

# Car Park Strategy Steering Group

## Minutes

Tuesday, 28 January 2014 at 14:00

### PRESENT:

Councillor Castle (GYBC) (in the chair), Councillor's Jeal and Pettit (GYBC). Councillor C Walker (Norfolk County Council). Peter Fitzgerald (Great Yarmouth Residents Association) and Jonathan Newman (Town Centre Partnership).

Paul Donnachie, Phillip Schramm and Phil Reilly (Norfolk County Council). Michael Chillingworth and Karline Smith (Great Yarmouth Borough Council).

Councillor Rex Parkinson (NCC) attended for item 5  
Councillor B Walker (GYBC) attended for item 4  
Councillor Collins (GYBC) attended for item 4  
Councillor Hanton (GYBC)  
Michael Blank (Chairman of Community).

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

#### **1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Miranda Lee, David Marsh and Jane Beck.

#### **2 MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 22 October 2013 were confirmed.

#### **3 MATTERS ARISING**

##### Priory Gardens

Peter Fitzgerald asked if further investigation could take place with regards to misuse of Visitor permits. Although the statistics with regard to Priory Gardens/Priory Plain area showed 25 Residential and Residential Visitor permits and 11 Business permits, Sheila Wilkinson of the Residents Association now had detailed information with regard to misuse. Councillor Jeal as Cabinet member agreed to make contact and to

get this issue thoroughly investigated.

#### **4 JPH/JENNER ROAD RESTRICTED PARKING SCHEME (PHIL REILLY)**

Phil Reilly reported on the recently held public consultation process stating that they had advertised for a restriction on the entire estate for Monday to Sunday 7.30 to 6pm and that 200 letters had been sent out but there had been a poor return with 23 in support and 19 objecting, however it noted that the consultation period had not ended which could change the recommendation but at this point it was agreed that the new parking restrictions be implemented initially in Jenner Road and Paget Close only from Monday to Sunday 7.30 am to 6pm. The element relating to loading and unloading would be removed to take account of resident's views. If displacement of parking led to other roads being added to the scheme this could be done without further notices over the next 2 years. The hospital staff access signs would be removed.

RESOLVED:

That it was agreed that the new parking restrictions would be implemented initially in Jenner Road and Paget Close.

#### **5 ZONE A IMPLEMENTATION OF ADDITIONAL VISITOR PARKING IN TWO IDENTIFIED AREAS FROM SUMMER 2014**

Councillor's Pettit and Jeal declared a personal non prejudicial interest in the following item on the grounds that they both hold residents and business parking permits.

Phil Reilly reported on the arrangements for the introduction of the pilot scheme. Legal notices would be progressed in March to bring this into effect and the scheme would also enable payment using mobile phones in future years. For 2014 visitor tickets would be available for purchase from Childs Newsagents in Nelson Road Central, Crown Stores in Apsley Road and the Tourist Information Centre on Marine Parade. It was agreed that Councillor Pettit (Ward Councilor), Peter Fitzgerald (Residents Association), David Law (Norfolk Constabulary) and David Marsh (Tourist Authority) be appointed as the appropriate reference group for officers to liaise with in the run up to the launch.

RESOLVED:

That the named people be appointed to a reference group to liaise with officers prior to the launch.

#### **6 GYBC CAR PARKING AND CPE STATISTICS**

##### **C.P.S.S.G. On Street Oct-Dec Quarter Comparison 2012-2013**

The steering group considered the car parking and CPE statistics. It was agreed that Norfolk County Council would amend its parking charges to align with increases in GYBC seafront car parks from Summer 2014.

## **7      PRE-CPE PAY AND DISPLAY SURPLUS FUNDS ACCOUNT**

Paul Donnachie reported that an additional £100,000 had been made available by Norfolk County Council to add to the monies available for funding local schemes. In answer to a question from Councillor B Walker he undertook to provide a definitive response with regard to the operation of the Norfolk CPE contract and use of future car parking surpluses. Councillor C Walker requested that consideration for funding of yellow line parking restrictions for Emmanuel Avenue which was also suffering from JPH parking issues as she had been formally presented with a petition from Emmanuel Avenue residents. Paul Donnachie stated that this would be examined by the local engineer to evaluate it against the Council's criteria for such schemes. Funding of £5,000 was agreed with regard to part funding the Nursery Terrace/Cobden Terrace Residents Parking Scheme. The less-well used Salisbury Road to Sandown Road stretch of seafront pay and display parking would be trialled for mobile phone payment on a lower tariff to boost usage (cost estimated to be in the region of £6,750/£7,500). Jonathan Newman requested consideration of further funding for the Yarmouth CCTV scheme. The Chairman requested that any such bids for use of this funding be considered at the April meeting with full details of match-funding provided.

## **8      YARMOUTH AND GORLESTON SEAFRONT AREAS - TO IDENTIFY ANY PROBLEM AREA RE: PARKING**

At the Yarmouth Area Committee at its meeting on 10 December 2013 discussed Marine Parade Traffic Issues and it was resolved that:-

"That Cabinet be recommended to ask Norfolk County Council to agree to the introduction of the Traffic Regulation Orders as detailed and for consultation to be carried out in respect of restricted parking after 9pm near South Beach Parade and at St Nicholas Car Park".

The recommendations of the Seafront Car Parking Working Group had been supported at the December meeting of the Yarmouth area committee and it was agreed to progress the parking restrictions after 9pm near South Beach Parade and St Nicholas Car Park from September 2014.

There were no ongoing issues from Gorleston Seafront Areas reported from the Gorleston Area Committee.

## **9      FUTURE WORK PROGRAMME**

(i) Seafront Zone C

To determine whether to go to public consultation on a seasonal all year round residents permit scheme (April/June).

(ii) Pre- CPE Pay and Display Surplus Funds Account

To consider potential bids for use of remaining monies (April).

(iii) Cycle Link

To consider a request from the Great Yarmouth Cycle Forum for an additional part to a cycle route which would pass the Great Yarmouth Library and which might require cyclists dismounting in the vicinity of its entrance. (April)

(iv) Zone A Additional Visitor parking pilot scheme

Review of performance during 2014 Summer Season (October)

(v) Enforcement

To receive a regular report on deployment of CPE staff. Michael Jeal as Cabinet Member reminded members of the steering group that specific areas of concern could always be reported to Michael Chillingworth without waiting for a CPSSG meeting to do so. (April/June/October standing item).

**10 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday 15 April 2014 at 2pm.

The meeting ended at: 14:55