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Dear Mr Askew

Review of Decriminalisation of Parking Enforcement in Stratford on Avon District

I enclose a copy of a report which was considered by Stratford on Avon Area Committee at its meeting in July 2005. The Committee recommended that in pay and display streets, the free waiting period should be 30 minutes and that on-street charges on Sunday should be abolished before 12 noon. The Committee also recommended that Stratford-on-Avon District Council be formally requested to consider the removal of the free 20 minute period and introduce a free 30 minute period in off-street car parks and the removal of charges on a Sunday before 12 noon. The Committee agreed all of the other recommendations.

These matters need to be reported to the County Council's Cabinet and I have been requested to seek Stratford District Council's views to inform the Cabinet's consideration of the review. I should be grateful therefore for your Council's comments on the following options:-

1. No change i.e. retention of the existing free 20 minute period on and off-street and the retention of charges all day on a Sunday.
2. The abolition of the 50 pence for 40 minutes charge and the free 20 minute period and their replacement with a 30 minute period charged at 20 pence, the abolition of charges on a Sunday before 12 noon.
3. The abolition of the 50 pence for 40 minutes charge and the free 20 minute period and their replacement with a 30 minute period free of charge, the abolition of charges on a Sunday before 12 noon.

Your views on reciprocating the charging options (2 and 3 above) in off-street car parks, should you be formally requested to consider a reciprocal arrangement when Cabinet has considered the matter, would also be appreciated.



We will be seeking your Council's views on all of the other recommendations agreed by Stratford Area Committee in due course.

Yours sincerely

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