

MOTION 1

MOTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR CORNWELL REGARDING CIVIL PARKING ENFORCEMENT

Madam Chairman

Whilst canvassing in the recent elections I was approached by a number of residents concerned and annoyed about such issues as motorists ignoring parking restrictions, blocking footpaths by inconsiderate parking, parking dangerously near school entrances, blocking private entrances and parking very close to road junctions. Everyone understands that our Police Service has other more important priorities to attend to and this is why all our Norfolk neighbouring authorities and some in other neighbouring Councils have introduced Civil Parking Enforcement, indeed it is often enforced successfully in conjunction with other street based services.

The effect of what I referred to in my election manifesto as “wild west parking in Fenland” affects almost every Fenland resident through individual safety, public safety, business continuity and sustainability, the environment and quality of life.

Madam Chairman, I strongly believe that Fenland must deliver services that its public wants and which improve their quality of life and I therefore propose that this Council shows its support for the exploration of the powers contained in Part 6 of the Traffic Management Act 2004 and associated Acts and Regulations regarding Civil Parking Enforcement throughout the District