

S. 24 SHP

29-11-2013

Petition Statement
Regulation of Caravan Parks
Y-Fron Boath

- 1 Y-Fron Caravan Park Boath has not complied and still does not comply with the Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act 1960. Aerial photographs taken confirm that the site does not comply.
- 2 Ceredigion County Council has failed to enforce and oversee the legislation and the licence conditions.
- 3 The County Council has issued a licence without the necessary Site Plan and have to date failed to enforce the licence conditions, dated 9th May 2000. The most recently issued licence (without a plan of the layout which is valid) does not comply with the model standards 2008 conditions of the licence and the Council have failed to enforce those conditions.
- 4 The Council's Chief Executive Officer is aware that the Caravan Park Owners are committing criminal offences in respect of Health and Safety legislation. To date no action has been taken by the Council on these matters.
- 5 The monitoring officer of the council has failed to reply to emails and letters addressed to her. On the occasions when a reply has been received they have not addressed or dealt with the subjects raised.

6 The County Council accept that they are responsible for ensuring that site owners comply with the legislation governing the control and operation of Caravan Parks and the 1960 Act. Despite this acknowledgement the Council over a period of more than fourteen years have failed to enforce the Site licence conditions

7 The Councils C.E.O. accepts that there is a statutory basis for enforcing a three metre gap for health and safety reasons. No action has been taken to insure compliance. The cost to the site owners is not a valid reason to exercise a discretion not to enforce the licence conditions.

This site is operated on a commercial basis yielding substantial annual profits. Lack of action by the County Council amounts to Maladministration.

The council's licencing Committee on 24th May 2006 considered this matter and instructed its Officers to ~~the~~ deal with the matters reported on to secure compliance with the licence conditions.

Signed and dated this 29th day November 2013
B.J. Silvester.