

## **WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL**

### **Report by Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development**

**Housing, Environment and Economic Development Committee: 5 March 2008**

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**Subject: Authority to declare surplus Castle Street Car Park, Dumbarton**

#### **1. Purpose**

- 1.1** The purpose of this report is to seek Committee approval to declare surplus Castle Street Car Park, Dumbarton as detailed on the attached plan.

#### **2. Background**

- 2.1** The Dumbarton Town Centre Master Plan identifies the triangle of land bounded by Church Street, Castle Street and the A814 as an area available for possible redevelopment.
- 2.2** To facilitate this potential redevelopment and to provide a new road access from the A814 into Castle Street it will be necessary to declare the Castle Street car park surplus to requirement.

#### **3. Main Issues**

- 3.1** The existing car park which has a capacity of 84 spaces can be declared surplus, replacement parking has been provided at the recently extended Strathleven car park and Woodyard car park. A total of 81 additional spaces have been provided.
- 3.2** The eastern most section of the triangle of land available for redevelopment will be retained for parking, approximately 50 spaces can be provided within this section of land on completion of the new road link from the A814 onto Castle Street subject to a staggered junction being provided.
- 3.3** The provision of a the new staggered junction to connect the A814 onto Castle Street is dependent on agreement between the Council and Vico Developments with respect to land transfer.
- 3.4** In the event of no agreement being reached with Vico Developments a straight cross road junction at the existing St. James traffic signal controlled junction would be constructed to facilitate access onto Castle Street. This option would retain up to 12 parking spaces on Castle Street.

#### **4. Personnel Issues**

**4.1** There are no personnel issues.

#### **5. Financial Implications**

**5.1** There are no financial implications with regard to declaring the car park surplus to requirements.

#### **6. Risk Analysis**

**6.1** Failure to declare this car park surplus to requirements would have an adverse impact on the ability of the Council to deliver the Dumbarton Town Centre Master Plan.

#### **7. Conclusions**

**7.1** Approval to declare the Castle Street car park surplus to requirements will assist in the future delivery of the Dumbarton Town Centre Master Plan.

#### **8. Recommendations**

**8.1** It is recommended that Committee approve that the Castle Street car park be declared surplus to requirement.

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**Date: 20 February 2008**

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**Appendices:** Location Plan for Castle Street Car Park

**Background Papers:** None

**Wards Affected:** Ward 3, Dumbarton