



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

**LETTER OF REPRESENTATION
THE PARADE, CLAYGATE**

20 JUNE 2011

KEY ISSUE

To respond the Letter of Representation received at the February 2011 meeting of this Committee.

SUMMARY

This report updates Members on the response to the Letter of Representation received at the February 2011 meeting of this Committee, concerning the proposed introduction of on street charging in Claygate.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

The Local Committee Elmbridge is asked to:

- (i) Note the contents of this report.

1 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 Members are reminded that the following letter of representation was received at the June meeting of this committee:

"We, the undersigned, who are all Shopkeepers/Business owners in and around The Parade, Claygate, are opposed to Surrey County Council's proposed introduction of 'Pay and Display' on-street parking charges on the grounds that it puts at grave risk the viability of our enterprises, and in so doing strikes at the heart of the Claygate Village community. It would replace the current 'one hour free, no return within an hour' system which works well for Traders and shoppers alike".

2 RESPONSE

- 2.1 The County Council has listened to Surrey residents and businesses across the County and understands the concerns about proposed on street parking charges. As a consequence we have revised our proposals for on street parking charges in many locations, including Claygate where a free 1/2 hour is proposed. A free 30 minutes will help increase turnover of the parking spaces and make sure visitors and residents are not deterred from visiting the local shops. The introduction of pay and display parking charges will enable the council to work more efficiently and provide a better service for residents.

3 OPTIONS

- 3.1 The Committee is simply asked to note the contents of this report.

4 CONSULTATION

- 4.1 The County Council formally consulted on the on street charging proposals.

5 FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 None

6 EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 None

7 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 None

8 CONCLUSION

- 8.1 The response is noted.

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