RECORD OF DECISION MADE UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

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DIRECTORATE: *Customer Services*

1. DECISION TAKEN

1.1 To approve a weekly exercise class at Bakers Field, Clothall Road, Baldock on a Tuesday morning of each week.

2. DECISION TAKER

2.1. Andrew Mills, Service Manager Grounds

3. DATE DECISION TAKEN:

3.1 1st February 2018

4. REASON FOR DECISION

4.1 To support the organisers to provide an event for the whole community

5. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

5.1 The organiser has approached North Herts District Council to use Bakers Field to host this regular weekly event. Other venues in Baldock had been considered prior to the application been submitted with the Bakers Field site seeing limited use beyond weekend football matches making it the most suitable in this instance.

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

6.1 None undertaken

7. RELEVANT CONSIDERATIONS

7.1 Organisers of the Event have approached NHDC for approval to use Bakers Field, Baldock as their location for the event.

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 There are no financial risks.

10. RISK IMPLICATIONS

10.1 There are no risk implications.

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 event is open to everyone.

13. HUMAN RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

13.1 This item of work is contained with Leisure and Environmental Services existing work programs.

14. BACKGROUND PAPERS

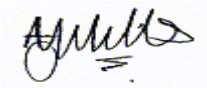
14.1 Application Form including supporting documentation

15. NOTIFICATION DATE

15.1 18th January 2018

Signature of Executive Member Consulted ……Not Applicable……

Date ……1st Feb 2018……..

Signature of Decision Taker ……  **……**

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