

PRESS RELEASE

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APCOA AWARDED CONTRACT EXTENSION WITH SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

APCOA Parking Services has secured an extension to its existing five-year contract with Slough Borough Council. The contract was due to be re-tendered in 2008, but the Council has instead chosen to grant a two-year extension, until April 2010.

As well as operating Slough's 'Parking Watch' parking enforcement, APCOA also handles the progression of unpaid penalty charge notices (PCNs).

APCOA's Parking Attendants, now known as Civil Enforcement Officers (CEOs) under the Traffic Management Act 2004, will continue to enforce parking regulations in the area, in order to assist Slough Borough Council's 'Parking Watch' with its objective of reducing congestion in the town centre and surrounding areas, without damaging the economic life of the borough.

APCOA is very proud to have been awarded the contract extension, as the Management team at APCOA and Slough Borough Council has developed a strong partnership, dealing with any concerns and working together to resolve any issues to meet the expectations of the Council in providing a first class service for the residents of Slough. Together, the team has improved on-street visits and reduced the amount of PCNs reaching the appeal stage; a high number of PCNs are paid within the 14-day period without appeal.

APCOA's 14 CEOs will continue to enforce parking regulations in the area, in order to assist Slough Borough Council in meeting its objectives.

The Slough parking portfolio consists of 2,500 public parking spaces in the town centre, serviced by 82 ticket machines, split between 11 surface car parks, 3 multi-storeys and 12 controlled parking zones. APCOA also runs the Security Contract for Slough, with 9 members of staff patrolling the three multi-storey car parks in Slough – one of these being a 24-hour patrol.

NOTES FOR THE EDITOR

APCOA Parking is Europe's longest-established and largest full-service parking services contractor, and is known within the parking industry for its many innovations over the years.

In the UK, APCOA employs around 2500 people, and its customer base includes local authorities, town and city councils, airport authorities, rail companies, shopping centres, department stores, port authorities, NHS trusts, in other words almost all types of organisation which need to supply parking or to enforce parking regulations.

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