

LONDON BOROUGH OF BROMLEY

STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

The Portfolio Holder for Environment, Councillor Will Rowlands has made the following executive decision:

PARK BUILDINGS LEASE PROCESS AND GRANT PAYMENTS

Reference Report:

Park Buildings Lease Process and Grant Payments, 23/01/2024 Environment and Community Services Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee

Decision:

The Environment Portfolio Holder made the following decisions with respect to the park buildings lease process and grant payments:

- 1) The Portfolio Holder approved the revised approach to leasing park pavilions and buildings as set out in the report, and specifically the processes set out for vacant pavilions and lease renewals.
- 2) The Portfolio Holder approved the review and standardisation of the grant agreements provided for leisure activities in parks and open spaces.
- 3) The Portfolio Holder agreed to delegate authority to the Director of Environment and Public Protection in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Environment, to agree and enter into revised grant agreements as appropriate.
- 4) The Portfolio Holder agreed to delegate authority to the Assistant Director for Legal Services to execute all relevant legal documentation ancillary thereto.
- 5) The Portfolio Holder approved the renewal of the grant to the Chislehurst Conservators for a term of five years, as further set out in the report.

Reasons:

Subsequent to the conclusion of the Operational Property Review, officers reviewed the arrangements in place for the occupation of park pavilions and buildings in the context of the Council's stated strategic objectives, as set out in the Operational Estate Strategy. As a result, it was recommended that a new approach to leasing parks pavilions and buildings should be adopted in line with the authorities already delegated to officers within the constitution and the adopted strategy. It was recommended that the grants paid to organisations which were connected to the use of buildings and or pitches in parks and open spaces should be reviewed with any grants standardised under a new agreement.

The proposed decision was scrutinised by the Environment and Community Services PDS Committee on 23rd January 2024 and the Committee supported the proposal.



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