

Patient and visitor parking charges increase from 18 April

Why are charges going up?

Parking charges have remained static following the last increase in 2007. The Trust recently carried out a benchmarking exercise with other hospitals across West Yorkshire, and is increasing its charges to bring it into line with neighbouring trusts.

What are the new charges?

	Charge
Up to 20 minutes	Free
Up to 2 hours	£3
2 – 4 hours	£5
Up to 24 hours	£8

What happens to the money raised by parking charges?

The revenue from car parking is reinvested in patient services, resurfacing and maintaining the car park estate, and in upgrading our CCTV and security, making parking safer for patients, visitors and staff.

I'm a blue badge holder – will I have to pay?

No. Blue badge holders will continue to park for free, and all the spaces outside Outpatients will be for blue badge holders only, to make it easier to find accessible parking places.

Do you offer any concessions?

Concessionary permits will continue to be available for visitors to patients who are likely to be in hospital longer than a week. Patients undergoing treatment for cancer or attending the Richardson clinic are also entitled to reduced rate permits, and visitors to the intensive care unit and the neonatal unit are entitled to exemption permits. Full details of all concessions are available on the Trust website www.airedale-trust.nhs.uk/contact-us/parking/.

Where can I park?

Following patient feedback about the difficulties people sometimes have finding somewhere to park at the hospital we have installed a new barrier car park scheme which will go live on Tuesday 18 April. The barrier car parks for patients are at P1 (the public car park near

Outpatients) and P3 (the old West car park) and will make it easier for our patients and visitors to find a space closer to the hospital.

How do the new barrier car parks work?

The car parks are pay-on-exit which means that you don't have to worry about going back to your car to top up your parking, or paying a higher charge because you're not sure how long you'll be.

Do I need lots of change or can I pay by card?

The new payment machines take card payments, as well as the new £1 coins and £5 notes (and £10 notes, when they are issued later this year).

How else can I travel to Airedale Hospital?

Many buses stop on the hospital site and surrounding area, and we are working with Transdev to increase the frequency of buses to the hospital. For bus times please call Metroline on 0113 245 7676 or visit www.wymetro.com

The nearest train station to Airedale Hospital is Steeton and Silsden and is approximately one mile away. For train times and connecting bus services ring 08457 48 49 50 or go to www.nationalrail.co.uk.