comhairle nan Eilean Siar	N/A	N/A
Dumfries & Galloway	TRO's are usually amended every 6 months. Due to staffing issues they have not been amended for 3 years. Amended TRO's will be carried out soon.	304 days, 92 days, 92 days, 89 days.
Dundee	9 months	N/A
East Ayrshire	7 months	N/A
East Dunbartonshire	12 months on average	N/A
East Lothian	N/A	N/A
East Renfrewshire	Between 1 and 12 months	N/A
Falkirk	Appendix A	Appendix A
Fife	6 - 9 months	6 - 9 months
Glasgow	N/A	N/A
Highland	6 months	6 months
Inverclyde	Appendix B	Appendix B
Midlothian	4 months	5 months
Moray	16 months	N/A
North Ayrshire	N/A	The next order should be completed in following reporting period.
North Lanarkshire	N/A	N/A
Orkney Islands	Between 6 and 18 months	Between 6 and 18 months
Perth & Kinross	N/A	5 months
Renfrewshire	2 - 4 weeks	Ongoing
Scottish Borders	4 - 16 months	12-24 months
Shetland Islands	2 weeks	5 - 8 weeks
South Ayrshire	12 months	N/A
South Lanarkshire	N/A	N/A
Stirling	Appendix C	Appendix C
West Dunbartonshire	Approximately 1 year	N/A
West Lothian	307 days	125 days

Table 4 – Each category of information under paragraph 1 of part 1 of the Act that requires the reporting of a period

5. Schedule, Part 2, paragraph 3(e): The Scottish Ministers are required to report: 'for each category of information under paragraph 1 that requires the reporting of reasons, a summary of the reasons reported by each local authority.'

Local authorities reported the following information:

Local Authority	PART 1(1)(d)(iii): <i>'its reasons for any decision under section 5(3)(a)'</i>
Aberdeen City	Applicant has access to private off-street parking.
Aberdeenshire	1 – cancelled - moving home. 2 – has existing driveway. 1 – has space available for vehicular access. 1 – existing disabled space in front of property already. 4 – applicant lives on private road/unadopted road/road not maintained by Roads. 1 – car not kept/registered at applicants address. 2 – No suitable location.
Angus	15 requests were refused as follows: 9 applicant did not return any documents for the request, 1 – lost driving licence, 1 - No V5 at address, 1 passed away, 1 withdrew application, 2 – provided own off street parking
Argyll & Bute	4 awaiting V5c
City of Edinburgh	Meadowfield Terrace has a driveway. Murrayfield Road has off-street parking space
Clackmannanshire	Clackmannanshire Council's reasons for decisions where it was determined that it did not have the power to make a disabled street parking order under section 5 - Applicant didn't meet criteria, Street already had several disabled bays
Comhairle nan Eilean Siar	Two of the requests were in suitable locations within designated parking areas where there was no existing provision. A third request was from an applicant, within a housing scheme, who already had an existing driveway.
Dumfries & Galloway	Has an existing driveway/garage. No vehicle registered at address.
Dundee	Transfer of existing disabled parking bay to new applicant.
East Ayrshire	Applicant had sufficient garden ground to form driveway 7. Applicant required bay in area maintained by Housing Services 1. Applicant failed to provide valid v5c at correct address 1.
East Dunbartonshire	One applicant did not have a car registered to their address, they wanted a space for family and home carers to use. Other refusal was because they wanted a bay on a temporary basis due to works being carried out nearby as they would have further to walk.
East Lothian	N/A
East Renfrewshire	N/A
Falkirk	A traffic regulation order was not commenced for: 13 applications due to the applicant having access to off-street parking. 1 application for reasons of road safety or congestion.
Fife	Halt in site visits / application processing due to Covid-19 lockdown. Applicant withdrew application. Applicant had no vehicle or had alternative parking on driveway or garage. Applicant passed away. Discrepancies in application. Awaiting proof of vehicle registration to household address
Glasgow	N/A
Highland	1 refused as likely cause disruption to other traffic, due to disabled bay & bus stop already marked in close proximity. 1 refused due to restricted space in turning head whereby if a disabled was marked it would cause a disruption to other traffic. 1 refused as it would be marked to close to junction, and marking bay further up the road was unsuitable for customer. 1 refused due to restricted space in turning head whereby if a disabled bay was marked it would cause a disruption to other traffic.
Inverclyde	N/A
Midlothian	1 application was refused: driveway available. 1 application was withdrawn because APM more appropriate. 8 applications withdrawn for other reasons (eg bereavement, moving house). 1 application on hold pending further detail from applicant.
Moray	N/A
North Ayrshire	4 had driveway / off-road parking. 4 no suitable location could be found. There are still a number of applications pending.
North Lanarkshire	Road safety issues. Alternative off-street parking opportunities available. Area where bay located outwith control of the Council
Orkney Islands	N/A
Perth & Kinross	12 application forms were not returned
Renfrewshire	N/A
Scottish Borders	3 x private land. 3 x driveways. 1 x deceased. 1 x no suitable location. 1 x bay close by they could utilise
Shetland Islands	N/A
South Ayrshire	Applicant had sufficient garden ground to form driveway 8. No safe space to install a bay 3. No v5c documentation provided. 1 Private Road (outwith ARA remit) 2. No blue badge evidence provided 1
South Lanarkshire	Appendix D
Stirling	The request which was refused was on the grounds:- No vehicle registered at applicants' address.
West Dunbartonshire	N/A
West Lothian	N/A

