Chairman's Announcement

Subject

One Card for Transport in Wiltshire

Summary of announcement:

One Card for Transport in Wiltshire was raised at the last Full Council meeting on 29 July 2014.

The Environment Select Committee was updated at its October meeting that following on from Full Council a subsequent meeting was held by Cllr John Thomson and Cllr Philip Whitehead with Cllr Magnus Macdonald, Cllr John Hubbard and Ram Banerjee (Transaxiom).

A request for information was made by Ram Banerjee to understand the demand and transaction numbers involved in the 'One Card for Wiltshire' scheme. This information was supplied by Cllr Philip Whitehead and a further meeting was arranged for Cllrs John Thomson, Philip Whitehead, Jon Hubbard and Magnus Macdonald together with Parvis Khansari, Associate Director for Highways on 28 October to consider the initial proposals from Transaxiom.

The proposal by Transaxiom was subject of a detailed discussion between Parvis Khansari and the company. It was decided that the Council needed to do further work to scope its requirements for One Card and hence was not in a position to start developing the new payment system at the time. One Card for Wiltshire has been incorporated into the wider Efficient Payments programme. A paper is planned to go to CLT in March that proposes the scope of work and agreement to establish this programme.