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JOINT PARKING COMMITTEE
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CPE PROGRESS REPORT FOR THE PERIOD JULY – SEPTEMBER 2014

1 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To provide Members with an update on the progress of Civil Parking Enforcement in the second quarter of the financial year 2014-2015.

2 Recommendation

- 2.1 That the contents of the report be noted.

3 Key Issues and Reasons for Recommendation

- 3.1 Civil Parking Enforcement (CPE) was introduced under the Traffic Management Act 2004 and transferred the responsibility for the enforcement of non-endorsable on-street parking offences from the police to the local traffic authority. This enabled Staffordshire County Council to apply to the Secretary of State for orders for Civil Parking Enforcement within the areas of Cannock, Lichfield, South Staffordshire and Tamworth thus covering the whole of the county area (the tranche 1 authorities having gone live in 2008).
- 3.2 In 2008, the four Tranche 2 authorities signed a Partnership Agreement with the County Council, which imposed the responsibility for the delivery of CPE in Southern Staffordshire, including; front line enforcement, undertaken by a team of Civil Enforcement Officers (CEO's) from APCOA Parking UK Limited, the selected enforcement provider; and, back office notice processing contracted to Stoke on Trent City Council, who are working in partnership across Staffordshire. The CPE service commenced on 23rd March 2009 enabling the Council's to enforce both on and off street parking contraventions.

- 3.3 Tranche 2 CPE authorities are Cannock Chase District Council along with three partner authorities – Lichfield District Council, South Staffordshire District Council and Tamworth Borough Council.
- 3.4 Cannock Chase Council undertakes the role of Lead Authority for the Partnership to ensure that the contract is administered correctly for all partners.
- 3.5 The CPE process live date was on 23rd March 2009.

4 Relationship to Corporate Priorities

5 Report Detail

- 5.1 Results of the CPE process i.e. Penalty Charge Notices (PCN's) issued and cancelled are summarised in Appendix 1 for the period 1st April 2014 – 30th June 2014 [page 5].
- 5.2 Results of the CPE process i.e. Penalty Charge Notices (PCN's) issued and cancelled are summarised in Appendix 2 for the period 1st July 2014 – 30th September 2014 [page 6].
- 5.3 Results of the CPE process i.e. Penalty Charge Notices (PCN's) issued and cancelled are summarised in Appendix 5 for the period 1st April 2014 – 31st March 2015 – Tables 1 and 2 [page 7].
- 5.4 Figures given in the tables in Appendix 1, Appendix 2 and Appendix 5 are taken from the CITRIX back office system on the 15th day of each month following or as near to that date as is practical to meet the committee deadline. This date was agreed to enable all partners in tranche 2 to be consistent in their reporting.
- 5.5 Figures for September 2014 were taken as of the 13th October in order to produce this report in a timely manner.
- 5.6 The figures in Appendix 2 show an average cancellation rate of 19% for the second quarter, of which 8.25% were cancelled for Blue Badge Holders who had failed to display their badges correctly. As previously described the Staffordshire countywide policy states that where Blue Badge Holders have displayed their badge incorrectly, they will have the first offence cancelled.
- 5.7 In comparison with the first quarter of the current year (2014/15) the number of PCN's issued has decreased from 1662 to 1621, a decrease of 41.

6 Implications**6.1 Financial**

There are no direct Financial Implications to the Council from this report, as any surplus or deficits go through Staffordshire County Council.

6.2 Legal

None

6.3 Human Resources

None

6.4 Section 17 (Crime Prevention)

None

6.5 Human Rights Act

None

6.6 Data Protection

None

6.7 Risk Management

Close monitoring is required of CPE performance against the budget.

6.8 Equality & Diversity**6.9 Best Value**

None

7 Appendices to the Report

- Appendix 1: Table 1 = Summary of PCN's issued (1st April 2014 – 30th June 2014)
Table 2 = Summary of PCN's cancelled (1st April 2014 – 30th June 2014)
- Appendix 2: Table 1 = Summary of PCN's issued (1st July 2014 – 30th September 2014)
Table 2 = Summary of PCN's cancelled (1st July 2014 – 30th September 2014)
- Appendix 3: Table 1 = Summary of PCN's issued (1st October 2014 – 31st December 2014)
Table 2 = Summary of PCN's cancelled (1st October 2014 – 31st December 2014)
- Appendix 4: Table 1 = Summary of PCN's issued (1st January 2015 – 31st March 2015)
Table 2 = Summary of PCN's cancelled (1st January 2015 – 31st March 2015)
- Appendix 5: Table 1 = Summary of PCN's issued (1st April 2014 – 31st March 2015)
Table 2 = Summary of PCN's cancelled (1st April 2014 – 31st March 2015)

Previous Consideration

Cabinet Report

Background Papers

None

APPENDIX 1

Table 1. The table below provides information relating to Penalty Charge Notices (PCN's) that have been issued for both on and off street contraventions from 1st April 2014 to 30th June 2014.

