

DECISION ITEM

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
RESOURCES DIRECTORATE	PUBLIC PROTECTION COMMITTEE	7 th JULY 2021	6
CARAVAN SITE LICENSING – CLIFTON FIELDS CARAVAN PARK HOLIDAY CARAVAN SITE LICENCE			

PUBLIC ITEM

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

SUMMARY

An application has been received from the site owner to amend the holiday caravan site licence to remove the closure period.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Committee considers a request to amend condition 2 of the holiday site licence which currently states

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Caravans shall be used solely for human habitation as static holiday caravans and no caravan shall be occupied between 15th January and 1st March in any one year.

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Caravans shall be used solely for human habitation as static holiday caravans between 1st January and 31st December each year.

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS DECISIONS

Planning application ref 13/0569 dated 04/11/2013 - Change of use of land from holiday caravan park with closure season to holiday caravan park open 12 months of year.

CORPORATE PRIORITIES

Economy – To create a vibrant and healthy economy	✓
Environment – To deliver services customers expect	✓
Efficiency – By spending money in the most efficient way	✓
Tourism – To create a great place to live and visit	✓

REPORT

1. Clifton Fields Caravan Park, Peel Road, Blackpool benefits from a holiday caravan site licence allowing for 149 caravans to be stationed on the site (Appendix 1).
2. An application was received on 8th February 2021 (Appendix 2) to amend condition 2 of the holiday site licence issued on 11th June 2012 which states:

Caravans shall be used solely for human habitation as static holiday caravans and no caravan shall be occupied between 15th January and 1st March in any one year.

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Caravans shall be used solely for human habitation as static holiday caravans between 1st January and 31st December each year.

3. The council has granted permission for the site to be used all year round under planning consent ref 13/0569 and planning officers have confirmed that they have no objections to the grant of the variation application (Appendix 3a & 3b).
4. Lancashire Fire & Rescue Service has been consulted on this application and has not expressed any concerns.
5. An email has been sent to the agent working on behalf of the applicant to ask them to consider agreeing that the following conditions be added to the licence if the variation is approved –

Static holiday caravans shall be occupied for holiday purposes only and not as a person's permanent, sole or main place of residence.

The licence holder must keep the following records for each static holiday caravan on site:

- a. *The names and current home address of the owner; and*
- b. *Documentary evidence of the current home address of the owner*
- c. *and must allow the licensing authority to inspect them at any reasonable time.*

The licence holder must, if requested by the licensing authority, ask the owner of any static holiday caravan on site to give to the licence holder:

- a. *The name and current home address of each adult occupier; and*
- b. *Documentary evidence of the current home address of each adult occupier and must forward them to the licensing authority when received.*

The agent has provided the following response by email –

Comprehensive conditions preventing residential occupancy of holiday caravans are already contained within the planning permissions for both sites and are not therefore really necessary to duplicate in the Site Licence.

The planning decision notice including conditions can be viewed at appendix 3b and the agents report which accompanied planning application ref 13/0569 at appendix 3c.

6. The committee is asked to consider whether the application to amend condition 2 should be granted and, if it is, whether the additional conditions set out in paragraph 5 should be added to the licence. The site owner can appeal to the magistrates' court against a refusal to agree to the amendment and against the addition of the new condition.

IMPLICATIONS	
Finance	None arising directly from the report
Legal	None arising directly from the report
Community Safety	None arising directly from the report

Human Rights and Equalities	None arising directly from the report
Sustainability and Environmental Impact	None arising directly from the report
Health & Safety and Risk Management	None arising directly from the report

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BACKGROUND PAPERS		
Name of document	Date	Where available for inspection
Clifton Fields Caravan Park	21 st May 2021	Clifton Fields Caravan Park

Attached documents

- Appendix 1 - Existing site licence
- Appendix 2 - Application to vary site licence
- Appendix 3a - Planning Approval
- Appendix 3b - Planning decision notice
- Appendix 3c - Justification to planning
- Appendix 4 - Location Plan
- Appendix 5 – Site layout