

Ref:

Called in

Yes/No

THE THANET DISTRICT COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISION OF CABINET

Cabinet Member

Councillor Steve Albon

Relevant Portfolio:

Cleansing and Coastal Services

Date of Decision:

14 December 2023

Subject:

Jackey Bakers Recreation Ground

Key Decision

No

In Forward Plan

No

Brief summary of matter:

Reporting the actions taken and to be undertaken in response to a petition that was received by the Council. The petition requests that the Council improves its management of Jackey Bakers Recreation Ground. In addition the proposal to adopt a master plan for the future development of the Jackey Bakers site.

Decision made:

Cabinet agreed the following, to:

- a) Approve the demolition of the existing pavilion on the basis of health and safety (subject to the Local Planning Authority giving prior approval*);
- b) Approve the purchase of a temporary portacabin style changing facility once demolition has occurred;
- c) Approve a public engagement exercise to inform the master planning for Jackey Bakers, based on Section 1 the draft master plan attached at annex 1;
- d) Explore facilities that will be installed that will encourage safe enjoyment of Jackey Bakers by girls and young women;
- e) Ensure the temporary changing facilities are properly insured and secured;
- f) Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to investigate the options for a future development on the site based on the master plan, to include a new car park, new pavilion (to include changing facilities) and other sporting/recreational facilities that might enhance the offer at the site. A report will be represented to the Overview and Scrutiny Panel and the Cabinet once these options have been further explored.

* Local Planning Authority approval was granted on 13 December 2023.

Reasons for decision:

To approve the next steps to be undertaken by officers in response to the petition received by Thanet District Council about Jackey Bakers Recreation Ground. In taking the next steps the expenditure will be more than £250,000.

Alternatives considered and why rejected:

The alternative option for the Council is to not undertake any further improvement of Jackey Bakers Recreation Ground. This was rejected as not being in the best interests of the local community and wider users of the sporting facilities.

Details of any conflict of interest declared by any executive Member who has been consulted and of any dispensation granted by the Standards Committee:

None

Author of Officer report:

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Background papers

Cabinet - Dec23 Jackey Bakers Recreation Ground - Google Docs
Annex 1 Draft Master Plan
Annex 2 Response to the Petition GoogleDocs

Statement if decision is an urgent one and therefore not subject to call-in:

None

Last date for call in: 22 December 2023