

Reigate and Banstead Borough Council

Meeting of Council 8 April 2021

Questions by Members

Question by	Answered by	Subject
Cllr Sinden	Executive Member for Planning Policy and Place Delivery, Cllr Biggs	Marketfield Way Development Disabled Parking

Councillor Sinden asked the **Executive Member for Planning Policy and Place Delivery, Councillor Biggs** the following question:

Question 1: Marketfield Way Development Disabled Parking

Please can you confirm for the Marketfield Way development in Redhill, where the re-provision of the disabled parking and the parking for motorbikes and bicycles is, and when will the digital signs which indicate where parking spaces exist in Redhill town centre be updated to exclude Marketfield Way car park?

Response:

I am pleased to confirm that our consented scheme provides four dedicated disabled parking bays for the residents in the new development, which will be located within a basement car park.

Our scheme does not re-provide disabled car parking for town center visitors on site, however as the Councillor will be aware, there is disabled parking close to the development.

This includes four disabled car bays outside 46-72 High Street and 21 disabled bays on Level 1 of the Belfry Shopping Centre. There are also many other disabled bays provided elsewhere in the town.

In addition, the Blue Badge scheme does permit badge holders to park on single or double yellow lines for up to three hours, except where there are restrictions on loading or unloading. As such, drivers will be able to park on streets such as Marketfield Road on the double yellow lines, which is a short distance from the Belfry and the High Street.

The County Council has also put in place provision for a stand and/or layby for Buses for U vehicles to assist disabled visitors.

In relation to the cycle parking I am pleased to confirm that the consented scheme will provide a total of 220 cycle stands to promote sustainable and active travel. 154 of these will be for the use of the residents and 66 will be for general users.

Finally, I am disappointed to hear that the County Council has not yet amended its variable messaging signs, to omit Marketfield Way car park despite previous requests by our officers. I have asked our officers to contact them again about this and get it resolved.