

# Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee: Holding the Executive to Account

Scrutiny Monitoring – 13<sup>th</sup> November 2014

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17/10/14	Leader's	Response to Scrutiny Panel A Recommendations	1) That the Leader considers rewording the response to recommendation (i) Educate, Engage and Enforce, clarifying that the Council will continue to support communities to develop neighbourhood plans.	Agreed	
			2) That the Leader considers including a timescale for implementing the response to recommendation 6 – To-Let signs.	Agreed - Cabinet confirmed that in the light of current funding difficulties this would not take place until the end of March 2015.	
			3) That the Leader considers incorporating parking implications as part the proposed review of HMO thresholds.	Agreed	
			4) That the Executive reconsider their position regarding the development of an Article 4 Direction to remove Permitted Development Rights for HMOs.	Rejected, with a view to reviewing after the next General Election.	
17/10/14	Leader's	Planning Enforcement Policy	1) That the Planning Enforcement Policy enables recurring and cumulative breaches to be taken into consideration when determining enforcement action.	Agreed	
			2) That the Council increases the use of letters threatening Section 215 notices. It is recommended that specialist Enforcement Officers do not undertake this role.	At the meeting on 21 <sup>st</sup> October Cabinet suggested a review of how many Section 215 notices had been issued before any decision to increase was made.	
17/10/14	Environment & Transport	Resident Parking Zones	1) That mechanisms are developed by which residents can contact the	This will be taken forward as part of the transformation project	

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			Council requesting parking enforcement, including through the use of technology, and can receive a rapid response from enforcement officers.		
			2) That priority is given to enforcing blocked drives.	These are enforced as part of normal enforcement activity.	
			3) That the Cabinet Member reconsiders the proposal to charge for Bar Markings.	Currently a charge is not made for this provision. The consultation document will include the need for the resident requesting such provision to pay for it unless the Highway Authority considers it is needed for highway reasons. In line with other elements of the consultation this will enable this area of work to be self-funding.	
			4) That consideration is given to including parameters within the policy that would enable owners of properties built post March 2001 to be eligible for a parking permit.	The policy will allow officer discretion to consider requests for permits from properties built post 2001 to be considered on a case by case basis subject to there being available capacity. Requests for permits from residents in large developments are still likely to be refused to avoid setting a precedent.	
			5) That the Council use intelligence to target enforcement against drivers who persistently infringe parking regulations by schools.	We work with schools to deliver enforcement and school travel planning – persistent offenders are often dealt with by schools through the measures developed with them. For consistency it would not be suitable to target specific drivers.	
			6) That the Council works closely with schools to encourage the use of CCTV to monitor parking surrounding schools and name and shame offenders.	We work with schools to deliver enforcement and school travel planning – persistent offenders are often dealt with by schools through the measures developed with them. Data Protection requirements would preclude this. We will continue to work with schools to	

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				develop bespoke solutions.	