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| REPORT TO: | South Holland District Council – 26 July 2023 |
| DATE: | Wednesday, 26 July 2023 |
| SUBJECT: | Final Report of the Sir Halley Stewart Playing Field Task Group |
| PURPOSE: | To present the Final Report of the Sir Halley Stewart Playing Field Task Group |
| KEY DECISION: | No |
| PORTFOLIO HOLDER: | Portfolio Holder for Strategic Housing, Leisure Centre Delivery and Spalding Town Improvement |
| REPORT OF: | Sir Halley Stewart Playing Field Task Group |
| REPORT AUTHOR: | Christine Morgan, Rachel Rowett |
| WARD(S) AFFECTED: | Spalding wards |
| EXEMPT REPORT? | No |

SUMMARY

The Performance Monitoring Panel reconvened the Sir Halley Stewart Playing Field Task Group with a view to ascertaining the position with regard to the deeds of the Sir Halley Stewart Playing Field, what SHDC's responsibilities were, and how the requirements impacted on the use of the field by Spalding United; and to consider a way forward with regard to the required floodlighting upgrade for the pitch used by Spalding United. The work was undertaken and the Task Group's findings are included within this report. Full Council is asked to consider the findings and recommendations of the Task Group.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the recommendations of the Sir Halley Stewart Playing Field Task Group be considered.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

That if approved by Full Council, the report and its recommendations be taken on board to maximise opportunities at the Sir Halley Stewart Playing Field; and

That if agreed by the Council, progress be updated to the Performance Monitoring Panel.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

The Council may:

- Approve the Task Group's Final Report and recommendations; or
- Not approve the Task Group's Final Report and/or suggest that some or all of the recommendations be amended; or
- Do nothing.

1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1** The Performance Monitoring Panel reconvened the Sir Halley Stewart Playing Field Task Group on 29 November 2022. It commenced its work on 1 February 2023.
- 1.2** The scope of the Task Group was:
- To ascertain the position with regard to the deeds of the Sir Halley Stewart Playing Field, what SHDC's responsibilities are, and how the requirements impact on the use of the field by Spalding United;
 - To consider a way forward with regard to the required floodlighting upgrade for the pitch used by Spalding United.
- 1.3** The membership of the Task Group consisted of Councillors C J T H Brewis, P A Redgate, S C Walsh (Chairman) and D J Wilkinson.
- 1.4** At a meeting of the Performance Monitoring Panel on 4 July 2023, consideration was given to the Task Group's final report and recommendations. The final report is attached as Appendix A. The recommendations in Section 7 of the report were approved by the Panel for submission to the Council.

2. IMPLICATIONS

2.1 SOUTH AND EAST LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCILS PARTNERSHIP

2.1.1 None

2.2 CORPORATE PRIORITIES

2.2.1 The provision of a sports facility contributes to the Council's Corporate Priorities of:

- Your Place – Lead, enable and embed the provision of a range of improved local community, cultural, arts and newly contracted leisure facilities that support the enhanced wellbeing of South Holland's communities.
- Your Health & Wellbeing – Target our leisure facilities to provide a programme of activities to tackle obesity and inactivity in South Holland

2.3 STAFFING

2.3.1 None

2.4 CONSTITUTIONAL AND LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

2.4.1 Any use of Sir Halley Stewart Playing Field must comply with the terms of the 1951 Deeds.

2.5 DATA PROTECTION

2.5.1 None

2.6 FINANCIAL

2.6.1 None

2.7 RISK MANAGEMENT

2.7.1 None

2.8 STAKEHOLDER / CONSULTATION / TIMESCALES

2.8.1 The following were consulted as part of the Task Group's research:

- Cllr Gary Taylor as Portfolio Holder for Communities & Facilities
- Phil Perry, Assistant Director Leisure & Culture
- Andy Fisher, Assistant Director, General Fund Assets
- Steph Powell, Head of Football Development, Lincolnshire FA

2.9 REPUTATION

2.9.1 None

2.10 CONTRACTS

2.10.1 Any tenant would be subject to a fully ratified contract.

2.11 CRIME AND DISORDER

2.11.1 None

2.12 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY/ HUMAN RIGHTS/ SAFEGUARDING

2.12.1 None

2.13 HEALTH AND WELL BEING

2.13.1 Any investment or improvement of sports facilities that creates more opportunities for participation will contribute to improved outcomes for Health & Wellbeing.

2.14 CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

2.14.1 None

APPENDICES

Appendices are listed below and attached to the back of the report: -

APPENDIX A

Sir Halley Stewart Playing Field Task Group Final Report

BACKGROUND PAPERS

There are none.

CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY OF THIS REPORT

A report on this item was previously considered by the Performance Monitoring Panel at its meeting on 4 July 2023.

REPORT APPROVAL

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