

**HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

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MINUTES of the meeting of the CABINET held in the Council Chamber, Pathfinder House, St Mary's Street, Huntingdon PE29 3TN on Thursday, 31 January 2008.

PRESENT: Councillor I C Bates – Chairman.

Councillors P L E Bucknell, D B Dew,  
A Hansard, C R Hyams, T V Rogers and  
L M Simpson.

APOLOGY: An apology for absence from the meeting was submitted on behalf of Councillor Mrs D C Reynolds.

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**99. CAR PARKING STRATEGY - PROPOSED ACTION PLAN**

Further to Minute No. 07/67 and by way of a report by the Head of Planning Services (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book) the Cabinet was invited to consider the content of a proposed Car Parking Strategy Action Plan for Huntingdonshire which set out proposals for car parking in the District up to 2011.

In so doing, Members were reminded that the Plan had been the subject of a consultation exercise carried out by the Car Parking Working Group during November and December and that the Overview and Scrutiny Panel (Service Support) had considered the Plan at their meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2008. With regard to the Panel's recommendations arising from that meeting, the view was expressed that a reduction of 25% in the cost of a car parking Season Ticket for cars with CO<sup>2</sup> emissions of 120g/km or less represented a fair and equitable discount. In discussing the use of surplus income generated by increased car parking, Executive Councillors felt it would not be appropriate to ring-fence surplus income from these charges. Having thanked the Car Parking Working Group and the Overview and Scrutiny Panel for their input, the Cabinet

**RESOLVED**

- (a) that the Action Plan appended to the report now submitted be approved;
- (b) that steps be taken to amend the current Off-Street Parking Places Order to reflect the changes proposed in the Action Plan referred to in (a) above and their implementation with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> June 2008;

- (c) that the proposed car parking charges outlined as the first option in Annex D to the report be approved and advertised; and
- (d) that the arrangements be reviewed following a period of 12 months of introduction of the revised charges.

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Chairman