

ISSUES ARISING FROM OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY OR OTHER COMMITTEES

REVIEW OF ON AND OFF-STREET PARKING CHARGES

Responsibility: Portfolio Holder for Transport and Licensing

Report of: Head of Commercial Services

Decision Route

Cabinet	13 January 2020	CAB 112
CAB 112 (h) called in by Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee	21 January 2020	
Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting to consider call-in	3 February 2020	
Cabinet	12 February 2020	

Overview and Scrutiny Committee Recommendations

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee, at its meeting held on 3 February 2020, made the following recommendation to Cabinet:

RESOLVED: That the proposal to remove Deal seafront as a parking option from the Deal resident permits scheme (CAB 112(h)) be removed until an assessment of the overall permit parking scheme in Deal has been undertaken. In the event that Cabinet should wish to bring back this proposal, that it be asked to provide evidence to address concerns, and that the case for benefits and harm in such a scheme be set out.

Background

1. At its meeting held on 13 January, Cabinet agreed, amongst other things, as follows:

(h) That the removal of Deal seafront as a parking option from the Deal resident permits scheme, as detailed in the report, be approved.

2. This decision was subsequently called in by Councillor Linda Keen, Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, on the following grounds:

(a) There is no evidence in the report to support the need for this change of policy or evidence of the impact on tourism and resident parking.

(b) No thought has been given to alternative options, or the difficulties likely to be experienced by local residents caused by the displaced resident parking.

- (c) The two short paragraphs in the report on this decision were insufficient to enable an efficient and effective decision. No figures were provided about the number of parking spaces lost to local resident permit holders.
- 3. As required by the Constitution, the decision was considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 3 February, and its recommendation to Cabinet is as set out above.