

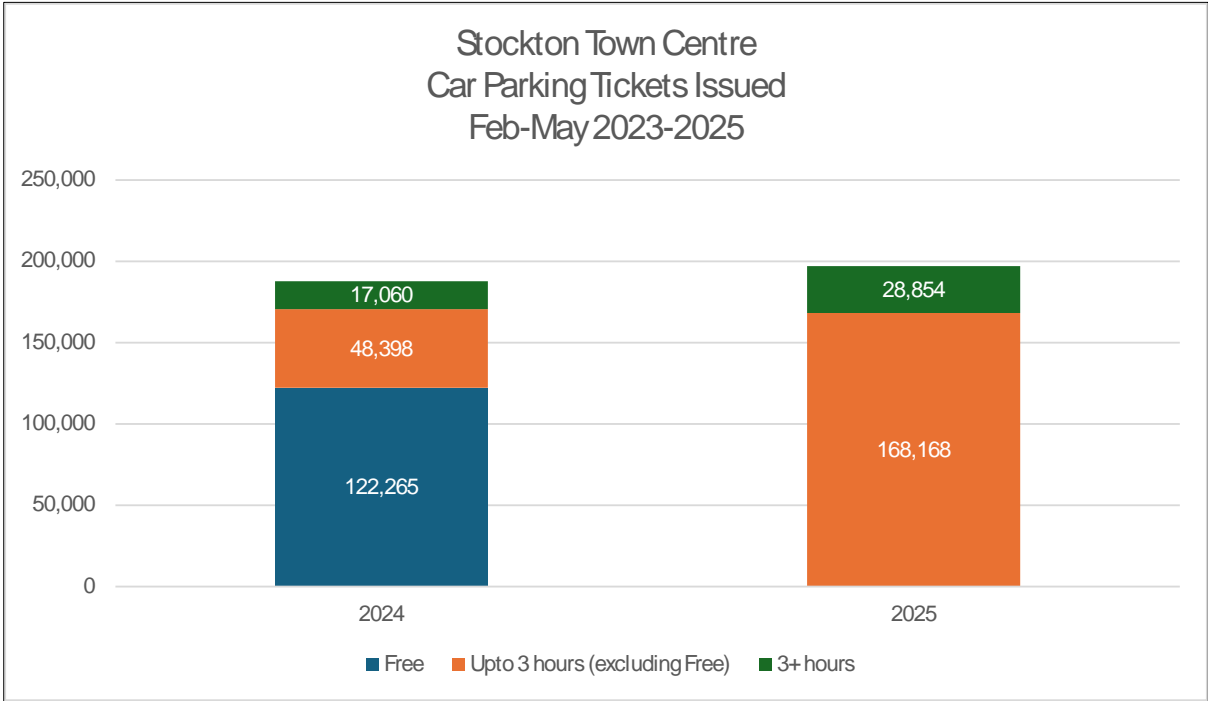
INTRODUCTION OF CAR PARKING CHARGES IN STOCKTON TOWN CENTRE AND YARM HIGH STREET  
IN SBC OWNED CAR PARKS

EARLY ANALYSIS - KEY HEADLINES

STOCKTON TOWN CENTRE

1. Since the introduction of car parking charges in SBC owned car parks in February 2025, the number of **tickets issued** has increased (see **Figure 1**).
- In February to May 2025, there were **197,022 tickets issued** compared to **187,723 tickets issued** for the same time-period in 2024.

Figure 1 – Tickets Issued in Stockton Town Centre Car Parks, February to May 2024 compared to February to May 2025<sup>1</sup>



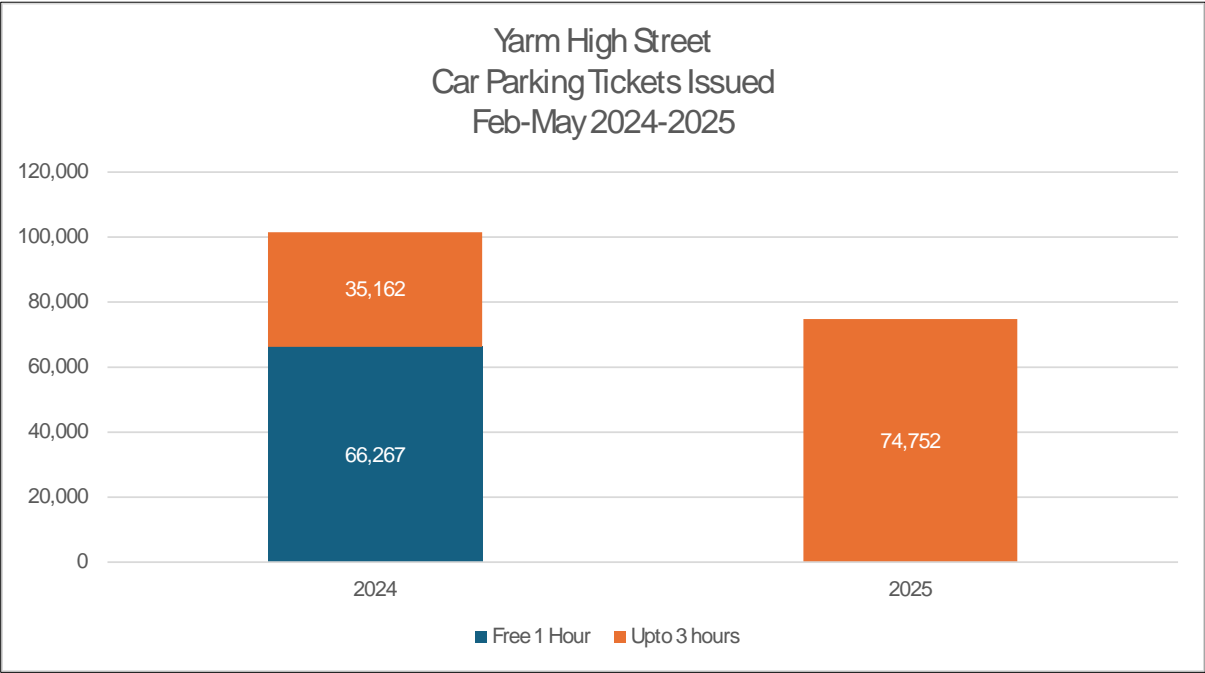
2. The parking data includes all off-street car parks managed by Stockton Borough Council, as well as Wellington Square, all of which have no maximum stay restrictions. In 2024, Wellington Square operated a tariff offering free parking for up to two hours, £1.50 for stays between two and three hours, and a flat rate of £3 for all-day parking. In comparison, Stockton’s own tariff provided free parking for the first hour, then charged £1 for up to three hours, with an additional £1 applied for each hour beyond that.

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YARM HIGH STREET

3. Since the introduction of car parking charges in SBC owned car parks in February 2025, the number of **tickets issued** has decreased (see **Figure 2**).
- In February to May 2025, there were **74,752 tickets issued** compared to **101,429 tickets issued** for the same time-period in 2024.

**Figure 2 - Tickets Issued in Yarm High Street, February to May 2024 compared to February to May 2025<sup>2</sup>**



4. Short-stay parking in Yarm is exclusively provided on-street along the High Street, where visitors are permitted to park for a maximum of three hours.