## COUNCIL MEETING – 7<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2012 ITEM 5 – PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

## The following question has been submitted by Sue Dewey for response by the Cabinet Member for Regeneration & Transport:-

"Many Yarm High street residents remain very concerned that they will, in practice, be facing the imposition of substantial costs to park near their homes. The proposed consultations for residents have not yet happened, and so we don't know how the strategy or its implementation will be amended following that future consultation. This means we face a prolonged period of anxiety. Using the figures actually stated in the borough wide parking strategy document, many have calculated costs to them could amount to many hundreds or, for the retired, thousands of pounds annually to park on the high street, yet occasional council comments to the press have said otherwise.

To clarify the position for us can you assure all residents without in-curtilage parking currently living on Yarm High Street, or in properties like Lord Nelsons Yard, whose only access is directly from the High Street, that it is your intention to ensure residents permits at £10 pa will enable them to park in any High Street pay and display space at any time of the day, and any day of the week, without being liable for charges?"