Table 5 – Each category of information under paragraph 1 of part 1 of the Act that requires the reporting of reasons

Local Authority	PART 1(1)(f)(ii): <i>'its reasons for any decision under section 7(3) that it would not have power to make a disabled off-street parking order'</i>
Aberdeen City	N/A
Aberdeenshire	Under section 32(1) of the 1984 Act, the powers of a local authority to provide suitable parking places for vehicles apply where this appears to be necessary for the purpose of relieving or preventing congestion of traffic. Bringing the parking places under the control of the Council and making them subject to an order is not necessary for this purpose in the case of any of the spaces identified under section 7(1)
Angus	N/A
Argyll & Bute	N/A
City of Edinburgh	0 – no expression of interest in CEC enforcing of-street disabled persons' parking bays received from developers.
Clackmannanshire	N/A
Comhairle nan Eilean Siar	No expressions of interest from developers for this.
Dumfries & Galloway	N/A
Dundee	N/A
East Ayrshire	None
East Dunbartonshire	N/A
East Lothian	N/A
East Renfrewshire	N/A
Falkirk	Falkirk Council has contacted those Developers who were granted planning permission for a development containing disabled persons' parking bays during the current reporting period to determine whether they wish traffic regulation orders to be promoted.
Fife	N/A
Glasgow	N/A
Highland	No request has been made to developers to see if they wish to formalise bays as yet. The Highland Council are initially concentrating on bringing Highland council on and off street orders into the TRO and will focus on private land once this is completed.
Inverclyde	No further action
Midlothian	N/A
Moray	N/A
North Ayrshire	N/A
North Lanarkshire	N/A
Orkney Islands	None
Perth & Kinross	Nil
Renfrewshire	The granting of planning consent is no guarantee of the development going ahead. Developers are allowed 3 years to begin a development and its completion may be delayed any number of years thereafter. It is impractical for council officers to monitor all planning consents for the practical implementation of disabled bays.
Scottish Borders	N/A
Shetland Islands	Developers are not interested in this.
South Ayrshire	N/A
South Lanarkshire	N/A
Stirling	The developers / landowners have not yet been contacted – this is purely because the Council do not have the resources to progress this matter.
West Dunbartonshire	No interest from developers
West Lothian	West Lothian Council would not start the process without an agreement with the landowner.

Table 6 – Each category of information under paragraph 1 of part 1 of the Act that requires the reporting of reasons

