

AGENDA ITEM NO: 22

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Report To: Environment & Regeneration

Committee

Report By: Acting Corporate Director

Environment, Regeneration &

Resources

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Subject: Decriminalised Parking Enforcement – Notice of Motion by

Councillor MacLeod

1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise the Committee of the receipt of a Notice of Motion by Councillor MacLeod, countersigned by Councillor McEleny, submitted in terms of Standing Order 22.

1.2 A copy of the Notice of Motion is attached as Appendix 1.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 The Committee is asked to consider the attached Notice of Motion.

APPENDIX 1

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Notice of Motion to Environment and Regeneration Committee on 30th October 20142014

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Committee notes that Decriminalised Parking Enforcement has now been implemented across Inverciyde. Although there has been some positive feedback i.e. Improved parking availability for short stay visitors to the town centre and praise for the visual appearance of Cathcart Square there are many aspects that have proved to be both unpopular and in need of addressing.

Committee notes that those that live in the town centre of Greenock are being prevented from parking outside their homes as doing so will result in a fine if they park for longer than the allocated time.

Committee also notes that historic waiting times across Inverclyde which are now being enforced are having an adverse effect on town centre residents throughout the local authority area. Many residents are now faced with the prospect of having to park considerably far from their homes which is causing many considerable difficulties.

Committee should instruct officers to:

- Bring back a report to members setting out a system in which people living in Greenock town centre can park at their homes for prolonged periods without being penalised by a fine I.e. residents permit.
- Review existing waiting times in town centres in the rest of Inverclyde and bring back recommendations to increasing waiting restrictions to certain areas that residents have historically used for parking without adverse effect to trade.
- Consult with ward members regarding the suitability of historic waiting areas and bring back recommendations on streets that duration of parking should be increased in.

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Seconded:

Cllr Jim MacLeod

Cllr Christopher McEleny