### TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

### **OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

#### 14 June 2016

### **Report of the Scrutiny Panel**

### Part 1- Public

### **Matters for Recommendation to Cabinet**

## 1 REVIEW OF CONCESSIONARY PARKING PERMITS

## 1.1 Background

- 1.1.1 A Scrutiny Panel has been established to review current concessionary car parking permits to assess whether any possible changes or improvements can be identified to make the system either more efficient and/or cost effective.
- 1.1.2 The Panel met on the 26<sup>th</sup> May 2016 and were invited to consider the following issues:
  - Should those currently receiving concessions still be in receipt of a parking permit? Are the reasons for those permits still relevant/ appropriate?
  - Specific parking areas are adequate controls in place relating to where permit holders can park or should there be more controls, for example, to ensure town centre car parks are retained for shoppers?
- 1.1.3 A schedule setting out a list of those who are currently in receipt of a concessionary car parking permit was assessed by the Panel and a number of recommendations for change were agreed. A copy of the list along with the Panel's agreed recommendations is attached as Annex 1 to this report.
- 1.1.4 It was also recommended by the Panel that any future revisions to the existing list, or new applications for a concessionary parking permit should be a matter for consideration by the Street Scene & Environmental Advisory Board alongside the annual review of car parking charges.

## 1.2 Legal Implications

1.2.1 None

## 1.3 Financial and Value for Money Considerations

1.3.1 Any agreed reduction in the number of parking permits that are issued has the potential to raise additional income and reduce administration costs.

## 1.4 Risk Assessment

1.4.1 None

# 1.5 Equality Impact Assessment

1.5.1 The decisions recommended through this paper have a remote or low relevance to the substance of the Equality Act. There is no perceived impact on end users.

## 1.6 Recommendations

1.6.1 That the recommendations of the Parking Concessions Panel, as set out in this report, **BE ENDORSED.** 

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Nil

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