Local Authority	PART 1(1)(f)(iv): <i>'the reasons why it was unsuccessful in making any such arrangements'</i>
Aberdeen City	N/A
Aberdeenshire	N/A
Angus	The private developers / landowners have not yet been contacted. Where the developer is the local authority the disabled persons' parking places will be included in an off-street Order in due course.
Argyll & Bute	N/A
City of Edinburgh	No developer has expressed an interest in CEC enforcing of- street disabled persons' parking places.
Clackmannanshire	N/A
Comhairle nan Eilean Siar	N/A
Dumfries & Galloway	N/A
Dundee	N/A
East Ayrshire	N/A
East Dunbartonshire	Process not yet started
East Lothian	N/A
East Renfrewshire	N/A
Falkirk	N/A
Fife	N/A
Glasgow	N/A
Highland	N/A
Inverclyde	No further action
Midlothian	Developers did not want their disabled parking places to be managed by the Council.
Moray	N/A
North Ayrshire	N/A
North Lanarkshire	N/A
Orkney Islands	N/A
Perth & Kinross	Nil
Renfrewshire	N/A
Scottish Borders	N/A
Shetland Islands	Developers are not interested in this.
South Ayrshire	N/A
South Lanarkshire	N/A
Stirling	N/A
West Dunbartonshire	Land not in Council ownership and private landlord declined to participate in the process.
West Lothian	No agreements have been reached on starting the process.

Table 7 – Each category of information under paragraph 1 of part 1 of the Act that requires the reporting of reasons

Local Authority	PART 1(1)(g)(i): <i>'its reasons for any decision under section 8(2) that it would not have power to make a disabled off-street parking order'</i>
Aberdeen City	N/A
Aberdeenshire	N/A
Angus	The private developers / landowners have not yet been contacted. Where the developer is the local authority the disabled persons' parking places will be included in an off-street Order in due course.
Argyll & Bute	N/A
City of Edinburgh	N/A
Clackmannanshire	N/A
Comhairle nan Eilean Siar	Due to resources it has not been possible to carry out work relating to Section 8.
Dumfries & Galloway	N/A
Dundee	N/A
East Ayrshire	No work undertaken due to resources issues.
East Dunbartonshire	N/A
East Lothian	N/A
East Renfrewshire	N/A
Falkirk	Section 8 of the 2009 Act requires local authorities to determine the locations of advisory disabled persons' parking bays in off-street car parks biennially. Falkirk Council undertook this exercise in June 2020.
Fife	N/A
Glasgow	Duties under this section were not enacted during this period.
Highland	Private housing authorities, retail outlets and other private land owners. Will be approached in the near future to discuss enforcement of their disabled bays.
Inverclyde	N/A
Midlothian	N/A
Moray	N/A
North Ayrshire	N/A
North Lanarkshire	None although subject to consultation with any private car park operator.
Orkney Islands	No arrangement under Section 33(4)
Perth & Kinross	None
Renfrewshire	Renfrewshire Council publishes a notice in the press every 2 years seeking requests for the inclusion of disabled bays in a traffic regulation order from the owners of private car parks. Renfrewshire Council routinely receives no responses to this notice. The most recent notice did not fall in the reporting period 2020-21.
Scottish Borders	N/A
Shetland Islands	None
South Ayrshire	No work undertaken due to resources issues.
South Lanarkshire	N/A
Stirling	As indicated earlier in this report, no action has been taken at this stage in respect of TROs for advisory off-street disabled persons' parking places.
West Dunbartonshire	Land not in Council ownership.
West Lothian	None

Table 8 – Each category of information under paragraph 1 of part 1 of the Act that requires the reporting of reasons

Local Authority	PART 1(1)(g)(iii): <i>'the reasons why it was unsuccessful in making any such arrangements'</i>
Aberdeen City	N/A
Aberdeenshire	N/A
Angus	N/A
Argyll & Bute	N/A
City of Edinburgh	Lack of interest from off street car park owners. Costs of marking and signing the places to the TSRGD – 2016 standards.
Clackmannanshire	N/A
Comhairle nan Eilean Siar	N/A
Dumfries & Galloway	N/A
Dundee	N/A
East Ayrshire	N/A
East Dunbartonshire	N/A
East Lothian	N/A
East Renfrewshire	N/A
Falkirk	N/A
Fife	N/A
Glasgow	Duties under this section were not enacted during this period.
Highland	N/A
Inverclyde	N/A
Midlothian	N/A
Moray	N/A
North Ayrshire	N/A
North Lanarkshire	N/A
Orkney Islands	No agreements reached
Perth & Kinross	None
Renfrewshire	N/A
Scottish Borders	N/A
Shetland Islands	Nil
South Ayrshire	N/A
South Lanarkshire	N/A
Stirling	N/A
West Dunbartonshire	Landlord declined to participate in the process.
West Lothian	None

