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Wards Affected	All A6 Towns	25 th June 20	14
Title	Residents Controlled Parking		

Portfolio Holder: Cllr Derek Zanger

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To update members of the A6 Towns Forum on the current activity regarding residents controlled parking

2. INFORMATION

Kettering Borough Council has been asked by the A6 Towns Forum to provide an update on residents controlled parking.

The Council is currently continuing with the implementation and review of the Kettering based controlled parking zones. The last batch of controlled parking zones was implemented in December 2012, and these are now being reviewed to ensure that the zones are operating efficiently, and that any parking displacement issues are mitigated.

Enforcement is carried out by the generic wardens, using powers delegated to the Borough Council by the County Council specifically in Kettering town.

Residents parking schemes were introduced because of the pressure generated in residential areas by adjacent commercial or other operations; in essence, they were set up to cope with overspill parking from:-

- The General Hospital
- Wicksteed Park
- The town centre
- The railway station

Residents parking zones are not intended to be a replacement for other forms of traffic order intended to control dangerous parking or remove obstructions, and are rarely effective when dealing with a very short term problem, such as people visiting a school to drop off and pick up children.

Recently, requests have been made to consider new schemes in and around Kettering town centre, and areas affected by the railway station and a secondary school, which are currently either the subject of consultation or in the

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survey stage to establish if there is a problem which a residents parking scheme would address.

No formal request have been made for any area within the A6 Towns to be made a residents parking zone, and should one be proposed, it would be necessary to consider, with the County Council, whether it would address whatever problem exists and whether they would extend their delegation to KBC.

At this stage, however, the Council would be unable to resource either the preparation of a scheme, or the enforcement of one outside the urban area of Kettering.

3. <u>RECOMMENDATION</u>

That this report is noted

Background Papers:

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