WELWYN HATFIELD COUNCIL CABINET PLANNING AND PARKING PANEL – 4 MARCH 2021

QUESTIONS BY THE PUBLIC

1. Question from Jackie Warren

I work as a Practice Nurse at Lister House Surgery and together with my colleagues have worked tirelessly during the pandemic to provide essential services. In February 2020 we were asked to pay an annual charge of £50 to park in one of the Council owned car parks and now with the opening of the Common car park this has now risen to £200 per year which for many people working in Hatfield, on the minimum wage, will find it difficult to find. I do not expect the parking to be free but an increase of 300% is unfair and misjudged, especially in these difficult economic times.

Will the Council consider not applying these increased charges as it penalises those that can least afford it, like those of us that work within the NHS.