

Market Cross – Possible Pedestrianisation of the Area Surrounding the Market Cross

1. Purpose of the report

- 1.1. To present results of a pilot survey requesting the views of residents and others to enable the Committee to decide on further action in respect of possible pedestrianisation of the Market Cross Area.

2. Background

- 2.1. A local resident, Mr. T. Fox, requested that the Town Council arrange for pedestrianisation of the area surrounding the Market Cross. The aspirations for this were supported by a hundred local signatures. (See appendix 1 – Letter from Mr.T.Fox).
- 2.2. A working party of Planning and Environment Committee was set up to look into this and research was undertaken as to how pedestrianisation could be achieved and potential costs involved.
- 2.3. Early 2018 Cllr. Kim Power and Cllr. Mario Asciak joined the working party and together with Cllr. John Gundry carried out a survey of local residents, business owners, workers and visitors to ascertain a local view. This survey was considered necessary, given the importance of the Market Cross to Malmesbury and the potential cost to tax paying residents.
- 2.4. The survey was constructed and reviewed by the working party and committee and it was decided to make it as open and non-specific as to either the perceived benefits and disadvantages to pedestrianisation and also to allow a space for residents' own comments. The reasoning for this was to avoid influencing the survey in any way and so facilitate a real response from local people, who of course know the Market Cross and area very well. (See appendix 2a – Survey Notice and appendix 2b -Survey Form).
- 2.5. The survey ran from 1st June to 30th June 2018. The survey was in paper format and also online via Survey Monkey. There was pre-publicity in the local newspapers, on the Town Council website and online social media. Also, Cllrs. Power and Asciak publicised this in person, at the Market Cross on 16th June 2018 by asking shoppers and passers-by to complete a survey. Paper surveys were available in the Library, in several local shops and of course the Town Hall TIC. All completed paper forms were to be returned to the Town Hall. At the end of the survey period the completed paper surveys were input into Survey Monkey, so that statistics could be generated.
- 2.6. On 7th August 2018 the results of the survey were presented to the Committee, but given other pressing matters in that agenda, it was decided to postpone discussion until the next meeting (11th September 2018) when due time for full consideration and discussion could be given. (See Appendix 3 – Survey Presentation 7th August 2018).
- 2.7. The working party also invited Mr. T Fox, the resident who originally requested consideration of pedestrianisation to a briefing at the Town Hall of the results and invited them to respond at both the meeting on 7th August and 11th September 2018. To this end, Mr. T. Fox has responded with a written response for consideration. (See Appendix 4 – Resident's Letter).

2.8. Having analysed the responses to the survey, the working party are now putting forward their conclusions and recommendations for consideration by the Committee (See Proposals).

2.9. The survey comments also highlight some issues which local residents clearly feel are important and these are put forward for discussion either now or at a separate meeting. (See Appendix 5 – Overview of Survey Comments Report)

3. Proposals

3.1. That the Committee accepts the recommendation of the working party that no further action is taken re pedestrianisation of the Market Cross area, subject to future circumstances indicating there has been a change of opinion or need.

3.2. The comments made in the Surveys will be discussed to see if any of the issues raised can be resolved.

3.3. That Mr. T. Fox the resident who first proposed the idea is recognised for their passion for our town and thanked for the considerable effort they have made in putting forward this idea to the Town Council.

3.4. That the working party prepare an updated version of Appendix 5 - Presentation 7th August 2018, showing the decision of the Committee and this is made available to the public via the Town Council website and online.

3.5. That a press release is issued by the working party with the survey results and conclusions, and also thanking residents and the public for taking part in the survey.

4. Financial Implications

4.1. There are no financial implications.

Cllr Mrs. Kim Power
Cllr. Mario Asciak
Cllr. John Gundry
1st September 2018

**LETTERS FROM MR. T. FOX REQUESTING PEDESTRIANISATION OF THE MARKET
CROSS AREA**

(Appendix 1)

3/10/2016

The Town Councillors
Malmesbury Town Hall
Malmesbury

Dear Councillor *Roger*

Malmesbury's Market Cross - Civic Pride or Civic Shame?

