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**HOUSING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

**25 August, 2011**

**HOUSING SERVICE CAR PARKING CHARGES (H&E/11/195)**

Reference was made to article 2 of the budget meeting of Council of 10 February, 2011 at which time officers were instructed to report on the pricing differential between customers for car parking charges. The Committee had before it on this day, a report by the Director of Housing and Environment which provided the information as requested at the aforementioned meeting of Council.

**The report recommended:**

that the Committee –

- (a) agrees the proposed increase car parking charges as per option A within the report, and that these charges be applied as soon as practicable, subject to the approval of the Finance and Resources Committee; and
- (b) instructs a review of Housing Service car parking waiting lists to identify any instances of local residents waiting for spaces where non local residents are renting spaces.

**The Committee resolved:**

- (i) to instruct a review of Housing Service car parking waiting lists to identify any instances of local residents waiting for spaces where non local residents are renting spaces;
- (ii) to instruct a report back on the differentiation between tenants and residents in the local areas, and undertake discussions with colleagues in the Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure Service on the impact this will have on on-street parking;
- (iii) **that commercial and all other non local charges will be increased to £35 per week, subject to the approval of the Finance and Resources Committee;**
- (iv) to instruct officers to (1) consult with users of Housing Service car parks (including Regent Walk) which form part of the city centre multis, regarding a permit and enforcement system, and (2) report back to the next meeting of 1 November, 2011 in this regard;
- (v) to instruct officers to ensure that the HRA asset management plan takes into account an investment plan to maintain and improve car park areas within the HRA;
- (vi) to request that officers in future review these charges as part of the budget process; and
- (vii) to instruct officers to undertake a long term review of the whole process associated with parking charges and permits, to address the issue of the piecemeal way in which it is currently dealt with.