## Essential Reference Paper D

## Prioritisation of Outcomes – Towns and Rural Communities

## 1. Bishop's Stortford

# **Priority Outcomes**

- 1. Improve availability and accessibility of parking.
- 2. Revise car park charging structures
- 3. Address problems of congestion in and around the town centre.
- 4. Improve public transport availability especially for the more disadvantaged areas of the town and its rural hinterland.
- 5. Review blue badge parking provision.
- 6. Resolve perceived conflicts between planning policy and transport policy and practice.

# 2. Buntingford

# **Priority Outcomes**

- 1. Promote the economic wellbeing of the town and its surrounding villages.
- 2. Promote the safe and efficient passage of all road users, including motorists and pedestrians.
- 3. Review existing on-street controls and permitted parking to ensure they are operating to best effect.
- 4. Review the cost and structure of off-street parking charges.
- 5. Review the culture and policies of the enforcement service.
- 6. Review public transport provision in line with planned growth of the town.

#### 3. Hertford

# **Priority Outcomes**

- 1. Alternative car park control system (e.g. pay on foot/exit).
- 2. Preserve free limited waiting bays on-street and look to expand the provision.
- 3. Improve provision of parking for workers.

- 4. Improve advertising within and between car parks, including directing motorists to alternatives.
- 5. Consider flexible use of on-street bays in resident parking areas.

# 4. Sawbridgeworth

## **Priority Outcomes**

- 1. Create more short stay parking provision.
- 2. Create more short stay (free) bays.
- 3. Ensure sufficient long stay parking for workers at preferential rates.
- 4. Improve road safety.

## 5. Ware

The Ware meeting on 2 November took place too late to be reported here. Concerns identified by residents in the "Link" survey that are likely to be agreed and prioritised at the 2 November meeting include (in no order of priority):

- 1. Inadequate public transport.
- 2. Car park control system (i.e. pay and display v pay on foot/exit).
- 3. Improve cycle provision

### 6. Rural Communities

It was not possible to hold a single meeting with representatives of our rural communities. Their views were canvassed at the East Herts 2011 Rural Parish Conference on 15 September 2011 and will be augmented by the results of the parish council survey referred to in this report.