

# FAREHAM

## BOROUGH COUNCIL

2019/20  
Decision No.  
2156

### Record of Decision by Executive

Monday, 6 January 2020

<b>Portfolio</b>	Policy & Resources
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Beach Hut Site Rent Review</b>
<b>Report of:</b>	Director of Planning and Regeneration
<b>Corporate Priority:</b>	Dynamic, prudent and progressive Council

#### **Purpose:**

To advise the Executive of the outcome of user consultation and review of beach hut site rents. The review has resulted in a proposal to increase rents which, if agreed, will take effect from 1 April 2020.

The report advises the Executive of the outcome of a Review of beach hut site rents. The Executive was last asked to consider site rents and other issues in 2014 and the current review has been carried out in a similar way. The Review has resulted in a proposal to increase beach hut site rentals above the current annual rate of inflation, based on market comparables. The proposal is fully in accordance with the principles set out in the Council's Medium-term Finance Strategy.

#### **Options Considered:**

With the agreement of the Executive Leader, this item was brought forward on the agenda.

Deputations were received in respect of this item from Roy Pharoah, Anthony Pepper, Baz Marie, Andrew Slee and Percy O'Dell, Chairman of the Fareham Beach Hut Association.

During the debate on this item, consideration was given to phasing the increase in rent over a 2 or 3 year period to enable an incremental increase in fees year by year. Following further debate, the Executive Leader proposed that, in line with the Council's other fees and charges, an annual increase of 5% be applied with effect from 01 April 2020.

**Decision:**

RESOLVED that the Executive agrees an increase in beach hut site rents by 5% per annum.

**Reason:**

To advise the Executive of a proposal to increase beach hut site rents based on comparables from other local authorities (in particular at Hayling Island in the Borough of Havant) and reflecting the Council's Medium-term Financial Strategy.

**Confirmed as a true record:**

Councillor SDT Woodward (Executive Leader)  
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