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Dear Sir/Madam

I am pleased to provide a response to your request for information, received on 7 December 2016:

Cheltenham West Parking Review.

Background:

Following surveys and informal consultations, a Proposed Traffic Regulation Order, Ref JKS/60327, was issued for formal consultation by Gloucestershire County Council (GCC). This proposed £1 an hour pay-and-display (P&D) limited to 4 to 6 hours and residents parking across the Lansdown Zone to address the issue of severe congestion due to commuter parking.

Following this formal consultation, the statutory Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) published at

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announced the decision had been taken to implement the scheme but with less restrictive all-day P&D limits and £4/day capped charges, to take into account commuter concerns, without further consultation with residents and without referral to the Traffic Regulation Committee.

In order to understand this decision, please may I request the following information:

1. Minutes or records of all meetings/correspondence where the decision was debated and/or decided "To implement the schemes with changes to make it less restrictive to address comments received during the consultation period" (item ii) versus "To implement the schemes in full" (item i) (See Page 57 of the TRO).

The decision was discussed and taken at the September 2016 Lead Cabinet Member (LCM) meeting, which considered the TRO report for the scheme. The minutes of this meeting are attached, see 'LCM notes September 2016'. As you are aware, the TRO report is on the Gloucestershire county council website https://gloucestershire-consult.objective.co.uk/portal/trp/parking/cheltparking/cheltwestparking_statutory

2. All correspondence and records of meetings/discussions relating to the decision to not refer the scheme to the Traffic Regulation Committee (See para K17 of the TRO).

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3. All correspondence and records of meetings/discussions relating to the decision "to allow managed commuter parking in those roads that have capacity to accommodate it" (See para K8 of TRO). Note: It appears the roads selected - as per the second bullet on page 57 of the TRO - were Lansdown Crescent, Lansdown Parade, Malvern Place, Douro Road [Lansdown Crescent to Malvern Place] and Malvern Road [Lansdown Crescent to Christchurch Road].

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4. Relating to 3 above, copies of the assessment methodology and data set(s) used to select 'those roads that have capacity to accommodate it' together with all correspondence relating to setting of this task and its findings/interpretation.

Data is available on our website: <https://gloucestershire-consult.objective.co.uk/file/3450595>

There is no relevant correspondence held.

5. All correspondence between and records of discussions with Cheltenham Ladies College (CLC) relating to the Parking Review. (See page 54 of the TRO)
Please see attached zip file entitled 'CLC correspondence'.

6. All correspondence between commuter respondents originating from CLC (See para K8 of TRO).

Gloucestershire County Council didn't record who respondents worked for, and many didn't say, so we are unable to provide that information. Para K8 provides a qualitative comment based on review of all responses.

Please find attached copies of all responses received, entitled 'App 3 – Consultation responses'.

7. The number of commuter respondents originating from CLC which were recorded as negative to the scheme.

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8. All correspondence and records of meetings/discussions, during and following the formal consultation, which related to accommodating or addressing the concerns of commuters (or employers of those commuters) who park in the Lansdown Zone.

Of the meetings outlined in the TRO report:

- Meeting with Cheltenham Borough Council (CBC) /Cheltenham Development Task Force (CDTF), May 16 – no records held.
- Meeting with CBC/CDTF/Network rail/GWR, May 16 – no records held.
- Meeting with Cheltenham Ladies College, May 16 – PROVIDED IN CLC EMAIL OF 1ST JUNE. See attached zip file entitled 'CLC correspondence'.
- Meeting with GCC/CBC Cllrs, July 16 - PROVIDED IN CBC EMAIL OF 22 JULY. See attached zip file entitled 'CBC emails'.
- Meeting with CBC members/officers, August 16 – no records held.
- Meeting with CBC/CDTF Senior officers –PROVIDED IN CBC EMAIL OF 22 AUG. See attached zip file entitled 'CBC emails'.

Further correspondence with Members and CBC senior officers is provided in attached zip file entitled 'CBC emails'.

If you are unhappy with my response, you can complain or ask for a review of your request by writing to us within 40 working days of receiving this response. The full procedure is on our website at <http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/foi>. This should be addressed to:

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We would like to hear your views on our service. If you'd like to tell us how we did, you can complete our feedback form online at <http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/foifedback>

I will now close your request as of this date.

Yours faithfully

Elizabeth Varley
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