



**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
TAMWORTH LOCAL PARKING
COMMITTEE
HELD ON 7th SEPTEMBER 2011**

PRESENT: Councillor R Pritchard (Chair), Councillors S Claymore, M Oates and K Norchi
County Councillor M Oates

The following officers were present: Andrew Barratt (Deputy Director (Assets and Environment)), Joanne Sands (Neighbourhood Services Manager) and Larry Phillips (Car Parks & CCTV Supervisor), C Thomas and R Rayson

1 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors B Beale, L Bates and J Wells.

2 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 9TH MARCH 2011

The minutes were signed as a true copy with the following amendment –
Apologies were recorded from Councillors M Oates and Mary Oates.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

4 STAFFORDSHIRE JOINT PARKING BOARD 26TH JULY 2011

The reports presented were noted by the committee.

An overview of the Civil Parking Process and the role of the Joint Parking Board and Local Parking Committee was given by Mr A Barratt for new members present.

5 PROGRESS REPORT FOR CIVIL PARKING ENFORCEMENT AT TAMWORTH TO JULY 2011

Mr Barratt presented a progress report on civil enforcement in Tamworth to 31 July 2011.

The revised deployed hours for officers has contributed to reduction on operating costs and to date contractor is achieving the new target hours within predicted model.

Cancellations have dropped to 14% of PCN issue.

Cllr M Oates commended the fact that the new model seemed to be working.

Resolved that the progress report be approved.

(Moved by Cllr M Oates and seconded by Cllr Mary Oates)

All Committee in favour

6 UPDATE ON THE RESIDENTS PARKING ZONE - WEST STREET/ALBION STREET AREA

A verbal report was received from Mr Rayson regarding the progress of first priority RPZ in Tamworth.

A number have now been requested in Staffordshire and the first one is now operating in Stafford.

The County Council are now working on the second round of consultations and it seems likely that the scheme will go ahead with 115 individual parking bays.

The associated orders and detailed schedule will be advertised and further progress report brought to the next Local Parking Committee.

Cllr Claymore requested a letter to residents letting them know the status of the zone. Richard Rayson undertook to do this in the next few weeks.

Cllr Oates asked how long the consultation will take and how is it done. Richard Rayson stated that the consultation will take place by letter and will take three weeks. County Councillors will form part of this consultation.

7 UPDATE ON THE TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER PROGRAMME AND NEW REQUESTS

Richard Rayson gave an update to the Committee to confirm that it is the role of the Tamworth Local Parking Committee to prioritise the top four requests for traffic regulation orders that do not form part of the scheduled projects.

The current program of proposals was agreed in January 2010.

Update on request for 2010/11 year:-

- Bolebridge Island – formal consultation completed and no waiting at any time to be implemented shortly in all areas

- Kettlebrook Road (Adjacent to Tamworth Football Club) – evaluation has revealed that no restrictions are required
- Woodhouse Lane – existing lining refreshed and it is not proposed that any further additional lining is implemented
- Amington Road – concerns with regard to footway parking. A scheme is currently being assessed to look at the issues. Proposals will come back to Local Parking Committee
- Croft Street – residents complained of lack of off street parking. Consultation provided mixed reviews and the scheme has lapsed. This will be revived and proposal brought to Local Parking Committee.
- Buckingham Road – residents raised issues of inconsiderate parking by shops. Not considered appropriate for the introduction of restrictions at present, but the issues in the area will be monitored
- Kettlebrook Road/Park Farm Road – issues with Parking manager for considered solution

8 UPDATE ON PARKING ISSUES IN ST EDITHAS CLOSE

Confirmed that signage had now been updated and improved to inform disabled drivers that parking should be in marked bays only.

The entrance signage is fully compliant in Corporation Street

The Chair expressed thanks to the parking teams for providing a solution to this difficult issue.

9 UPDATE ON THE ZIGGY AND ZAGGY CAMPAIGN AT TAMWORTH SCHOOLS

Jo Sands reported that the schools campaigns had finished in June for the current year, but will continue from September.

To date – Greenacres, Dosthill, Woodlands, Florendine, Ashcroft/Mildenhall, Flaxhill, William McGregor, St Gabriels and Birds Bush have all been visited.

Proposed to look at Wilnecote schools as the next priority.

To date, only four Tamworth Schools have no stopping at any time restrictions on zig zags.

Postcards are available for any schools who wish to continue with their own campaigns or send them to parents.

10 DISCUSSION ON DRAFT PARKING TOOLKIT FOR USE BY TAMWORTH COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

Jo Sands introduced a draft parking toolkit for information and use by the Community.

The first stage parking issues letter has been approved for use by the Community Safety Partnership in areas where no traffic regulations exist.

After discussion, it was proposed that the draft be developed and introduced by Cllr Mick Oates and seconded by Cllr Rob Pritchard.

11 CONSIDERATION OF NEW AREAS TO BE ASSESSED FOR THE INTRODUCTION OF NEW TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS

Faringdon petition and further issues on Woodhouse Lane – Richard Rayson agreed to look at the issues and report back in due course.

Cllr Ken Norchi raised concerns regarding parking on double yellow lines at Dormer Avenue. Jo Sands agreed to take the issue back for monitoring by APCOA as beat patterns allow and to raise the issue with the local police team.

Chair