



Dear Occupier

We are writing to you because your property is located close to North Beach Car Park. Fylde Council are considering a proposal to allow motorhomes to park overnight on North Beach Car Park and we would like to hear your thoughts on this.

Background

Since 2012 motorhomes have been able to park overnight on St Annes Swimming Pool Car Park. During the first year of operation it became apparent that there were two groups of motorhomers who would like to take advantage of such a facility; those who like to be close to a town centre and enjoy the comradery of fellow motorhomers and those who prefer quieter, more remote locations. The facility at St Annes Swimming Pool has proven to be very successful and so we are now hoping to provide the option of a quieter location at North Beach Car Park.

Before motorhomes were allowed on St Annes Swimming Pool Car Park a consultation was carried out with nearby residents to find out what their thoughts were. Of those who expressed negative concerns, predominantly around the potential for an increase in noise, rubbish and encouraging members of the travelling community, none have subsequently contacted Fylde Council to advise of these becoming a reality. Indeed there have been minimal complaints regarding motorhomers at this location from anyone.

Prior to motorhomes being allowed to park overnight, we were aware that the car park was being used for antisocial driving, often by younger people, in the middle of the night and other antisocial behaviour. With the increase in use of the car park by motorhomes the frequency of these issues has significantly reduced. We are aware a similar issue affects North Beach Car Park and would expect over time that these instances would also reduce.

Proposal

To allow self-sufficient motorhomes to park overnight on North Beach Car Park. As with the current scheme at St Annes Swimming Pool Car Park there will be certain restrictions applied:

- An appropriate fee will be set for a single night's parking or multiple days/nights up to 3 nights.
- Maximum stay of 3 consecutive nights. No return visit allowed within 5 days.
- No caravans or trailers will be allowed.
- No open fires or BBQs will be allowed.
- 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.
 - Any antisocial issues to the Police at the time.

Users will be signposted to use the sluice unit on North Promenade car park to dispose of waste liquids.

Who else is being consulted?

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

How to Respond

Fylde Council would like to know your opinion of this proposal. Please complete either the short questionnaire at <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/MotorhomeSurvey> 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 Monday 7th August. All responses will be collated and a summary reported to the Council's Operational Management Committee on 12th September 2017.

Name _____

Address _____

Postcode _____

Email _____

Do you believe there are any advantages to allowing motorhomes to park overnight on North Beach Car Park?

What are your main concerns about allowing motorhomes to park overnight on North Beach Car Park?

Do you have any further comments?