	April 2014		May 2014		June 2014		Total	
PCN's Issued	598	100%	549	100%	515	100%	1662	100%
Productive PCN's	500	84%	440	80%	420	82%	1360	82%
Cancelled PCN's	98	16%	109	20%	95	18%	302	18%

Table 2. Breakdown of all cancelled tickets from 1st April 2014 to 30th June 2014.

	April 2014		May 2014		June 2014		Total	
PCN's Issued	598	100%	549	100%	515	100%	1662	100%
Cancellation Reason								
Displaying of Blue Badge	43	7%	54	10%	42	8.25%	139	8.5%
Displaying of P&D Ticket	28	5%	20	3.75%	25	5%	73	4.25%
Equipment Faults	2	0.25%	4	0.75%	3	0.5%	9	0.5%
Signs & Lines & TRO's	1	0%	3	0.5%	1	0%	5	0.25%
Loading & Unloading	3	0.5%	6	1%	6	1%	15	1%
Miscellaneous Reasons	14	2.25%	16	3%	14	2.75%	44	2.5%
Equipment Test Tickets (PCN's)	0	0%	0	0%	1	0%	1	0%
CEO Ticket (PCN) Errors	7	1%	6	1%	3	0.5%	16	1%
Cancelled PCN's Total	98	16%	109	20%	95	18%	302	18%

APPENDIX 2

Table 1. The table below provides information relating to Penalty Charge Notices (PCN's) that have been issued for both on and off street contraventions from 1st July 2014 to 30th September 2014.

	July 2014		August 2014		September 2014		Total	
PCN's Issued	545	100%	541	100%	535	100%	1621	100%
Productive PCN's	438	80%	459	85%	419	78.5%	1316	81%
Cancelled PCN's	107	20%	82	15%	116	21.5%	305	19%

Table 2. Breakdown of all cancelled tickets from 1st July 2014 to 30th September 2014.

	July 2014		August 2014		September 2014		Total	
PCN's Issued	545	100%	541	100%	535	100%	1621	100%
Cancellation Reason								
Displaying of Blue Badge	39	7.25%	43	8%	51	9.5%	133	8.25%
Displaying of P&D Ticket	22	4%	18	3.25%	29	5.5%	69	4.25%
Equipment Faults	3	0.75%	0	0%	6	1.25%	9	0.5%
Signs & Lines & TRO's	1	0.25%	0	0%	1	0%	2	0.25%
Loading & Unloading	1	0.25%	1	0%	1	0%	3	0.25%
Miscellaneous Reasons	40	7.25%	13	2.25%	22	4.25%	75	4.5%
Equipment Test Tickets (PCN's)	0	0%	5	1%	1	0%	6	0.5%
CEO Ticket (PCN) Errors	1	0.25%	2	0.5%	5	1%	8	0.5%
Cancelled PCN's Total	107	20%	82	15%	116	21.5%	305	19%

APPENDIX 5

Table 1. The table below provides information relating to Penalty Charge Notices (PCN's) that have been issued for both on and off street contraventions from 1st April 2014 to 31st March 2015.

	Total	Total
PCN's Issued	3283	100%
Productive PCN's	2676	81.5%
Cancelled PCN's	607	18.5%

Table 2. Breakdown of all cancelled tickets from 1st April 2014 to 31st March 2015

	Total	Total
PCN's Issued	3283	100%
Cancellation Reason		
Displaying of Blue Badge	272	8.25%
Displaying of P&D Ticket	142	4.5%
Equipment Faults	18	0.5%
Signs & Lines & TRO's	7	0.25%
Loading & Unloading	18	0.5%
Miscellaneous Reasons	119	3.5%
Equipment Test Tickets (PCN's)	7	0.25%
CEO Ticket (PCN) Errors	24	0.75%
Cancelled PCN's Total	607	18.5%