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Please note that the following documents were published separately from the main agenda for this meeting of the Policy Scrutiny Committee held on Monday, 29th July 2024 at 6.00 pm in Committee Rooms 1-2, City Hall.

4. Parking Strategy Review (Pages 3 - 6)

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Additional Notes & Points Raised from All Member Workshop held on 24/7/24

Key councillor comments, following the presentation, were:

Residents Parking (excl draft Protocol for promoting new zones – which will come to Members separately):

- Members reported on the positive impact of the expanded Residents Parking Zone in the Sincil Bank area.

Electric Vehicles:

- Queries over the mixed use allocation of EV bays in Council parks, often being used by non-EV vehicles and therefore impacting on availability of EV charge-points for EV users.
Response: some car parks have dedicated EV points, whilst others have mixed bays or a percentage of each type of bay. We will look to gradually move the mixed bays to dedicated EV bays as demand increases – this will be on a car park by car park basis.
- In tight terraces areas where houses with no driveways, EV charge cables will be running across pavements. This will likely become a more frequent occurrence.
Response: Lincolnshire County Council are responsible for on street highways and are exploring trial schemes involving street furniture such as using street lighting columns for a power source
- Need to include and assess the risk from EV fires particularly in Multi-Storey car parks.
Response: all our multi storey car parks have very recently had a fire risk assessment completed plus liaison with the fire brigade. This included the fire risk from EV vehicles.

Park and Ride:

- Could Members see the usage figures for Waitrose P&R site.
Response: details to be circulated
- For P&R to be successful there is a need to have dedicated bus priority lanes.

General improvement opportunities:

- A parking 'app' to help direct users to available spaces in car parks, especially uphill would be useful.
Response: Exploring how technology can support people to get to available spaces is included in the Action Plan and will be explored over the period of the strategy.
- Real-time signage would be helpful for our bigger car parks, particularly for Broadgate car park.
Response: Investigation of this is included in the action plan. Signage is looking to be installed on Pelham bridge for Central Car Park
- Difficult to access Broadgate Car Park from the road network and clear physical signage could be help to direct people to the car park
Response: Signage review is part of th action plan so this will be picked up aa part of that
- Reported difficulties with payment machine at Tentercroft Street (this could be due to card system working slightly differently to other payment machines)
Response: Officers will investigate to see what the issue is
- Provision of wider designated spaces for 'Parents with Children' type spaces needs to be provided in Council car parks, noting the difficulty with enforcing compliance.
Response: This will be incorporated into the action plan to explore further
- Concern that some of the doors in Central car park do not open automatically which is difficult for users in wheelchairs and parents with pushchairs etc.
Response: Will look at the original design parameters to understand why they were not specified at the construction phase.
- The car parking strategy could be seen to conflict in general terms with the Council's Climate Change policy and therefore we need to reflect the ambitious Climate Change aspirations in place within the parking strategy
Response: work will be undertaken to look at carbon off setting options either within the car parks themselves or other locations

- Reported unpleasant odours in Broadgate stairwells and narrow lifts.
Response: we do have a regular cleaning regime in place but recognise the unique challenges at Broadgate car park due to persistence of low level ASB. We are reviewing our cleaning regime currently.
- University of Lincoln open days-the University should encourage people not to drive into the city centre and gave the example of York where buses were provided
Response: this is something we will build into the strategy and engage the university on.
- Coach parking - agree a need to look at options as identified in the action plan
- The Lawn car park and incidence of camper van parking – agree a need to look at options as identified in the action plan
- Noted limited options to extend parking provision uphill during busy periods, but suggestions were made on possible ‘pop up’ temporary arrangements and key pressure points in the year.
- General feeling of safety -agreed that keeping under review and improving the lighting both within and in the approaches to the car parks would be helpful

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