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Dear «Title»

King's Lynn Tuesday Market Place Regeneration Project Public Consultation

I am writing to consult you on proposals for the renovation of Tuesday Market Place and related changes to the highway layout which are being developed jointly by Norfolk County Council and King's Lynn & West Norfolk Borough Council.

The square, believed to be one of the finest in Europe, is used regularly as a car park and holds a market twice a week. It is planned to improve the quality of the area by modifications to the highway layout and reducing the amount of car parking to make room for wider pavements creating a safer and more attractive environment. This would be complimented by tree planting and other landscaping, helping to encourage eating/drinking areas outside of existing outlets to create a 'café culture'. These changes are detailed on the enclosed plan, drawing No.PK6046-MP-023 which also includes changes to the pedestrian zone on the reverse (drawing No PK6046-MP-024).

Some of the key elements of the proposed layout are as follows:

- Tuesday Market Place South and Tuesday Market Place East will become pedestrianised, creating a multi-functional space suitable for a wide range of events and activities.
- The mini-roundabout at the Tuesday Market Place West, Ferry Street and King Street junction will be replaced with a 'give way' junction with better sight lines.
- The pedestrian island in front of the Corn Exchange will be replaced by a Zebra crossing. Also a new zebra crossing will be positioned outside the Globe Hotel on King Street.
- The outlets on Tuesday Market Place West, East and South will have an increased outside paved area with room for tables and chairs.

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- Vehicular access to High Street for loading will be available from off the eastern side of Tuesday Market Place.
- Removal of the existing parking spaces around the square, concentrating parking in the central car park, increasing the safety of pedestrians.
- Motorcycle spaces will be incorporated into the car parking layout.
- The addition of new seating, trees and planting along with improvements to the hard landscaping will improve the overall quality of the square.

In addition, we are making changes to the pedestrian zone, and these are shown on drawing No PK6046-MP-024 on the reverse of the Tuesday Market Place plan. The main points are:

- The pedestrian zone will also be made a restricted parking zone to allow greater enforcement under the recent changes to civil parking enforcement.
- Loading hours for the complete pedestrian zone restricted to between 10pm and 10am.
- Parking revisions to the northern end of King Street and to Blackfriars Street.

The consultation period will run until Friday 21 December 2012. Following this, the traffic orders required to implement the permanent changes will be advertised during February 2013, and will incorporate any modifications arising as a consequence of the consultations. A start of construction is programmed mid July 2013 to enable the highway works to be completed by late November 2013.

During the consultation period, there will be a drop in session at a market stall on Tuesday Market Place where you are welcome to come along and discuss the proposals in greater detail with the project team. There will also be an early evening meeting at the Borough Offices, and all of these sessions are detailed below:

- Market Stall, Tuesday Market Place: Tuesday 27 November: 9.00am-3.00pm
- KL&WNBC King's Court Committee Suite: Thursday 13 December 5.00pm-8.00pm

Plans will also be on display at the Borough offices for the duration of the consultation where you will be able to view the proposals in greater detail.

Please come along to these sessions if you can to help us get the detail right. You can also let us know what you think of the proposals or discuss them in further detail by way of any of the above contact details. Alternately leave a response at the Borough offices and marked Tuesday Market Place consultation, or go to www.west-norfolk.gov.uk and click on Have Your Say.

Yours «yours»



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