Table 9 – Each category of information under paragraph 1 of part 1 of the Act that requires the reporting of reasons

Local Authority	PART 1(1)(h)(iv): <i>'in respect of each case in which it started the statutory procedure for the making of such an order but did not make an order, the reasons why not'</i>
Aberdeen City	Statutory process does not complete until the next reporting period
Aberdeenshire	N/A
Angus	N/A
Argyll & Bute	N/A
City of Edinburgh	N/A
Clackmannanshire	N/A
Comhairle nan Eilean Siar	N/A
Dumfries & Galloway	N/A
Dundee	Deletion of disabled parking bays at family/ applicant request due to bereavement / moving property / giving up occupancy of vehicle / giving up blue badge. Un-adopted road surface.
East Ayrshire	N/A
East Dunbartonshire	N/A
East Lothian	N/A
East Renfrewshire	N/A
Falkirk	Appendix A
Fife	N/A
Glasgow	N/A
Highland	Certain streets not included due to objections and disagreements. These streets were removed from the TRO until such time the restrictions are agreed.
Inverclyde	There was 1 Order which started the statutory procedure and was not able to be completed by the end of the reporting period.
Midlothian	None. The only cases where approved sites are not yet included in a Made Order are those which were still being processed at year end.
Moray	N/A
North Ayrshire	N/A
North Lanarkshire	The off-street parking TRO also included parking charging. The Council subsequently reversed the decision to introduce parking charges which has adversely impacted on the delivery timescales.
Orkney Islands	N/A
Perth & Kinross	N/A
Renfrewshire	N/A
Scottish Borders	N/A
Shetland Islands	None
South Ayrshire	N/A
South Lanarkshire	N/A
Stirling	An objection was made to the location of the disabled persons parking space (2020(183)), the amended location was later re-advertised within another TRO (2021(8)).
West Dunbartonshire	N/A
West Lothian	None

Table 10 – Each category of information under paragraph 1 of part 1 of the Act that requires the reporting of reasons

6. Schedule, Part 1, paragraph 2: 'A report prepared by a local authority under section 11(1)(a) may contain any other information about its performance of its functions in relation to parking places for disabled persons' vehicles during the reporting period that the authority considers appropriate.'

Whilst some local authorities did not report any additional information by reference to Part 1, paragraph 2 to the Act, those who did reported a range of information including clarifications on what activity took place in performing its duties under the Act or what activities are planned for the next reporting year.

20 out of the 32 local authorities did not report any 'other information' under this paragraph. Those local authorities are:

Aberdeen City Council; Aberdeenshire Council; Angus Council; City of Edinburgh Council; Comhairle nan Eilean Siar; Dumfries and Galloway Council; Dundee City Council; East Ayrshire Council; East Lothian Council; Falkirk Council; Glasgow City Council; Moray Council; North Lanarkshire Council; Orkney Islands Council; Perth & Kinross Council; Scottish Borders Council; South Ayrshire Council; South Lanarkshire Council; West Dunbartonshire Council and, West Lothian Council.

The following information has been provided by the local authorities mentioned below:

Argyll and Bute Council

"Argyll and Bute Council has been subject to a number of years of budget cuts which has resulted in a much reduced capacity to progress TROs. The Council instituted a moratorium on TROs in August 2019 which wasn't completed until March 2020. The impact of COVID-19 has further delayed the progression of TROs, however; we have procured an additional resource from January 2021 which is being utilised to progress the backlog of TROs, including the outstanding amendments to the Disabled Bay orders."

Clackmannanshire Council

"Clackmannanshire Council are a small local authority where we do not have parking enforcement. We are still processing TRO's due to staffing levels and workloads, these are taking time. Our whole area has been surveyed however the outcome has been delayed by COVID-19."

Budget wise we only put plates up where a blue badge space is getting mis-used or in busy areas. Although applications have been approved lining works are taking longer than normal due to COVID."

East Dunbartonshire Council

“The reporting period is covered by the Covid-19 pandemic and for most of the year activity was reduced. The Council has not been able to paint road markings or advertise orders on street.”

