



considered that the scheme gave them an active focus and was useful for carers. However, no agreement had yet been reached on the reciprocal arrangements with Stafford Borough Council.

With regard to Minute 14 – 2010-11 Financial Outturn and 2011-12 Budgets, the Chairman explained that he and the Vice-Chairman had agreed to meet with the Waste and Engineering Services Manager to discuss budgets. The Waste and Engineering Services Manager agreed to organise this meeting in the next month.

Mark Keeling, the Community Highway Liaison Officer confirmed that the Traffic Manager had now left Staffordshire County Council and a reorganisation of the department was in progress.

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 20 July 2011 be approved as a correct record.

**20. CPE Progress Report for the period July– September 2011**

Consideration was given to the Report of the Head of Environmental Services (Enclosure 4.1 – 4.9 of the Official Minutes of the Council).

The Waste and Engineering Services Manager presented the report and provided Members with an update on the progress of Civil Parking Enforcement in the second quarter from 1 July 30 September 2011. He advised that the results of the Civil Parking Enforcement (CPE) Penalty Charge Notices (PCN's) issued and cancelled were summarised in the Annexes to the report.

RESOLVED:

That the contents of the report be noted.

**21. Prioritisation of parking related Traffic Regulation Orders**

Consideration was given to the Report of the County Council's Corporate Director for Development Services (Enclosure 5.1 – 5.5 of the Official Minutes of the Council).

The report detailed the new requests for parking related Traffic Regulation Orders that had been received since the previous meeting. The Community Highway Liaison Officer outlined the requests and showed Members photographs. With regard to Mill Street, Cannock it was agreed that this site be included on the list of possible sites for on street charging.

Members agreed that no further action be taken in respect of the requests in relation to Lichfield Street, Rugeley, Norton Hall Lane, Norton Canes, Churchcroft Gardens, Rugeley, Brook Vale, Cannock and Talbot Street, Rugeley.

A Member asked whether District Councillors were consulted on the requests for Traffic Regulation Orders within the District. The Chairman explained that as this was a function of Staffordshire County Council, County Councillors were involved in the process.

However, County Councillors could consult with the District Councillors if they considered it necessary.

The Community Highway Liaison Officer then updated the Committee on the current Traffic Regulation Orders in progress. With regard to Cecil Street and John Street, Cannock he explained that this was still pending and a meeting between the relevant County Councillor and Officers was to be arranged.

Consultation was currently taking place regarding the request to implement a parking restriction in Hickling Road, Kingswood Lakeside due to overnight parking by HCV's. It was anticipated this would be submitted to the next meeting in January.

The request in relation to Park Street, Bridgtown was still in progress and awaiting a decision from the relevant County Councillor as to whether to proceed with the order as advertised.

RESOLVED:

- (A) That the Mill Street, Cannock site be included on the list of possible sites for on street charging.
- (B) That no further action be taken in respect of the remaining new requests for parking related Traffic Regulation Orders as detailed on Appendix 1 part B of the report.
- (C) That the update on the current Traffic Regulation Orders in progress as detailed on Appendix 2 part C of the report be noted.

## **22. Any other business**

Councillor M.R. Green advised that he had spoken with the Landlord of the Ascot Tavern Public House this morning who had agreed to re-open the car park to allow parents to park when dropping off and collecting their children from Longford School. The car park would remain open for parents as long as no problems arose.

Councillor Dixon raised an issue regarding footpath parking on Eskrett Street by the Dental Practice and explained that it was difficult for a mobility scooter to get past. The Waste and Engineering Manager advised that footpath parking was a matter for the Police. However, he confirmed that driving on the footpath was the offence and not parking on it.

The Chairman explained that there were similar situations with footpath parking throughout the District and it was not always appropriate to implement Traffic Regulation Orders to deal with this situation. Members requested that Chief Inspector Carl Ratcliffe be advised of the Committee's concerns in relation to footpath parking, in particular the issue in Eskrett Street, Hednesford.

## **23. Future Meetings and items for agenda**

Members noted that meetings of the Joint Parking Committee had been scheduled for 17

January and 24 April 2012.

The meeting closed at 4.45pm.

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CHAIRMAN