

ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL

Policy & Resources Committee

**Development & Infrastructure
Services**

15th December 2016

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Fireworks Display – Helensburgh Pier car park

2.0 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1** A request was received from the Helensburgh & District Round Table for permission to host a fireworks display in Helensburgh pier car park (behind the swimming baths) and to utilise the main pier for the fireworks display. This is an annual community event which takes place at the same location every year.
- 2.2** The event required the car park to be closed for a brief period time, resulting in an estimated loss of car parking income to the Council of £300-£500. In accordance with Council Parking Policy a suspension of charges would normally require Council approval however this was not achieved within the Committee timeframes and therefore a decision was reached under delegated authority in consultation with the Area Chair and the Ward Members.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1** It is recommended that Members:

(b) Note the process undertaken and homologate the decision to approve a temporary suspension of parking charges in relation to Helensburgh Pier car park.

(b) Approve the delegation of responsibility to the Area Chair and the Ward Members to suspend parking charges in relation to Helensburgh Pier car park.

4.2 The car park was sectioned off with the assistance of the police from 6.00pm on the evening of Friday 4th November 2016 until the end of the display on Saturday 5th November 2016 with the area being cleared on the morning of r d.5t

4.3 Legal - none

4.4 HR - none

4.5 Equalities - none

4.6 Risk - none

4.7 Customer Service – positive benefit to the community of a successful and popular community event. Quicker and easier approval process in future.

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