

# Delegated decision report

**CABINET MEMBER DELEGATED DECISION** 

Date DECISION CANNOT BE TAKEN BEFORE 1 DECEMBER 2017

Title RESIDENT PARKING ZONES- GUIDANCE AND CONSULTATION

Report to CABINET MEMBER FOR INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRANSPORT

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- 1. The 2017 Parking Strategy consultation clearly identified that residents and stakeholder felt that further work needed to be undertaken with regards to Resident Parking Zones (RPZ). This report presents the first draft of a Guidance/Implementation policy for such Zones and requests that this document is used to inform a public consultation on the introduction of such a scheme across the Island.
- 2. Subject to the consultation being approved, the outcome of this consultation will be used to inform a future Cabinet committee paper on the introduction of an Island wide RPZ scheme. This paper will clearly set out the challenges and resources required to introduce such a scheme on the island and present a range of options for members to consider.

# **BACKGROUND**

- 3. Residents Parking Zones have been introduced in the past; however there has never been a written policy on how and when these should be introduced. Officers and members get repeated requests for such schemes across the island. The consultation on the Parking strategy further identified the need to consider this.
- 4. This attached document sets out a clear set of guidance and rules under which schemes could be considered and how they could operate. The proposed public consultation will gather their views on this suggested approach and inform a review before the cabinet makes a future decision on approving a policy for residential parking zones.

# **STRATEGIC CONTEXT**

5. Implementing the parking strategy is a key activity in the council's corporate plan and this is the first in a series of decisions that will ensure delivery of the strategy.

#### FINANCIAL / BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

- 6. At this stage the report has little effect on financial resources. If the authority decides to implement this policy this may result in significant financial pressures, these will be a matter for a further report once the proposed consultation is complete.
- 7. It should also be noted that the introduction of RPZ will put considerable pressure on the existing parking infrastructure particularly in towns and urban areas and there is likely to be a need to review parking provision in our towns.

# **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

8. The traffic management legislation is in place that allows local authorities to introduce RPZ providing the relevant consultation and need is demonstrated.

#### **EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY**

- 9. The Council as a public body is required to meet its statutory obligations under the Equality Act 2010 to have due regard to eliminate unlawful discrimination, promote equal opportunities between people from different groups and to foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it. At this stage any consultation agreed will ensure the views of all those with protected characteristics are taken into account:
- 10. Any future report regarding the implementation will require a equality impact assessment (EIA)

#### **OPTIONS**

- Option 1 To agree to a public consultation on the attached document over an 8 week period
- 12. Option 2 Not to agree any public consultation on the attached document and not proceed with any further action on RPZ.
- 13. Option 3 To agree to the consultation subject to changes to the policy or guidance document agreed by the cabinet member and to agree to public consultation over an 8 week

#### RISK MANAGEMENT

14. There are no significant risks associated with agreeing to undertake the public consultation. If this policy is not progressed there will remain a policy vacuum and decisions on parking zones will continue to be made in an ad hoc manner.

#### **EVALUATION**

15. The recommendation supports the action agreed as a result of the car park strategy and will help further support any future reports on the implementation of RPZ. The introduction of RPZ's are very controversial and is therefore important that the public

and stakeholders get the opportunity to influence the process before any implementation is considered

# **RECOMMENDATION**

16. Option 1 - To agree to a public consultation on the attached document over an 8 week period

# **APPENDICES**

17. Appendix - Guidance on the introduction of Resident Parking Zones.

# **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Executive - January 2017. Parking Strategy Consultation <a href="https://www.iwight.com/Meetings/committees/Executive/12-1-17/Paper%20J.pdf">https://www.iwight.com/Meetings/committees/Executive/12-1-17/Paper%20J.pdf</a>

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