
REPORT TO:	DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM: 9
DATE OF MEETING:	20 th August 2002	CATEGORY: DELEGATED
REPORT FROM:	<u>DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE</u>	OPEN PARAGRAPH NO:
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SUBJECT:	Unauthorised advance warning signs on land at OS Field No. 8124 fronting Linton Road, Rosliston and at the junction of Coton Road and Linton Road, Rosliston.	REF: APS/E/2001/314
WARD AFFECTED:	Walton	TERMS OF REFERENCE: DC01

1.0 Reason for Exempt (if appropriate)

1.1 Not applicable

2.0 Recommendations

2.1 That the Development Control Committee authorises the Acting Legal and Democratic Services Manager to institute appropriate legal proceedings to secure the removal of the signs.

3.0 Purpose of Report

3.1 To obtain the Committee's instructions.

4.0 Executive Summary

4.1 Not applicable

5.0 Detail

5.1 Following a report from Rosliston Parish Council, site inspections were carried out at the above locations.

5.2 It was ascertained that two pole-mounted advance warning signs relating to facilities available at Beehive Farm had been displayed on land fronting Linton Road and at the junction of Coton Road and Linton Road, Rosliston.

5.3 The owner of the property was advised of the need for express consent to display the signs and submitted a regularising application on 19th November 2001.

- 5.4 Express Consent to retain the signs was refused by the Development Services Committee at its meeting on 18th December 2001.
- 5.5 No appeal was lodged and it was understood that the owner of the property was seeking authority to display official DCC 'brown' tourist signs. In the light of this, further action was temporarily postponed.
- 5.6 However, notwithstanding regular progressing, no action in the matter is evident and the unauthorised signs remain extant.
- 5.7 A plan indicating the approximate positions of the signs is attached at Annexe A.

6.0 Financial Implications

- 6.1 Should the Committee be minded to authorise legal action, the Council may be Subject to certain costs.

7.0 Corporate Implications

- 7.1 None

8.0 Community Implications

- 8.1 None.

9.0 Conclusions

- 9.1 The continued presence of the signs represents a clear and ongoing breach of control.
- 9.2 It is open to the Committee to authorise the Acting Legal and Democratic Services Officer to institute an appropriate prosecution to secure the removal of the signs.

10.0 Background Papers

- 10.1 Enforcement File E/2001/314