

## UPDATES TO CABINET PAPERS

### (5) MEMBER QUESTIONS

The following response has been provided by Councillor C Hancock, Cabinet Member for Enterprise & Partnerships, to the question has been submitted by Councillor AR Brassington:-

*'Following the success of the initial installation of EVCPs back in 2014, the Council agreed to expand the EVCP network; and this also led to WODC agreeing to participate in the initiative.*

*The current Corporate Strategy includes the following Top Task - 'Increase the number of electric vehicle charging points in the District for both public and council business use by the end of March 2019'.*

*With no suitable central government funding currently available for charging points in public car parks, the Council investigated options for future provision, particularly as the market and manufacturers offered different subsidies for EVCPs depending upon the funding arrangements and the degree of control to be retained by the councils.*

*As reported elsewhere in the Cabinet Meeting papers, it has taken longer than expected for external solicitors to put the legal framework for procurement in place, due to the complexities of the framework and the different legal arrangements that may result from the range of procurement options. However, those legal elements are now being concluded, which will enable the framework procurement to commence. Following the procurement, we expect to present a report to Cabinet in June/July 2019 so that Members can decide which procurement option they wish to pursue and allocated funding, based on cost and the amount of control they wish to retain. A mini tender can then be completed before EVCPs can be installed.*

*Therefore, whilst the answer to your specific question is 'none', there were reasons for this beyond our control (which have been regularly reported to Members). The Council remains committed to this initiative and, whilst we will obviously not meet our Top Task deadline, progress is not far away. You will also note that ECVP provision is now included as a matter of course in any car park development/redevelopment proposals, e.g. the Waterloo in Cirencester.'*

### (7) PUBLICA BUSINESS PLAN

Comments from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee:-

*In general, the Committee welcomed and supported the Business Plan.*

*Specific comments included - support for a phased implementation of Salesforce, with some dual running before existing systems were switched off; the need for clarity around Member communications and*

*points of contact; continuing concerns regarding the branding of correspondence, particularly for the public; and a request for more detail to be provided to Members in due course in respect of the key tasks and transformation plan.*

**(8) LEISURE AND CULTURAL SERVICES**

Comments from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee:-

*The suggested arrangements for, and scope of, the 'break clause review' be supported; in the knowledge that the Council's Statutory Officers would be invited to comment on the initial review findings of the review (thereby providing independent challenge before presentation to Members).*

*The suggested approach to the strategic/holistic review of leisure and cultural provision be endorsed, subject to such review (i) being informed by, and incorporating, an evaluation of current service provision through the dual use facilities at Fairford and Tetbury; and (ii) having regard to related matters such as health and well-being.*

**(8) SUMMARY FINANCE/SERVICE PERFORMANCE REPORT - 2018/19 QUARTER 3**

No specific comments from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

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