

## **Hawick Common Good Briefing Note**

**22nd November 2023**

### Motorhome parking

There has been a request from Motorhome Fun Club for arrangements to be made for the exclusive use of the motorhome parking area of the Common Haugh on the dates Thursday 21 – Monday 25 March 2024 to coincide with the Reivers Festival.

There was a previous booking for exclusive use of the motorhome parking area and there were problems with this use and several complaints received from the booker:

- Other vehicles moved the barriers and signs that had been put up and occupied the area
- Other vehicles parking too close to their vehicles
- Bins needing emptied
- Officers not available to attend site to discuss their issues

The barriers previously used were insufficient so to manage any future bookings, heras fencing would need to be erected around the whole area. The cost of heras fencing the area has been estimated at £250. An officer would need to meet the group when they arrive on site. There is no officer availability to do this especially if it is outwith working hours.

Officers consider that managing exclusive bookings of the motorhome area of the Common Haugh is not feasible. It is recommended that exclusive bookings should not be allowed for the motorhome area within the Common Haugh.