

Appendix 3 – Car parking Criteria reviewed by Cabinet informally 14th April 2021

Background

Lack of residential parking has been an issue throughout the district for a number of years and with car ownership far exceeding the available parking on the majority of NEDDC's housing estates, there are increasing issues with accessibility, unsafe parking and access for service/emergency vehicles. There has been a historic lack of investment in parking and other infrastructure assets which will begin to be addressed through this parking strategy.

As part of the redevelopment works carried out by Rykneld Homes, 272 spaces have been delivered over the last 6 years.

A number of parking complaints were received following the recent review carried out by the Communities Scrutiny Committee. These complaints, added to the existing list of problem areas in the district, total 65 locations.

NEDDC and Rykneld are currently working on a pilot project aiming to provide parking in three areas of the district. Of these three areas, two have been taken to public consultation and one is awaiting planning permission.

All 65 problem parking locations have now been evaluated on the basis of a number of criteria, including the number of 'vulnerable' properties, existing spaces per property, number of council properties, cost, and number of new spaces. They were then ranked 1-5 based on which criteria they fulfilled

The criteria and ranking are as follows:

1. Vulnerable, Council owned and quick win
2. Vulnerable and quick win
3. Vulnerable and council owned
4. Council owned and quick win
5. Only one criterion met

That the sum of £288,000 p.a. is allocated to parking from the HRA be used to carry out parking works identified in priority groups 1-5.