For some time now I've been campaigning for the Market Cross to be pedestrianised and turned into the vibrant centre of Malmesbury's life and I'm writing to ask each councillor to see what level of support there would be for this to happen. I attach a letter I sent to the Mayor recently which I hope is self explanatory and which describes, among other things, a street survey which I conducted and which showed overwhelming support for something to be done. I also concluded that the only way for this to happen would be for it to be led by Malmesbury Town Council. I would be very grateful therefore if you could just email me with a short response saying what you think. Thank you.

A couple of weekends ago I spent a Saturday morning listening to the Malmesbury Town Band. It was a lovely morning but hardly anyone watching. Why? Simply because it was too dangerous because cars were driving in and out all the time and jostling for parking spaces and constantly pushing pedestrians out of the way. Just imagine if the band had been performing in an attractive landscaped traffic free Market Cross and surrounded by pavement cafes! Just think how tourism would prosper.

I spent yesterday at Cardiff waterfront which is a lovely pedestrian area and it was teeming with life. Nearer home Bath, Bristol, Swindon, Chippenham, Corsham and Dursley all have largely pedestrianised central areas. Even Tetbury has excluded traffic from it's Market Cross. So why not Malmesbury which has a historical and architectural heritage to equal any of these. And all for the sake of parking spaces. It really is a case of civic shame.

I do hope you respond to this letter because only then might something happen.

Yours sincerely

Terry Fox



30/8/2016

The Mayor
Malmesbury Town Hall
Malmesbury

Dear John 

Market Cross

I'm sure you remember I wrote to you last year urging the Town Council to do something about the Market Cross. In response to my letter you kindly invited me to present my case to a planning meeting where I asked for Council support if I carried out a detailed feasibility study at my own expense and time. The Council's response was extremely lukewarm and you said would not support me.

I've just come home now from walking through the Market Cross and it's a lovely sunny day and I'm writing this letter with a sense of real anger at how dreadful and dead the Market Cross is, and why hasn't the Town Council got the vision to do something. What is still a dreary parking space should be lively, exciting, and colourful buzzy place with a pavement **café** atmosphere and Malmesbury people and tourists sitting around enjoying life, people watching, chatting and bringing real life to the centre of town. Come on Town Council please do something!

I've been very busy this summer conducting my own straw poll in the Market Cross and the response I've had has been extremely encouraging. I interviewed over one hundred people asking the question "are you happy with the way things are or not". I found that over 80% of local people thought that something should be done while almost every visitor I spoke to was frankly amazed that better use had not been made of the Market Cross. Many visitors told me how lovely their own towns were where traffic free areas had been adopted, some even venturing to describe our Market Cross as "shabby" and "shoddy". What price tourism then for Malmesbury when it could flourish so much more. Most tourists visit the Abbey and the Abbey Gardens and they have to pass through the Market Cross and I've seen these same tourists wandering around the Market Cross like lost sheep being jostled by cars jockeying for position.

What has been perhaps the most encouraging aspect about my poll has been the willingness of almost everyone to give time and thought to discuss potential improvements.

At the same time as doing my poll I've been monitoring parking in the town. There are ten or eleven parking slots in the Market Cross and their loss is seen as a hot potato by a minority. I found that on the majority of days in both term time and holiday time there would be more than ten available slots in Cross Hayes except maybe at occasional peak times. The picture in

the long stay car park is even more encouraging because here I've never seen all slots taken, generally this car park is 30-40% empty. The thing about parking in the Market Cross is that it's just too convenient and if it wasn't there people would just have to walk that extra yard. But the gain in terms of a better Market Cross would be enormous.

I've also spoken to local traders around the Market Cross who naturally have concerns. The butcher and travel agent both see a potential loss of trade as their customers like to park as close as possible. I made the point that I feel their concerns are unfounded as footfall will increase dramatically. Walking through any town centre where pedestrianisation has been adopted will illustrate this point. Other businesses such as the pub and restaurant will only stand to gain as outdoor eating and drinking will be the norm. Indeed I believe that in a short space of time the Market Cross will become the commercial hotspot in Malmesbury. Traders were also concerned about deliveries but there are ways around this ie early morning deliveries with perhaps a dedicated loading bay nearby. Every pedestrianised town centre in the country manages this easily.

I haven't yet had the chance to speak with local residents affected by pedestrianisation but any scheme adopted would need to allow 24 hour access along the east side of the Market Cross and this can be achieved by appropriate planning. The key here would be proper consultation before plans are agreed.

