

ANGUS COUNCIL

CIVIC LICENSING COMMITTEE – 21 FEBRUARY 2012

DRUMSHADEMUIR CARAVAN PARK – TRANSFER OF LICENCE

REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

ABSTRACT

To approve the transfer of Drumshademuir Caravan Site Licence.

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

1.1 It is recommended that the Committee agrees:

- (i) to approve the transfer of the site licence for Drumshademuir Caravan Park, Roundyhill, by Glamis to Mr Stuart Renwick Dishington.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 Application has been received from Agents acting on behalf of Mr Stuart Renwick Dishington for a transfer of the licence for the Drumshademuir Caravan Park, Roundyhill, by Glamis previously held by Mr Ian David Easson.

2.2 This is a holiday caravan site with a licence for 47 holiday static caravans and 80 touring pitches operating all year round. There are no changes currently proposed to the site operating times or number of caravans.

2.3 When considering any new application for a holiday caravan site, the Council would insist that the site remain closed for at least one month per annum to deter residential use. This would be achieved through planning condition. As this is not a new site, and therefore planning consent for all year round use already exists, the Council are obliged to approve the transfer of the licence on that same basis. If there was a breach in terms of the licence in respect of the occupation of the site on a residential basis, then in terms of Section 9 of the Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, the remedy is to prosecute

2.4 The ownership of the land and transfer of the business is due to take place on 28 February 2012 and the agents acting on behalf of Mr Dishington have requested that the transfer of the licence, if approved, be held over and not come into force until completion of the transfer of the property, and take effect simultaneously with the transfer of ownership.

2.5 A recent site inspection confirmed that the site complies with licence conditions and meets the "Model Standards" under the Caravan Site and Control of Development Act, 1960.

3. DETERMINATION OF LICENCE

3.1 On the basis that the site meets the requirements of "Model Standards" in compliance with The Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960 and that the necessary planning consents are in place, a transfer of the licence can be approved. This licence will not come into force until the transfer of the ownership of the site is finalised.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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

5. HUMAN RIGHTS

5.1 There are no human rights implications arising as a result of this report.

6. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

6.1 The issues dealt with in this report have been the subject of consideration from an equalities perspective (as requested by legislation). An equalities impact assessment is not required.

7. CONSULTATION

7.1 The Chief Executive, Director of Corporate Services, Director of Neighbourhood Services, Head of Law and Administration, Head of Planning & Transport and Head of Finance have been consulted on the contents of this report.

Eric S Lawson
Director of Infrastructure Services

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

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