



**SOUTH
KESTEVEN
DISTRICT
COUNCIL**

Officer Delegated Decision

04 March 2026

Richard Wyles, Deputy Chief Executive
and S151 Officer

Ice Cream Concession Licence

This Officer Delegated Decision (ODD) report seeks approval to grant a licence to occupy for a period of up to 3 years for an ice cream concession at both Wyndham Park and Queen Elizabeth Park in Grantham to Franco's Ices Grantham Ltd.

Contact

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Decision made by:	Richard Wyles – Deputy Chief Executive and S151 Officer
Decision:	To grant a licence to Franco's Ices Grantham Ltd for an ice cream concession in both Wyndham Park and Queen Elizabeth Park, Grantham for a period of up to 3 years.
Public or Exempt:	This report is not exempt from publication.
Reasons for exemption:	N/A
Conflicts of interest:	No
Policy compliant:	Yes
Details of delegation:	In accordance with the Constitution, Part 26 Property (including land) paragraph (f) the Deputy Chief Executive & S151 Officer is authorised to arrange short term (up to seven years) lettings of land and property not immediately required for other purposes at rent/licenses fees fixed by the S151 Officer.

1. Implications

Taking into consideration implications relating to finance and procurement, legal and governance, risk and mitigation, health and safety, diversity and inclusion, safeguarding, staffing, community safety, mental health and wellbeing and the impact on the Council's declaration of a climate change emergency, the following implications have been identified:

Finance

- 1.1 The ice cream concession for both Wyndham Park and Queen Elizabeth Park, Grantham, will generate a combined income to the Council of £7,500 per annum.

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Legal and Governance

- 1.2 The Deputy Chief Executive and S151 Officer has the necessary delegated authority to take this decision, as this appears to be an entitlement to trade (similar to a letting) from Council property for a period of up to three years.

Completed by: *James Welbourn, Democratic Services Manager*

2. The Purpose of the Report

- 2.1 To seek approval to grant a licence for a 3 year period for an ice cream concession in both Wyndham Park and Queen Elizabeth Park, Grantham.

3. Available Options Considered

- 3.1 The Council advertised the ice cream concession expression of interest and application for the Grantham parks in summer 2025 with the deadline for applications of 19th September 2025. A total of 5 interested parties expressed their interest in the opportunity however only 1 application for the concession was received.
- 3.2 The Council could choose to not grant a licence however the current concession licence comes to an end on 30th March 2026. Therefore the 'do nothing' option has been discounted.

4. Preferred Option

- 4.1 To grant a licence for the ice cream concession to Franco's Ices Grantham Ltd for a period of up to 3 years, for use of both Wyndham Park and Queen Elizabeth Park in Grantham.

5. Reasons for the Decision(s)

- 5.1 There is currently a licence for an ice cream concession in Wyndham Park which has been in place for a period of 3 years from 31st March 2023. This is due to terminate on 30th March 2026 and as such the Council advertised the ice cream concession opportunity to potential suppliers in the summer of 2025.
- 5.2 A total of 5 interested parties expressed their interest in the opportunity however only 1 application for the concession was received, which was from Franco's Ices Grantham Ltd.
- 5.3 The current concession in Wyndham Park has proven to be popular with visitors to the park over the last 3 years and generates an income for the park. The new concession arrangement will also expand into Queen Elizabeth Park and continue to provide the Council with an income for both parks.
- 5.4 Legal Services Lincolnshire have reviewed the concession documentation and will be acting on behalf of the Council in granting this licence.

Signed by: Richard Wyles
