Motion Sheppey Car Parks

Proposed by Cllr Peter MacDonald

Second by Cllr Richard Palmer

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It is proposed that Swale Borough Council offer the Little Oysters car park at the Leas Minster and Queenborough Library Car Park (Castle Connections) in Queenborough to the relevant Parish and Town Councils through the appropriate committee and council procedures.

Parish and Town councils are best placed to decide what is in the best interests of the people of Sheppey for these car parks going forward. If this approach is successful for these car parks, then the Council should offer other free car parks to Parish or Town Councils or to local not for profit organisations.

Council refers this issue to the relevant service committee for exploration and ultimately, decision.

Following devolution, it is likely fewer councillors will be representing Sheppey, and a repeat of the proposal for charging at these two car parks will raise its head again and the outcome may not align with the wishes of the people of Sheppey.

It is hoped that all members can support this motion.