

Press release – January 2018

FREE Car Parking in Falmouth

Every Saturday for three months secured

This is a big reminder to all Falmouth and Cornish residents to take advantage of FREE car parking in all Cornwall Council-operated car parks in Falmouth on Saturdays over the three months of January, February and March 2018!

The relevant car parks are The Moor, The Quarry, New Street, The Dell, Grove Place and Gyllyngvase. Church Street Car Park is closed during the Western Power Distribution electrical works so this is not applicable however this is included for the Saturday after the 2018 phase of works are completed namely, Saturday the 17th March. From midnight to midnight, there will be no need to press for a ticket as the ticket machines will be switched-off. So, do come into award-winning Falmouth and enjoy all the town has to offer – superb independent retailers, national outlets, a wide variety of quality-led cafes, pubs and restaurants and inspiring attractions.

The free car parking initiative is one of a series of supportive measures that the award-winning Falmouth Town Team (Falmouth BID and Falmouth Town Council working in partnership) with support from Western Power Distribution (WPD), has secured to assist the business and wider community during the electrical improvement works being undertaken by WPD.

The 2018 phase of works starts on Monday 8th January and run until Friday 16th March.

The project will see the 70-year-old electrical cabling system being replaced in sections, from Market Street, through Church and Arwenack Streets, to Grove Place. A new substation is also being installed in Church St Car Park. The section being worked on at any one time will be around 15-20m in length. During the works, road closures, restricted traffic flow and delivery procedures will be in place. The project is being overseen by WPD and Kier.

The project may take up to 5 years to complete as confirmed by WPD and the works will take place in the first calendar quarter of each year (January to March).

Richard Wilcox Falmouth BID Manager said:

“The Town Team will be on the front foot to support our business and resident community in as many ways as is possible during the electrical works. While these works are essential for the town, understandable concerns have been raised due to their possible disruptive effect on day-to-day business operations and the wider community. So numerous

organisations, led by the BID and Falmouth Town Council, are working together to provide supportive measures such as the extensive free car parking offer, thereby ensuring our award-winning town continues to attract shoppers and visitors from around the county and beyond.”

Further information on the electrical works can be found here – www.falmouth.co.uk.

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Notes to Editors

Written on behalf of the Falmouth Town Team by the Falmouth BID.

About the Falmouth BID

Voted for and managed by local businesses, the award-winning Falmouth BID is a not-for-profit resource that, as an integral part of the Falmouth Town Team coordinates destination marketing, festivals, business training and public realm initiatives for the town. The Town Team co-ordinated the Great British High Street awards submission, leading to Falmouth beating 900 other towns to be crowned the GB High St Coastal Community of the Year.

For more information about the Falmouth BID visit www.falmouth.co.uk/media