

## **EXECUTIVE CABINET MEMBER FOR CULTURE AND SPORT**

A record of decisions made by the Executive Cabinet Member with responsibility for Sports, Tourism, Libraries, Museums and Cultural Services and Strategies :-

**MONDAY, 11<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2019**

Following consideration of the matters detailed below in the presence of:-

Councillor J. Byrne	Executive Cabinet Member for Culture and Sport
Councillor P. Wild	Major Opposition Spokesperson
Councillor Wilkinson	Minor Opposition Spokesperson
Councillor Sanders	Minor Opposition Spokesperson

### **Officers**

Mr. G. Brough	Director of Place
Ms. J. Pollard	Head of Strategic Finance and Accountancy
Ms. K. Hopkins	Assistant Director neighbourhood and Regulatory Services
Mr. M. Russell	Head of Service Neighbourhood Services
Mr. I. D. Mulholland	Principal Democratic Services Officer

## **15. MONITORING OF EXECUTIVE CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS**

The Borough Solicitor submitted a report which set out the details of previous Executive Cabinet Member decisions together with an update on the action and progress.

**The Executive Cabinet Member NOTED the report.**

## **16. THE 3G PITCHES PROGRAMME**

The Director of Place submitted a report which advised the Executive Cabinet Member of progress with the programme for the installation of 3G artificial grass pitches in the Borough and also sought approval to progress a third pitch at Kearsley Academy, Kearsley by means of grant funding.

The report sets out progress with the Council's investment in 3G Artificial Grass Pitches and proposals for a contribution of up to £700,000 towards a 3G pitch at Kearsley Academy, Kearsley, by means of a grant.

In 2016 £1.5M of Capital funding was agreed for the development of 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation (3G) Artificial Grass Pitches with a further £350k of corporate revenue approved in 2017.

Two new 3G pitches had been completed at Westhoughton High School/ Leisure Centre and Horwich Leisure Centre (Old Station Park).

£700,000 of the budget remained. It was proposed to use that to fund a 3G pitch at Kearsley Academy by means of a grant, subject to the application of the Council's Financial Strategy processes and steps to ensure that construction, future maintenance and community use are appropriately addressed.

### **The Executive Cabinet Member -**

**(i) Authorised the Director of Place, in consultation with the Director of Corporate Resources, the Borough Solicitor and the lead Executive Cabinet Member, to undertake all required steps to facilitate a grant of up to £700,000 to the Northern Education Trust for the provision of a 3G pitch at Kearsley Academy (including but not limited to the negotiation and completion of a Grant Funding Agreement) as detailed in this report.**

**(ii) Authorise the Borough Solicitor to carry out all necessary legal formalities.**

**17. DIRECTORATE OF PLACE – FINANCE REPORT  
2018/19 – QUARTER THREE**

The Director of Place and the Director of Corporate Resources submitted a joint report which provided the Executive Cabinet Member with information relating to the financial quarter three projected outturn position of the Culture and Sport portfolio, within the Directorate of Place.

**The Executive Cabinet Member –**

- (i) Noted the quarter three financial position of the Highways and Transport portfolio.**
- (ii) Approved revisions made to the capital programme for the Culture and Sport portfolio at quarter three, as set out in section 4 and appendix A of the report.**
- (iii) Authorise the Director of Place to call off under any available framework(s) to enable the capital programme to progress for schemes under the limit of £300,000.**