

RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

Tuesday, 16 January 2024

Decision No: (CAB 23/24 42532)

DECISION-MAKER:	CABINET
PORTFOLIO AREA:	Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport
SUBJECT:	Itchen Bridge Toll Changes
AUTHOR:	Richard Alderson

THE DECISION

- (i) To remove the Off Peak charging classification from the Itchen Bridge Toll for Class 2 vehicles and introduce a single charge band for all trips.
- (ii) To implement an increase in the Itchen Bridge toll paid by Class 4 vehicles from £25 to £40 and an increase in the associated concessionary rate (for Class 4 vehicles accessing the Local Concession Zone) from £2 to £3.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

1. To encourage all drivers of Class 2 vehicles to make a meaningful decision about using the bridge and associated routes regardless of the time of crossing in order to better manage congestion in the areas around the bridge and support on going maintenance demands.
2. To recognise that all traffic contributes to the structural depreciation of the Itchen Bridge and highway surface regardless of the time of crossing.
3. To strongly discourage non-local HGV traffic from using the Itchen Bridge crossing and associated routes.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

1. To continue operating an off peak period as per the exiting structure as this would not properly account the wear and tear creating by the high volume of traffic that crosses the bridge in off peak periods.
2. To increase the toll for Class 4 vehicles crossing the Itchen Bridge as the £25 charge will become less of a deterrent year on year with increases in inflation.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION

None.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None.

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD

We certify that the decision this document records was made in accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000 and is a true and accurate record of that decision.

Date: 16 January 2024

Decision Maker:
The Cabinet

Proper Officer:
Claire Heather

SCRUTINY

Note: This decision will come in to force at the expiry of 5 working days from the date of publication subject to any review under the Council's Scrutiny "Call-In" provisions.

Call-In Period expires on

Date of Call-in *(if applicable) (this suspends implementation)*

Call-in Procedure completed *(if applicable)*

Call-in heard by *(if applicable)*

Results of Call-in *(if applicable)*