Similarly with regard to the cost of carrying out all aspects of works required ie landscaping, lighting, resurfacing, planting etc. it has not been possible to come to any firm conclusion yet but I do believe that if there is a real appetite to do something of which Malmesbury will be proud then the money will be found whether it be from central or local government or business or the public or across the board.

This letter does not attempt to answer all the many questions. My purpose is to demonstrate that there is great public support and that Malmesbury will gain a great amount of civic pride from this wonderful opportunity. Right now the Market Cross is a blight on the town.

I believe that this initiative has to be Council led to have any chance of success and I believe the next step should be for the Council to set up a town wide survey to give it a proper mandate and I am free to help in any way in this.

I would point out that I am by no means the first to feel this strongly about the Market Cross. Both the Cole Report of 1980 and more recently the Princes Trust made similar recommendations. Both were ignored! So come on Malmesbury let's make it third time lucky!

Finally to illustrate how little the town thinks of this potential gem of a space I challenge any member of the Council to count how much public open air seating there is in the Market Cross and to see how many hanging flower baskets there are compared with the Town Hall and the Silk Mills bridge.

I look forward to your positive response about how you will take things forward. You cannot ignore what the great majority of Malmesbury people want.

Yours sincerely



SURVEY NOTICE

(Appendix 2a)



Malmesbury Town Council

(ENGLAND'S OLDEST BOROUGH - CHARTER GRANTED 880)

MARKET CROSS AREA SURVEY

We would like to hear your view! The survey is available in paper form or online via the Town Council website www.malmesbury.gov.uk

Malmesbury Town Council is seeking views regarding the possible pedestrianisation of the area around the Malmesbury Market Cross. To help us with our decision, we are conducting a pilot survey to sound out the views of Malmesbury's residents, shopkeepers, business owners and visitors. This pilot survey will be open from the **1st June to 30th June 2018**. The results will help us decide if we should conduct a more detailed investigation of this proposal.

HAVE YOUR SAY!

**PLEASE COMPLETE A SURVEY FORM
AND RETURN TO THE TOWN HALL,
OR COMPLETE ONLINE BY
30TH JUNE 2018**



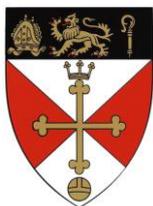
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Please note that there is no proposal to change the arrangements for the Friday Artisan and Farmers' Market, nor the current parking suspensions for events such as St Aldhelm's Fair and Petticoat Lane. The usual vehicle access would continue on Old Brewery Lane on the east side of the Market Cross.

**ANY QUERIES, THEN PLEASE CONTACT THE TOWN HALL
MALMESBURY, WILTSHIRE SN16 9BZ TEL: 01666 - 822143**

SURVEY FORM

(Appendix 2b)



Malmesbury Town Council

PEDESTRIANISATION OF MALMESBURY MARKET CROSS AREA

PILOT SURVEY June 2018

Malmesbury Town Council is seeking views regarding the possible pedestrianisation of the area surrounding the Malmesbury Market Cross.

It has been suggested to the Town Council that parking could be suspended and the area pedestrianised for the use of residents and visitors. Options we are exploring range from no pedestrianisation, to pedestrianisation on some Sundays or weekends, to permanent pedestrianisation. Obviously, any pedestrianisation would mean a loss of the current nine free parking spaces for all or some of the time.

To help us with our decision, we are conducting a pilot survey to sound out the views of Malmesbury's residents, shopkeepers, business owners and visitors. **This pilot survey will be open from 1st to 30th June 2018. The results will help us decide if we should conduct a more detailed investigation of this proposal.** The options below may not necessarily be the only options open to the Town Council but will be used as a guide to what may or may not be adopted.

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YOUR VIEWS - PILOT SURVEY

1. Would you support the pedestrianisation of the area around the Market Cross?

Please mark the options A to D below with your preferences (1 to 4)

Please mark **1** for your first choice - the option you support the most,

2 for your second choice, **3** for your third choice

and **4** for your last choice - the option you support the least

OPTION A No more pedestrianisation or suspension of parking than at present. <i>(No additional cost to Town Council)</i>	
OPTION B Pedestrianisation on <u>summer Sundays</u> from June to August (approximately 14 Sundays) <u>and</u> possibly on Bank Holidays. <i>(Additional cost to Town Council £)</i>	
OPTION C Pedestrianisation for <u>all weekends</u> from April to September (approximately 26 weekends) from Friday afternoon after the Market has closed through to Sunday evening <u>and</u> possibly on Bank Holidays. <i>(Additional cost to Town Council ££)</i>	

<p>OPTION D Permanent pedestrianisation: suspension of parking throughout the year. <i>(Additional cost to Town Council £££)</i></p>	
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2. Please provide any additional comments or other suggested closure arrangements:

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3. About you

Are you (please tick all that apply)?

