

Report to Leighton Linlade Partnership Committee (LLPC)

Re: Review of the MSCP Turning Circle 10am – 6pm and Lake Street 6pm – 10am

Background

In 2013 proposals for a possible taxi stand at the rear of the multi-storey car park (MSCP) and a part time stand in Lake Street were consulted on. At that time no objections were received for a part time rank in Lake Street but an objection from Iceland Foods Limited was received with regards to the MSCP. Iceland's Estates Surveyor believed that using the location would severely restrict the ability for their large delivery vehicles to turn in the service road and, therefore, deliver to the various units in the row.

Legislation does not permit us to create a stand in any place where it will unreasonably prevent access to any premises and, in view of the objection, a decision was made not to take the matter any further.

In 2017 and 2018 we were asked by LLPC to revisit this decision but after further email exchanges with Iceland, it was apparent that the location was, unfortunately, still unsuitable.

Current

Discussion took place at the 3 May Partnership Committee meeting and the Licensing team were tasked with reviewing the MSCP location.

The Licensing officer visited the site at 12 noon on Thursday 10 May 2018. At that time the following vehicles were delivering to the area:

- A Charles Wells Brewery vehicle delivering to the Red Lion PH. The driver of the vehicle stated that he normally delivered at that time on a Thursday but that he can be called to deliver at any time.
- A Poundland vehicle was delivering to their store.

It was also noted that a number of premises had large Biffa wheelie bins outside their premises waiting for collection and the driver of the brewery vehicle stated that TNT vehicles often delivered to the site. In my view all these delivery vehicles would require the full turning circle.

Alternative locations

Other possible locations for a taxi stand include Lake Street, Church Square and North Street. The Licensing team can assist by investigating any of these potential sites as an alternative to the MSCP.