

TOWN AREA COMMITTEE

16 NOVEMBER 2015

REPORT OF HEAD OF COMMUNITIES & NEIGHBOURHOODS

MELTON COUNTRY PARK PAVILION- UPDATE

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To update members on the Melton Country Park Pavilion and seek members approval on the next steps.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 **Members note the update on the Melton Country Park Pavilion project**

2.2 **Members approve a revised project as outlined in sections 3.7, 3.8 and 3.9 be explored and a Business Case be brought back to this committee.**

3.0 KEY ISSUES

3.1 The existing pavilion is under-performing and not reaching its' potential to be a positive community resource. The responses have highlighted a local demand for an improved service within Melton Country Park.

Redeveloping or improving the current facility would offer further opportunities to attract new users to the park and be appealing to a larger section of the local community. Currently the main users of the pavilion are the various local football groups who hire the pavilion as a changing and shower facility when using the sports pitches adjacent.

3.2 Members of the Community & Social Affairs Committee approved the Business Case for the Country Park Pavilion at their meeting of 22 January 2014 and allocated a budget of £210,000 towards the project.

3.3 The Business Case presented to members proposed to replace the existing pavilion facility in the country park with a new pavilion and community use facility

3.4 Following members approval officers have been progressing this project, however, whilst the project itself is not very complex, market testing and a procurement exercise have shown that to develop a new pavilion with additional community and social use could not be delivered without significant further budgets.

3.5 Nevertheless, further work identified a scheme that could deliver an adequate pavilion with some community and social use, potentially within budget.

3.6 However, recent developments in regards to the Melton Sports, Leisure and Culture Village project and further community intelligence, suggests a full new pavilion and an extensive Community use building may not reflect real demand and may exceed the actual need for both social and recreational use

3.7 Therefore members are asked to approve a revised project that seeks to:

- Potentially liaise with the current football team which use the pitch to re-locate to the King Edward site or alternative.
- Further consultation with the community affected by this project for the need and scale of a community facility in the area, which may potentially be run by the

community itself.

3.8 Officers feel that this course of action will deliver against both the sport and leisure need as well as the community/social need.

3.9 **Next steps**

Subject to members approval:-

- Officers in consultation with affected ward members undertake further community consultation with a view of developing a revised business case for a revised community use centre.

4.0 **POLICY AND CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 The project fits in with the corporate plan priorities around:

- Improving the well-being of vulnerable people
- Encourage people to take an active role in their communities.
- Increasing public confidence & pride in neighbourhoods
- Improve quality of life for people living in the most disadvantaged neighbourhoods

5.0 **FINANCIAL AND OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 Members previously allocated £210,000 towards this project, a revised business case when presented to members will identify the resources needed for the project and for members to review how to deal with any residue from the original allocation.

6.0 **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS/POWERS**

6.1 No direct legal implications have been identified

7.0 **COMMUNITY SAFETY**

7.1 No direct community safety implication has been identified.

8.0 **EQUALITIES**

8.1 An Equalities Impact Assessment was carried out as part of the initial Business case a further EIA will be undertaken as part of a revised Business Case.

9.0 **RISKS**

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Very High A				
High B				
Significant C				
Low D				
Very Low E		1		
Almost Impossible F				
	IV Negligible	III Marginal	II Critical	I Catastrophic

Risk No.	Description
1	Revised project is unaffordable and does not meet need/demand

10.0 **CLIMATE CHANGE**

10.1 No direct Implications have been identified.

11.0 **CONSULTATION**

11.1 The Original project was based on Community Consultation, further community Intelligence and consultation will be undertaken and presented to members for their consideration as part of any revised project.

12.0 **WARDS AFFECTED**

12.1 Town Centre Wards

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Appendices : None

Background None

Papers:

Reference : X: C'ttee, Council & Sub-C'ttees /TAC/2015-16/16-11-15/HR- MCP Pavillion