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Overnight Motorhome Parking on Fylde Council Car Parks

Dear sir/madam

Fylde Council are considering a proposal to adjust the existing scheme that allow motorhomes to park overnight on Council-owned car parks and we would like to hear your thoughts on this.

Background

Since 2012 motorhomes have been able to park overnight on any area of the lower section of St Annes Swimming Pool Car Park. The facility proved to be very successful which led to the scheme expanding to a quieter location at North Beach Car Park in 2018. At both locations a reduction in antisocial behaviour has been observed.

Although the motorhome scheme at St Annes Swimming Pool Car Park has been successful in attracting new visitors to the area, there is an opinion of some that the scheme is a victim of its own success. During the summer months, particularly last year when fewer foreign holidays were taken, the number of motorhomes in the lower section of the car park regularly exceeded 30. On these occasions the large number of motorhomes displaces other visitors, particularly when larger vehicles park over multiple bays, and has a detrimental effect on neighbouring businesses.

Proposal

To limit the number of self-sufficient motorhomes parking overnight on St Annes Swimming Pool Car Park to 7, restricted to parking in the oversized parking bays on the lower section of the car park. In addition, the maximum stay will be reduced from 3 days to 2 and the maximum length of motorhomes allowed will be reduced from 10m to the length of the oversized bays. The fees for overnight motorhome parking will be increased to help regulate demand.

On North Beach Car Park the maximum stay will be reduced to 2 days and the tariffs will be slightly raised.

With motorhomes being displaced from St Annes Swimming Pool Car Park it is also proposed to operate a pilot scheme for 1 year to allow:

- A maximum of 6 motorhomes of restricted length to park overnight in a set area of North Promenade Car Park. Fees will be set to match St Annes Swimming Pool Car Park.
- A maximum of 8 motorhomes of restricted length to park overnight in a set area of St Paul's Avenue Car Park. Fees will be set to match North Beach Car Park.

At all locations the following conditions will be applied:

- Maximum stay of 2 days (48 hours). No return visit allowed within 4 days.
- Vehicles must fit within a single bay and be no more than a set length (varies for each car park).
- No caravans or trailers.
- No open fires, BBQs, generators or loud music.
- No setting out of furniture, awnings or washing lines.

- No overnight concessions for blue badge holders.
- That there is no dumping of waste or rubbish.
- That responsible motorhome owners report:
 - All instances of excessive noise, littering and antisocial behaviour to the Council at the first opportunity.
 - o Any antisocial issues to the Police at the time of occurring.

Users will be signposted to use the sluice unit on North Promenade car park to dispose of waste liquids and directed to the location of other locations when designated parking spaces are full.

Who else is being consulted?

Do you have any further comments?

We are consulting with residents and businesses adjacent to the car parks, Lancashire Highways, Lancashire Police, RNLI, St Annes Town Council and other interested parties.

How to Respond

Fylde Council would like to know your opinion of this proposal. Please complete the short questionnaire either online through the QR code or the form below and return to Parking Services, Fylde Council, Town Hall, Lytham St Annes, Lancashire, FY8 1LW. All responses must be received by Tuesday 25th February. All responses will be collated and a summary reported to the Council's Operational Management Committee on 16th March 2021. Personal data collected will only be used for verification of survey responses and no other purposes and will be deleted after 2 years. Details of Fylde Council Parking Service's privacy notice is available at www.fylde.gov.uk.

