

Jacqui Sinnott-Lacey Chief Operating Officer 52 Derby Street Ormskirk West Lancashire L39 2DF

Monday, 3 January 2023

TO: COUNCILLORS D WESTLEY, C COUGHLAN, R BAILEY, Y GAGEN AND A OWENS

Dear Councillor,

A meeting of the LEISURE PROCUREMENT COMMITTEE will be held in the CABINET/COMMITTEE ROOM, 52 DERBY STREET, ORMSKIRK L39 2DF on WEDNESDAY, 11 JANUARY 2023 at 7.00 PM at which your attendance is requested.

Yours faithfully

Jacqui Sinnott-Lacey Chief Operating Officer

AGENDA (Open to the Public)

1. APOLOGIES

2. MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE

To be apprise of any changes to the membership of the Committee in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4.

3. URGENT BUSINESS

Note, no other business is permitted unless, by reason of special circumstances, which shall be specified at the meeting, the Chairman is of the opinion that the item(s) should be considered as a matter of urgency.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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If a Member requires advice on Declarations of Interest, he/she is advised to contact the Legal and Democratic Services Manager in advance of the meeting. (For the assistance of members, a checklist for use in considering their position on any particular item is included at the end of this agenda sheet).

5. **MINUTES** 99 - 102

To receive as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 2 November 2022

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

7. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

It is recommended that members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act and as, in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption under Schedule 12A outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

8. UPDATE ON BEACON PARK

To receive an update from the Interim Head of Wellbeing & Place.

9. UPDATE ON NEW FACILITIES PROJECT

To receive an update from Alliance Leisure.

10. OPTIONS FOR OPERATING AND MAINTAINING EXISTING LEISURE FACILITIES IN ORMSKIRK, SKELMERSDALE AND BURSCOUGH.

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To consider the report of the Corporate Director of Place & Community

We can provide this document, upon request, on audiotape, in large print, in Braille and in other languages.

FIRE EVACUATION PROCEDURE: Please see attached sheet.

MOBILE PHONES: These should be switched off or to 'silent' at all meetings.

For further information, please contact:-Kirsty Breakell on 01695 583312 Or email Kirsty.Breakell@westlancs.gov.uk

FIRE EVACUATION PROCEDURE FOR: COUNCIL MEETINGS WHERE OFFICERS ARE PRESENT (52 DERBY STREET, ORMSKIRK)

PERSON IN CHARGE: Most Senior Officer Present

ZONE WARDEN: Member Services Officer / Lawyer

DOOR WARDEN(S) Usher / Caretaker

IF YOU DISCOVER A FIRE

1. Operate the nearest **FIRE CALL POINT** by breaking the glass.

2. Attack the fire with the extinguishers provided only if you have been trained and it is safe to do so. **Do not** take risks.

ON HEARING THE FIRE ALARM

- 1. Leave the building via the **NEAREST SAFE EXIT. Do not stop** to collect personal belongings.
- 2. Proceed to the **ASSEMBLY POINT** on the car park and report your presence to the **PERSON IN CHARGE.**
- 3. **Do NOT** return to the premises until authorised to do so by the PERSON IN **CHARGE.**

NOTES:

Officers are required to direct all visitors regarding these procedures i.e. exit routes and place of assembly.

The only persons not required to report to the Assembly Point are the Door Wardens.

CHECKLIST FOR PERSON IN CHARGE

- 1. Advise other interested parties present that you are the person in charge in the event of an evacuation.
- 2. Make yourself familiar with the location of the fire escape routes and informed any interested parties of the escape routes.
- 3. Make yourself familiar with the location of the assembly point and informed any interested parties of that location.
- 4. Make yourself familiar with the location of the fire alarm and detection control panel.
- 5. Ensure that the zone warden and door wardens are aware of their roles and responsibilities.
- 6. Arrange for a register of attendance to be completed (if considered appropriate / practicable).

IN THE EVENT OF A FIRE, OR THE FIRE ALARM BEING SOUNDED

- 1. Ensure that the room in which the meeting is being held is cleared of all persons.
- 2. Evacuate via the nearest safe Fire Exit and proceed to the **ASSEMBLY POINT** in the car park.
- 3. Delegate a person at the **ASSEMBLY POINT** who will proceed to **HOME CARE LINK** in order to ensure that a back-up call is made to the **FIRE BRIGADE**.
- 4. Delegate another person to ensure that **DOOR WARDENS** have been posted outside the relevant Fire Exit Doors.

