

MEETING:	ENVIRONMENT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
DATE:	23 NOVEMEBR 2009
TITLE OF REPORT:	EXECUTIVE RESPONSE AND ACTION PLAN FOLLOWING THE SCRUTINY REVIEW OF ONSTREET PARKING
Report by:	Head of Planning and Transportation and Assistant Director Environment and Culture

CLASSIFICATION: Open.

Wards Affected

County-wide

Purpose

To consider Cabinet's response to the recommendations made to it in the Scrutiny Review of On-Street Parking.

Recommendation

- THAT (a) Cabinet's response to the findings of the Scrutiny Review of On-Street Parking be noted, subject to any comments the Committee wish to make;
 - (b) A further report on progress against the action plan be made after nine months with consideration then being given to the need for any further report being made.

Key Points Summary

- The Committee's On-Street Parking Review Group undertook a review of on-street parking and completed a report into its findings which was considered and agreed by this Committee;
- The report which made a number of detailed recommendations on policy and operational matters relating to car parking was forwarded to Cabinet for consideration.
- Cabinet considered its response to the review on 29 October 2009. The report to Cabinet setting out its response, together with an action plan, is attached at Appendix 1.

Introduction and Background

- 1 Environment Scrutiny Committee at its meeting on 25 February 2008 considered a report regarding on-street parking controls. The Committee decided to undertake a scrutiny review to determine whether any improvements could be made and to assist with the review a Terms of Reference was agreed.
- At its meeting on 20 April 2009 the Committee received a report on the findings of the On-Street Parking Review Group. The report which included: the terms of reference, the findings, membership of the group, and work undertaken was included in the agenda for the Committee meeting held on 20 April 2009 and is available via the Councils web site.
- On considering the findings the Committee indentified a number of points that Hereford City Council and the Council's Director of Resources may wish to comment upon and therefore agreed that the report be forwarded to Cabinet together with any comments made by Hereford City Council and Director of Resources.
- The comments received from Hereford City Council and the Director of Resources are attached for information at Appendix 2.
- Cabinet on 29 October 2009 agreed the recommendations as set out in the report to it. However, the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transportation sought to clarify Cabinet's response to recommendation 9a. It was confirmed that whilst additional cycle parking would be located in Hereford's city centre, there is now a good supply of cycle parking in High Town and there was no space to provide additional parking here.
- In accordance with the scrutiny process the Committee needs to consider Cabinet's response and assess whether a further report on progress against the action plan is required. The work contained in the action plan covers a wide time scale and therefore it is suggested that a further report be presented in about nine months rather than the usual six.

Community Impact

7 The Community impact is referred to in the report to Cabinet at Appendix 1.

Other Implications

The Financial and other implications are referred to in the report to Cabinet at Appendix 1.

Consultees

9 None as this report only conveys the decision of Cabinet to the Committee.

Appendices

Appendix 1 – Report and action plan presented to Cabinet 29 October 2009. Appendix 2 – response by Hereford City Council and the Director of Resources.

Background Papers

None identified.