

Equality Assessment Car Parking in Town Centres Action Plan

Stockton Town Centre – Off Street

Location	Issue	Independent Assessment Comments	Action	Estimate
Skinner Street South Car Park	1	No drop or tactile paving on the east side of Brunswick Street. Suggest the tactile paving and drop kerb is introduced on the east side of the junction.	Dropped kerbs found to be in place, but on the western side of Brunswick street there is no tactile paving to match with the eastern side. Estimate requested to install stick down tactile on the western side of the junction	£1k
Skinner Street South Car Park	1	Dovecot Street/Brunswick Street, vehicles over running the footway to access private car park. Suggest a section of guard rail is introduced at the back of the footway along Dovecot Street and one bollard erected on Brunswick Street to protect crossing point.	No action to be taken – concern bollards would be damaged – location to be monitored	
Skinner Street South Car Park	N/A	No disabled parking bay	Additional bays to be provided in Lodge Street Car Park	
Skinner Street South Car Park	N/A	No pay and display machine, signage required to redirect to alternative	Car park used by permit holders – therefore no requirement for a ticket machine or sign to direct to alternative. Additional disabled bays in Lodge Street Car Park to mitigate this.	
Skinner Street North Car Park	N/A	No disabled parking bays	Additional disabled bays in Lodge Street Car Park to mitigate this.	
Skinner Street North Car Park	3	Carriageway failure at entrance to car park causing ponding which can lead to an increase in slips and falls. Suggest the entrance to the car park is resurfaced	Location and possible issue to be monitored	
Skinner Street North Car Park	1	No drop or tactile paving on the east side of Brunswick Street. Suggest the tactile paving and drop kerb is introduced on the east side of the junction.	see above – Skinner Street South Car Park.	
Skinner Street North Car Park	1	Dovecot Street/Brunswick Street, vehicles over running the footway to access private car park. Suggest a section of guard rail is introduced at the back of the footway along Dovecot Street and one bollard erected on Brunswick Street to protect crossing point.	See above – Skinner Street Car Park	
Lodge Street Car Park	N/A	No disabled bays	Parking bays adjacent to P and D machine be reallocated and marked as disabled bays to mitigate these three car parks in close proximity. Monitoring of use be undertaken to identify whether further disabled bays in this area are required and further modifications to car park will be considered.	£250
Lodge Street Car Park	N/A	Substandard drop kerbs across Albion Street. Suggest that the drops are realigned	Reviewed found to be to standard	
Lodge Street Car Park	2	No drop kerbs across rear access to Business Centre. Suggest footway re-profiled and drop kerb introduced	See above – Skinner Street Car Park	
Lodge Street Car Park	4	No drop or tactile paving on the east side of Brunswick Street. Suggest the tactile paving and drop kerb is introduced on the east side of the junction.	See above – Skinner Street Car Park	
Lodge Street Car Park	1	Dovecot Street/Brunswick Street, vehicles over running the footway to access private car park. Suggest a section of guard rail is introduced at the back of the footway along Dovecot Street and one bollard erected on Brunswick Street to protect crossing point.	See above – Skinner Street Car Park	
Bright Street Car Park	1	No drop kerb to access the footway at the entrance to the car park.	Estimate requested to Install 2no dropped kerb	£2k
Bright Street Car Park	2	No drop kerbs across vehicle access to commercial property	Estimate requested to Install 2no dropped kerb	£2k
Prince Regent Street Car Park	1	difficulty accessing disabled bays	Car park layout recently extended and parking bays marked.	
Prince Regent Street Car Park	1	location of P&D machine may increase the risk of road collisions for wheelchair users, there is concern that wheelchair users collecting a ticket may not be seen by drivers exiting in reverse from the adjacent parking bays	Parking bay to be hatched when new car park on former Glam site opens to prevent parking in this area.	
West Row Car Park	3	Substandard size of disabled bays may result in difficulty for users to exit vehicle. Suggest the disabled bays are remarked to ensure that the bays meet the minimum standard.	Disabled bays to be marked with extended hatched area to rear of the bays	£250
West Row Car Park	2	Substandard dropped kerb	Estimate requested to provide 2no dropped kerb	£2k
West Row Car Park	1	Lack of footway width due to narrow footway due to bins adjacent to Tommy Tuckers at the junction of West Row and Dovecot Street. Suggest that these bins are stored off the footway	Enforcement to speak to shop owners about location of bins	