East Renfrewshire Council

“Between the the end of March 2020 and April 2021, 15 new requests for on-street disabled persons parking places were submitted to the Council from the HSCP following their assessment and subsequent approval of the applications from qualifying applicants. However, although the bays markings have been physically installed on the roads where required, due to issues associated with the Coronavirus Pandemic, it has not been possible to make the obligatory Traffic Orders necessary to make these bays enforceable as yet.”

Fife Council

“There are 2995 enforceable on-street bays in Fife.”

Highland Council

“The Highland Council continue to introduce Decriminalised parking enforcement throughout the Highland area. In order to regulate disabled bays in existing areas. The Highland Council have adjusted bay sizes and erected signs to keep things in line with the Traffic signs regulations and General Directions (TSRGD). EV bays are also being installed with disabled users in mind allowing more room for disabled access.”

Inverclyde Council

“15 disabled parking places started the statutory procedure before the start of the reporting period and were revoked within the period. 2 disabled parking places started the statutory procedure and were revoked within the period. 5 disabled parking places started the statutory procedure to be revoked. There are 549 current disabled parking places which have been created by means of an Order since April 1996. This is in addition to the 37 created during this reporting period.”

Midlothian Council

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North Ayrshire Council

"We have resumed the processing of applications now that COVID19 restrictions have eased. We are also planning to promote two orders in the following reporting period."

Renfrewshire Council

"Renfrewshire Council continues to carry out its duties under the Disabled Person's Parking Places (Scotland) Act 2009 as indicated above."

Shetland Islands Council

"Parking remains an issue and continues to be getting more severe. With this in mind we make it a priority to contact the applicant immediately to clarify qualification requirements are met, identify a suitable space, explain the process and then if requirements are reached we will implement it."

Stirling Council

"To continue to liaise with Stirling Area Access Panel with regards disabled parking provision, whether that be new spaces or improvements to existing spaces on or off street.

Progress with respect of taking forward disabled parking spaces implement and future enforcement within private car parks needs further analysis, and is still to be carried out, which is dependent on staff resources.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic and restrictions in working from home, it was felt it was not an appropriate time to carry out a review of the existing disabled parking spaces, it is hoped this can be carried out when staff are able to return to the office."

7. Schedule Part 2, paragraph 4:

'A report prepared by the Scottish Ministers under section 12(1)(a) may contain any other information about the performance by local authorities of their functions in relation to parking places for disabled persons' vehicles during the reporting period that the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate'

The Scottish Ministers have no other information to report, on the performance of local authorities of their functions in relation to parking places for disabled persons' parking places within the reporting year.

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Appendix A – Tables provided by Falkirk Council

Falkirk Council: For the period between 1 April 2020 and 31 March 2021

PART 1(1)(d)(v): 'the period, in each case, between the identification of a parking place under section 5(2)(b) and the starting of the related statutory procedure under section 5(3)(b)';

PART 1(1)(h)(iii): 'in relation to each such order, the period between the start of the statutory procedure and the making of the order' and

PART 1(1)(h)(iv): 'in respect of each case in which it started the statutory procedure for the making of such an order but did not make an order, the reasons why not'

Ref. Number	Date on which parking place identified	Date on which statutory procedure commenced	Period of time in days to commence statutory procedure	Date on which order made	Period of time in days to make TRO
20/028	08/06/2020	23/06/2020	15 days	18/08/2021	56 days
20/032	21/01/2021	22/01/2021	1 day	11/03/2021	48 days
20/033	08/06/2020	23/06/2020	15 days	18/08/2020	56 days
20/034	13/10/2020	06/01/2021	85 days	11/03/2021	64 days
20/035	24/06/2020	27/07/2020	33 days	21/10/2020	86 days
20/036	07/07/2020	27/07/2020	20 days	21/10/2020	86 days
20/037	23/06/2020	27/07/2020	34 days	21/10/2020	86 days
20/039	21/07/2020	27/07/2020	6 days	21/10/2020	86 days
20/040	18/12/2020	06/01/2021	18 days	11/03/2021	64 days
20/041	27/07/2020	27/07/2020	0 days	21/10/2020	86 days
20/042	Refused – Alternative Off-Street Parking	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
20/043	26/11/2020	01/12/2020	5 days	17/02/2021	78 days
20/044	17/08/2020	25/08/2020	8 days	21/10/2020	57 days
20/045	Refused – Alternative Off-Street Parking	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
20/046	02/09/2020	16/09/2020	14 days	25/11/2020	70 days
20/047	06/10/2020	27/10/2020	21 days	25/01/2021	90 days
20/048	24/08/2020	25/08/2020	1 days	21/10/2020	57 days
20/049	Refused – Alternative Off-Street Parking	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
20/051	16/09/2020	27/10/2020	41 days	25/01/2021	90 days

