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Email

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Dear Giles

Re: Sale of Fireworks - Committee Outcome/Decision

Thank you for your recent email. I can confirm the following decision was taken on 2 June 2020:

'That the proposed position statement attached at Appendix A to the report, to ban the release of sky lanterns and balloons from all Lincolnshire County Council owned land and property be approved'.

The decision notice and decision report can be found via the link below:

https://lincolnshire.moderngov.co.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=608

The sale of fireworks is highly controlled by national legislation as laid out in paragraph 6 of the attached report, which was considered by the Public Protection and Communities Scrutiny Committee on 17 March 2020. There are no options to amend this locally.

It is worth noting that Trading Standards conduct inspections of firework sellers every year as part of the licensing procedure. They also respond to complaints of the illegal sale of fireworks. This includes illegal sales to children which may include carrying out test purchases by undercover young people, unlicensed sales and the supply of unsafe products. The service works very closely with the Fire Service on these matters and we carry out public information campaigns regarding the restrictions every year.

Yours sincerely,

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Councillor Martin Hill OBE, Leader of the Council