

9 May 2024

REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR FOR GREEN GROWTH, INVESTMENT AND ASSETS

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH NOTTINGHAM FOREST FOOTBALL CLUB LIMITED

Purpose of the Report

1. To approve a non-binding Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Nottingham Forest Football Club Limited (**see Appendix 1**).

Information

2. The Full Council meeting of 21 March 2024 agreed the following resolution:

This council resolves to continue exploring options with stakeholders at Nottingham Forest Football Club and others to try to secure the future of the club. This may include whether there are any potentially suitable County Council sites which may be marketed for disposal in future.

3. In order to progress that work, a non-binding MOU has been developed for the Cabinet Member's approval.

Other Options Considered

4. If the Council did not sign the MOU, its support for and relationship with the club would not be recognised in such a positive manner and opportunities for collaboration could be missed.

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

5. The recommendation in this report is to enable the Council to confirm its continued desire to support the activities of the club which is an important partner organisation.

Statutory and Policy Implications

6. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, data protection and information governance, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (public health services), the public sector equality duty,

safeguarding of children and adults at risk, service users, smarter working, sustainability and the environment and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

Financial Implications

7. There is no direct financial implication from this proposal.

RECOMMENDATION

1) To approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Nottingham Forest Football Club Limited as outlined in the report.

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Constitutional Comments (CM 07/05/2024)

8. The recommendations fall within the remit of the Cabinet Member - Economic Development and Asset Management through that cabinet member's terms of reference.

Financial Comments (PAA 03/05/2024)

9. There are no specific financial implications arising directly from this report.

Background Papers and Published Documents

Full Council agenda – 21 March 2024 and minutes of that meeting.

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

Rushcliffe: West Bridgford North – Councillor Penny Gowland