

Statement by the Cabinet Portfolio Holder for Corporate Services

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Markets Review

The Scrutiny Committee received a report back on progress in implementing recommendations relating to the review of the Council's Markets operation. Changes are being made in respect of management, traders' conditions and the setting out of Northallerton Market. Significant steps are being taken to promote the Markets, including a "Making Markets Matter" event in Northallerton this summer. It has been decided not to change the method for charging for pitches.

Civil Parking Enforcement

It is still intended to introduce civil parking enforcement throughout the Council's car parks from the end of May, although there are still details to be agreed with the County Council. Enforcement will be undertaken by Scarborough Borough Council.

Public Lighting

Public consultation on part-nighting in the District will commence in May, with implementation beginning in September 2013 and running through to January 2014.

Disposal of Surplus Property

The Council has recently sold the former Applegarth toilets. It is also in the process of selling the Thirsk Depot site and the former TIC building in Thirsk and is looking to dispose of other non-operational assets.

At the same time it continues to look at ways of optimising the use of operational assets and is in discussion with a number of groups about using parts of the Civic Centre.

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