Ref. Number	Date on which parking place identified	Date on which statutory procedure commenced	Period of time in days to commence statutory procedure	Date on which order made	Period of time in days to make TRO
20/052	Refused – Alternative Off-Street Parking	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
20/053	06/10/2020	01/12/2020	56 days	17/02/2021	78 days
20/054	14/09/2020	27/10/2020	43 days	25/01/2021	90 days
20/055	08/02/2021	26/04/2021	77 days	21/06/2021	56 days
20/056	18/09/2020	27/10/2020	39 days	25/01/2021	90 days
20/057	18/09/2020	27/10/2020	39 days	07/01/2021	72 days
20/058	18/09/2020	27/10/2020	39 days	25/01/2021	90 days
20/061	09/10/2020	27/10/2020	18 days	25/01/2021	90 days
20/062	Refused – Road Safety or Congestion	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
20/063	08/10/2020	27/10/2020	19 days	25/01/2021	90 days
20/064	12/10/2020	27/10/2020	15 days	25/01/2021	90 days
20/065	Refused – Alternative Off-Street Parking	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
20/066	06/11/2020	22/12/2020	46 days	11/03/2021	79 days
20/068	Refused – Alternative Off-Street Parking	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
20/069	11/10/2020	22/12/2020	72 days	11/03/2021	79 days
20/070	26/10/2020	27/10/2020	1 days	25/01/2021	90 days
20/071	28/10/2020	02/12/2020	35 days	17/02/2021	77 days
20/072	28/10/2020	02/12/2020	35 days	17/02/2021	77 days
20/073	03/11/2020	02/12/2020	29 days	17/02/2021	77 days
20/076	05/11/2020	02/12/2020	27 days	17/02/2021	77 days
20/077	05/11/2020	02/12/2020	27 days	17/02/2021	77 days
20/078	05/11/2020	02/12/2020	27 days	17/02/2021	77 days
20/079	10/11/2020	02/12/2020	22 days	17/02/2021	77 days
20/080	18/11/2020	02/12/2020	14 days	17/02/2021	77 days
20/081	23/11/2020	02/12/2020	9 days	17/02/2021	77 days
20/082	26/11/2020	22/12/2020	26 days	11/03/2021	79 days
20/083	07/01/2021	22/01/2021	15 days	11/03/2021	48 days
20/084	30/11/2020	07/01/2021	38 days	Application Cancelled	N/A
20/085	03/12/2020	22/12/2020	19 days	11/03/2021	79 days
20/086	30/11/2020	22/12/2020	22 days	11/03/2021	79 days

Ref. Number	Date on which parking place identified	Date on which statutory procedure commenced	Period of time in days to commence statutory procedure	Date on which order made	Period of time in days to make TRO
20/087	15/12/2020	22/12/2020	7 days	11/03/2021	79 days
20/088	23/12/2020	22/01/2021	30 days	11/03/2021	48 days
20/090	23/12/2020	05/01/2021	13 days	11/03/2021	65 days
21/001	02/02/2021	Statutory Procedure Not Yet Commenced	N/A	N/A	N/A
21/002	02/02/2021	Statutory Procedure Not Yet Commenced	N/A	N/A	N/A
21/003	Refused – Alternative Off-Street Parking	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
21/004	18/02/2021	Statutory Procedure Not Yet Commenced	N/A	N/A	N/A
21/005	16/02/2021	Statutory Procedure Not Yet Commenced	N/A	N/A	N/A
21/006	Refused – Alternative Off-Street Parking	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
21/007	17/02/2021	Statutory Procedure Not Yet Commenced	N/A	N/A	N/A
21/008	04/03/2021	Statutory Procedure Not Yet Commenced	N/A	N/A	N/A
21/009	Refused – Alternative Off-Street Parking	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
21/010	12/03/2021	Statutory Procedure Not Yet Commenced	N/A	N/A	N/A
21/012	12/03/2021	Statutory Procedure Not	N/A	N/A	N/A

