

From: C Bateman
Sent: 24 July 2013 15:44
To: Amanda Scarce
Cc: Kevin Dicks
Subject: Topic Proposal

Hi Amanda,
Proposal attached, and evidence.

Pasted from Altrincham web site.

Low cost Monday to Saturday rates of 10p for one hour, 30p for two and 70p for three hours"

Dear Charles, thank you for being patient in waiting for a response, I have attached some figures that show the increased sale of pay and display tickets in Altrincham

Regards

Nicola
Environment Transport Operations
Trafford Council

Kind regards,

Charlie

From: C Bateman
Sent: 29 July 2013 19:20
To: Amanda Scarce
Cc: Kevin Dicks; snowcar111@btinternet.com; mary@hedgehog-art.co.uk
Subject: Re: Topic Proposal

Hi Amanda,
The Government support 'high streets' in respect of setting low parking charges and removing petty restrictions. Please add this to our Topic Proposal. (Pasted from the web - 29th July)

The Government has previously issued guidance to councils encouraging them to attract shoppers by setting competitive parking charges and urging them to improve the quality of parking in town centres.

Tory local government minister Brandon Lewis said: "This Government has scrapped Whitehall rules that previously told councils to hike up parking charges, adopt draconian enforcement and impose arbitrary limits on off-street parking spaces.

"Councils now need to play their part in reining back in the overzealous culture of municipal parking enforcement.

"They should adopt a common sense approach. Ministers are considering what further steps can be taken to ensure that town hall parking policies and practices support local high streets."

Kind regards,

Charlie

PS. Our request does not include the 15 minute parking on double yellow lines suggested by Eric Pickles.

From: C.Bateman
Sent: 08 August 2013 16:22
To: Amanda Scarce
Cc: Kevin Dicks
Subject: Overview and Scrutiny Topic Proposal

Hi Amanda,

In addition to the Altrincham data please make the board aware of the following points.

Kind regards,

Charlie

Car Parking Charges – O&S topic proposal

- The surplus from car parking last year (2012/13) was just over £500k – from an income of just over 1.4 million
- Motorists have won a landmark judgement after the High Court ruled it illegal for a cash-strapped council to hike parking charges as a revenue-raising stealth ‘tax’ to subsidise its other services.
- Brandon Lewis, Minister for Local Government, said: ‘This Government has been very clear that parking charges are not, and should not be, a town hall stealth tax on local residents. We have scrapped the Labour Government's guidance which pressured councils to hike up parking charges.
- Indeed, making sure that car parking charges are reasonable is an important way in which councils can help support their local high streets and local shops.’

From: C.Bateman
Sent: 09 August 2013 11:25
To: Amanda Scarce
Cc: Kevin Dicks; snowcar111@btinternet.com; mary@hedgehog-art.co.uk
Subject: Re: Overview and Scrutiny Topic Proposal

Hi Amanda,
Many thanks,

This is our third request !! We expect some action this time!!
Regards,
Charlie

41/11 SCRUTINY OF ALL BROMSGROVE CAR PARKS (REDUCTION IN THE NUMBER OF TICKETS SOLD) - OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY TOPIC PROPOSAL REPORT

The Board considered the Overview and Scrutiny Topic Proposal put forward by a resident, Mr Charles Bateman. As the Board had recently completed a Task Group in respect of the Recreation Road South Car Park and in light of the findings of that report and the imminent review of the car parking operation, it was

RESOLVED that no further action be taken.

97/11 DISCOUNTED PARKING CHARGES - OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY TOPIC PROPOSAL REPORT

The Board considered the Overview and Scrutiny Topic Proposal put forward by a resident, Mr. Charles Bateman, in relation to discounted parking charges. As the Board had recently completed a Task Group in respect of the Recreation Road South Car Park and in light of the agreement at the Cabinet meeting held on 22nd February 2012 for a cross party review to be carried out in respect of car parking, Members agreed it was not appropriate to investigate the issues raised in this Topic Proposal until such time as that review had been completed.

RESOLVED that the Board receive, upon completion, the report on the Review of Car Parking before giving further consideration to the Topic Proposal in respect of Discounted Parking Charges.