
Briefing Note

Menheniot Green: Sky Lanterns and Balloons

1.0 Background

1.1 The NFU are encouraging through a public petition for calls to be made to Local Councils to ban sky lanterns, leading to national Government legislation.

There is still many lanterns as well as balloons (usually containing helium) being released resulting in wild fires being started and injury to livestock and wild animals.

The Parish Council whilst owning only a few sites where this could happen can introduce byelaws on its land.

2.0 Menheniot Green proposals

2.1 Farmers and other Landowners can be encouraged to work alongside the Parish Council in banning the release of lanterns or balloons from their land.

The dangers to our environment and livestock can highlighted and publicised.

The Council can work with our Farmers, Young Farmers, schools and the NFU in raising awareness locally.

The Council is asked to support this campaign through Menheniot Green and to introduce byelaws as appropriate.

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