SCRUTINY PROGRESS MONITORING REPORT ON: PARKING POLICY

Progress report on Ref: EW3 of the Scrutiny Monitoring Form. To provide progress in implementing recommendations of the Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee from its scrutiny project work on Parking Policy. These recommendations were approved by Cabinet on 05.03.13 for action.

Recommendation 1:

That the barrier system of parking control, which gives change, should be extended to include other car parks.

Action	Responsibility / Implementation by:	Resources Needed / Available	Target Date	Achievement / Completed
As recommendation.	Town Centre and Visitor Economy Cultural and Visitor Services Manager	Existing resources.		The Council's Medium Term Parking Strategy was approved on the understanding that investment in both the Saltergate multi-storey and Holywell surface car parks would be dealt with as part of the proposed Northern Gateway Scheme. Because of the economic downturn this scheme has not progressed to date and in light of this delay investment within parking needed to be reprioritised. However, there remains a commitment to implement Scrutiny's recommendations of improving the quality of the town's car parking offer, which includes signage. Scrutiny Committee will continue to monitor the item.

Recommendation 2:

That improvements be implemented for the New Beetwell Street Multi Storey Car Park to bring the facility up to a standard equivalent to that at Vicar Lane.

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As recommendation.	Town Centre and Visitor Economy Cultural and Visitor Services Manager	Existing resources.		As Recommendation 1.

Recommendation 3:

That improvements to signage across the town centre and at the entry points to off-street car parks be undertaken.

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As recommendation.	Town Centre and Visitor Economy	Existing resources.		As Recommendation 1.
	Cultural and Visitor Services Manager			

Any Additional Information:

The Parking and CCTV Manager is currently reviewing the existing ticketing equipment in all council car parks, assessing its condition and identifying the investment that is required to bring them up to required standard to make them more customer friendly. It is anticipated that this work will be completed in early September and from this an investment plan will be developed and funding sources identified. This information will be presented to Scrutiny on 15 September 2015 and will address the recommendations made by Scrutiny in March 2013.

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