APPENDIX B

RESPONSES TO ON-STREET PARKING CONSULATION FOR HUNTINGDONSHIRE (ST IVES, HUNTINGDON AND ST NEOTS)

Summary of Responses		
Total Responses – 22		
Areas comment on	St Ives – 3	
	St Neots – 7	
	Huntingdon – 6	
	All 3 areas – 1	
	St Neots and Huntingdon – 1	
Respondent type	Business – 3	
	Residents – 12	
	Customer/Shopper – 3	
	Resident/shopper – 2	
	Other – 1 (wheelchair user)	
Have you/your customers experienced difficulty finding an available	No – 1	
space close to amenities?	Less than once a month – 4	
	Once a month – 6	
	Weekly – 5	
	Daily – 4	
When considering those who use the on-street parking to access local		
facilities, what do you feel to be appropriate with regards to:		
Duration: is the current 1 hour appropriate?	Yes - 15	
	No – 7	
If NO, what would you suggest	Less 1 hr - 1	
	2 hrs - 2	
	3 hrs – 4	
Charge: do you think the chargeable rate should be more, less or equal	Lower – 7	
to hourly rate in nearby long stay car parks?	Equal – 8	
	Higher – 5	
	No view – 2	

Summary of Comments received	
Parking Charges	 Parking in car parks is very expensive. Rather than charge for 1 hour first charge should be for up to 2 hours Many people use car park when going to GP and if there is a holdup 1 hour can be too short. Minimum charge should be as it is now but for 2 hours. Don't mind paying up to £1 for 2 hours shopping time but would object to paying more than 50p an hour for on street parking. Market Hill parking is adequate for those wishing to access shops and services for a short time and a 30p charge should reflect that and not be prohibitive to such visits. (St lves) Parking in the middle of town is wonderful for nipping to the bank or picking up something from the chemist. Would not really like to pay much more than I do now for that quick trip (St lves) I believe that setting the charges at a level comparable with the car parks is not unreasonable as long as the length of stay is controlled.(St lves) There should be no charge for on-street parking.(St Neots and Huntingdon) Parking charges have rocketed in St Neots putting visitors off. The County have an opportunity to not match those charges to deter further rises in District Car parks (St Neots).
Length of Stay	 On street parking outside the shops should be for quick use only such as picking up prescriptions in the local chemists, quick shopping requirements or visits to the bank. When there is no market in progress (i.e. Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays & Sundays) on street parking in a defined area of the Market Square should be permissible. This could be managed by closure of the gates on market days only.(Huntingdon)

Enforcement	 On-street parking is not policed on a regular basis. There is a noticeable difference when parking is policed. Decriminalising parking in our market towns and use HDC car park attendants to dish out tickets to car owners who park over their time. As a retailer, I would like to see rigorous enforcement of the existing parking restrictions (St Ives) Concerned over the unenforced restrictions which dissuade customers and visitors. Needs to be enforced regularly to stop the continual all day parking by selfish individuals. (St Ives)
Other comments	 I am a wheelchair user and have experienced real problems with cars and van's that are parked on the pavements. Parking on pavements should never be tolerated. Pay and display should also be added to the Broadleas end of town. (St Ives)