Parliament Street Car Park	1	no disabled bays within the car park. Difficulty for wheelchair users to exit vehicles within the car park	2 disabled bays to be considered adjacent to southern ticket machine and hatched area and usage monitored.	£250
Parliament Street Car Park	1	Location of P&D machine may increase the risk of road collisions for wheelchair users, there is concern that wheelchair users collecting a ticket may not be seen by the drivers exiting in reverse from the adjacent parking bays	Disabled bays to be located at southern ticket machine to mitigate this.	
Parliament Street Car Park	N/A	Substandard gradient at the dropped crossing across Park Terrace. Suggest that the footway is re-profiled and the gradient reduced	Area to be reviewed as part of Town Centre Development projects. No immediate defects.	
Shambles Car Park	N/A	No disabled bays	No action recommended due to 5 additional disabled bays proposed in new car park on former Glam site. Over provision in Bishop Street to cater for access to High Street.	
High Street Car Park	N/A	No disabled bays	No action recommended due to 5 additional disabled bays proposed in new car park on former Glam site. Over provision in Bishop Street to cater for access to High Street.	
Bishop Street Car Park	N/A	Insufficient space at the rear of four of the disabled bays may result in difficulty in wheelchair users who exit via the rear of the vehicle. Suggest bays are altered to provide additional space.	As bays back onto footway, this is deemed to be safe.	
Bishop Street Car Park	1	No drop crossing facility across Knowles Street	Estimate requested to install 2no dropped kerb utilising the same materials across High Street	£4k
Riverside Car Park	1	No disabled bays within the car park. Difficulty for wheelchair users to exit vehicles within the car park.	Disabled parking bay to be introduced adjacent to southerly p and d machine	£250
Municipal Buildings Car Park	2	sub-standard disabled bays	Disabled bays to be marked to standard	£250
Municipal Buildings Car Park	1	Narrow footway linking car park to Thistle Green. Suggest the footway is widened	Feasibility required	
Dairy Car Park	1	Insufficient space at the rear of the disabled bays may result in difficulty in wheelchair users who exit via the rear of the vehicle. Suggest bays are altered to provide additional space	No action recommended	
Maritime Road Car Park	N/A	No disabled parking bays	Outside of Town Centre boundary, so no action at this time	
Maritime Road Car Park	1	Access to p and d machine restricted because of parking space	Outside of Town Centre boundary, so no action at this time	
Maritime Road Car Park	2	Restricted visibility at crossing point at the junction of Bath Lane/ Maritime Road. Junction improvements	No action recommended due to on site constraints	
Maritime Road Car Park	N/A	Inadequate drop crossing at the junction of Bath Lane and Church Road. Re-profile the footway and provide a suitable drop crossing for all road users	To be undertaken as part of Victoria Estate development.	
Bath Lane North Car Park	1	No drop kerb to access footway between Splash and Council offices. Provide a drop kerb to access the footway	Reviewed and found dropped kerb in place	
Laing Street Car Park	N/A	Difficult for wheelchair users to access P&D machines, provide a drop kerb to access ticket machine	Reviewed and found to be not an issue	
Laing Street Car Park	N/A	No disabled parking spaces	No action recommended due to on-street bays on Tennant Street and an additional bay to be provided in Hume Street Car Park.	
Laing Street Car Park	1	No pedestrian link and drop to access Allison Street. Suggest an area is hatched for pedestrians and a drop kerb introduced onto Allison Street	No action recommended – inconvenient route	
Hume Street Car Park	N/A	additional disabled bay	Disabled bays to be appropriately marked adjacent to entrance.	£250

