

## **LEISURE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

**24 JANUARY 2018**

Present: Councillor S Easom, Chair

Councillors: J S Briggs  
M Brown (substitute)  
S J Carr  
E Cubley  
D A Elliott  
L A Lally  
J C Patrick (substitute)  
C H Rice

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors R H Darby, P J Owen and M Radulovic MBE.

### 34. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 7 December 2017 were confirmed and signed.

### 35. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

### 36. AIR QUALITY STATUS REPORT 2017

Members were advised of the Air Quality Status Report which had been submitted to the Department of Food Environment and Rural Affairs. The production of an annual status report was intended to aid local transparency and increase accessibility of air quality to the wider public. It was noted that the Nuthall Air Quality Management Area had now been revoked.

### 37. BROXTOWE PARKS STANDARD

The Committee was informed of the outcome of the consultation and site assessments relating to the Broxtowe Parks Standard. It had been identified that three sites had not achieved the standard. These were Millfield Road Open Space, Kimberley, Redbridge Drive Open Space, Nuthall and Hickings Lane Recreation Ground, Stapleford. These play areas were identified in the Play Strategy as a high priority for improvement.

38. LEYTON CRESCENT RECREATION GROUND – FUNDING AWARD

The Committee was advised of the Council's success in securing additional funding for work at the Leyton Crescent Recreation Ground play area in Beeston Rylands. In partnership with the Beeston Rylands Community Action Team, an application was submitted to the Nottinghamshire County Council Supporting Local Communities fund for a contribution towards work at this site and £16,000 was awarded. Using the £16,000 as match funding, a £50,000 bid was made in August 2017 to Waste Recycling Environmental (WREN). A condition of the £50,000 award from WREN was that the Council would be required to provide £5,312.87 as a contributing third party payment to WREN. United Living, the Council's housing modernisation partner, have agreed to provide the funding for this.

**RECOMMENDED to the Finance and Resources Committee that a supplementary capital estimate of £50,000 for the provision of new play equipment in the play area at Leyton Crescent Recreation Ground, Beeston Rylands be approved with funding provided by WREN.**

39. BUSINESS PLANS AND FINANCIAL ESTIMATES 2018/19 – 2020/21

The Committee considered the proposals for business plans, detailed revenue budget estimates for 2018/19, capital programme for 2018/19 to 2020/21 and proposed fees and charges for 2018/19.

Members raised concerns over the large variance in budgetary figures from the previous year. It was noted that the accounts recording system had been updated resulting in the movement of budgets to different areas. However, a member of the Council's Finance department was not available at the meeting to further explain the varying figures.

1. **RESOLVED that the attached Bereavement Services and Environment Business Plans be approved.**
2. **RECOMMENDED that the Finance and Resources Committee further consider the following and recommend to Council accordingly:**
  - a) **The detailed revenue budget estimates for 2018/19 (base) including any revenue development submissions.**
  - b) **The capital programme for 2018/19 to 2020/21.**
  - c) **The fees and charges for 2018/19.**

40. 2018 – 2021 LIBERTY LEISURE LIMITED BUSINESS PLAN

The Committee noted the Liberty Leisure Limited Business Plan, Performance Indicators, Targets and Priority Actions for 2018-2021. It was

noted that Liberty Leisure Limited approves its business plan through the Liberty Leisure Limited Board. As part of the management agreement, Liberty Leisure Limited submits an annual business plan to the Council at the start of each calendar year for the following financial year with projections for the subsequent two years.

41. WORK PROGRAMME

The Committee considered the work programme. The Committee requested that reports on Christmas Lights, Fly Tipping and Events Programme be added to the work programme.

**RESOLVED that the Work Programme, as amended, be approved.**

**Chair** \_\_\_\_\_