

## SCRUTINY TOPIC SELECTION ASSESSMENT

<b>Topic:</b>	<b>Suggested by:</b> Councillor Mrs I E Smith
Decriminalisation of Parking – Review of ParkWise working practices as they relate to Chorley	<b>Date:</b> 6 January 2005
<b>STEP 1: Rejection Criteria:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Already being addressed</li> <li>▪ Matter subjudice or prejudicial to Council's interests</li> <li>▪ Specific case falling within complaints procedure</li> <li>▪ Individual disciplinary or grievance matter</li> <li>▪ Unlikely to result in improvements for local people</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">Select <input type="checkbox"/>      Reject <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<b>STEP 2: Selection Criteria:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Improvements for local people likely</li> <li>▪ Community/Corporate priority area</li> <li>▪ Key issue for public</li> <li>▪ Poor performing service</li> <li>▪ High level of dissatisfaction</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">Select <input type="checkbox"/>      Reject <input type="checkbox"/></p>
Specify reason(s) for rejection:	Specify reason(s) for rejection:

### STEP 3 Rationale for Selection for Topics Passing Steps 1 and 2

Rationale for Selection	Evidence	Desired Outcome
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Why would we do this?</li> <li>▪ How does it link to Council's Key Aims and Priorities?</li> <li>▪ What benefits could result?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ What evidence is there to support the rationale and need for scrutiny inquiry/review?</li> <li>▪ What are the facts?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ What would we wish to achieve in undertaking scrutiny inquiry/review?</li> <li>▪ Is the desired outcome likely to be achieved and why?</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Aggravation caused by the over strict and over zealous enforcement of parking regulations. Perceived high profile and inflexible approach of Parking Attendants. Residents and visitors feel unwelcome in the town. Shoppers being discouraged from visiting the town, which in turn will lead to a decline in prosperity.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ General perception that residents and visitors are aggrieved at the situation.</li> <li>▪ Volume of written complaints in the local press and verbal complaints to Councillors. Number of appeals against Penalty Charge Notices.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ A canvass of residents' and visitors' views. Justification, or otherwise, of the use of ParkWise. Adoption of a more pragmatic, flexible approach by Parking Attendants without compromising proper enforcement. Dispelling of public perception and reluctance to visit town centre</li> </ul>

### STEP 3: Continued

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Links to the Council's strategic priority to serve its customers better.</li> <li>Clearer car park and highway signage and clarity of loading/unloading restrictions.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There is no reason why an examination of the situation should not achieve a satisfactory solution.</li> </ul>
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### STEP 4: Prioritise – Score for Importance and Impact and plot on grid

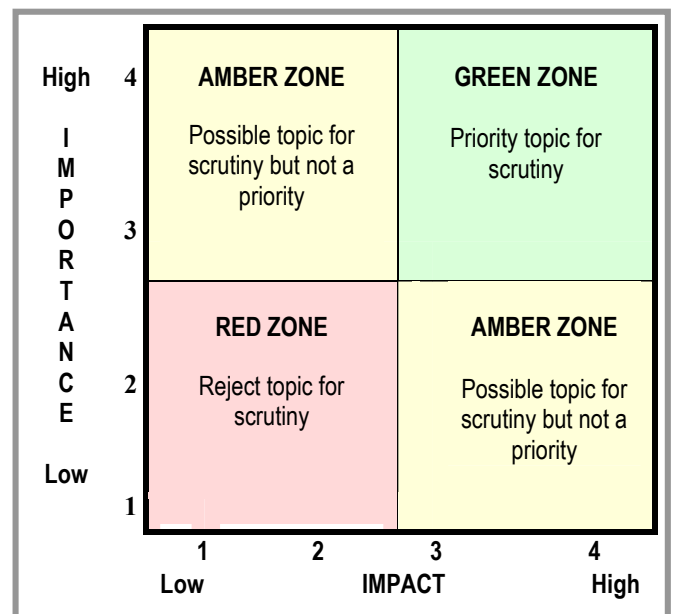
**Importance Score** 3

Supporting Evidence:

**Impact Score** 4

Supporting Evidence:



Scoring Guide			
Importance Score Indicator		Impact Score Indicator	
score 0	No evidence that topic is related to the Council's key aims and priorities. Reject	score 0	No potential benefits likely to result. Reject
1	Some evidence that topic linked to Council's key aims and priorities but only indirectly.	1	Minor potential benefits or benefits affecting only one ward/customer/client group.
2	Good evidence linking topic to Council's key aims but not to Council's current priorities.	2	Minor potential benefits affecting two or more wards/customer/client groups or, Moderate potential benefits affecting only one ward/customer/client group.
3	Good evidence linking topic to Council's key aims and priorities.	3	Moderate potential benefits affecting more than one ward/customer/client group, or Substantial potential benefits affecting one or more ward/customer/client groups.
4	Strong evidence linking topic to Council's key aims and priorities.	4	Substantial potential benefits community wide or for a significant proportion or section of the community.
<b>OUTCOME:</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> Select <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve List <input type="checkbox"/> Reject <input type="checkbox"/> Community Panel <input type="checkbox"/> Environment Panel <input type="checkbox"/> Customer Panel	
Date:		<input type="checkbox"/> Refer to: <input type="checkbox"/> OSC <input type="checkbox"/> Ad hoc Panel	