

# Cirencester Parking Demand Project

## Meeting notes 8<sup>th</sup> January 2016

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1. Attendees: Councillors Nick Parsons, Chris Hancock, Sue Jepson and Mark Harris  
Christine Gore, Claire Locke, Christine Cushway, Philippa Lowe, Chris Vickery

### 2. Minutes of last meeting

Most Actions arising dealt with in Agenda.

**ACTION Carried Forward** - CG to meet with SJP.

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SJP have now taken on car park adjacent to hospital for their staff.

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### 5. Local Plan Response

Draft response discussed – **ACTION** – CL to meet with Chris Vickery and David Halkyard to discuss.

Green travel plan is best endeavours but no holding to account, not enforceable – will seek to strengthen this through local plan and deal with some specifics through S.106 agreement i.e. footpaths.

Promote health and wellbeing – promote walking to work, walking from out of town car parks. Cllr MH highlighted we could do initiative with CTC who would support this. **ACTION** - CG to speak to Diana Shelton's team & Cllr Sue Coakley.

Also need to improve access to town so people will use Watermoor CP or Abbey Grounds.

Illegal Gypsies/Travellers encampments – there have been two incidents of illegal encampments in the Beeches car park in the last 6 months. The lack of a transit traveller site

to move G/T onto could impact on the Council's ability to legally evict them in the future. CG will raise with GCC.

## **6. Update on Calculation of Future Parking Spaces required & Waitrose Parking Provision**

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Waitrose – Planning Permission for this site was granted on Appeal and does not mention staff parking in any detail. The plan shows that there are 294 spaces with 6 staff spaces within the service area. Waitrose have confirmed they have no plans to change their parking policy – staff are not permitted to park onsite on a Friday or Saturday during peak periods (Easter & Christmas). They have around 30 staff cars onsite routinely.

## **7. Date of next meeting: 4<sup>th</sup> March 2016**

ACTION - invite Cllr Jenny Forde to next meeting