ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE Council

DATE 8 October 2014

DIRECTOR Ewan Sutherland (Acting Director)

TITLE OF REPORT Update - Camping in Designated Places

REPORT NUMBER: CG/14/126

CHECKLIST COMPLETED: Yes

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is update members on progress on the byelaw on camping in designated places.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Council is recommended to note the report.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

There are no additional implications arising from this report beyond those set out in the report to the Council's meeting on 14 May 2014

5. BACKGROUND/MAIN ISSUES

The Council, at its meeting on 14 May 2014, approved the wording of the proposed byelaw, approved the designated areas, and instructed officers to take all necessary steps to complete the statutory process to seek confirmation of the byelaw from the Scottish Government. As advised at the 20 August Council meeting, statutory procedures have been followed to complete the process and application for confirmation has been made to the Scottish Government. Seven letters of representation have been lodged with the Scottish Government. These have been copied to the Council for comment and a full response was

sent on the Council's behalf to the Scottish Government on 11th September. The Scottish Government will consider the position and reach a decision, current indications suggesting a decision in early October but there is no guarantee that such a timescale will be met.

A further update regarding the byelaw will be provided to the next Council meeting.

IMPACT

Public – The report may generate public interest as the issue of a byelaw has attracted widespread public interest.

Equalities – The issues identified in the report to Council on 14 May 2014 continue to exist.

7. MANAGEMENT OF RISK

The issues identified in the report to Council on 14 May 2014 continue to exist.

8. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Council report and minute of meeting 14 May 2014.

9. REPORT AUTHOR DETAILS

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