

Cirencester Parking Demand Project Board

Meeting notes 15th April 2019

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Attendees: Councillors: Cllr. Mark Harris, (Chairman), Cllr. Chris Hancock, Cllr. Mark MacKenzie-Charrington, Cllr. Tony Berry, Cllr. Jenny Forde, and Officers: Christine Cushway, Andy Dike, Carl Jones, and Helen Argo (note taker)

Fiona Petch, architect from Stripe joined the start of the meeting to discuss the Waterloo.

1 Apologies: Jenny Poole, Bhavna Patel, Cllr. Joe Harris, Claire Locke, Bob McNally.

2 Notes of the Last meeting

The notes of the meeting held on 25 March were approved.

Any further matters arising will be addressed during the meeting.

3 Waterloo

Fiona Petch of Stripe, showed the Board two designs for the layout and massing of the proposed car park. Within each design there were two options showing the spaces 2.4 metres wide (national Standard) and 2.5 metres wide.

Option A was designed specifically for the site with two-way up and down levels, maximising the size of the car park in terms of the area and the number of car spaces.

2.4 wide spaces provides total of 528 spaces.

2.5 wide spaces provides total of 495 spaces.

Option B was designed on previously successful designs using a figure of 8 and half storey steep ramps with the parking on a slight incline. The footprint has been cut back.

2.4 wide spaces provides a total of 513 spaces.

2.5 wide spaces provides a total of 497 spaces.

The Board preferred Option B 2.5 as it is cleaner and gives a total of 235 extra spaces with 2 more disabled spaces than at present.

The external wrap/cladding can be used imaginatively to help break up the 'massing' effect of the car park. Parking spaces could be marked with colour pads rather than lines, with smart car parking

with lights above the parking spaces to identify empty spaces and avoid motorists circulating continually ; these will have budgetary implications however.

Next step is to take these latest designs to Planning.

We now have all the necessary information and permission to launch the architect design competition for the external wrap. Willmott Dixon is contacting several of the RIBA-approved list of 100 architects, Carl to contact local architects. Expressions of Interest are required by 3 May .

Soil Inspection Survey

This was completed on 28 March, and the lab results are due .

The geophysical survey will take place overnight on 23 April. .

Historic England will determine what happens next regarding the Scheduled Ancient Monument application.

4 OMH

The planning application was recommended for approval by CDC's Planning Committee. but is still being considered by the Secretary of State for final approval; there is no timescale on a response.

The second phase of the power is being installed currently.

Tender costings from *Text has been deleted to protect confidential information relating to specific negotiations with site owners, site purchase and lease negotiations and financial data which cannot yet be made public* are unexpectedly high; Pick Everard's Quantity Surveyor advised that these costs can be reduced by going to the open market rather than using the contractor via Scape. It was decided to go out to open market and the Board agreed to a full procurement exercise. Andy Dike to put together a tender package.

In the meantime we are still waiting for a second survey of bats and nesting birds. We will require a licence to deal with the pigeons as they are protected by DEFRA.

5 Rugby Club

The planning application is progressing. The noise and air pollution assessment and light assessment have been carried out. The date of the next public meeting will be 5 June at 7:00 pm.

6 Any Other Updates

Temporary Decking

A pre app has been submitted on our behalf by our consultants for a temporary decked car park at the *Text has been deleted to protect confidential information relating to specific negotiations with*

site owners, site purchase and lease negotiations and financial data which cannot yet be made public.

Grey Water Collection

It was agreed that it would be beneficial to collect grey water from the new build Waterloo car park for car washing or possibly watering one of the walls; not suitable for loos. Need to also look at putting solar panels on the roof.

Park-Ex and Traffic-Ex

Cllrs Forde, Mackenzie-Charrington and Harris all went to the NEC exhibition. Jenny Forde said that Cornwall is being more proactive in their parking by using parking attendants rather than enforcement officers. They are seen as more positive and helping customers to pay for the extra half an hour if they exceed their ticket time rather than being seen as 'the enemy' by issuing a fine.

The Old Kennels

Planning application is in and it is anticipated that the proposed car park will be built by Christmas. Of the 250 spaces 200 will be leased to St James's Place which should free up some of our SJP permit holders spaces in the Station Car Park. 50 of the remaining spaces will be leased to CDC on a temporary basis.

Parking Tricks

Cllr Tony Berry says he has seen office workers deliberately moving their cars into the Brewery and Forum car parks around 2:30pm and paying for half an hour to park free for the rest of the afternoon.

Cllr Hancock

Cllr Harris thanked Cllr Hancock for his time and input into the Parking Board as he is standing down as a councillor at the elections.

7 Project Risks

Carl updated the log.

8 Communications

Bob McNally on leave but we are currently restricted by purdah.

9 Local Plan Board

Cllr MacKenzie Charrington said he will update the Local Plan Board about this Parking Board meeting.

10 Date of the next meeting:

TBC due to local elections