- 5. Ensure that the **ZONE WARDEN** has reported to you on the results of his checks, **i.e.** that the rooms in use have been cleared of all persons.
- 6. If an Attendance Register has been taken, take a **ROLL CALL**.
- 7. Report the results of these checks to the Fire and Rescue Service on arrival and inform them of the location of the **FIRE ALARM CONTROL PANEL**.
- 8. Authorise return to the building only when it is cleared to do so by the **FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE OFFICER IN CHARGE**. Inform the **DOOR WARDENS** to allow re-entry to the building.

NOTE:

The Fire Alarm system will automatically call the Fire Brigade. The purpose of the 999 back-up call is to meet a requirement of the Fire Precautions Act to supplement the automatic call.

CHECKLIST FOR ZONE WARDEN

- 1. Carry out a physical check of the rooms being used for the meeting, including adjacent toilets, kitchen.
- 2. Ensure that **ALL PERSONS**, both officers and members of the public are made aware of the **FIRE ALERT**.
- 3. Ensure that ALL PERSONS evacuate IMMEDIATELY, in accordance with the FIRE EVACUATION PROCEDURE.
- 4. Proceed to the **ASSEMBLY POINT** and report to the **PERSON IN CHARGE** that the rooms within your control have been cleared.
- 5. Assist the **PERSON IN CHARGE** to discharge their duties.

It is desirable that the **ZONE WARDEN** should be an **OFFICER** who is normally based in this building and is familiar with the layout of the rooms to be checked.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR DOOR WARDENS

- 1. Stand outside the **FIRE EXIT DOOR(S)**
- 2. Keep the **FIRE EXIT DOOR SHUT.**
- 3. Ensure that **NO PERSON**, whether staff or public enters the building until **YOU** are told by the **PERSON IN CHARGE** that it is safe to do so.
- 4. If anyone attempts to enter the premises, report this to the **PERSON IN CHARGE.**
- 5. Do not leave the door **UNATTENDED.**

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MEMBERS INTERESTS 2012

A Member with a disclosable pecuniary interest in any matter considered at a meeting must disclose the interest to the meeting at which they are present, except where it has been entered on the Register.

A Member with a non pecuniary or pecuniary interest in any business of the Council must disclose the existence and nature of that interest at commencement of consideration or when the interest becomes apparent.

Where sensitive information relating to an interest is not registered in the register, you must indicate that you have an interest, but need not disclose the sensitive information.

Please tick relevant boxes Notes

	General					
1.	I have a disclosable pecuniary interest.	You cannot speak or vote and must withdraw unless you have also ticked 5 below				
2.	I have a non-pecuniary interest.	You may speak and vote				
3.	I have a pecuniary interest because					
	it affects my financial position or the financial position of a connected person or, a body described in 10.1(1)(i) and (ii) and the interest is one which a member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts, would reasonably regard as so significant that it is likely to prejudice my judgement of the public interest	You cannot speak or vote and must withdraw unless you have also ticked 5 or 6 below				
	or					
	it relates to the determining of any approval consent, licence, permission or registration in relation to me or a connected person or, a body described in 10.1(1)(i) and (ii) and the interest is one which a member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts, would reasonably regard as so significant that it is likely to prejudice my judgement of the public interest	You cannot speak or vote and must withdraw unless you have also ticked 5 or 6 below				
4.	I have a disclosable pecuniary interest (Dispensation 20/09/16) or a pecuniary interest but it relates to the functions of my Council in respect of:					
(i)	Housing where I am a tenant of the Council, and those functions do not relate particularly to my tenancy or lease.	You may speak and vote				
(ii)	school meals, or school transport and travelling expenses where I am a parent or guardian of a child in full time education, or are a parent governor of a school, and it does not relate particularly to the school which the child attends.	You may speak and vote				
(iii)	Statutory sick pay where I am in receipt or entitled to receipt of such pay.	You may speak and vote				
(iv)	An allowance, payment or indemnity given to Members	You may speak and vote				
(v)	Any ceremonial honour given to Members	You may speak and vote				
(vi)	Setting Council tax or a precept under the LGFA 1992	You may speak and vote				
5.	A Standards Committee dispensation applies (relevant lines in the budget – Dispensation 15/09/20 – 14/09/24)	See the terms of the dispensation				
6.	I have a pecuniary interest in the business but I can attend to make representations, answer questions or give evidence as the public are also allowed to attend the meeting for the same purpose	You may speak but must leave the room once you have finished and cannot vote				

'disclosable pecuniary interest' (DPI) means an interest of a description specified below which is your interest, your spouse's or civil partner's or the interest of somebody who you are living with as a husband or wife, or as if you were civil partners and you are aware that that other person has the interest.

