
To: Hearings Panel **Ref:** LU/0145/20

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Subject: **DURATION OF FESTIVAL CONSENTS**

In response to questions raised by the Hearings Panel during the hearing, the purpose of this memo is to advise on how duration was considered as part of previous resource consent applications for Festival One events (and its predecessor, Parachute Music Festival).

A brief review of the Council's files for previous applications reveals the following:

- Resource Consent RC/3948 – Consent was sought in 2003 for the festival to operate for 10 years. The reporting planner recommended *“a condition limiting the duration of the consent to five (5) years only”* however *“as the application only predicts participant numbers until 2008”*.
- Resource Consent LU/0001/08 – The applicant sought consent in 2008 for the festival on the basis of a five year duration.
- Resource Consent LU/0197/12 – Consent was again sought in 2012 on the basis of a five year term for the festival.

Accordingly, previous applications included a limitation to the duration of the consent sought as part of the proposal, with the earliest Mystery Creek application (the 2003 application) being limited to a five-year term rather (rather than the 10-year term sought) on the basis of uncertainty as to predicted numbers of patrons beyond the five-year timeframe.

Yours sincerely



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