

RECORD OF DECISION MADE UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

Any interest to declare/ or conflict and any dispensation granted [<i>if applicable</i>]	
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DIRECTORATE: *Place*

1. DECISION TAKEN

1.1 To approve an Ice Cream Concession at Howard Park & Gardens, Letchworth from the 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022 on behalf of Steve's Ices.

2. DECISION TAKER

2.1. Andrew Mills, Service Manager Greenspace

3. DATE DECISION TAKEN:

3.1 20th May 2021

4. REASON FOR DECISION

4.1 To support the organisers to provide a facility for the whole community on a regular basis within the grounds of Howard Park and Gardens. This concession is also generating income for the Council.

5. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

5.1 Steve's Ices have considered Howard Park & Gardens as the key location within Letchworth, as being located near the town centre and is very popular with visitors.

6. CONSULTATION (INCLUDING THE EFFECT ON STAKEHOLDERS, PARTNERS AND THE PUBLIC)

6.1 Consultation has been undertaken with colleagues in Environmental Health, Safety Advisory Group and the Park Ranger at Howard Park & Gardens, Letchworth

7. RELEVANT CONSIDERATIONS

7.1 Steve's Ices have approached NHDC for approval to use Howard Park & Gardens, Letchworth as their preferred location.

8. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

8.1 The authority has an obligation to ensure that the public open spaces it maintains are at a standard that are safe for everyone to use. Additionally the authority has an obligation to ensure that any environmentally sensitive environment is not damaged due to actions or intentions of others.

9. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

9.1 This concession was granted on the results of quotations received that was the most profitable for the Council.

10. RISK IMPLICATIONS

10.1 There are no risk implications. However, risk assessments have been considered to endeavour that this is a Covid 19 safe event with risk assessments considered by Environmental Health.

11. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

11.1 In line with the Public Sector Equality Duty, public bodies must, in the exercise of their functions, give due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation, to advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations between those who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.

11.2 Central Government and national groups have expressed the continued importance of public Green Space in the health and well-being of communities. From April 2013 local authorities at county level are required to take on the statutory duty to improve the health of their communities as required by the Health and Social Care Act 2012 and with it, to acquire many of the public health services currently the responsibility of the NHS. The use of open spaces, parks, playgrounds and relevant leisure facilities are promoted in terms of reducing the impact of obesity on long term health, the importance in the management of wellbeing and in aiding relaxation, as well as sensory' enjoyment.

12. SOCIAL VALUE IMPLICATIONS

12.1 The concession will be open to everyone.

13. HUMAN RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

13.1 This item of work is contained within the Place Directorate existing work programs.

14. BACKGROUND PAPERS

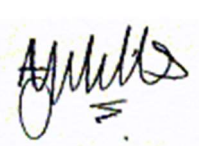
14.1 Application Form including supporting documentation

15. NOTIFICATION DATE

15.1 21st May 2021

Signature of Executive Member ConsultedNot Applicable.....

Date ...20th May 2021.....



Signature of Decision Taker

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