

# DECISION ITEM

| REPORT OF             | MEETING                     | DATE         | ITEM NO |
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| RESOURCES DIRECTORATE | PUBLIC PROTECTION COMMITTEE | 23 JULY 2015 | 8       |

## CARAVAN LICENSING - WHITMORE CARAVAN PARK

### PUBLIC ITEM

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

### SUMMARY

The owner of Whitmore Caravan Park in Greenhalgh has applied to vary a condition of its site licence to allow the site to operate for longer during each year. The report sets out the application and invites the committee to decide on it.

### RECOMMENDATION

To consider whether to amend Condition 1c of the site licence as requested by the site owner.

### CORPORATE PRIORITIES

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| To Promote the Enhancement of The Natural & Built Environment ( <b>Place</b> ) |   | To Encourage Cohesive Communities ( <b>People</b> )          |  |
| To Promote a Thriving Economy ( <b>Prosperity</b> )                            | ✓ | To Meet Expectations of our Customers ( <b>Performance</b> ) |  |

### SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS DECISIONS

There are no previous decisions relating to this matter.

### REPORT

#### WHITMORE CARAVAN PARK

1. Whitmore Caravan Park is a touring site at Bradshaw Lane, Greenhalgh near Kirkham, licenced for 25 caravans.
2. Condition 1c of the site licence limits the operation of the site to the period from 1st March to 31st October each year.

## THE PROPOSED CHANGE

3. The site owner has applied to vary condition 1c to extend the operation of the site to the period to between 15th February and 31 December each year.

## PLANNING AND POLICY

4. The site's present planning permission allows occupation between 15th February and 31st December in any year.
5. Caravan site licenses are issued under the Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act 1960. The council must have regard to any model standards issued by the government when deciding whether to agree to a variation of conditions<sup>1</sup>. The relevant model standards for touring sites do not require a closure period.
6. The Committee are requested to decide the variation application.

| IMPLICATIONS                            |  |
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| Finance                                 | There are no matters arising directly from the report. |
| Legal                                   | There are no matters arising directly from the report. |
| Community Safety                        | There are no matters arising directly from the report  |
| Human Rights and Equalities             | There are no matters arising directly from the report. |
| Sustainability and Environmental Impact | There are no matters arising directly from the report. |
| Health & Safety and Risk Management     | There are no matters arising directly from the report. |

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| LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS |      |                                |
|---------------------------|------|--------------------------------|
| Name of document          | Date | Where available for inspection |
| Premises File             |      | Room 219 Chaseley Building     |

## Attached Documents

1. Appendix 1 – Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960, Section 3
2. Appendix 2 – Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act 1960, Application/Variation for Site Licence
3. Appendix 3 – Town and Country Planning Acts, Application 06/0726

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<sup>1</sup> Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act 1960, section 8(4)