

FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

2023/24
Decision No.
2518

Record of Decision by Executive

Monday, 4 March 2024

Portfolio	Leisure and Community
Subject:	Padel Tennis Proposal
Report of:	Assistant Director (Democracy) & Deputy Monitoring Officer
Corporate Priority:	Leisure Opportunities for Wellbeing and Fun

Purpose:

To consider a proposal to develop a covered 4-court padel tennis centre on part of the open space at Park Lane Recreation Ground.

The Council has received a proposal from Padel4All to fund and develop a covered padel tennis centre on part of the open space at Park Lane recreation Ground.

Padel is one of the world's fastest growing sports. Often referred to as a mix of tennis and squash, it is easy to learn and can be played by all ages and abilities.

This location has been identified by Padel4All because it considers the catchment area able to support a 4-court padel tennis centre. It can also make use of existing services such as parking, changing facilities and the café within Fareham Leisure Centre, which helps to keep the cost of playing low.

The cost of installing a 4-court padel tennis centre would be fully funded by Padel4All. In addition to the investment into a new leisure facility, it would generate a fixed annual rental income to the Council as the landowner and a share of the revenue generated.

Options Considered:

As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive considered the proposal and agrees:

- (a) subject to any representations received following statutory advertisement and subject to planning approval and any necessary assessments, to agree in principle to the disposal of 1500 sqm of public open space for a 4-court padel tennis centre at Park Lane Recreation Ground as shown on the map marked Appendix A and to agree to the financial terms as set out in the confidential Appendix B to the report;
- (b) to authorise the Head of Asset Management to advertise the proposed disposal of above public open space for two consecutive weeks in a local newspaper circulating in the locality in accordance with the requirements of s123 Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) and to approve the disposal, subject to no representations being received. If representations are received, to note that a further report will be presented to the Executive for determination and for a final decision to be made as to the disposal;
- (c) subject to the above, to delegate authority to the assistant Director (Democracy), following consultation with the Executive Member for Leisure and Community, to agree the terms of the disposal as set out in the report including the Heads of Terms and to enter in to contractual and all necessary arrangements to give effect to the proposals in the report if there are no representations from the disposal of the open space; and
- (d) in the event of there being representations, to note that a further report will be presented to the Executive.

Reason:

To provide an accessible padel tennis court within the Borough that residents of all ages and abilities can benefit from and to generate income to contribute to the Council's corporate savings target.

Confirmed as a true record:

Councillor SDT Woodward (Executive Leader)

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Portfolio	Streetscene
Subject:	Introducing Simpler Recycling in Fareham
Report of:	Director of Neighbourhoods
Corporate Priority:	Respond to Climate Change and Protect the Environment

Purpose:

To advise Members of the implications for the Council's waste collection and recycling services of the Government's proposals to require all waste collection authorities across England and Wales to collect the same materials for recycling, known as "Simpler Recycling".

The Environment Act 2021 and the imminent Simpler Recycling Regulations will require the Council to collect food waste weekly, extend the range of dry mixed recyclables collected and collect glass from the kerbside by 31 March 2026.

Additional staff and vehicles will be required for food waste collections and a decision is required as to whether kerbside glass will be collected in with dry mixed recyclables or separately.

The increased capital and revenue costs of collecting food waste will be covered by additional New Burdens funding from the Government. There is also the opportunity to increase the Council's trade waste services.

Further reports will be forthcoming on the detailed proposals in due course.

Options Considered:

As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive:

- (a) confirms this Council's commitment to implementing the proposed Environment Act 2021 Recycling Regulations to deliver significant improvements to our waste and recycling services and reduce our impact on the environment as cost effectively as possible;
- (b) agrees that £970,000 be added to the Capital Programme for the introduction of a food waste collection service across the Borough;
- (c) subject to the outcome of the current analysis of the optimal collection approach to dry mixed recyclables, agrees to assert that this Council's preferred option is a co-mingled recycling collection service collecting a wider range of materials and that Hampshire County Council be advised accordingly; and
- (d) agrees that future detailed reports on additional recycling collection services, trade waste services and the introduction of a food waste collection service be brought forward once the Regulations are published.