Interest

Prescribed description

Employment, office, trade, profession or vocation

Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.

Sponsorship

Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the relevant authority) made or provided within the relevant period in respect of any expenses incurred by M in carrying out duties as a member, or towards the election expenses of M.

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This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning

of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

Contracts Any contract which is made between the relevant person (or a body in which the

relevant person has a beneficial interest) and the relevant authority-

(a) under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and

(b) which has not been fully discharged.

Land Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of the relevant authority.

Licences Any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of the relevant

authority for a month or longer.

Corporate tenancies Any tenancy where (to M's knowledge)—

(a) the landlord is the relevant authority; and

(b) the tenant is a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest.

Securities Any beneficial interest in securities of a body where—

(a) that body (to M's knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of the relevant authority; and

(b) either-

(i) the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or

(ii) if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

"body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest" means a firm in which the relevant person is a partner or a body corporate of which the relevant person is a director, or in the securities of which the relevant person has a beneficial interest; "director" includes a member of the committee of management of an industrial and provident society:

"land" excludes an easement, servitude, interest or right in or over land which does not carry with it a right for the relevant person (alone or jointly with another) to occupy the land or to receive income; "M" means a member of a relevant authority;

"member" includes a co-opted member; "relevant authority" means the authority of which M is a member;

"relevant period" means the period of 12 months ending with the day on which M gives notice to the Monitoring Officer of a DPI; "relevant person" means M or M's spouse or civil partner, a person with whom M is living as husband or wife or a person with whom M is living as if they were civil partners;

"securities" means shares, debentures, debenture stock, loan stock, bonds, units of a collective investment scheme within the meaning of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and other securities of any description, other than money deposited with a building society.

'non pecuniary interest' means interests falling within the following descriptions:

- 10.1(1)(i) Any body of which you are a member or in a position of general control or management and to which you are appointed or nominated by your authority;
 - (ii) Any body (a) exercising functions of a public nature; (b) directed to charitable purposes; or (c) one of whose principal purposes includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union), of which you are a member or in a position of general control or management;
 - (iii) Any easement, servitude, interest or right in or over land which does not carry with it a right for you (alone or jointly with another) to occupy the land or to receive income.
- 10.2(2) A decision in relation to that business might reasonably be regarded as affecting your well-being or financial position or the well-being or financial position of a connected person to a greater extent than the majority of other council tax payers, ratepayers or inhabitants of the ward, as the case may be, affected by the decision.

'a connected person' means

- (a) a member of your family or any person with whom you have a close association, or
- (b) any person or body who employs or has appointed such persons, any firm in which they are a partner, or any company of which they are directors;
- (c) any person or body in whom such persons have a beneficial interest in a class of securities exceeding the nominal value of £25,000; or
- (d) any body of a type described in sub-paragraph 10.1(1)(i) or (ii).

'body exercising functions of a public nature' means

Regional and local development agencies, other government agencies, other Councils, public health bodies, council-owned companies exercising public functions, arms length management organisations carrying out housing functions on behalf of your authority, school governing bodies.

A Member with a personal interest who has made an executive decision in relation to that matter must ensure any written statement of that decision records the existence and nature of that interest.

NB Section 21(13) of the LGA 2000 overrides any Code provisions to oblige an executive member to attend an overview and scrutiny meeting to answer questions.

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LEISURE PROCUREMENT COMMITTEE HELD: Wednesday, 2 November 2022

Start: 7.00 p.m. Finish: 8.28 p.m.

PRESENT:

Councillor: D Westley (Chairman)

C Coughlan (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors: Y Gagen A Owens

J Howard

In Attendance: J Foley, Alliance Leisure

P Curtis, Hadron Consulting

Officers: Simon Kirby, Head of Wellbeing and Leisure Services

Tom Dickinson, Principal Solicitor

Rebecca Connick, Leisure Procurement Project Co-ordinator Jennifer Lunn, Senior Legal Executive/Assistant Solicitor

Jill Ryan, Principal Democratic Services Officer

1 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies for absence received.