Ref. Number	Date on which parking place identified	Date on which statutory procedure commenced	Period of time in days to commence statutory procedure	Date on which order made	Period of time in days to make TRO
		Yet Commenced			
21/014	Refused – Alternative Off-Street Parking	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
21/016	Refused – Alternative Off-Street Parking	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
21/018	Refused – Alternative Off-Street Parking	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
21/019	Refused – Alternative Off-Street Parking	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Table 1 – Information about Falkirk Council's Traffic Regulation Orders which contain Disabled Persons' Parking Places

Appendix B – Tables provided by Inverclyde Council

Inverclyde Council: For the period between 1 April 2020 and 31 March 2021

PART 1(1)(d)(v): 'the period, in each case, between the identification of a parking place under section 5(2)(b) and the starting of the related statutory procedure under section 5(3)(b)' and

PART 1(1)(h)(iii): 'in relation to each such order, the period between the start of the statutory procedure and the making of the order'

No.	Place Identified	Started TRO Process	Days
1	21/07/2020	15/09/2020	56
2	27/07/2020	15/09/2020	50
3	26/05/2020	15/09/2020	112
4	26/05/2020	15/09/2020	112
5	08/06/2020	15/09/2020	99
6	15/06/2020	15/09/2020	92
7	22/07/2020	15/09/2020	55

Table 2

Orders which started the statutory procedure before the start of the reporting period and were made within the period.

Order	TRO No.	Number of Parking Places
On-Street	No. 4 of 2019	12
	No. 1 of 2020	13
	Total	25

Table 3

Orders which started the statutory procedure and were made within the reporting period.

Order	TRO No.	Number of Parking Places
On-Street	No. 2 of 2020	12
	Total	12

Table 4

Orders which started the statutory procedure within the reporting period and were not made.

Order	TRO No.	Number of Parking Places
On-Street	No. 3 of 2020	12
	Total	12

Table 5

Orders which started the statutory procedure and were made within the reporting period.

TRO No.	Started TRO Process	TRO Made	Days
No. 2 of 2020	21 July 2020	22 January 2021	185

Table 6

Appendix C – Tables provided by Stirling Council

Stirling Council: For the period between 1 April 2020 and 31 March 2021

PART 1(1)(d)(v): 'the period, in each case, between the identification of a parking place under section 5(2)(b) and the starting of the related statutory procedure under section 5(3)(b)' and

PART 1(1)(h)(iii): 'in relation to each such order, the period between the start of the statutory procedure and the making of the order'

Processed TRO	Plan issued to Applicant	Proposal Advertised in Press	Time Between Issuing Plan and Proposing
2020(183)	06/02/2020	02/09/2020	209
2020(184)	09/03/2020	02/09/2020	177
2020(185)	29/07/2020	02/09/2020	35
2020(186)	06/02/2020	02/09/2020	209
2020(187)	19/02/2020	02/09/2020	196
2020(188)	28/07/2020	02/09/2020	36
2020(189)	14/01/2020	02/09/2020	232
2020(190)	29/01/2020	02/09/2020	217
2020(191)	05/08/2020	02/09/2020	28
2020(192)	12/02/2020	04/09/2020	205
2021(4)	27/10/2020	15/01/2021	80
2021(5)	27/10/2020	15/01/2021	80
2021(6)	19/03/2020	13/01/2021	300
2021(7)	08/10/2020	13/01/2021	97
2021(8)	08/10/2020	13/01/2021	97
2021(9)	29/07/2020	13/01/2021	168
2021(10)	27/10/2020	13/01/2021	78
2021(11)	16/09/2020	13/01/2021	119
2021(12)	16/09/2020	13/01/2021	120
2021(13)	29/07/2020	13/01/2021	168
2021(14)	20/11/2020	13/01/2021	54
2021(15)	25/11/2020	13/01/2021	49

Table 7 – Information about Stirling Council's Traffic Regulation Orders which contain Disabled Persons' Parking Places