Thompson Street East Car Park	1	Height of push button at controlled crossing (Allison Street), may result in wheelchair users being unable to use the crossing. Suggest that the push button facility is adjusted	To be looked at as part of signals upgrade in future	
Thompson Street East Car Park	2	Poor road surface at controlled crossing (Allison Street). Suggest the road at the crossing is resurfaced	To be passed to Highway Maintenance as part of resurfacing programme	
Thompson Street East Car Park	N/A	No disabled bays within the car park	On fringe of town centre – will continue to monitor.	
Thompson Street West Car Park	N/A	no disabled bays provided	On fringe of town centre – will continue to monitor.	
Thompson Street West Car Park	5	Limited width on footway, due to existing sign, may lead to wheelchair users travelling along the carriageway. Suggest relocating sign	As above. To progress if disabled bays are installed.	
Thompson Street West Car Park	4	Restricted visibility (due to shrubs) at junction of Thompson Street and A1305, increased risk of pedestrian collisions. Suggest the shrubs are significantly trimmed to provide all road users sufficient visibility	To be passed to CFYA	
Thompson Street West Car Park	1	Height of push button at controlled crossing (Allison Street), may result in wheelchair users being unable to use the crossing. Suggest that the push button facility is adjusted	To be looked at as part of signal upgrade in future	
Thompson Street West Car Park	2	Poor road surface at controlled crossing (Allison Street). Suggest the road at the crossing is resurfaced	To be passed to Highway Maintenance as part of resurfacing programme	
Wellington Square Car Park	1	number of disabled bays within the car park	Monitor usage of existing bays as substantial numbers already in place.	
Wellington Square Car Park	1	No drop kerb adjacent to disabled bays to access footway, currently wheelchair users use the road hump. Suggest a separate drop kerb is introduced	Estimate Requested to install 1no dropped kerb	£1k

Stockton Town Centre – On Street

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Thistle Green/The Square	N/A	Substandard width of disabled bay	Not practical to widen the bays due to impact on highway safety.	
Thistle Green/The Square	1	No drop kerb adjacent to disabled bays to access footway. Suggest that several drop kerbs are introduced adjacent to the disabled bays.	Location to be monitored. Dropping the footway would have a negative effect on other pedestrians including vulnerable users	
Thistle Green/The Square	N/A	The disabled bay is one continuous bay. Difficulty for wheelchair users to access/exit vehicles from the rear. Suggest that the bays are individually marked.	No plans to mark as individual bays as this would result in a reduction of provision. Location to be monitored	
High Street (near former post office)	1	no dropped kerb and not individually marked	Estimate requested to install 1no dropped kerb utilising the same materials across the High Street	£2k
Tennant Street	1	no dropped kerb	Location being considered for improvement works which may include dropped kerbs	
Tennant Street	N/A	individually marked	To be carried out	£250
Tennant Street	N/A	bays to be widened	Not practical to widen the bays due to impact on road safety.	
Tennant Street	2	No drop kerb crossing at the junction of Thomas Street. Suggest the footway is re-profiled and a suitable drop crossing is installed	Estimate requested to install 1no dropped kerb	£1k
Tennant Street	3	Inadequate drop crossing at the junction of Laing Street. Suggest the footway is re-profiled the footway and provide a suitable drop crossing for all road users	Dropped kerbs found to be in place to the appropriate specification	
North Street (off Bishopton Lane)	1	lack of dropped crossings	Estimate requested to install 3no dropped kerbs	£3k

Riverside	1	no dropped crossing or individually marked	This to be reviewed as part of town centre consultation as no suitable wheelchair accessible route is available to the town centre.	
West Row	1	Substandard width of the disabled bays. Difficulty for wheelchair users to exit vehicles due to width of bays. Suggest that the bays are remarked to ensure that the bays meet the minimum standard.	Not practical to widen the bays due to impact on highway safety.	
Knowles Street	1	no dropped kerb, not individually marked and substandard width	Dropped kerb at the end of the taxi rank. Unable to widen the bays due to impact on highway safety.	
Bishop Street (opposite Police parking bays)	1	no dropped kerb, not individually marked and substandard width	Location to be monitored. Dropping the footway would have a negative effect on other pedestrians including vulnerable users	

Thornaby Town Centre

Location	Issue	Independent Assessment Comments	Action	Estimate
Trenchard Avenue – on street	1	No drop kerb adjacent to disabled bays to access footway. Suggest that several drop kerbs are introduced adjacent to the disabled bays	Estimate request to drop kerbs alongside parking bays	£5k

Billingham Town Centre – Off Street

Location	Issue	Independent Assessment Comments	Action	Estimate
Billingham Library Car Park		no issues		
Forum Car Park	3	Disabled users have to travel into the entrance of the car park. Suggest part of wall is removed to create a safe route to the footway	Works complete	£500
Forum Car Park	3	Insufficient number of disabled bays within the car park. Suggest one additional disabled bay is introduced	Due to an additional 4 bays in the car park to the front of the Forum plus 7 on Moreland Avenue, no additional disabled bays proposed	£250
Rothbury Street Car Park		No disabled bays within the car park. Difficulty for wheelchair users to exit vehicles within the car park. Suggest two disabled bays are introduced	Two disabled bays to be introduced, along with dropped kerbs	£2k

