

Business Overview and Scrutiny Committee Wednesday, 4 March 2020

REPORT TITLE:	Management of Campervans in Wallasey and New Brighton Scrutiny Review
REPORT OF:	Director of Delivery Services

REPORT SUMMARY

This report sets out the findings and recommendations arising from a scrutiny review into the management of campervans in Wallasey and New Brighton. This review was commissioned as part of the Business Overview & Scrutiny Committee's work programme in 2018/19 in response to a number of resident concerns around overnight parking of campervans in Wallasey and New Brighton.

RECOMMENDATION/S

The Business Overview & Scrutiny Committee is requested to;

- 1. Approve the findings of the Scrutiny Review Panel.
- 2. Refer this report to the most relevant committee within the new governance arrangements for 2020/21 for consideration so that these findings might be used to inform future provision for motor caravans at coastal locations.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.0 REASON/S FOR RECOMMENDATION/S

1.1 For Members of the Business Overview & Scrutiny Committee to endorse the work of the Scrutiny Review Panel and to refer to the relevant decision-making committee for addition to its work programme in 2020/21 and further consideration.

2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

2.1 No other options considered.

3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 In 2018, the Business Overview & Scrutiny Committee requested that the effective management of campervans at coastal locations in Wirral was added to the committee work programme. Between July 2017 and July 2018, a number of complaints had been received by residents of the New Brighton and Wallasey wards in regard to overnight parking of campervans and similar vehicles in the area, primarily along the Kings Parade and Coastal Drive areas of New Brighton.
- 3.2 A Task & Finish Group was established in order to review these issues with campervan parking and to understand resident concerns, whilst ultimately looking to inform the development of a future policy for Wirral to encourage its thriving visitor economy.

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no direct financial implications, although there may be costs associated with actions arising from this report.

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no direct legal implications.

6.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: STAFFING, ICT AND ASSETS

6.1 There are no resource implications.

7.0 RELEVANT RISKS

7.1 A number of risks were identified as part of the scoping exercise for this review, details of which can be found in Appendix 1 of this report.

8.0 ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

8.1 As part of this review, Panel Members engaged with key stakeholders in Wallasey and New Brighton wards by way of a focus group session held in February 2020.

9.0 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

9.1 This report is for information to Members and there are no direct equality implications, although there may be equality implications as a result of actions arising from this report.

10.0 ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE IMPLICATIONS

10.1 There are no direct environmental implications arising from this report.

The content and/or recommendations contained within this report are expected to:

Have no direct impact on emissions of greenhouse gases.

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APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – Management of Campervans in Wallasey and New Brighton Scrutiny Review Report

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Development of motorhome services in County Cork Policy Paper 2018 Gwynedd Council Strategic Plan Sefton Coast Topic Paper Series 2016

SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

Council Meeting	Date
Business Overview & Scrutiny Committee	18 th September 2018