



**HARTLEPOOL
BOROUGH COUNCIL**

OFFICER DECISION RECORD

Department:	Development, N/hoods and Regulatory Servs
Division:	Neighbourhood Services
Date of Decision / Issue of Licence:	04/09/2025
Officer Making Decision:	MR KA BOSTOCK
Subject / Description & Reason for Decision: (for publication)	<p>Licence to occupy Beach Huts at Seaton Carew</p> <p>The Beach Huts shown verged red on the attached plan have been available to let since 2023 on the open market on the basis that an operator leased all eight and made them available for daily hire to visitors to the beach.</p> <p>There has been very little interest in operating them as Beach Huts and apart from a short letting over the Summer of 2024 and use by local community groups during this Summer, they have remained available to let.</p> <p>The Council has however been approached by a local resident, with a proposal and offer to make seven available for individual hire for their intended use and use one hut, shown coloured blue on the plan, for the sale of Dog Treats and Canine Accessories.</p> <p>In an effort to facilitate a use of the Huts it has been agreed to let the Huts on a short term licence to assess the suitability and viability of the proposal.</p> <p>It is therefore recommended that authority is given to let the Beach Huts on licence on the terms outlined above with the licensee responsible for all outgoings including repairs.</p>
Type of Decision:	Non Key
Nature of Delegation Being Exercised:	<p>EDDNRS223</p> <p>Power to approve land and property disposal, leases, lettings, licences, wayleaves, easements, undertaking and concluding rent reviews, lease renewals and the release and amendments of restrictions, covenants and other land and property matters within prescribed thresholds as set out in the Finance and Corporate Affairs Committee arrangements.</p>

Alternative Options Considered & Rejected: The Council could have continued to market the Huts but with little prospect of them being brought into use this option was discounted.

Any Declared Register of Interest: No

OFFICER WITH THE DELEGATION

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