A resident	A shopkeeper	A business owner	A visitor
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Please let us know the postcode of your home, business or shop

Returning Survey Forms

Please put your completed survey form in the box provided or return directly to the Tourist Information Centre at the Town Hall. **Completed survey forms must be submitted by the end of 30th June to Malmesbury Town Council.**

Queries

If you have any queries about the form or require further information, please contact the Town Hall.

Thank You

Thank you very much for participating in this survey. By completing and submitting this survey you are permitting the information you provide to be used by members, employees and associates of Malmesbury Town Council for the purpose of assessing views on the pedestrianisation of the Malmesbury Market Cross. This information will be kept confidential, but your comments or part thereof may be used to illustrate the survey conclusions or assist otherwise. The data will not be used in a manner which would allow identification of you or your individual response. This data will be confidentially stored and destroyed in accordance with the Town Council's usual practice.

Malmesbury Town Council
The Town Hall, Cross Hayes, Malmesbury SN16 9BZ, 01666 822143



Malmesbury Town Council

ENGLAND'S OLDEST BOROUGH – CHARTER GRANTED 880

POSSIBLE PEDESTRIANISATION OF THE MARKET CROSS AREA SURVEY JUNE 2018



Background

A Town Council Working Party has been looking into the possibility of pedestrianising the area around the Market Cross after receiving a petition signed by a number of residents.



Some background research was undertaken, but given the importance of the Market Cross and area around it, we decided it was absolutely necessary to provide an opportunity for all residents, shop keepers, business owners and visitors to be able to have their say, before any further action was considered.

In order to obtain people's views, a short survey was drawn up in both paper and electronic formats. Questions were designed to give people a rated choice from no change, to part-time or full pedestrianisation. There was also an option for leaving comments. The survey was available from 1 June to 30 June 2018.

Survey Results

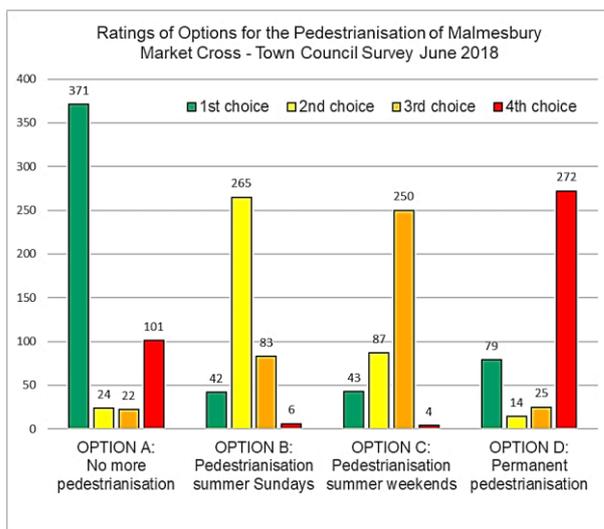
The survey information has now been collated and the majority preference of **70%** is for **NO PEDESTRIANISATION OF THE MARKET CROSS AREA** – that is NO CHANGE to the current arrangements. Only **15%** of those answering the survey gave their first preference of full pedestrianisation of the area.



Some clear themes have been seen in many of the **543** surveys completed:

- Parking spaces behind the Market Cross are felt to be crucial to the prosperity of the High St.
- Close parking to the Abbey and top end of the High St. is needed particularly by those who are older, frail or not very mobile.
- The loss of parking spaces would worsen the current situation where people sometimes find it difficult to park in the Town Centre.

