

The Roads (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act (Northern Ireland) 2010
The Roads Traffic Regulation (Northern Ireland) 1997 Order

Application for Holding a Special Event on a Public Road
Applications must be made a minimum of 12 weeks before the event.

(Please read the guidance notes before completing this form in block capitals)

Applicant Details

Name of applicant: **The National Trust,**

Name of contact (if different from above): **Sarah Sharp,**

Role of applicant and/or contact: **Visitor Experience Manager – NT Castle Ward,**

Confirm you have authority to act on behalf of the company/club/society **YES/NO**

Address of applicant and/or contact: **The National Trust, Castle Ward Estate, Strangford,
Downpatrick, Co. Down**

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Event Details

Name of event: **Winterfell Festival 2018,**

Purpose and nature of event: **A one day ticketed family festival which is an opportunity to step into the world of the Stark family at Castle Ward, the filming location for Winterfell in the Game of Thrones series. It is a National Trust event which is not sponsored, endorsed or affiliated with HBO or Game of Thrones.**

Fee: Large Event - £600.00 Small Event - £400.00 Voluntary / Charitable /
Not for Profit Organisation
(advertising costs only)

Name of road(s) on which event is to be held: **Castle Ward Demesne, Park Road, Strangford**

Roads to be closed: **Castle Ward Demesne, Park Road, Strangford**

Date(s) of the event: **16th September 2018,**

Time of event: **from 11am until 5 pm**

Roads to be restricted in use: **Audleystown Road, Audleystown Road from its junction with Downpatrick Avenue (Castle Ward Demesne)**

Type of restriction (full road closure/lane restriction(s)/ prohibition of certain types of vehicles/footway closure etc): **Closed except for residents,**

Date(s) of the restriction: **16th September 2018,**

Time of restriction: **from 8am until 6pm**

Have you enclosed your signing schedule and list? YES/NO

Have you enclosed your insurance? YES/NO

Has this event been held previously? YES/NO

If yes, are the arrangements applied for amended in any way? YES/NO

Please give details:

In the past the point of road closure was located at the Audleystown Road junction with the A25 Strangford Road. It is now proposed that the point of closure will be located approximately 450m along the Audleystown Road, away from the A25 junction, at the National Trust's back entrance on Downpatrick Avenue. This is in the interests of traffic safety,

Please provide details of any structures or other equipment that you plan to erect or place on the public road:

- 1. Park Road – No structures are planned on the carriageway but the roadway will be used for walking tours and re-enactments.**
- 2. Audleystown Road – No structures are planned on this carriageway.**
- 3. Downpatrick Avenue – No structures are planned on this carriageway.**

Please give details of any businesses, including bus services and residents which may be affected by the event and provide confirmation that you have contacted them:

The road closure is requested for the benefit of the residents living along Audleystown Road, to prevent non-ticket holders from accessing the estate during the time of the event, and to ensure the carriageway is clear in the event of an emergency evacuation.

The Audleystown Road is an unclassified 3.3km-long cul-de-sac branching to the north from the A25 Downpatrick – Strangford Road. At its western end it gives access to St.Tassach’s Church, and to the Downpatrick Avenue driveway into Castleward estate which is owned and managed by the National Trust. For most of its length the road skirts the northern boundary of Castleward, before turning south, then west to the farmyard entrance to the estate. Audleystown Road leads to Park Road, which is a cul-de-sac and at its eastward extremity it gives access to Audleys Castle, Green Row [part of Castleward] and to the Strangford Sailing Club premises.

It is also the sole access route to around 26 private residences and farms, and to farmland.

A short section of the road at its western end, is two-lane. The remainder is single-track and of variable width, such that in some places two cars may just pass slowly and with care, whilst in others this is impossible. Here use must be made of gateways, driveways etc to allow passage.

Due to the nature of the road and the limited access for 2 way vehicle traffic congestion is likely to occur along it if vehicles are trying to access the demesne without tickets for the event and cause further annoyance for the residents along the roadway.

In the past residents of Audleystown Road have requested that the road is closed for events such as this one. A full consultation has yet to take place; however the local South Down MLA Colin McGrath, has met with the National Trust’s general manager at Castle Ward, Jacqueline Baird, to begin that process. Consultations and arrangements are planned, to ensure residents are provided with valid passes to allow them to cross the road closure point.

There are no bus services along Audleystown Road. The road forms part of the original Ulster Way and Lecale Way walking routes, as well as Cycle Route 99.

Please give any more detail which you feel you need to add: **1) Signage for the road closures will be undertaken by a Chapter 8 accredited contractor. The road closure at the Audleystown Road/Dowpatrick Avenue will be manned for its duration by Chapter 8 accredited staff from the traffic management contractor.**

2) Further details can be found in the attached signage schedule drawing and the Traffic Management Plan attached.

I confirm that we have read and understand the standard conditions that accompanied this application form, and understand that the Council may apply any or all of the conditions as it feels necessary.

Signature of application



Date of application

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Standard Terms and Conditions

The Applicant may be requested to:

1. provide evidence that they will indemnify the council/Department, its officers, servants and agents from all liabilities, costs and expenses in respect of any claim or demand from any person or persons in respect of any damage, loss, accident, injury, mishap or occurrence of any description fatal or otherwise arising out of or in any way connected with the exercise of this authorisation or by reason of anything done by the applicant in holding the special event and for this purpose shall maintain adequate insurance (namely public liability cover of £10,000,000 for any incident, number of incidents unlimited) to the satisfaction of the council/Department and shall produce for inspection the relevant policy or policies of insurance together with the receipt for the current premiums if so required by the council/Department;
2. Obtain all necessary consents and technical approvals/safety certificates for any structure erected for the special event;
3. pay all costs of making good any damage to the highway/street furniture for reasons of making the Order including damage to any alternative route for diverted traffic;
4. provide a map detailing the road to be closed and a signing schedule for the site and diversionary route;
5. provide, erect, maintain and promptly remove all safety measures, including all lighting, signs and barriers etc required to protect the public and property at the