

Minutes of a meeting of the Regulatory and Appeals Committee (Sitting as Trustees) held Remotely on Thursday, 11 March 2021

Commenced 2.30 pm
Concluded 2.50 pm

Present – Councillors

LABOUR	CONSERVATIVE	LIBERAL DEMOCRAT AND INDEPENDENT GROUP
Warburton Wainwright Amran Kamran Hussain	Ali Pennington	Reid

Councillor Warburton in the Chair

60. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

No disclosures of interest in matters under consideration were received.

61. INSPECTION OF REPORTS AND BACKGROUND PAPERS

There were no appeals submitted by the public to review decisions to restrict documents.

62. MEMBERSHIP OF SUB-COMMITTEES

There we no membership changes.

63. ROYD HOUSE TRUST - WILSDEN PARK

The Strategic Director, Place presented a report (**Document “BC”**) which asked the Committee to consider the grant of a Service Level Agreement passing the responsibility for the maintenance and management of land held within the Royd House Trust known as Wilsden Park to Wilsden Parish Council.

Resolved –

That the Trustees of Royd House Trust approve the grant of a Service Level Agreement to Wilsden Parish Council transferring the responsibility for the management and maintenance of the recreation ground.

ACTION: Strategic Director, Corporate Resources

64. FIRTH LANE PLAYING FIELD, WILSDEN ALSO KNOWN AS WILSDEN RECREATION GROUND

The Strategic Director, Corporate Resources presented a report (**Document “BD”**) which asked the Committee to consider the grant of a Service Level Agreement passing the responsibility for the management and maintenance of the recreation ground to Wilsden Parish Council.

Both the above matters were considered together in a joint presentation, and the Senior Surveyor Estates and Property explained that the reports were requesting the approval of a Service Level Agreement for both sites, which would allow the management and maintenance responsibility of the two sites to be passed onto Wilsden Parish Council. Wilsden Parish Council had requested this change and the Neighbourhood Service were happy for it to proceed.

It was also proposed that other sites would be included in the future, these however were not part of the charitable trust, and did not form part of these proposals.

The commuted sum would be £10k per annum to be paid to Wilsden Parish Council. The Service Level agreement would not change the role of the Trustees and this was in no way related to the disposal of land, but merely to the maintenance and management issues affecting the two sites. Any future status or disposal would require a different course of action. The details of the SLA were set out in the report.

The Chair of Wilsden Parish Council was present at the meeting and in welcoming the proposals stated that Wilsden Parish Council had proposed this course of action which would ensure better maintenance, in the context of concerns raised in relation to the park and recreation field, particularly for the maintenance of green spaces. An asset transfer was also being looked, however it was acknowledged that this would require a separate, more complicated legal process.

The Chair acknowledged the points made by the Parish Councillor and welcomed the commitment of the Parish Council, and it was therefore:

Resolved –

That the Trustees of the Firth Lane Recreation Ground approve the grant of a Service Level Agreement to Wilsden Parish Council making them responsible for the management and maintenance of the recreation ground.

ACTION: Strategic Director, Corporate Resources

Chair

Note: These minutes are subject to approval as a correct record at the next meeting of the Regulatory and Appeals Committee.

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