

## **Record of Decisions**

### **Contractors Compound on Paignton Green**

#### **Decision Taker**

Cabinet on 20 February 2020

#### **Decision**

- (i) that the licence to Midas on the terms set at Appendix 1 to the submitted report be granted;
- (ii) that the income received from the licence be utilised as follows:
  - (a) a £4,000 grant be given to Paignton Community Partnership to support their activities for the benefit of Paignton; and
  - (b) £24,900 be allocated as funding for the delivery of the English Riviera Airshow.

#### **Reason for the Decision**

To enable a contractor's compound to be placed on part of Paignton Green to help facilitate the redevelopment of the Lighthouse and Park Hotel sites.

#### **Implementation**

This decision will come into force and may be implemented on 3 March 2020 unless the call-in procedure is triggered (as set out in the Standing Orders in relation to Overview and Scrutiny).

#### **Information**

The Council had been approached by the contractors (Midas Construction Ltd) acting for the developers of The Lighthouse and Park Hotel sites for permission to use part of Paignton Green as a contractor's compound while development takes place on the building sites.

The proposed term was for a period of 74 weeks for which Midas would pay a licence fee of £28,900. The detailed terms of the licence were set out at Appendix 1 and a Plan is set out in Appendix 2 to the submitted report.

Placing a compound on Paignton Green would breach the wording of a covenant ("the Covenant") placed over the Green in 2013. In essence the Covenant states that the Council would not allow any permanent structure on the Green. The Covenant was intended to protect Paignton Green from development by preventing permanent structures. The proposal was a technical breach of the Covenant but will not affect the long-term protection afforded by the Covenant.

The Lighthouse and Park Hotel sites are very constrained and not easily served by any alternative compound in a different location, granting the licence would better enable the prompt development of highly visible seafront sites.

At the meeting, the Cabinet heard from Mr Chris Robson, member of the Paignton Community Partnership.

Councillor Long proposed and Councillor Cowell seconded a motion which was agreed unanimously by the Cabinet as set out above.

**Alternative Options considered and rejected at the time of the decision**

Alternative options were set out in the submitted report.

**Is this a Key Decision?**

No

**Does the call-in procedure apply?**

Yes

**Declarations of interest** (including details of any relevant dispensations issued by the Standards Committee)

None

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Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Leader of Torbay Council on behalf of the Cabinet