

LEISURE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

14 MARCH 2017

Present: S Easom, Chair

Councillors: J S Briggs
S J Carr
R H Darby
D A Elliott
R I Jackson
L A Lally
J M Owen
P J Owen
M E Plackett
C H Rice

An apology for absence was received from Councillor C H Rice.

43. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 31 January 2017 were confirmed and signed.

44. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

45. PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT – REVIEW OF BUSINESS PLAN PROGRESS – ENVIRONMENT

The Committee noted a report on the progress against outcome targets identified in the Environment Business Plan, Corporate Plan priorities and objectives for the Environment. The Committee queried the cost involvement in relation to the Green Flag sites located in the Broxtowe area. It was reported that being part of the Green Flag programme cost the Council a £200 annual subscription with minimal staff costs associated with the scheme. The Committee requested that a review of the Green Flag scheme be placed on the work programme for further consideration.

46. PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT – REVIEW OF BUSINESS PLAN PROGRESS – LIBERTY LEISURE

The Committee noted a report on the progress against outcome targets identified in the Liberty Leisure Business Plan that provides continuity of projects and performance from the existing Council run Leisure and Cultural

Services through to the formation of Liberty Leisure. It noted that the power unit within Bramcote Leisure Centre had been refurbished allowing for extended usage. It was highlighted that the 0% attributed to this target was in fact 100%.

47. BROXTOWE PARKS STANDARD

Members received an update on the outcome of the site assessments relating to the Broxtowe Parks Standard. The Corporate Plan 2016-2020 has, as one of its priorities, to protect and enhance the environment for future generations. One of the targets associated with this priority was that 100% of parks and open spaces will achieve the Broxtowe Parks Standard. The Committee were informed that Redbridge Drive Open Space, Nuthall, and Central Avenue, Stapleford failed the assessment.

48. SMITHURST ROAD PLAY AREA SECTION 106 FUNDING

The Committee received a report on the Open Spaces Section 106 funding paid by the developer at the Smithurst Road housing development at Giltbrook. The Section 106 for this site required the developer to pay the Council £36,500 to be used for the upgrading of the Council's play area adjacent to the site. Work commenced on the construction of 91 houses and funding was received that would be used to provide additional equipment for a full range of ages from under five to early teens.

RESOLVED that a supplementary capital estimate of £36,500, funded from the Section 106 payment, for the refurbishment of the play area at Smithurst Road, Giltbrook be approved.

49. BROADGATE PARK PLAY AREA

The Committee were informed of additional funding for work at Broadgate Park, Beeston. As the Council's modernisation partner, United Living's commitment to fund community and leisure projects in the Borough, £8,000 has been provided towards refurbishment of the play area at Broadgate Park in Beeston.

RESOLVED that a supplementary capital estimate of £8,000 for play area improvements at Broadgate Park in Beeston be approved.

50. GROWTH POINT FUNDING – WETLAND LANDSCAPES FOR ALL

The Committee were advised of the success in securing funding for work at Brinsley Headstocks, Hall om Wong Open Space, Kimberley and Toton Fields Open Space Local Nature Reserves. In partnership with the Nottingham Wildlife Trust three applications were submitted to the 6C's New Growth Point Partnership under the title Wetland Landscapes for All. The Council was

advised that all three bids were successful with £11,000 allocated to Hall om Wong, £13,000 allocated to Toton Fields and £4,000 allocated to Brinsley Headstocks.

RESOLVED that supplementary capital estimates of £13,000 for works at Toton Fields, £11,000 for works at Hall om Wong and £4,000 for works at Brinsley Headstocks be approved.

51. WORK PROGRAMME

RESOLVED that the work programme be approved.

52. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED that, under Section 100A of the Local Government Act, 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

53. CONTRACT FOR WEED CONTROL SERVICES

RESOLVED to award the contract for 'weed control Services' to Munro Weed Control.

54. AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE SUPPLY OF AGENCY PERSONNEL

RESOLVED the contract awards for the 'Supply of Agency Personnel' as below:

**Lots 1 – 4 = Thorn Baker, Gi Group Recruitment and JT Recruit
Lot 5 = Brook Street, Harper Recruitment and Express Recruitment.**