

## LOCAL COMMITTEE (REIGATE AND BANSTEAD)

# MEMBER QUESTIONS 21 JUNE 2010

One Member Question has been received from Cllr Mark Brunt, Borough Councillor for Merstham:

#### Proposed changes to on-street parking enforcement

It is recognised that Surrey County Council need to save money on the current arrangements for on-street parking enforcement, but can I ask 3 questions about the plans for changing how the service is delivered:

- 1. Will the County Council consider allowing district and borough councils the opportunity to develop their own clusters rather than restricted to the areas currently proposed?
- 2. Is it the County Council's intention to let a "full service contract" whereby the provider organisation has responsibility for the making of traffic orders and the introduction and management of on-street charging?
- 3. Will the County Council consider extending the implementation date from 1 April 2011 to 1 July 2011 to allow districts and boroughs sufficient time to work up practicable and cost effective solutions?

#### Response:

The Surrey County Council Cabinet is due to consider a report on the future operation of Civil Parking Enforcement at its meeting on the 13 July 2010. Included within the recommendations is the option for up to four area contracts.

It is understood that the District and Boroughs are considering submitting an alternative proposal for the County Council to consider. This will happen in parallel to any formal procurement process approved by Cabinet. In their submission the District and Boroughs are welcome to make their own suggestions for clusters.

Under the proposals being presented to Cabinet, the intention is for the County Council to retain responsibility for approving and making traffic regulation orders and the introduction of on street charging (including setting and amending any charges). The management of any on-street charging will fall under the revised operational contracts.

The target date for new operational arrangements remains at April 2011.

### **NOTES:**

- (i) Surrey County Council's constitution, (Standing Order 46) requires that questions be sent in writing to the Local Committee and Partnership Officer by 12 noon, four working days before the meeting.
- (ii) At the discretion of the Chairman, a Member who has given notice of a question may ask one supplementary question relevant to the subject of the original.