

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 107/15

The purpose of this paper is to provide Members with the first of the quarterly Reports on the operation *of* the four Car Parks for which the Town Council became responsible on 1 August this year.

NO. DETAIL

I) BACKGROUND

- a) The management of the Dudley Road, Market Street, Pound Lane and Shore Road Car Parks was transferred to the Town Council on 1 August 2015 under leases until 31 March 2038.
- b) Under the agreement, the Isle of Wight Council remains responsible for enforcement and cash collection with a balancing payment of rent against income being due at the end of each 12-month period.
- c) The total annual rent due retrospectively in August each year is £24,900 made up of Dudley Road £7,700, Market Street £5,700, Pound Lane £4,700 and Shore Road £6,800.
- d) Minute 39/15 of the Town Council Meeting of 9 March 2015 agreed initially to set the Tariffs for the Dudley Road, Market Street and Pound Lane Car Parks at the levels operated by the Isle of Wight Council prior to the recent increase and for Shore Road to set the Tariff for the Shore Road Car Park at £1 for the first hour and at £3 for a full 8-hour day.
- e) By Minute 81/15 of its meeting of 8 June 2015 the Town Council delegated responsibility for the management of the Car Parks to the Town Clerk advised by the Public Buildings Working Group and requested quarterly reports on them.

2) INCOME 1 AUGUST – 31 OCTOBER

a) The income due to the Town Council for the first quarter period is as set out in the following table that also shows the average income from each of the four Car Parks over the previous four years and variances from them.

Car Park	August	September	October	Total	Average	Variance
Pound Lane	521	516	596	1,633	1,175	458
Market Street	492	352	397	1,240	1,369	-129
Dudley Road	1,528	855	656	3,039	2,982	57
Shore Road	990	552	363	1,904	2,260	-356
Total	3,531	2,273	2,011	7,816	7,786	30

- b) The largest single variance occurred in respect of Shore Road where the August income fell £279 short of its £1,269 four-year average for the month, due to the fact that the adjustment to the P&D machine was not available until the end of the first week in the month.
- c) The Business Rates liability for the quarter was £1,196 and the expectation that this would be funded by the issue of the Town Council's own permits has been fulfilled for this quarter with an income from Permits of £1,470.

3) PERMITS

- a) Permits are offered to residents of any one address within 200 metres of any of the four Car Parks for any one vehicle at an annual cost of £120.
- b) There are currently 20 valid Town Council permits, three issued to staff, six to tenants of Salisbury Gardens and 11 to residents.
- c) Thirteen relate to Dudley Road, five to Market Street and two to Pound Lane.