

## **JOINT PARKING COMMITTEE**

Thursday, 3rd November, 2011

**Present:-** Councillor Stephen Sweeney – in the Chair

Councillors D Clarke

1. **APOLOGIES**

2. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

**Resolved:-** That the minutes of the meeting of this Committee held on 18 July 2011 be approved as a correct record

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were none.

4. **COUNCILLOR BILL SINNOTT**

Tribute was paid to the consideration made to this Committee by Councillor Sinnott who had recently passed away.

5. **REGARDING RESIDENTS PARKING SCHEME SOUTH EAST OF THE TOWN CENTRE**

Members received an update on response received following publication of details of the draft Traffic Regulation Order for the above area.

It was indicated that a part of this consultation process 286 letters had been posted to residents inviting objections to the proposals, which had also been advertised in the press and on appropriately placed on-street notices.

It was indicated that of the 17 responses received, 11 made objections to the Traffic Regulation Order with the other 6 supporting the proposed.

The Council's made by the residents were set out in a schedule circulated at the meeting together with the officer's comments.

Although the County Council had no specific concerns arising from the comments Members of the Committee were invited to take the Schedule away to consider it in detail and thereafter forward any comment to the County Council or Borough Council.

Members were also asked to consider the type, cost and number of parking permit that could be issued to residents of properties affected by the proposed Traffic Regulation Order and as above, submit any comments, direct to the County or Borough Council. This information could then be considered by the officers and included in a further and more detailed report to the Committee.

**Resolved:-** That the information be received.

**6. RECENT REQUESTS FOR NEW OR AMENDED TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS**

Consideration was given to a schedule circulated at the meeting outlining requests made for low Traffic Regulation Orders since the last meeting of the Committee on 18 July 2011.

The Committee expressed the following concerns:-

Etruria Way, Basford

Cars parked on the entrance road to the estate near to the roundabout are a potential danger to after road users as they enter and leave the area. It was agreed that the situation be closely monitored and, if the problem, worsens, a further report be brought to the Committee for consideration.

Cornwall Avenue/Clayton Lane/Stafford Crescent

The problem of parking in the vicinity of the main gates to Clayton Hall Language and Business College was a cause for concern. It was agreed that junction protection measures at this point should be investigated.

Hollingwood Close, Kidsgrove

Problems with on-street parking were being expressed by residents when Kidsgrove Athletic Football Club hosted home fixtures. It was agreed that signs directing football fans to available off-street parking areas would be useful.

The Avenue, Kidsgrove

Concern was expressed that the introduction of parking charges by East Midland Trains on the car park at Kidsgrove Station had had the result of reduced usage, with drivers parking at other locations including Meadows Road and Tesco.

**Resolved:-** That the above comments be noted and investigated by the officers.

**7. NEW REQUESTS FOR RESIDENT PARKING SCHEMES**

The Committee considered a number of requests for residents parking schemes during which a number sought clarification with regard to Princess Street that was situated adjacent to Newcastle-under-Lyme School. In response it was indicated that Princess Street was not to be considered for inclusion in the current proposal for a residents parking scheme in this area, but will be considered separately in due course.

A Member sought clarification as to the position with regard to the request for residents only parking in Dunkirk, Newcastle and received an assurance that this one was next to be formally considered followed by that for West Brampton.

**Resolved:-** That the information be received.

**COUNCILLOR STEPHEN SWEENEY**  
**Chair**