

Amendment to Motion 2

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Insert a new final bullet point to read:

4. To use its position as a shareholder in Manchester Airport Group to advocate and vote for changes to the parking charges.

The amended motion to read:

Motion 2: Fairer Parking Charges at Manchester Airport

To be Moved by: Councillor Shah

to be Seconded by: Councillor Charters

This Council notes:

- Manchester Airport is the third busiest airport in the UK and a vital gateway for Greater Manchester residents and businesses.
- Current drop-off and pick-up charges at Manchester Airport are £5 for five minutes, £6.40 for up to 10 minutes, and £25 for up to 30 minutes, with fines of £100 (reduced to £60 if paid within 14 days) for late payment under the barrierless system.
- The RAC has ranked Manchester Airport among the most expensive UK airports on a cost-per-minute basis.
- Jim McMahon MP has called for a full review of signage, an end to the practice of stacking up charges, an extension of the time allowed to pay, and greater transparency on income from these charges.

This Council believes:

- Parking charges should be fair, transparent, and not penalise genuine mistakes.
- The current system risks disproportionately impacting local residents and visitors, especially given the complexity of the barrierless payment process.
- Clear signage and user-friendly payment options are essential to avoid confusion and unnecessary fines.

This Council resolves:

1. **To formally support Jim McMahon MP's campaign** for fairer and more transparent parking charges at Manchester Airport.
2. **To ask the Chief Executive to write to Manchester Airport Group urging:**
 - A review of the current charging structure with a view to reducing costs.
 - Improved signage and introduction of a "tap-out" payment option at exit points.
 - Publication of data on income from drop-off and pick-up charges.

- A fair and accessible appeals process that does not increase penalties for unsuccessful appeals.
- 3. **To ask the Chief Executive to write** to the Mayor of Greater Manchester and Leaders of the other 9 GM Local Authorities to share this motion seek wider regional support.
- 4. To use its position as a shareholder in Manchester Airport Group to advocate and vote for changes to the parking charges.