
REPORT TO:	DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM:	7
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SUBJECT:	Unauthorised siting of caravan at Springwood Fisheries Ashby Road Melbourne	REF:	E/2002/293
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	Melbourne	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 service of an Enforcement Notice requiring the removal of the caravan from the land with a compliance period of three months from the date when the Notice takes effect.

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 complaint about the caravan a planning application was made for its retention. A number of objections were received. The application was refused under delegated powers for the following reason:

"The caravan has a severe impact on the estate farmland landscape of this part of the countryside, to the detriment of its character appearance, contrary to the approved Derby and Derbyshire Structure Plan General Development Strategy Policy 4 and the adopted South Derbyshire Local Plan Environment Policy 1 and Recreation and Tourism Policy 1."

5.2 A plan of the site, which is approximately 1.5 hectares, is attached at Annex 'A'.

6.0 Financial Implications

6.1 Should legal proceedings prove necessary 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 siting of the caravan would perpetuate the harm referred to in the reason for refusal of the application.

10.0 Background Papers

10.1 Enforcement file E/2001/293 and planning application file 9/2002/1273.