2 MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE

In accordance with Regulatory Procedure Rule No.4, the Committee noted the termination of Councillor R Bailey and the appointment of Councillor J Howard for this meeting only, thereby giving effect to the wishes of the Political Groups.

3 URGENT BUSINESS

There were no items of urgent business received.

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

5 TERMS OF REFERENCE

RESOLVED: That Council approves the following Terms of Reference of the

Committee:

Functions

(a) To consider the opportunities available for the procurement of a new partnership arrangement for the provision of leisure services, which would include significant capital investment for built sports provision, as outline in

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the Key Action Plan of the Council's Leisure Strategy.

(b) To report recommendations to Cabinet (and Council when required).

Delegations

None. The Committee will be consulted on reports prior to being submitted to Cabinet. As such, these reports will not be routinely submitted to Executive Overview & Scrutiny Committee, unless a specific request is made.

6 UPDATE OF NEW FACILITY BUILDS

The Head of Wellbeing and Leisure introduced James Foley from Alliance Leisure and Peter Curtis from Hadron Consulting who gave a joint presentation on the new facility builds in Ormskirk and Skelmersdale.

The presentation outlined the progress made on both schemes and an opportunity was given to members of the Committee to ask questions.

Comments and questions were raised in respect of the following:-

- The financial information received, and the important fact that the projects would be driven by affordability.
- The use of Levelling up Fund monies.
- It was felt that consultation was important which would give people renewed faith that the development is ongoing.
- The Youth Zone in Skelmersdale and the possibility of one in the Ormskirk build.
- The progress made on the new builds was welcomed and Members were pleased with progress made.
- The effect that rising energy costs could have on the affordability of heating swimming pools. It was felt that this was an important factor.
- Delivering not just aesthetical buildings but environmentally friendly buildings was important.
- The layout and design of the two new Leisure Centres was welcomed.
- Burscough Sports Centre, more details were requested on this scheme, and it was reported that Members would be receiving a more detailed update on the Burscough Sports Centre in the future.

RESOLVED: A. That the contents of the presentation be noted.

B. That James Foley from Alliance Leisure and Peter Curtis from Hadron Consulting be thanked for their informative presentation.

(Note: James Foley and Peter Curtis left the meeting at this point and were not present for the remainder of the meeting).

7 UPDATE ON SPORT AND LEISURE MANAGEMENT TENDER

The Head of Wellbeing and Place gave an update to the Committee on the sport and leisure management tender.

He informed the Committee that a report would be brought back to the next meeting of this Committee.

RESOLVED: That the update be noted,

8 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED: That the date of the next meeting would be the 29 November 2022 as scheduled.

9 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of that Act and as, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption under Schedule 12A outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

10 BEACON GOLF COURSE AND PARK

The Head of Wellbeing and Place introduced his report the purpose of which was to consider a report from external consultants in relation to the future of the Beacon Golf Course. Consideration was also to be given to the options and cost implications in respect of the future operation of the golf course and associated buildings.

Comments and questions were raised in respect of the following:

- In relation to the ground's maintenance of the site if the golf course was to close and the costs involved.
- Looking at the bigger picture if the golf club closed, opening up the area to attract more people.
- More involvement of the Rangers, holding workshops to attract more visitors to the Beacon
- Improvement of the existing Club House, how this could be developed
- Aiming to deliver a financially viable establishment
- Enhancement to Beacon Park including the access road to the site this was felt to be in desperate need of improvement
- Toilets on site were deemed to be inadequate and improvements needed.

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- The use of football pitches in the area, so many unabandoned pitches already in the Borough, Burscough Dynamo ran facilities for us which was successful bearing in mind issues already ongoing with pitches at Blaguegate.
- Use of wildflower patches to enhance the area.
- Financial implications were not felt to be very clear, and more information needed in the report.
- Planning considerations to be taken into account, relevant planning application being submitted.
- Possibility of animals up at the Beacon and an Eco School using the site.
- Energy issues and solar farms.

RESOLVED: That the following agreed comments of the Leisure Procurement Committee be submitted to Cabinet:-

- Improvements to the access road and toilets will be undertaken in due course.
- That Option F as outlined in the report at paragraph 7.1.6 on page 8 of the report was agreed as the best option to take forward subject to more financial information being available.

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