

Folkestone Parks and Pleasure Grounds Charity

Held at: Council Chamber, Civic Centre

Date: Wednesday, 26 July 2023

Present: Councillors Mike Blakemore, Polly Blakemore,
Gary Fuller, *Rich Holgate, Jim Martin, Tim Prater,
Rebecca Shoob and Jeremy Speakman

Apologies for Absence: None.

Officers Present: Andy Blaszkowicz (Director of Housing and Operations),
Lydia Morrison (Interim S151 Officer), Susan Priest (Chief
Executive) and Jemma West (Democratic Services Senior
Specialist)

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1. **Declarations of interest**

There were no declarations of interest at the meeting.

2. **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 20 April 2023 were agreed as a true record.

3. **Folkestone Parks and Pleasure Grounds - Update Report**

The report provided the Board with an update in relation to all those decisions taken by the Director of Housing & Operations, since January 2023, under his delegated authority to deal with charity assets. This report also covers other matters relating to charity land and proposes that Samuel Aligbe, Chief Officer – Corporate Estate and Development, is given the delegated authority to deal with charity assets.

Proposed by Councillor Prater,
Seconded by Councillor J Martin; and

RESOLVED:

- 1. That report number FPPG/23/01 be received and noted.**
- 2. That Samuel Aligbe, Chief Officer – Corporate Estate and Development, be given delegated authority to make decisions**

regarding charity assets on behalf of the charity. This will commence from 1 August 2023.

3. That the proposed new level of £30,000pa at which the officer with delegated authority to make decisions regarding charity assets, which are not politically sensitive, can operate.
4. That a Licence to Alter is granted to the tenant of the East Cliff Pavilion to consent to the alterations.

(Voting figures: 8 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions).

4. **East Cliff Consultation Findings Update**

The report provided an update on, and summary of the findings of the East Cliff Consultation report prepared by Lake Market Research following a public consultation carried out by the council between 5 July and 31 August 2022. The report considers possible next steps and the implications to the existing assets within the site boundary.

Proposed by Councillor Prater,
Seconded by Councillor M Blakemore; and

RESOLVED:

1. That report FPPG/23/02 be received and noted.
2. That the summary findings of the recent consultation be noted, and it be agreed that no further work be progressed to deliver those proposals.
3. To note the ongoing maintenance costs and obligations on the Charity as set out in section 7 of the report.
4. That officers continue to explore all available funding sources to support any future project and maintenance of the existing facilities.
5. That any future improvement works will be subject to a further public consultation and a report to the Charity.

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