



REPORT

To: Finance & Policy Committee

- 1) Purpose: The purpose of this report is to make recommendations for the rent of car parking spaces for the Mayor's car and staff/Councillors when visiting the office.
- 2) Background: We currently rent four spaces at the rear of Pageant House at the cost of £2,000 per year from WDC. The spaces are small, and cars are continually getting damaged – the Mayor's car has had over £3k damage. Members of the public park in our spaces meaning staff have to park elsewhere. The Town Clerk has been asking about the garage, which is on the same site, and stands empty. We would like to rent this to put the Mayors car in. After two years of asking WDC have agreed for us to rent the garage with the loss of one space. The cost proposed was £1,800 per year for the garage and £3,600 for three spaces - £5400 for 4 spaces (including the garage). Nothing will be done about security or increasing the size of the spaces.

Because of the new car arriving and the existing car being repaired there was concern about parking at the current site.

We are paid up to November this year for the sites.

- 3) Report: I contacted Alderson House who have secure parking with CCTV and a code to open a gate. The cost for the Mayor's car to be parked here is £806 per year. The cost of the insurance for the new car value £40K has been reduced by £135.

Warwick Castle have agreed for us to park at Stables car park, a short walk from our current site. They are offering 6 spaces for £2,000 per year.

Staff are happy as the spaces at Stables are slightly wider and less likely to be damaged.

Alderson House and Warwick Castle have given no time limit for this agreement.

- 4) Financial Impact: There is an increase in cost of £806 per year but we gain 3 spaces against what we are currently paying – the increase in cost from WDC would make it £2,594 saving.

As our staff numbers have increased the additional spaces are needed. The Mayor's car will be more secure and our insurance costs reduce also having an impact.

- 5) Recommendations: We do not renew with WDC in November and take the option of using Stables car park and Alderson House in future.