



**SCC LOCAL COMMITTEE IN
SPELTHORNE**

**CONTROLLED PARKING ZONE
STAINES – CURRENT POSITION**

11 DECEMBER 2006

KEY ISSUE AND SUMMARY:

To update Members on the current position regarding the proposed introduction of a Controlled Parking Zone to Staines.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Committee is asked to note the content of this report.

1 INTRODUCTION and BACKGROUND

- 1.1 Members will recall that at the June meeting of this Committee it was reported that County and Borough Officers had investigated the possibility of the two authorities jointly pursuing Controlled Parking in Spelthorne. If this work was to proceed there was a need to establish commitment to the proposal though the committee approval of both authorities.
- 1.2 This Committee resolved that the County and Borough Councils work together to introduce the first Controlled Parking Zone to Staines and the proposal would be funded from the Local Allocation at a cost of £20,000 for the current financial year and £10,000 for 2007 / 2008. The proposal was to be match funded by Spelthorne Borough Council

2 ANALYSIS and COMMENTARY

- 2.1 It had been anticipated that Spelthorne Borough Council's Engineering Manager would work on this proposal but unfortunately he has left the employment of the Council. Spelthorne Council no longer has the resource to carry out this work in-house
- 2.2 Spelthorne Council had produced a draft programme, in liaison with the County Council and highlighted the need to review the business case at the outset. It is expected that the business case would take about 5 months to carry out, consultations would take a further 4 months and an additional 8 months would be needed for the legal and marketing work. This would result in a programme of about 18 months to implement the first Controlled Parking Zone to Staines by late 2007 / early 2008.
- 2.3 At the Decriminalised Parking Enforcement Task Group meeting held on 18 September 2006 the option to employ a consultant was favoured to carry out the work. A draft specification had been drawn up and Spelthorne Council subsequently put that out to tender and appointed a consultant to assess the existing and potential car parking capacity and needs of Staines Town Centre to deal with future implementation of a controlled parking zone.
- 2.4 The consultant is employed to carry out activities as shown below.

Activity	Completion date
Complete data collection/analysis of current on-street situation	19 January 2007
Complete analysis/review of historical data	9 February 2007
Complete options appraisal	9 March 2007

Produce business case and timetable for the way forward.	23 March 2007
Present findings to DPE Task Group	9 April 2007
Issue final documents	17 April 2007

- 2.5 Spelthorne's Parking Services Manager is aware of considerable support from residents for the introduction of a Controlled Parking Zone to Staines.

3 CONSULTATIONS

- 3.1 Public consultation would be carried out with residents and businesses that would be likely to be affected by the introduction of a Controlled Parking Zone and with the Chamber of Commerce.

4 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 Spelthorne Borough Council has agreed to joint fund this proposal in order to proceed with Controlled Parking in partnership with the County Council.

5 SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 There are no implications.

6 CRIME & DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 There are no crime & disorder implications as unauthorised on-street parking in Staines has been decriminalised.

7 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 There are no implications.

8 CONCLUSION AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 8.1 The feasibility into a proposed Controlled Parking Zone for Staines is underway.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS: Report to this Committee dated 19 June 2006

