CONTROLLED PARKING ZONES UPDATE

Briefing Report



I. INTRODUCTION

1.1. This briefing report is to update the Scrutiny Committee on the developments with Controlled Parking Zones (CPZ's) following the adoption of the Scrutiny recommendations accepted by Cabinet on 15 July 2014.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1. The Working Plymouth Cooperative Review Scrutiny Group commenced a review of CPZ's on 16th December 2013 with the scope of establishing both the criteria and the process of implementing a CPZ. The review was concluded on 17th April 2014 with a series of recommendations which were adopted by Cabinet.
- 2.2. The current Parking Strategy is outdated and does not reflect changes to national policy, such as the 'National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and the Department for Transport 'Manual for Streets 2'. This strategy needs to be updated to reflect the latest national policy and guidance.

3. UPDATE

- 3.1. Work is currently underway on updating the Parking Strategy, referred to as 'The Plan for Parking' and this is expected to be completed April 2015. The new strategy includes an updated CPZ policy which adopts the recommendations from Scrutiny.
- 3.2. Whilst the CPZ policy is current being updated, the recommendations from Scrutiny have been applied in supporting Members develop solutions to resident's challenges with parking. Developments include: -
 - 3.2..1. The creation of a corporate 'polling card' for Members to adopt in undertaking the 'informal consultation' to establish support for a CPZ scheme.
 - 3.2..2. Members have undertaken surveys of local residents in relation to proposals to introduce a CPZ scheme in Stoke ward.
 - 3.2..3. One consultation in relation to proposals for a CPZ achieved a turnout in excess of 30% and support in excess of 51%, in accordance with the scrutiny recommendations. This proposal will now go forward for formal consultation, consultation under the Road Traffic Act, to implement this CPZ scheme.
 - 3.2..4. Officers are continuing to support Members in additional wards to undertake informal consultation in relation to proposed CPZ's.