

14 September 2015

Agenda Item: 9b

**REPORT OF SERVICE DIRECTOR TRANSPORT, PROPERTY &
ENVIRONMENT**

**BESTWOOD COUNTRY PARK – PROPOSED LEASE OF MULTI USE
SPORTS AREA (MUSA)**

Purpose of the Report

1. To seek approval to a 25 year lease of 300 square metres at Bestwood Country Park to Bestwood St Albans Parish Council for the siting and use of multi-use sports equipment.

Information and Advice

2. This report contains an exempt appendix, which is not for publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) (Information relating to any individual and the business affairs of a particular person (including the authority holding that information)). The exempt appendix provides details of the terms agreed. Disclosure of this information would prejudice the parties' commercial interests.
3. The Parish Council wish to lease an area of land for a term of 25yrs in order to construct a Multi-use Sports Area on County Council owned land at Bestwood Country Park. The Parish Council is receiving a grant from the Authority's Supporting Local Communities Fund towards the cost of the equipment which will be available for community use. The agreed terms for the lease are contained in the exempt appendix.

Other Options Considered

4. Rejection of the proposal. This would be contrary to the Authority's Arts & Sports Development Strategy.

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

5. To assist in the delivery of a Multi-Use Sports Area for public access. The proposal accords with the Authority's Arts & Sports Development Strategy.

Statutory and Policy Implications

6. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (Public Health only), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults, service users, sustainability and the environment and ways of working and

where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

RECOMMENDATION/S

- 1) That approval is given to the grant of a 25 year lease of 300 square metres at Bestwood Country Park to Bestwood St Albans Parish Council for the siting and use of multi-use sports equipment on the terms outlined in the exempt appendix.

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Constitutional Comments (CEH 12.08.15)

7. The recommendation falls within the remit of the Finance and Property Committee under its terms of reference.

Financial Comments (TR 24.08.15)

8. The financial implications are set out in the exempt appendix to the report.

Background Papers and Published Documents

9. None.

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

10. Ward(s): Newstead
Member(s): Councillor Chris Barnfather

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Properties affected: 03148 - Bestwood Country Park