



**OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE  
(ELMBRIDGE)**

**PROPOSED ON-STREET 'PAY AND DISPLAY'  
PARKING CHARGES IN ELMBRIDGE  
LOCAL COMMITTEE CONSULTATION**

**28 FEBRUARY 2011**

**KEY ISSUE**

To provide comment and feedback for the Surrey County Council Cabinet about proposed on street parking charges in Elmbridge.

**SUMMARY**

On the 12 January 2011 the Cabinet Member for Transport approved a consultation programme for the introduction of on street pay and display parking charges in Surrey. As part of this consultation process each Local Committee is being asked for its views on the proposals. These will be reviewed and reported to the Cabinet to assist in the decision making process.

**OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Elmbridge Local Committee is asked to provide comment and feedback about the proposals for on street parking charges in the Borough to help the Cabinet decide how to proceed.

## **1 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND**

- 1.1 Surrey County Council is the Highway Authority in Surrey and responsible for managing the highway network including on-street parking. Elmbridge Borough Council act as agent for Surrey and carry out enforcement of the on street parking restrictions in the Borough as well as managing their own off street car parks.
- 1.2 On the 12 January 2011 Ian Lake, Cabinet Member for Transport approved a programme of consultation for the introduction of on street parking charges in many towns and shopping areas around Surrey. This report is attached as Annex 1. A revised recommendation was approved at the meeting and is shown in Annex 2.

## **2 ANALYSIS**

- 2.1 The benefits and issues associated with on street parking charges are described in the Cabinet Member report (Annex 1).
- 2.2 In order to report the Local Committee's views and investigate their comments about these proposals it would be beneficial for the Local Committee to consider each of the locations where the introduction of on street parking charges is proposed and decide:
  - Whether they support the introduction of parking charges in each location.
  - If not, what are the reasons?
  - If yes, are there any changes that should be made to either the operational times or proposed tariff?

These views can then be reported back to the Cabinet.

## **3 CONSULTATIONS**

- 3.1 It is proposed to carry out a statutory consultation and advertise the proposals in Elmbridge during February and March 2011. Notices will be placed in local newspapers and on street where changes are planned. Local chambers of commerce will also be contacted.

## **4 FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 Currently, Surrey County Council runs a deficit of approximately £500,000 across the County in the management and enforcement of on street parking restrictions. In Elmbridge the share of this deficit was approximately £129,000 in 2009/10. This effectively reduces the funding available for highway maintenance. On street car parking charges could contribute to eliminating this deficit, and potentially

increase the funding available for highway maintenance and improvements.

## **5 EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 An equality impact assessment has been undertaken on the overall scheme. This has identified potential negative impacts for certain groups, especially those with a low household income. However parking charges are small compared to the overall cost of running a motor vehicle.
- 5.2 Blue badge holders can park in disabled parking bays or on yellow lines for up to 3 hours and are exempt from charges.

## **6 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS**

- 6.1 There are none identified.

## **7 CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 7.1 The Committee is asked to consider the information within the Cabinet Member report attached at Annex A and make comments or suggestions to the Cabinet Member as appropriate.

## **8 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 8.1 To assist the Cabinet in making decisions.

## **9 WHAT HAPPENS NEXT**

- 9.1 The Local Committees comments will be reported back to the Cabinet before any decisions are made.

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