

# Framlingham Parking WG

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*Draft Notes from meeting of 26<sup>th</sup> November 2018*

## **Present**

John Jones, John Lockyer, Simon Garrett, David Beal, Clive Eastwood, Gary Kitching, Malcolm Knight, Christopher Clarke

## **Apologies**

Karl Legg

## **Notes of the last Meeting**

Last meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> October. Approved for publication.

## **The Elms extension**

Feedback now complete, without Suffolk Preservation Society (not consulted as they would not come here) but Historic England, Suffolk Wildlife Trust and EA

*Historic England:* in May 2014, all the land was designated as part of the Ancient Monument. It had been agreed with the College (the land owners). Could we appeal? Yes, but unlikely to be successful and can be expensive. Why could it not be developed? Impact on the setting, rather a subjective judgement, but once a piece of land is designated as an Ancient Monument, it will be for reasons that by definition can't really be changed. We'd have to find evidence that the designation was based on incorrect information. The Castle car park is English Heritage, but still under HE. Their car park does not (apparently) impact the setting.

*Suffolk Wildlife Trust:* their argument is not so strong about impact on wildlife, but they have received 60+ objections.

*Environment Agency:* drainage issue could be solved, merely an engineering issue (but might also be a cost issue).

*Conclusion:* it appears to be unlikely that we could change HE's objections, and it would be expensive even to try. We shall not pursue this.

## **SRHPS play field**

No news. The Clerk is pursuing this with Robert Hitcham, but no response yet. If the Education Authority agree, Sports England would have to be checked.

## **The Elms car park / Fore St car park / Market Hill**

The Elms car park is owned by the College. A small part of it is owned by a private individual, and this individual has agreed that their part will be managed as part of the overall scheme on their behalf. Fore St is owned by SCDC.

## **Service Level Agreements**

Heads of Terms received from Kerry Blair (SCDC), for consideration by FTC.

## **Financial Evaluations**

Spreadsheet financial estimates

## Implementation proposal for FTC approval

The meeting agreed a proposal for FTC. (John will send the agreed text for these items.)

### RPZ / CPZ update

New terminology: "C..." for Controlled, rather than "R..." for Residents. SCDC have reviewed our RPZ proposal, and they like it and intend to model SCDC-wide proposals on this model (but now CPZ). However, they will manage (not FTC).

The operating standards (hours and prices) will be by agreement. They suggest:

- Including two places on Castle St by the Pond (as fringe areas otherwise this parking will come under pressure)
- Including a short section on Fairfield Road (ditto)
- ES area plan has different hours proposed (9.30 to 4.30) but are open to change for Fram as local preference is for 6pm finish. On-street is 8-6; should we go for the same? Or 9-6 perhaps.
- They will also consider 7-day parking (not just 6-day in our plan)
- £50 for first place, £70 for second place is their plan, but open to discussion

Note: enforcement here means not just CPZ but yellow line enforcement.

They are proposing Fram for pilot on-street enforcement from Autumn 2019.

Ideally, off-street enforcement (and charging) should start at the same date as on-street. If off-street charging starts first (currently planned for 6 months earlier) then this puts pressure on the CPZ areas.

### Short term parking (Sports Club)

A short-term arrangement to use the existing car park at the Sports Club, pending any longer term agreement. No date for a meeting with them yet. It should not need major work to illuminate a foot path from the Scout Hut to the Sports Club.

### AoB

Cemeteries: there is no longer access to Town Cemetery with a car. Should the town consider moving older graves to the edge and creating parking space? For future consideration in this WG (and FTC Lands Committee).

St Michael's Rooms possible replacement of the building. What impact would that have on the overall parking strategy? A new more attractive hall might increase the demand for car parking in Framlingham.

### Date of Next Meeting

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January at 1830 in the Cell meeting room in the Library building.