Survey Data



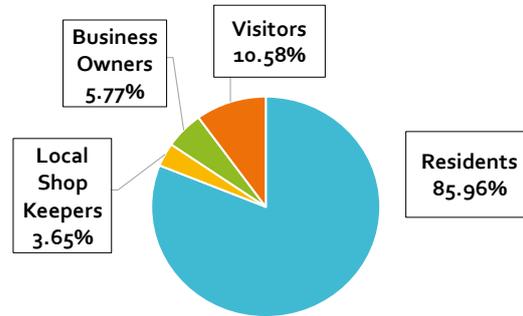
- **538** people responded to Question 1, being 1st to 4th choice of pedestrianisation options.
- **1 in 4** people gave us their first choice only and no further choices.
- Results show **decreasing preference** for more frequent pedestrianisation than at present.
- **70%** made "No more pedestrianisation than at present" their first choice, while **19%** made this their last choice.
- **15%** made "Permanent pedestrianisation" their first choice while for **50%** it was their last choice.
- The "Summer Sundays / weekends" options received only second and third choice support.

Whose Views

Post code analysis confirms that 87.3% of those who completed the survey form were from the SN16 post code area.



SURVEY REPLIES - WHO GAVE US THEIR VIEWS?



MOST SURVEYS WERE COMPLETED BY MALMESBURY RESIDENTS

Survey Comments

Some typical comments extracted from Survey replies:

"Malmesbury Town Centre is already very short of parking and losing yet more parking spaces is a bad idea for shops, businesses and residents."

"We feel as a business it would have a massive impact to change the current situation. A lot of elderly and disabled clients use this area on a daily basis."

"Closure for specific events in the summer, such as Carnival or Christmas Late Night Shipping is fine, but otherwise will impact negatively on shops and High St."

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Next Steps

The Survey results clearly indicate that currently, the first preference of residents and others who gave their views, is that they do not wish to see the Market Cross Area pedestrianised.

Therefore, at the next Planning and Environment Committee Meeting of Malmesbury Town Council on 11th September 2018, the Working Party, intend to present a detailed report and proposal, with the following recommendation : "That no further action is taken re pedestrianisation of the Market Cross, subject to future circumstances indicating there has been a change of opinion or need". The comments made in the Surveys will also be discussed to see if any of the issues raised can be resolved.



Malmesbury Town Council
Cllrs. M. Asciak, J. Gundry and K. Power



Resident's Response Letter

(Appendix 4)

The future of Malmesbury's historic Market Cross

Malmesbury must be unique as almost the only mediaeval town in Britain which has no public open space in which one can sit down, drink a glass of wine on a warm summers day and absorb the history and character of the town. Travelling round the country and visiting similar towns abroad makes you realise just what we are missing. At this point in time we now have a golden opportunity to correct this anomaly and make the Market Cross a truly beautiful space of which we can be proud. It is ideally situated at the very heart of the town, and on the route from the High Street to both the Abbey and Abbey Gardens. It is also south facing and surrounded by attractive old buildings. All of which make it the perfect place. Currently the Market Cross is a rather shabby parking/taxi lot where on busy days you have to be careful not to be bumped by vehicles reversing in and out of parking bays and jockeying for position, and waiting with engines running for the next free space. It certainly does no justice to the Market Cross building itself. You just have to talk to tourists to find out how disappointing they think it is and how much better and welcoming it could be. I firmly believe that upgrading the Market Cross will improve tourism into the town as well as making it a more beautiful space. There would also be the commercial benefit of increased footfall.

I have campaigned passionately for four years and conducted my own street survey and formed the strong opinion that there is an appetite for change. In return to my prompting the Council decided to conduct their own survey. I was given prior sight of the wording of this survey and I suggested that they were going about it in entirely the wrong way since the questions were narrow and loaded and were bound to give a thumbs

down to pedestrianisation. The question of what to do with the Market Cross is a much more far ranging issue than just banning cars even though parking is undoubtedly a major issue in the town. I think the Council should have balanced the issue of parking against the benefits resulting from upgrading the Market Cross and making it traffic free. In other words I think the Council should have shown leadership and vision by giving a more balanced choice and opening a debate with the residents of Malmesbury and by recognising publically that the Market Cross is not fitting place for our beautiful mediaeval town. By playing the car parking card first it has pre-empted the whole debate.

