

CENTRAL PLANNING COMMITTEE – 30TH JUNE 2016

AGENDA ITEM 3 - PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Question Submitted by: Bob Morgan on behalf of Residents of Kingston Drive and London Road Estate

Subject: Overflow parking from Shrewsbury Business Park

Parking in Kingston Drive

Parking restrictions and the past environmental policy applied to Phase 1 of the Shrewsbury Business Park is creating traffic safety problems in the surrounding area especially Kingston Drive. Past planning decisions assumed that people working in SBP would cycle, use public transport and use a (then) planned adjacent park and ride scheme to get their workplace.

No one appears to cycle to SBP, the public transport route to and through SBP has been cancelled and the park and ride scheme policy was changed.

There is therefore insufficient parking on the Shrewsbury Business Park site to cater for employees working on the site.

Day-time parking at both ends of Kingston Drive at its junction with London Road and Wenlock Road is dangerous and has caused numerous “near miss” traffic incidents.

Day-time parking by the SBP community will increase substantially with the development of SBP Phase 2 and the projected number of (up to 1000) people working on that site. This would impact on an already adverse situation.

QUESTION:

Will the Central Planning Committee consider what can be done to ensure that there is adequate employee parking within the Shrewsbury Business Park Phase 2 development and reconsider what can be done to ameliorate and already critical situation regarding day-time parking in the residential areas close to the SBP Phase 1 site.

Response from Councillor Vernon Bushell – Chairman of the Central Planning Committee

Central Planning Committee will consider any applications that come before it relating to Shrewsbury Business Park Phase 2 by taking into account all material planning considerations including the provision of adequate parking to serve the developments proposed.

The issue of overspill parking from Shrewsbury Business Park Phase 1 on surrounding residential roads is not a matter over which the Central Planning Committee any longer has any control. This concern will be passed on to the Councils Highway Department for a formal response.