

Minutes of the Meeting of the **CARPARKING
BEST VALUE WORKING GROUP** held at the
Town Hall on Monday, 22nd April 2002
at 11.15am.

Present:-

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

Also in attendance:-

G. Brookes Operations Manager
A.J. Leeson Town Clerk
A. Coveney Outside Representative

1. **APOLOGIES**

An apology for his inability to attend the Meeting was received from Councillor Suttle (Town Mayor).

2. **MANAGEMENT ISSUES – CO-OP PIONEER/CENTRAL CAR
PARK**

The Chairman welcomed Mr Coveney, Co-op Pioneer Store Manager, to discuss the matters related to the Co-op Pioneer/Central Car Park.

1) **One Way System**

The introduction of a new temporary system had proved successful and consideration was given to making permanent arrangements. Mr Coveney requested that the bollards be weighted in order to prevent their unauthorised repositioning.

After discussion, it was AGREED:-

That the present temporary traffic system be made permanent.

2) **Taxi Pick-up Point**

Consideration was given to the frequency of taxis stopping close to the store entrance. Mr Coveney advised Members that the problems experienced in the past should be reduced due to the commencement of a home delivery service.

3) **Damaged Sign**

The Clerk highlighted the need for the damaged maintainance board sign to be replaced.

It was AGREED:-

That the Co-op Pioneer Store Manager would make enquiries for the damaged section of the maintainance board sign to be replaced.

4)

Amendment to Main Signs

It was noted and agreed that the wording on each of the main tariff boards signs required amendment. Emphasis of the short stay status of the car park and clearer instruction regarding overnight parking and other conditions of use were identified as necessary.

Town Clerk/Operations Manager to provide suggested wording for consideration by the Best Value Working Group and Co-Pioneer Store Manager.

5) **Pedestrian Crossing**

Consideration was given to a safety concern expressed by a local resident and submitted, via the Highways Authority.

After discussion it was AGREED:-

That a site visit be conducted in order to review the options available to improve safety in respect of the pedestrian crossing.

It was further AGREED:-

That if an improvement scheme is identified, a letter of request be sent to the Store Manager for funding of any improvement works, including the provision of additional signs.

6)

Staff Car Parking

The Clerk highlighted the problems associated with the access road at the rear of the store.

After discussion it was AGREED:-

That the Co-op Pioneer Manager would investigate proposals to address the issue of unauthorised staff car parking and to make alternative arrangements.

7) **Camper Vans**

The Chairmansought to clarify the Co-op Pioneer Store policy with regard to campervans and use by other large vehicles. It was noted that no restriction of use was imposed, other than restricting unauthorised overnight parking.

8) **Line Marking**

It was noted and acknowledged that the line marking required re-painting.

Operations Manager to obtain estimated costs and submit to Co-Pioneer Store Manager for approval.

9)

Motor Cycle Spaces

In accordance with the established policy, consideration was given to the possible provision of motorcycle spaces. Councillor Mrs Marsh suggested utilising one of the areas currently designated as a trolley park.

After discussion, it was AGREED:-

That the provision of motorcycle spaces be considered as part of a site visit.

The meeting closed at 12.25pm to undertake a site visit at the Co-op Pioneer Store/Central Car Park.