Reason:

To enable the Council to begin to prepare for implementing the complex requirements of the Environment Act 2021 to achieve greater consistency in waste collections and driving up recycling rates.

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2520

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Portfolio	Health and Public Protection
Subject:	Air Quality Update and Review of the Gosport Road Air Quality Management areas
Report of:	Director of Neighbourhoods
Corporate Priority:	Respond to Climate Change and Protect the Environment

Purpose:

To revoke the Gosport Road and Portland Street Air Quality Management areas (AQMA).

Part IV of the Environment Act 1995 introduced a requirement on all local authorities to carry out duties in relation to Local Air Quality Management (LAQM). All local authorities are obliged to regularly review and assess air quality in their areas and determine whether the air quality objectives for different pollutants are likely to be achieved.

Between 1998 and 2001, Fareham Borough Council undertook its first round of review and assessments of air quality. Following subsequent monitoring and progress reports, the results showed that the NO₂ annual mean objective would be exceeded both in 2005 and 2010 in Gosport Road at the junction with Newgate Lane and Redlands Lane, and therefore Fareham Borough Council was required to declare an AQMA in the area. The Fareham AQMA was declared in April 2006. Following the 2006 Updating Screening Assessment, the Portland Street AQMA was declared on 01 December 2007 for nitrogen dioxide from vehicle exhaust emissions.

Due to the actions identified and implemented within the Air Quality Action Plan (AQAP) and subsequent improvements in technology, following discussion and review of the 2023 data with the Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs (DEFRA), Fareham Borough Council has been instructed to revoke both AQMAs in early 2024. This would be achieved by the Executive approving the order shown at Appendix A to the report. If approved there will then be no AQMAs in Fareham.

Options Considered:

The comments of the Health and Public Protection Scrutiny Panel were taken into account in considering this item.

As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive approves the Revocation of the two Air Quality Management Areas as detailed in the report.

Reason:

This is because of the sustained improvement in Air Quality in the areas and the subsequent instruction from DEFRA.

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Portfolio	Health and Public Protection
Subject:	Petition regarding car parking at Middle Road car park, Park Gate
Report of:	Director of Neighbourhoods
Corporate Priority:	Promote Economic Development; Responsive, Inclusive and Innovative Council

Purpose:

To consider the appropriate maximum stay in Middle Road Car Park, Park Gate following receipt of a 357-signature petition from a local hair and beauty salon on 25 September 2023. The petition contained 357 signatures from other local businesses and customers and requested that the maximum stay within the car park be increased from two hours to three hours.

In making a deputation at the last meeting of the Health and Public Scrutiny Panel, the Lead Petitioner informed the Panel that the reason for the petition was that many of their treatments and services take longer than two hours to complete.

Options Considered:

A deputation was received in respect of this item from Claire Powell, local business owner and lead petitioner of the petition requesting that parking at Middle Road car park, Park Gate be extended to three hours.

The comments of the Health and Public Protection Scrutiny Panel were taken into account in considering this item. In doing so, the Executive expressed concern about making further changes to the parking restrictions, given the history of amendments made, as set out from paragraph 7 of the report, which were made in response to requests from the local traders.

In presenting the item, the Executive Member for Health and Public Protection proposed a compromise of introducing a new Traffic Regulation Order of a two hour time limit (with no return) between the hours of 8am and 6pm. This would, in effect, provide unrestricted parking from 4pm to 8am.

In considering the amendment, the Executive concluded that it would not agree with the recommendation of the Scrutiny Panel on this occasion due to new information coming forward regarding the parking habits of current customers using the car park.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive agrees:

- (a) to maintain the current two hour maximum stay period at Middle Road Car Park, Park Gate, having considered the petition and the recommendation from the Health and Public Protection Scrutiny Panel on 24 January 2024;
- (b) to authorise the Executive Member for Health and Public Protection to approve the statutory representation process and subsequent decision on an amendment to the Traffic Regulation Order of a two hour time limit (with no return within 4 hours) between the hours of 8am and 6pm.

Reason:

The function of short stay car parks around the Borough is to support the economic activity of local businesses. The evidence for an extension to the maximum stay is inconclusive.