However I think this debate should still be held and should cover the following issues:-

1. The Market Cross as it is today

Firstly it not a beautiful place. Then there are the problems associated with the use of the Market Cross for parking ie. there is the ongoing risk to pedestrians of having to navigate around parked and moving vehicles in a confined space and this is often exacerbated by three or four other cars waiting to park. These cars leave their engines running while waiting to park leading to increased emissions. There is uncontrolled use by delivery vehicles blocking pedestrian access. The state of paving is unacceptable with widespread oil staining and breaking up around manholes. The use of this historic space as a taxi rank is surely downgrading.

2. Benefits of upgrading the Market Cross

There will be a traffic free safe environment (with safe arrangements made for access for properties to the rear of the Market Cross). The area will be welcoming and attractive to residents and visitors alike, and will feature attractive paving, quality seating and street furniture, planters etc. Also bike racks for the many cyclists visiting our town. In time the Market Cross will undoubtedly develop a pavement café culture leading to increased footfall with benefits to local traders. This happens in other historic town centres. Tourism to the town can only increase. There will be controlled unloading of delivery vehicles in the vicinity of the Market Cross as happens in other towns.

3. Parking

There will have to be measures put in place to mitigate the loss of existing parking. It is therefore suggested that Malmesbury Council approach Wiltshire Council stating that in the event of it wishing to upgrade the Market Cross as fitting for its' historic importance it requests a review of parking in Malmesbury generally to increase parking provision.in the town. It is noted in passing that there are new private parking initiatives in Katifer Lane and Gastons Road which will add almost forty new car spaces to the current town car parking stock.

4. Cost

There will be considerable cost implications of upgrading the Market Cross. However other towns across the country have found money to implement this type of development so it must be possible. I would suggest that the Council starts to investigate areas of potential national and local funding as well as talking to other towns to learn from their experiences.

I urge therefore that the result of the recent survey be put on hold while the Council publishes an information leaflet setting out the above issues followed by a public debate. At the same time preliminary discussions should be held with Wiltshire Council. Only by having this debate will the people of Malmesbury be able to make a balanced choice. They will then get the Market Cross they deserve.

SYNOPSIS OF COMMENTS EXTRACTED FROM MARKET CROSS SURVEY

(Appendix 5)

A total of 323 written comments were received. A number of short comments were the respondents reinforcing their rating but without any further significant amplification of their views, including 18 short comments of the form "leave it as it is". 5 comments were about the format of the survey or the rating scale used. An overview of the responses is below.

Principal Survey Comments:

1. The issue which generated the most strongly held view by local residents related to the lack of existing parking within the Town and the effect of pedestrianisation on Town Centre trade. 95 comments of this nature were made. A few examples are as follows:

- Would have a detrimental impact on the Traders in the Cross and throughout the Town as not enough parking.
- Places to park are essential.
- Business will suffer in the area of Market Cross if people unable to park, lack of parking already an issue.

2. 31 comments were in favour of pedestrianisation, typically citing the value of an attractive centre for the town, surrounding an ancient monument, for residents and tourists, possibly with catering, benches and flowers. Of these 3 mentioned the need to protect the Market Cross, and 3 suggested wider pedestrianisation of the Town Centre.

3. 25 comments were about the value of the existing parking at the Market Cross for those with limited mobility. Of these, 6 people commented that they needed to park at the Market Cross because they, or their partner, was disabled and 19 comments were that pedestrianisation would mean a loss of parking for people with disabilities, those with mobility problems including the elderly, or mothers with pushchairs.

Related Matters:

The pilot survey also highlighted a number of related matters which residents felt that the Town Council should consider:

Cross Hayes Car Park – The fees are too high; suggestion of 20-30-60 minutes' free parking; the number of parking places occupied by cars from Hyams.

Market Cross Friday Market – Whilst it was a good idea, pedestrianisation even on a Friday creates parking problems. Does the benefit of the currently small sized Market justify the loss of parking spaces?

Market Cross Current Use – Shorten the 2-hour parking period there; disabled spaces there, safety concerns about the current mixed pedestrian and vehicle use; litter.

Multi Storey Car Park – Suggestion that a multi storey car park be constructed in Station Yard Car Park.

Rajah Restaurant - No occupancy of the Rajah Restaurant and concern about the building.

Park and Ride Car Park – There could be a Park and Ride Car Park, perhaps from Waitrose.

High Street – Suggest oblique parking on one side only to increase capacity; widen pavements.

Councillors are invited to read the Survey comments themselves for purposes of identifying Market Cross and Town issues.