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# **DACORUM BOROUGH COUNCIL**

## LICENSING AND HEALTH AND SAFETY ENFORCEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE

24 MARCH 2015

Present -

# **MEMBERS:**

Councillors Mrs Green (Chairman), Mrs G Chapman, Conway, Fantham, Hearn (Vice-Chairman), Link and G Sutton

# **OFFICERS:**

C Gaunt Solicitor

N Egerton Environmental Health Team Leader
D Ryder Environmental Health Officer
T Coston Member Support Officer

The meeting began at 7.37 pm

## 1. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 3 February 2015 were confirmed by the Members present and signed by the Chairman.

# 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

# 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest.

## 4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

# 5. APPLICATION FOR PROVISION OF 5 ADDITIONAL MOBILE HOME UNITS ON FLAUNDEN PARK MOBILE HOME SITE:

HOGPITTS BOTTOM FLAUNDEN HERTFORDSHIRE HP3 0PX

D Ryder introduced herself to the committee. She explained that following an inspection of the site they discovered the number of mobile homes exceeded the amount stated on the licence. N Egerton said the site met all other necessary requirements and no complaints had been raised but they were instructed to apply for a variation of licence conditions to resolve the discrepancy.

Councillor Conway queried that on the site plan there was a plot number 41 but there was only 40 properties. D Ryder advised there were some inconsistences with the numbering of the caravan plots on site. .

Councillor G Sutton noted that the licence conditions were dated 1986 and suggested that surely there must have been changes since that time. D Ryder said the conditions remained the same but in 2013 the Mobile Home Act was introduced which is why they had inspected the site. N Egerton added that the model standards have been updated since 1986 but the site licence conditions would only differ if there were risks indentified.

Councillor Hearn referred to section 17 of the licensing conditions where it is stated that there was 1 W.C. and 1 urinal for men and 2 W.C's for women per 15 caravans and queried if those facilities were still adequate enough to incorporate the additional homes. N Egerton said the new homes would have toilet facilities inside anyway.

Councillor G Chapman said she was the ward councillor for this area and reassured the members that they were modern homes, there were no problems there and it was a very well run site. She added that canvassing on the site was problematic due to the property numbers not being in the correct order.

It was proposed by Councillor Conway and seconded by Councillor Hearn to grant the application to vary the licence in accordance with the officer's recommendation.

Voting:

Unanimously agreed

Whereupon it was:

#### Resolved:

The Licensing and Health and Safety Enforcement Sub-Committee agreed to grant the application to vary the licence.

The following change will be made to condition 2 of the existing licence:

The number of caravans allowed on the site at any one time shall not exceed 40, sited in position as detailed in Appendix 3 of the agenda and as agreed by the Licensing and Health and Safety Enforcement Sub-Committee on the 24<sup>th</sup> March 2015.

The meeting ended at 7.48 pm