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Dear Martyn

Following the recent consultation regarding the use of the Shingle Bank, Minster on Sea Parish Council has discussed the consultation questions and voted unanimously to implement a ban on caravans being allowed on the Shingle Bank. This decision reflects the concerns raised by residents and the council, and we are committed to maintaining the integrity and accessibility of this area for use for all the community.

In addition to this ban, the Parish Council proposes a chargeable parking scheme for vehicles on the Shingle Bank between the hours of 10:00 PM and 6:00 AM. The proposed parking fee would be £15 per night. However, cars should be exempt from this charge and can continue to park on the Shingle Bank free of charge during these hours.

Furthermore, the Council has considered the consultation's point on alternative locations for camping and caravanning, and it has been proposed that such activities be allowed at the Barton Point location, but not in the car park area. This matter will be fully discussed during the next tender opportunity to ensure proper planning and consideration of all relevant factors.

To better manage parking and enhance security, we recommend the installation of car parking signs at the grassy car park opposite the Shingle Bank and the installation of a CCTV pole at the White House, which will be utilised to monitor activity in the area.

We hope that these proposals will address the concerns of local residents while continuing to offer facilities for visitors and users of the Shingle Bank area.

Should you have any questions or require further details, please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Council.

Many thanks

Yours sincerely

Lauren Crockford Parish Council Clerk On behalf of: Minster on Sea Parish Council