

This Freedom of Information request relates to the report on Parking Enforcement which was included under item 6 of the agenda of Operational Services Committee meeting held on 13 September 2021.

1. When did the council learn of the legal clarification which confirmed the potential conflict of interest (paragraph 4.2 of the report)?
2. Precisely which powers will the new Road Safety Volunteers gain which are not available under the existing Speed Watch Scheme?
3. Precisely which powers will the new Road Safety Volunteers have at their disposal to address illegal parking when driver education messaging has failed?
4. Has there been a reduction in the number of PCSOs allocated to Cambridgeshire Constabulary since the full council meeting in October 2020 (in relation to paragraph 4.4 of the report)?
5. What KPIs have been defined in order to measure the effectiveness of the pilot scheme proposed in the report for the report-back to committee April 2022?
6. Who will be responsible for collating and maintaining these KPIs and will interim results be reported?
7. Has a risk assessment been completed for the pilot scheme?
8. Can the risk assessment be shared as part of this FoI request?
9. What are the top risks which have been identified with the pilot scheme?
10. What specific risks have been identified with regard to the personal safety of volunteers and how will these be mitigated?
11. How will the volunteers be insured when undertaking the role and who will provide this insurance?
12. Will volunteers conduct their parking enforcement individually or will they need to be accompanied by at least one other volunteer?
13. How many volunteers are estimated to be required to provide an effective parking enforcement solution across the district?
14. How many hours a week on average will each volunteer be expected to contribute?
15. Will it be mandatory for volunteers to wear a uniform?
16. Can you provide further details of the uniform to be worn by volunteers?
17. Which body or organisation will provide the training of volunteers?
18. How many hours of training is required?
19. Will the Police Standard of Professional Behaviour apply to the volunteers?
20. Assuming they are subject to the 2012 Conduct Regulations, will volunteers be provided with support if they are subject to a complaint?
21. What disciplinary action can be taken against volunteers who are found to have breached the regulations?
22. Who will organise and manage the volunteers? Can council officers take on this role or are they excluded due to the potential conflict of interest?
23. Have Cambridgeshire Constabulary representatives expressed a preference to officers between Civil Parking Enforcement and Police Service Volunteers to enforcement on-street parking regulations?
24. Have Cambridgeshire Constabulary representatives been asked to compare the expected effectiveness of Civil Parking Enforcement versus the Police Service Volunteers scheme to addressing enforcement on-street parking regulations?
25. Have officers had any discussions with officers from any of those authorities that have adopted Civil Parking Enforcement and which also retain some free off-street car parking?
26. Have officers had any discussions with officers at Cambridgeshire County Council regarding the feasibility of implementing Civil Parking Enforcement in East Cambridgeshire whilst maintaining the existing split of free and paid off-street car parking?
27. Have officers had any discussions with officers from neighbouring Cambridgeshire district councils to understand their plans to introduce Civil Parking Enforcement?