

ENVIRONMENT POLICY ADVISORY GROUP (SBDC)

Meeting - 31 January 2018

Present: L Sullivan (Chairman)
M Bradford, L Hazell and J Lowen-Cooper

Also Present:

Apologies for absence: B Harding

20. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

21. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the PAG held on 20 November 2017 were received.

22. REPORTS FROM MEMBERS

None received.

23. CURRENT ISSUES

There were no current issues raised.

24. CAR PARK CHARGES REVIEW

The PAG received a report which set out options for amending the off street parking in the District.

There was a requirement to regularly review the car park estate to ensure the parking supply, along with restrictions and associated tariffs, continually support the local community. To enable the car parks to continue to be effectively managed and to provide investment for future car park development, a number of recommendations had been set out in the report along with the reasons for these recommendations.

The PAG were advised that if the proposals were agreed by Cabinet at its meeting on 7 February 2018, a public consultation would commence with notices being published in the local press/car parks. Notices would also be sent to Bucks County Council as the highway authority, Thames Valley Police, and affected Town and Parish Councils, who would also have the opportunity to make comments and/or objections.

In the discussion which followed, the PAG indicated its support for the recommendations set out in the report as it was felt that the proposed changes would maximise the availability of parking space and improve parking in the District.

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The PAG expressed its thanks to Julie Rushton, Parking Manager, and the rest of the Parking Team for all the hard work that they had carried out on this review.

Having considered the advice of the PAG, the Portfolio Holder **AGREED** to **RECOMMEND** to Cabinet

1) That Cabinet proceed with the following options:

Beaconsfield

a) Amend the 8 hour tariff across all Beaconsfield car parks to 9 hours.

Gerrards Cross:

b) Introduce a 9hr tariff on Packhorse Road and Station Road car parks.

All Car Parks (proposed for 2018/19)

c) Introduce new car park charges as outlined in Appendix A.

d) Restrict season tickets to residents, local businesses and local workers.

e) Increase season ticket prices for Burnham and Farnham Common to maintain daily charge versus season ticket cost ratio.

f) Amend season ticket refunds so the higher charge is applicable and return full calendar months only.

2) That subject to Cabinet agreeing the options at 2.1 the Head of Environment be authorised to publish the necessary statutory Notice of proposed Amendments to the Off Street Parking Places Order.

3) That if no valid objections are received in response to publication of the Notice, the Director of Services be authorised to make and publicise the necessary Amendment Order.

4) That if valid objections are received in response to publication of the Notice, the Director of Services be authorised to deal with any such objections after consultation with the Portfolio Holder and to make and publicise the necessary Amendment Order with or without modifications as considered appropriate.

25. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

The meeting terminated at 6.37 pm