

REPORT TO: POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE 22 JUNE 2010

SUBJECT: LOSSIE GREEN AND LOSSIE WYND CAR PARKS –
PROPOSED PAY AND DISPLAY

BY: DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

1. REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 To invite the Committee to consider recommendations from the Economic Development and Infrastructure Services Committee held on 15 June 2010 in regard to introducing pay and display charges at Lossie Green and Lossie Wynd car parks.
- 1.2 This report is submitted to Committee in terms of Section A22 of Council's Administrative Scheme relating to Common Good Funds.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 It is recommended that this Committee notes the decision of the Economic Development and Infrastructure Services Committee of 15 June 2010 to introduce pay and display charges at Lossie Green and Lossie Wynd car parks.
- 2.2 It is further recommended that this Committee agrees that part of the revenue generated from the car parking charges, relating to the area of the Trust land is returned to the Common Good account to assist in the maintenance of the Trust land.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Reference is made to the Meeting of the Economic Development and Infrastructure Services Committee on 15 June 2010 (Item 15 of the Agenda refers) which agreed to introduce pay and display waiting restrictions at Lossie Green and Lossie Wynd car parks at a charge of £1 per day (or part day).
- 3.2 Because a section of the car parks is on land which is part of the public trust, this has defined purpose which the Council must adhere to. The Trust is accounted for as part of the Elgin Common Good. Any revenue from the Trust ground is to be spent on the Trust ground itself after deduction of maintenance, supervision and administration.

It is probable that some cars will park on the hardcore area between Borough Briggs Road and the River Lossie to avoid paying charges. This use will be monitored in case it develops into a long term problem. This land is Council owned and in addition there remains unresolved issues resulting from its use by travelling people as a camp site.

Staffing

Enforcement of parking restrictions is currently carried out by three car parking attendants. Employment of a fourth attendants on Saturdays will be required to ensure adequate provision.

(d) Consultations

The Chief Financial Officer has been consulted and agrees with the content of the report.

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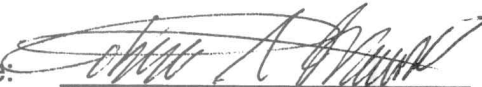
5. CONCLUSIONS

5.1 Whilst the introduction of charges is on land in both the Council's ownership and Trust land, the revenue generated on the Trust land would be returned to help maintain Trust land.

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Background Papers: Report to Economic Development & Infrastructure Services Committee on 15 June 2010.

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