

**COUNCIL, 25 NOVEMBER 2015**

**REPORT OF THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**

**CHANGES TO DELEGATED POWERS – CULTURE & LEISURE**

At its meeting on 11 November 2015 a report (attached) was presented to Governance Committee which proposed changes to the powers delegated to the Head of Regulatory Services to issue directions and take any necessary action under the Criminal Justice & Public Order Act relating to the Control of Unauthorised Campers.

These powers were most regularly used for action against unauthorised traveller encampments. The report (attached) recommended that it made sense – from a practical perspective – for these powers to also be delegated to the Head of Culture & Leisure and in turn to the Parks Manager to widen the ability to authorise direction notices in the early stages of an unauthorised encampment.

**The Governance Committee accordingly recommends to Council that the following changes be incorporated into Sections 3.6.4 and 3.6.6(I) of the Constitution relating to the Head of Culture & Leisure and the Head of Regulatory Services:**

*To authorise and issue, on behalf of the Council, statutory directions requiring unauthorised campers to leave land and remove their property and vehicles*