Processed TRO	Proposal Advertised in Press	Date TRO Signed	Time Between Advertising in Press and Making TRO
2020(183)	02/09/2020		
2020(184)	02/09/2020	02/10/2020	30
2020(185)	02/09/2020	02/10/2020	30
2020(186)	02/09/2020	02/10/2020	30
2020(187)	02/09/2020	02/10/2020	30
2020(188)	02/09/2020	02/10/2020	30
2020(189)	02/09/2020	02/10/2020	30
2020(190)	02/09/2020	02/10/2020	30
2020(191)	02/09/2020	02/10/2020	30
2020(192)	04/09/2020	02/10/2020	28
2021(4)	15/01/2021	12/02/2021	28
2021(5)	15/01/2021	12/02/2021	28
2021(6)	13/01/2021	12/02/2021	30
2021(7)	13/01/2021	12/02/2021	30
2021(8)	13/01/2021	12/02/2021	30
2021(9)	13/01/2021	12/02/2021	30
2021(10)	13/01/2021	01/04/2021	78
2021(11)	13/01/2021	12/02/2021	30
2021(12)	13/01/2021	12/02/2021	30
2021(13)	13/01/2021	12/02/2021	30
2021(14)	13/01/2021	12/02/2021	30
2021(15)	13/01/2021	12/02/2021	30

Table 8 – Information about Stirling Council's Traffic Regulation Orders which contain Disabled Persons' Parking Places

Appendix D – Tables provided by South Lanarkshire Council

South Lanarkshire Council: For the period between 1 April 2020 and 31 March 2021

PART 1(1)(d)(iii): 'its reasons for any decision under section 5(3)(a)'

Reasons for Refusal

Reason for Refusal	Amount Refused
Not car driver	9
Could not be done due to siting issues (Roads & Transportation decision)	0
Has driveway	2
Sheltered Housing resident	0
Has a lock-up	0
Not car owner	3
Can create driveway - Roads & Transportation declined	0
Not Blue Badge holder	1
Did not produce evidence to proceed with application	21
Private car park	2
Private road	0
Temp blue badge	0
Temp Accommodation	0
Other	11

Table 9 – Reasons why South Lanarkshire Council refused to provide a Disabled Persons' Parking Place

Appendix E – Information provided by Midlothian Council

Midlothian Council: For the period between 1 April 2020 and 31 March 2021

Part 1, paragraph 2: 'A report prepared by a local authority under section 11(1)(a) may contain any other information about its performance of its functions in relation to parking places for disabled persons' vehicles during the reporting period that the authority considers appropriate.'

Introduction

The Disabled Persons' Parking Places (Scotland) Act 2009 ('DPPP') places duties on Councils in Scotland to provide enforceable parking places for disabled people whose vehicles display a valid 'Blue Badge'.

DPPP requires each Council to prepare, publish and submit to Scottish Ministers an annual report recording the progress made to implement the Act in the preceding period.

Information which must be included in the report to Ministers is specified in detail in the Schedule to DPPP.

Implementation

Midlothian Council has been able to continue the employment of a member of staff specifically to progress a wide spectrum of Traffic Regulation Orders, including Orders under the DPPP Act, with limited additional assistance for site visits and technical support. Two Orders for a total of 96 new DPPP parking places were completed in 2020/21. Two further Orders were Made to remove 63 bays from the Order which are no longer needed.

A regular stream of new applications continues to be received from disabled people who experience difficulties in parking close to their homes - 70 such applications during 2020/2021.

During the most severe Covid Lockdown phases, the Council was not able to assess and, in most cases, agree applications without long delays. Although that situation has been remedied, and applications are now being assessed promptly, we still experience chronic difficulties in getting bays painted (and removed) in reasonable timescales. Our external contractors evidently did not find this work attractive. Midlothian Council has taken a decision to bring this work in-house in the longer term

so that we can exercise better control, but the necessary vehicles, equipment and trained staff are not yet in place.

The very slow rate of progress in getting new bays marked on-street has impacted on the rate at which these bays can be 'legalised' by inclusion in an Order, to allow active enforcement in the event of any local disputes. However the presence of the initial 'advisory' disabled bay road markings is generally enough to resolve any local parking issues.

The specific information required by the Act is set out in the accompanying Schedule.



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