



# CENTRAL CAR PARK

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 56/20

13 JULY 2020

The purpose of this Report is to update members on progress to date with the proposed development of the Central Car Park.

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**No. DETAILS**

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**1) BACKGROUND**

- a) Report 19/20 for the Town Council meeting of 9 March 2020 outlined options for the development of the Central Car Park that included the potential for expanding the number of parking bays to at least offset the loss of income from the four bays needed for the new Public Toilet and accommodate the a possible replacement of the current 12 free parking spaces on the High Street.
  - b) Nick Cox provided an initial draft outline of how that might be achieved that was attached to the Report.
  - c) Minute 28/20 of that meeting authorised the Clerk to secure guide prices for the redesign and open discussions with the Isle of Wight Council on the possibility.
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**2) PROGRESS**

- a) The proposal was submitted to the Isle of Wight Council on 15 March and a response received from its Property Services Senior Surveyor Barry Cooke on 30 April that suggested the Town Council to *obtain fee estimates from Island Roads for evaluation of your proposal.*
  - b) That quotation from Island Roads in a total of £2,213 was considered at the Town Council meeting of 15 June when it was agreed that *the Town Council will contribute 50% of the cost of the professional assessment by Island Roads if the Isle of Wight Council contributes the remainder.*
  - c) That proposal was forwarded to Barry Cooke and his reply on 23 June was:  
*Regrettably, in the current covid-19 situation, there is a moratorium on capital projects and revenue is limited to essential expenditure only, so neither department has any funding available, even for the initial design costs. IWC is, therefore, not able to assist at this time.*
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**3) RECOMMENDATION**

Members are recommended to and agree a response to this decision.

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