

Minutes of the Meeting of the **CAR PARKING
BEST VALUE WORKING GROUP** held at the
Town Hall on **Monday, 9th DECEMBER 2002**
at 2.00 pm.

Present:-

Councillor A.H. Miller – Chairman.
Councillor Mrs. G. Marsh
Councillor Mrs. H. O'Donovan

Also in attendance:-

A.J. Leeson Town Clerk

1. **APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies to report for inabilities to attend the Meeting.

2. **MINUTES OF MEETING – 2nd DECEMBER 2002**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 2nd December 2002 were noted as agreed.

3. **ACTION PLAN – UPDATE AND REVIEW**

The Town Clerk reported that he had received quotes from Mr J O'Connell for signs for Tariff boards, Entrance signs and 'Pay here' signs. It was reported by Mr Brookes, the Operations Manager that 2 new tariff signs and 2 new entrance signs were needed with both of these being situated in the Resident's car park. All other signs could be refurbished. Mr O'Connell has volunteered to repair a board free of charge so that Members can assess the quality if so desired. The estimated costings are:

i) Tariff Boards: new £200, repaired £150

Entrance signs: new £200, repaired £150

'Pay Here' signs: new £50

All signs would have a 10-year guarantee.

It was noted that alternative entrance signs were available at a cost of £350 each. The members felt that it was not necessary to have reflective entrance signs.

It was AGREED:

That standard entrance signs only be considered and to seek comparative quotations for the purpose of new and refurbishment of existing signs as appropriate.

'Have You Paid And Displayed' signs are also available at a cost of £60 each. The total cost of all car park signs being either replaced or repaired is estimated at £7,000. The possibility of a discount was discussed and this would be pursued. The Town Clerk stated that he was awaiting alternative quotes.

A discussion arose as to the priority of the work that should be undertaken and whether it could start in this financial year.

It was AGREED:

To recommend to the Council that work start this financial year if £7,000 is available, with £15,000 being made available over the next four years to complete all resurfacing, design and line marking works. Any urgent works should be done on a temporary basis.

The wording of the signs was discussed. The Town Clerk informed Members that the word 'PROHIBITED' would be taken off all signs and replaced with 'NO' as this was felt to be less aggressive. The issue of Campervans was also discussed.

It was AGREED:

That the parking of Campervans would only be permitted in the Broad Road and North Beach car parks.

It was noted that there are variations on the charges for coaches between North Beach and Main Beach car parks and also the charges for Campervans between North Beach and Broad Road.

It was Agreed:

To recommend to the Estimates Meeting that charges be reviewed.

4. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was noted that Members felt that another Meeting of the Best Value Working Party was not necessary. All issues should now go to full Council. If any issues need to be clarified then another Meeting will be called.
