

ANGUS COUNCIL

CIVIC LICENSING COMMITTEE – 6 AUGUST 2015

**LOCHLANDS CARAVAN PARK, DUNDEE ROAD, FORFAR
REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITIES**

ABSTRACT

This report deals with an application to extend the existing caravan site at Lochlands Caravan Park, Dundee Road, Forfar and increase the number of holiday caravans on site to 171.

1. RECOMMENDATION(S)

It is recommended that the Committee agree:

- (i) to grant a caravan site licence to William Stewart, Lochlands Caravan Park, Dundee Road, Forfar subject to the sites compliance with the “Model Standards” for holiday caravan sites; and
- (ii) that the maximum number of caravans to be stationed on site at any one time be 171.

2. ALIGNMENT TO THE ANGUS COMMUNITY PLAN/SINGLE OUTCOME AGREEMENT/COPORATE PLAN

This report contributes to the following local outcome(s) contained within the Angus Community Plan and Single Outcome Agreement 2013-2016:

- Our communities are safe, secure and vibrant.

3. BACKGROUND

Angus Council recently received an application for a caravan site licence in terms of The Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act 1960 from William Stewart’s agent J K Fox. Two caravan sites licences are held by Mr William Stewart and are currently in place for parts of the area to which this application applies. A licence granted to Mr Stewart in November 2008 relates to the area comprising the north west third of the whole area and is for holiday use with an operating period 15th February to 14th January each year (Area **A** on attached plan).

The second licence currently in place was granted to Mr William Stewart in November 2010 and is for the area on the north east of the whole area, this license is for holiday use with an operating period of 17th March to 16th February each year (Area **B** on plan).

Mr Stewart has recently received four planning approvals for a further extension of the site to the south of the existing Caravan Park and for smaller areas within the existing Caravan Park. These planning consents granted in 2015 are for holiday use and while this area has no operating period specified (Area **C** on plan) there are occupancy restrictions in the planning consents that restrict the length of time any caravan can be occupied by the same individual or group of individuals to 12 weeks in any 26 week period.

Confirmation has been received from the Planning section that relevant planning permissions were granted for these areas on 16th and 17th April 2015 and that and that no further planning permission is required to site static caravans on this land provided the total number of vans at Lochlands Caravan Park does not exceed 171.

4. DETERMINATION OF LICENCE

It is recommended that the committee approve the issue of one caravan site license for the whole site with three distinct areas identified within the special conditions section of the license to reflect the differing planning consents which apply and identify the three distinct operating periods permitted for each part of the site. This licence will replace and consolidate the two existing site licences and incorporate the areas recently granted planning consent.

The site has been inspected by Environmental Health Staff and has been reported as complying with the "Model Standards" for caravan sites.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications arising as a result of this report.

6. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

There are no human rights or equalities implications attached to this report.

NOTE: No background papers, as detailed by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to a material extent in preparing the above report.

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