

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – SERVICES

10 July 2024

(EXTRACT FROM DRAFT MINUTES)

OSS8 OFF-STREET CAR PARKING ENFORCEMENT CONTRACT

The Lead Councillor for Commercial Services introduced the item. She suggested that the proposed off-street car parking enforcement contract was an example of how the collaboration between the Council and Waverley Borough Council could benefit both councils.

The Lead Councillor for Commercial Services indicated that Waverley Borough Council's contract for off street car park enforcement with its current provider expired on 30 September, and there were a number of options available to Waverley Borough Council for providing the service after this date. She advised that a project undertaken by the Transformation Team at Woking Borough Council, car parking teams, and enabling services at both councils explored options for a joint service.

The Lead Councillor for Commercial Services indicated that bringing the off-street parking services together would increase resilience as a higher number of enforcement officers provided greater flexibility around both cover and recruitment. She informed the Committee that the proposal was supported by Waverley Borough Council's Executive the previous evening.

The Lead Councillor for Commercial Services undertook to take any comments from the Committee through to the Council's Executive.

In reply to questions from members of the Committee, the Parking Lead advised that it was hoped the staff employed by the current provider in Waverley would TUPE across. He indicated that there would not be any increase initially in the level of enforcement, but having a larger body of enforcement staff available would enable resources to be directed to address particular issues in specific car parks as necessary. The Lead Councillor for Commercial Services and the Parking Lead suggested there might be economies of scale in future procurement under the proposed arrangement.

The Parking Lead confirmed that income from off-street car parking enforcement fines in Waverley would continue to go to Waverley Borough Council.

RESOLVED: That the off-street car parking enforcement contract proposals within the report submitted to the Committee be endorsed.