Billingham Town Centre – On Street

Location	Issue	Independent Assessment Comments	Action	Estimate
The Causeway	1	Substandard width of the disabled bays. Difficulty for wheelchair users to exit vehicles due to width of bays. Suggest that the bays are remarked to ensure that the bays meet the minimum standard	Completed	
The Causeway	1	No drop kerb adjacent to disabled bays to access footway. Suggest that several drop kerbs are introduced adjacent to the disabled bays	Completed	
Moreland Avenue (B&M)	4	Substandard width of the disabled bays. Difficulty for wheelchair users to exit vehicles due to width of bays. Suggest that the bays are remarked to ensure that the bays meet the minimum standard.	Bays to be remarked	£250
Moreland Avenue (B&M)	4	No drop kerb adjacent to disabled bays to access footway. Suggest that several drop kerbs are introduced adjacent to the disabled bays	Location to be monitored. Dropping the footway would have a negative effect on other pedestrians including vulnerable users	
Moreland Avenue	4	Substandard width of the disabled bays. Difficulty for wheelchair users to exit vehicles due to width of bays. Suggest that the bays are remarked to ensure that the bays meet the minimum standard	Bays to be remarked	£250
Moreland Avenue	4	No drop kerb adjacent to disabled bays to access footway. Suggest that several drop kerbs are introduced adjacent to the disabled bays	Location to be monitored. Dropping the footway would have a negative effect on other pedestrians including vulnerable users	
Moreland Avenue	5	The disabled bay is one continuous bay. Difficulty for wheelchair users to access/exit vehicles from the rear. Suggest that the bays are individually marked	Bays to be remarked	£250
Kingsway	6	Substandard width of the disabled bays. Difficulty for wheelchair users to exit vehicles due to width of bays. Suggest that the bays are remarked to ensure that the bays meet the minimum standard.	Not practical to widen the bays due to impact on highway safety	

Kingsway	6	No drop kerb adjacent to disabled bays to access footway. Suggest that several drop kerbs are introduced adjacent to the disabled bays	Location to be monitored. Dropping the footway would have a negative effect on other pedestrians including vulnerable users	

Norton Town Centre

Location	Issue	Independent Assessment Comments	Action	Estimate
Outside Boots	1	No drop kerb from car park to footway. Suggest that a drop kerb is introduced in close proximity to the disabled bays	Feasibility required as part of Town Centre works	
Outside Boots	1	Substandard width of the disabled bays. Difficulty for wheelchair users to exit vehicles due to width of bays. Suggest that the bays are remarked to ensure that the bays meet the minimum standard.	Feasibility required as part of Town Centre works	
Near Blackwells		No disabled bays within the car park. Difficulty for wheelchair users to exit vehicles within the car park. Suggest one disabled bay is introduced	Feasibility required as part of Town Centre works	
Harland Place – on street	2	Substandard width and length of the disabled bay. Difficulty for wheelchair users to exit vehicles due to width of bays. Suggest that the bays are remarked to ensure that the bays meet the minimum standard	Feasibility required as part of Town Centre works	
Harland Place – on street	2	No drop kerb adjacent to disabled bays to access footway. Suggest that a drop kerb is introduced adjacent to the disabled bay	Feasibility required as part of Town Centre works. Potentially one dropped kerb to be introduced.	

Yarm Town Centre

Location	Issue	Independent Assessment Comments	Action	Estimate
High Street - library	6	The gradient at the drop kerb onto the High Street is substandard and should be altered	Feasibility required as part of Town Centre works.	
High Street - Cross Keys	3	as above	Feasibility required as part of Town Centre works.	
High Street - George & Dragon	2	as above	Feasibility required as part of Town Centre works.	
High Street - Roseberry New House	1	as above	Feasibility required as part of Town Centre works.	
High Street - Strickland and holt	4	as above	Feasibility required as part of Town Centre works.	
High Street - Fairfax Court	5	Substandard width of the disabled bays. Difficulty for wheelchair users to exit vehicles due to width of bays. Suggest that the bays are remarked to ensure that the bays meet the minimum standard	Feasibility required as part of Town Centre works.	

Shopping Parades

Westbury Street	1	No drop kerb from car park to access shopping parade. Suggest that a drop kerb is introduced in close proximity to the disabled bays.	Feasibility required	
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