

FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: **CABINET**

DATE: **19TH MAY 2015**

REPORT BY: **MEMBER ENGAGEMENT MANAGER**

SUBJECT: **FLINTSHIRE PARKING STRATEGIES**

1.00 **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.01 To formally report to the Cabinet the result of the call in of decision 3157 – Flintshire Parking Strategies.

2.00 **BACKGROUND**

2.01 At its meeting on 21st April 2015, the Cabinet approved the Flintshire Parking Strategy report of the Chief Officer (Streetscene & Transportation).

2.02 The decision was subsequently called in by Councillors Mike Peers, Neville Phillips, Arnold Woolley, Carol Ellis and Dennis Hutchinson. The reasons given for the call in were as follows:

(1) The Flintshire Parking strategy does not take into account the impact of parking charges on the vitality and viability of each town and community.

(2) The impact of out of town shopping centres with free parking has not been considered on existing town centres.

3.00 **CONSIDERATIONS**

3.01 The call in was heard by the Environment Overview & Scrutiny Committee at a meeting on 14th May.

3.02 At the meeting, the initiators of the call in were represented by the signatories, together with Councillor Richard Jones. The decision makers were represented by the Deputy Leader/Cabinet Member for the Environment, Councillor Bernie Attridge, together with the Chief Officer (Streetscene & Transportation)

3.03 Both the call in initiators and the decision makers put their cases to the committee, and responded to Members' questions.

3.04 At the end of that process and summing up, the committee was reminded of the four options which are available to it in response to a call in. The Cabinet Member indicated that if the Flintshire Parking strategy was found to be in need of revision before the anticipated twelve months review, he would not hesitate so to do. In such circumstances, an appropriate report would then be submitted to the Cabinet.

3.05 The decision which the committee made was option 1 that the Overview & Scrutiny committee is satisfied with the explanation which it has received. The decision makers were therefore informed that the decision may now be implemented.

4.00 RECOMMENDATIONS

4.01 That the Cabinet welcomes the decision of the Environment Overview & Scrutiny Committee and the Flintshire Parking Strategy be now implemented.

5.00 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.01 The implications of this decision are identified and listed in the report to Cabinet on 21st April 2015.

6.00 ANTI POVERTY IMPACT

6.01 The implications of this decision are identified and listed in the report to Cabinet on 21st April 2015.

7.00 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

7.01 The implications of this decision are identified and listed in the report to Cabinet on 21st April 2015.

8.00 EQUALITIES IMPACT

8.01 The implications of this decision are identified and listed in the report to Cabinet on 21st April 2015.

9.00 PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

9.01 The implications of this decision are identified and listed in the report to Cabinet on 21st April 2015.

10.00 CONSULTATION REQUIRED

10.01 Not applicable.

11.00 CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN

11.01 Not applicable.

12.00 APPENDICES

12.01 None.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT) 1985
BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

Agenda for the environment Overview & Scrutiny Committee at its meeting on Thursday 14th May 2015.

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