#### **ENFORCEMENT NOTICE**

# IMPORTANT – THIS COMMUNICATION AFFECTS YOUR PROPERTY TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (as amended) ENFORCEMENT NOTICE - OPERATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ISSUED BY: ANYTOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL

- 1. THIS NOTICE is issued by the Council because it appears to them that there has been a breach of planning control, within paragraph (b) of section 171A(1) of the above Act, at the land described below. They consider that it is expedient to issue this notice, having regard to the provisions of the development plan and to other material planning considerations. The Annex at the end of the notice and the enclosures to which it refers contain important additional information.
- 2. **THE LAND TO WHICH THE NOTICE RELATES** Land adjoining "The Willows", Smith Street, Hazelwood, Copseshire shown edged red on the attached plan.

# 3. THE MATTERS WHICH APPEAR TO CONSTITUTE THE BREACH OF PLANNING CONTROL

Without planning permission, the mixed use of the land for the stationing of a caravan, for the parking of motor vehicles and for the storage of shipping containers together with the construction of a hard standing in the approximate position and extent as marked on the attached plan.

#### 4. REASONS FOR ISSUING THIS NOTICE

It appears to the Council that the above breach of planning control has occurred within the last ten years.

The site is located in the countryside where new development is resisted unless a rural location is essential. New homes in the countryside are strictly limited and the residential use of the caravan does not fall within one of the exceptions identified as being appropriate, such as for an essential rural worker.

The site is open and exposed which exacerbates the visual harm arising from the unsightly appearance of a concentration of stored cars and containers sitting on an extensive tarmac hard standing in a wide open setting of fields and hedgerows. The development as a whole appears as an intrusion in this otherwise mainly open, rural landscape and seriously erodes the quality of the rural scene.

It is contrary to development plan policies. The Council do not consider that planning permission should be given, because planning conditions could not overcome these objections to the development.

### 5. WHAT YOU ARE REQUIRED TO DO

- (i) Cease the use of the land for the stationing of a caravan;
- (ii) Remove the caravan and all associated residential paraphernalia;
- (iii) Cease the use of the land for the storage of motor vehicles;
- (iv) Remove all shipping containers from the land;
- (v) Break up the hard standing and remove all resulting rubble and materials from the land leaving it in a neat and tidy condition.

#### 6. TIMES FOR COMPLIANCE

- (i) Immediately
- (ii)-(iii) One month after the notice takes effect.
- (v) Three months after the notice takes effect

## 7. WHEN THIS NOTICE TAKES EFFECT

This notice takes effect on 30 October 2013 unless an appeal is made against it beforehand.

Signed: District Solicitor

On behalf of: ANYTOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL

What's missing?

<u>ANNEX</u> - EXPLANATORY NOTE (Note for trainees: the explanatory note is not included for the purpose of this exercise but you can assume it was attached)

