

Support material for unauthorised encampments
on both private and DCC land



Unauthorised encampment occurs on

Private Land

DCC Land

Private land

When the landowner has not given consent to the encampment. The GRT Service will work with the affected Landlord in an advisory capacity, to provide details of their legal responsibilities - to use the power to recover land i.e. Common Law Powers or Part 55 Civil Procedure Rules and Section 77 Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994. The GRT service will continue to provide support to the Landlord through the legal process. Enforcement action will usually take 2 days.

Tel: GRT Service **03000 261 000**

DCC land

GRT Service is the council's lead service for managing unauthorised encampments. The service will commence Welfare Assessments; provide support facilities within 2 working days of an encampment being reported. It will usually take 2-3 weeks for enforcement action if appropriate to be taken.

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Horses tethered / loose

See leaflet - Advice for private landowners when dealing with illegally grazed horses. (Available from GRT Service)

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If owner not located or does not remove horse(s), DCC Neighbourhood Services will appoint private Horse Impounder Company to remove horses at a charge.

Repeated trespass

Consider options to target harden area e.g. security, landscaping, bollards, gates. Contact Police Tel: **101** and book a diary appointment to speak with an officer.

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Open up Temporary Stopover Area (TSOA) for families to move onto. If not available consider options to target harden area.