

BUCKHURST 2 CAR PARK PROPOSAL – PROJECT UPDATE & CONSULTATION RESULTS

Cabinet – 17 July 2014

Report of Chief Officer Environmental & Operational Services

Status: For Consideration

Key Decision: No

Executive Summary

At their meeting of 6 March Cabinet considered a report entitled Sevenoaks Town Centre Parking Review which provided Members with an evaluation of parking demand within Sevenoaks Town and set out a proposal to provide additional car parking capacity by installing decking at the existing Buckhurst 2 car park.

Cabinet resolved that “a planning application be submitted to provide an additional 300 car park spaces on the existing Buckhurst 2 car park by providing a two storey elevated car deck”.

To assist the Council in preparing its planning application a public consultation was carried out between 5 June and 26 June to find out the public’s views on the proposed additional parking.

A questionnaire was available online and from Sevenoaks Leisure Centre throughout the period, which received 278 responses. More than 250 people attended public consultation exhibitions held between 5 and 7 June and 16 letters were also received during the consultation period.

The report, which is to follow, will provide Members with an update on progress made in taking forward the resolution of Cabinet at their meeting on 6 March and set out for Members consideration the results of the public consultation.

To ensure that the opinions of the public are taken in to account, in so far as possible, in the design and operational of the proposed additional car parking provision at Buckhurst 2 car park in Sevenoaks Town the report will recommend that Members consider the views gathered through the consultation and provide guidance to Officers on any matters that should be incorporated in a future planning application.

To Follow:

Report Buckhurst 2 car park proposal – project update & consultation results

Appendices Appendix A – Summary of consultation results from questionnaire

Appendix B – Summary of consultation results from public exhibition days and letters

Background Papers: Full details of consultation results received through the questionnaire.

Full details of consultation results received through public exhibition days

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