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Portfolio	Policy & Resources
Subject:	Daedalus Vision and Outline Strategy - 2024 Update: Progress and Next Steps
Report of:	Director of Planning and Regeneration
Corporate Priority:	Responsive, Inclusive and Innovative Council

Purpose:

To review the continued progress made in delivering the Council's adopted Vision and Outline Strategy for Daedalus and to approve the next steps identified for the site.

In March 2015, the Council acquired 369 acres of land at Daedalus, mainly comprising an airfield and two development areas to the east and west. In October 2015, after extensive engagement with various interested parties and a two-month period of public consultation, the Council formally adopted its Vision together with a series of Objectives designed to achieve it.

In February 2019, the Executive revisited the Vision and considered the progress made in fulfilling the stated Objectives. It also considered what had changed since 2015 and identified the priority actions for a five-year period (2019 – 2023) to ensure the continued development and vibrancy of the airport and its adjacent business parks.

That five-year period has now concluded and a 2024 Update has therefore been prepared outlining the progress made at Daedalus since the 2015 Vision and 2019 refresh; this is set out at Appendix A to the report.

The 2024 Update demonstrates that significant continued progress has been made in delivering the Vision for Daedalus over the last five years. Faraday Business Park has been successfully progressed with the build and full occupation of the speculative business units, together with the full letting of the business hangers. Major investment has taken place at Solent Airport with new air traffic services introduced, taxiway resurfacing undertaken and the forthcoming introduction of aeronautical ground lighting. The Skills and Innovation cluster has been further supported with the opening of Fareham College's CETC facility and now the future development of Bristow's Search and research Training facility. Finally, the Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Park has been delivered including children's play area

and Daedalus sculpture.

Recognising the delivery achieved, next steps have now been identified in the 2024 Update to ensure progress continues to be made in accordance with the Vision and, if these are agreed, they will guide investment decisions at Daedalus in the coming years.

The 2024 Update was reported to the Daedalus Scrutiny Panel on 21 February 2024 and the comments of the Panel will be presented to the Executive for their consideration.

Once this report has been considered by the Executive, the 2024 Update publication will be shared with interested parties in mid/late March. Social media and local media opportunities will also be used to raise awareness of the achievements and the next steps outlined in the 2024 Update.

Options Considered:

The comments of the Daedalus Scrutiny Panel were taken into account in considering this item.

As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive:

- (a) considered the progress made in delivering the adopted Vision and Outline Strategy for Daedalus;
- (b) agrees the next steps identified in the 2024 Update; and
- (c) requests Officers to undertake a range of actions to publicise the Council's continued delivery progress and next steps.

Reason:

To demonstrate the progress made against one of the Council's corporate priority actions and seek Executive approval of the next steps.

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Portfolio	Policy & Resources
Subject:	Citizen of Honour Nominations 2024
Report of:	Assistant Director (Democracy) & Deputy Monitoring Officer
Corporate Priority:	Strong, Safe and Healthy Communities

Purpose:

The report presents nominations for consideration under the Council's annual Citizen and Young Citizen of Honour Awards 2024.

The Citizen of Honour Award was introduced in November 1996. Five years later, the scheme was extended to recognise the efforts of younger residents under the age of 18 through the Young Citizen of Honour Award.

Over the last 27 years, the award has honoured 112 residents of the Borough, with nominations being received from all areas of Fareham.

This year, the Council has received 10 nominations overall. There are 7 nominations for the Citizen of Honour Award (10 and over) and 3 nominations for the Young Citizen of Honour Award (under 18).

Options Considered:

As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive agrees that:

- (a) no more than two candidates are selected, from the nominations attached at Appendix A to the report, to be formally recognised as Citizens of Honour 2024;
- (b) no more than one candidate is selected from the nominations as attached at Appendix B to the report, to be formally recognised as a Young Citizen of Honour (under 18) 2024; and

(c) candidates 1 and 5 be selected to receive the annual Citizen of Honour and candidate 3 be selected to receive the Young Citizen of Honour (under 18) Awards 2024.

Reason:

The Citizen of Honour and Young Citizen of Honour Awards are valuable initiatives for rewarding local residents for their community service and for recognising the important contribution and difference that they have made to the lives of others. The Young Citizen of Honour category also recognises young people who have overcome severe personal difficulties or who give up their time to care for family or friends.

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