

STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS

PROFORMA

Cabinet Meeting9th February 2012

1. Title of Item/Report

Borough Wide Parking Review Next Steps

2. Record of the Decision

Members considered a report relating to the Borough Wide Parking Strategy.

The purpose of the report was to provide Cabinet with an outline of the next steps in the delivery of the Borough Wide Car Parking Strategy which had been approved by Cabinet on 8th December 2012. The Borough Wide Car Parking Strategy considered the parking needs of all of the town centres within the borough and included Norton High Street.

The strategy included a series of actions that were appropriate for the individual town centre locations and led to a priority assessment based on need and other activities that were planned for those localities. It was intended that Cabinet be updated at appropriate stages as this action plan was to be delivered across the borough.

Each town centre was moving at a different pace in terms of the changes that had been identified. In response to the Borough Wide Parking Review there had been a focus of attention and the demand for a response to the policy that had been set relating to Yarm town centre. A significant amount of attention had been drawn to the proposals put forward for Yarm and the issues there were longstanding, so it was understandable that early intervention remained a priority.

In view of this Cabinet was provided with an outline of the next steps relating to Yarm. Progress relating to the other town centres and Norton High Street would be reported to Cabinet as appropriate.

Members were informed that there was a clear plan for consulting with businesses, residents, taxi operators, Ward Members and Yarm Town Council through a variety of means, which would help to shape the parking solution, prior to the formal consultation stage being commenced. Through this engagement it was hoped that many of the issues that had been raised, to date, as concerns, would be able to be accommodated in

a workable solution.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

3. Reasons for the Decision

The development of a comprehensive parking strategy was necessary for the future provision, management and maintenance of parking facilities within the Borough at a time when the economic performance and regeneration of its town centres were at a crucial stage.

Important market research intelligence for Yarm and Stockton town centres had recently been provided and needed to be utilised to drive forward new car parking management strategies to underpin improved economic performance of those two centres.

Engagement with residents was also critical to build on this intelligence and the report considered the next steps.

4. Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

None

5. Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest

None

6. Details of any Dispensations

Not applicable.

7. Date and Time by which Call In must be executed

Midnight on Friday 17 February 2012

Proper Officer
13 February 2012