

FOREST HOLIDAYS AND CAMPING IN THE FOREST REPORT

Purpose

1. To provide the Board with an update on operational developments with Forest Holidays (FH) and Camping in the Forest (CITF) and to help ensure that information on new developments is brought to the Committee at the earliest opportunity.

Forest Holidays update

Site Selection

2. Site selection is progressing well with site visits for the southern half of West Forest District taking place on the 10 & 11 April.

3. South Forest District is booked in for scoping and site visits later in the summer
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4. A positive response to EMGN4a has been received by the Districts, with North Forest District [REDACTED] This will go to the next executive team meeting for consideration.

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Planning

7. The Delamere planning application, which also includes the reorganisation of the Forest Enterprise existing visitor hub, was heard by the full West Cheshire Planning Committee 4 April. Unfortunately the application was unsuccessful, and we now need to carefully consider next steps in close consultation with Forest Holidays.

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CITF update

Business Performance

10. CITF has performed [REDACTED]

Site Development

11. The development of a new CITF site at Sherwood Pines is continuing to progress with a full planning application expected to be submitted at the end of April. The planning application will be presented to the CITF board for approval on 28 April. An opening date of spring 2018 is anticipated.

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10. The CITF board meeting and annual site visit on 30 June 2017 will be at Dalby, whereby we will look at master site planning and integrating a range of accommodation offers at Dalby

Recommendations

13. The National Committee is invited to note the information included in this paper

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