

CITY OF SHEFFIELD

MEETING OF THE TRANSPORT, REGENERATION AND CLIMATE POLICY COMMITTEE – 24th JULY 2024

COPIES OF QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS THERETO

Questions of Councillor Ruth Mersereau to the Chair of the Transport, Regeneration and Climate Policy Committee (Councillor Ben Miskell)

Q.1 On page 42 of the attached Decarbonisation routemap to 2025, it states that with regard to vehicle emissions reduction, “We will investigate suitability of demand management options in Sheffield, such as a Workplace Parking Levy.”

As LibDem/Labour councillors blocked (in June 2023) the Green councillors’ suggestion of adding a feasibility study for a Workplace Parking Levy to the committee’s workplan, please can TRC be provided with alternative suggestions for parking demand management options?

A.1 Following the endorsement of the Sheffield Transport Vision by the Transport, Regeneration and Climate Policy Committee in March 2024 a number of delivery plans will be developed to provide a clear overview of the actions we need to deliver to achieve the Visions aims. One of the proposed delivery plans that will be produced is a Parking Plan. This will review our current approach to managing parking across the city, establish clear evidence-based priorities for action, and update our aligned delivery programme.

City Transport Officers are currently considering the scope and resources required across the range of delivery plans and will be briefing TRC committee members on the timescales associated with this soon. When the timescales for this work are confirmed, we will update the Work Programme.

Q.2 Demand management is currently severely hampered by the Green permit scheme, which currently gives more than 1000 people unlimited free parking in the city centre. When will this scheme be discussed at TRC?

A.2 The Green Permit scheme was introduced a number of years ago to encourage the uptake of lower emission vehicles with the primary objective to assist in efforts to reduce air pollution in Sheffield. A review of the scheme is underway, and this will evaluate a range of issues associated with the current scheme. Officers will continue to work with Transport, Regeneration

and Climate Policy Committee through the review and it is expected that this will be concluded with a report presented to Transport, Regeneration and Climate Policy Committee before the end of the calendar year.