## DELEGATED DECISIONS BY CABINET MEMBER FOR TRANSPORT MANAGEMENT – 27 FEBRUARY 2025

## ITEM 2 – QUESTIONS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLORS

## 1. COUNCILLOR MARK CHERRY

Would the Cabinet Member for Transport Management, Cllr Gant, note that after numerous conversations with residents in Wimborne Avenue, Hilton Road, Cromwell Road and Fairway Road, concerns were raised over cars parking on grass verges, leaving a mess in Autumn and Winter. What is Oxfordshire County Council's strategy on this issue, as it will need funding to resolve?

## COUNCILLOR ANDREW GANT, CABINET MEMBER FOR TRANSPORT MANAGEMENT

The issue of parking on the grass verges is not an easy one to resolve – the majority of residents do not have driveways or anywhere else to park and the roads are narrow which leads to people parking on the verges to avoid blocking the highway. There is a need for a parking review across Banbury, but this requires resources including funding - this area could be a first phase to understand the local needs for parking. Yellow lines could be considered as that would enable enforcement, but that wouldn't help local residents without any alternative place to park. The alternative would be to consider replacing some of the verge with parking bays, similar to the ones on Cromwell Road but that would require funding and prioritising against other projects.

As a first step, I will ask officers to advise when a phased parking survey could be undertaken and the likely cost of options for resolving the issue.

Questions are listed in the order in which they were received. Should any questioner not have received an answer in that time, a written answer will be provided.