

Bath & North East Somerset Council

DECISION MAKER:	Cllr Francine Haerberling, Leader of Council	
DECISION DATE:	On or after 27 th November 2010	
TITLE:	Land at Weston Recreation Ground, Weston, Bath	EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN REFERENCE: E 2185
WARD:	Weston	
AN OPEN PUBLIC ITEM		
List of attachments to this report:		
1. Site Plan		

1 THE ISSUE

Lovell Partnerships Ltd are renovating the Southlands Estate on behalf of Somer Community Housing Trust – in this connection, an area of land on the Weston Recreation Ground is required as a site compound to be used as a work area to reconstruct the existing wall – duration is approximately 6 weeks.

2 RECOMMENDATION

The Cabinet member is asked to agree that:

- 2.1 Lovell Partnerships Ltd are granted a licence to allow them to use this land as a site compound for approximately 6 weeks

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 Financial implications – the Council will charge a licence fee and surveyors fees.

4 CORPORATE PRIORITIES

- *Building communities where people feel safe and secure*

5 THE REPORT

5.1 Weston Recreation Ground is held by Weston Recreation Ground Trust on a 1000 year lease and the Council acts as the Corporate Trustee.

5.2 Lovell Partnerships Ltd are renovating the Southlands Estates on behalf of Somer Community Housing Trust – in this connection, a site compound of approximately 107sqms is required on the northern edge of the Play Area. This will be used as a work area to reconstruct the existing retaining wall for approximately 6 weeks and a licence will be issued by Property Services to regularise the use. The licence fee will benefit the Trust, the surveyors fees will be reimbursed to Property Services.

6 RISK MANAGEMENT

6.1 The report author and Cabinet member have fully reviewed the risk assessment related to the issue and recommendations, in compliance with the Council's decision making risk management guidance.

7 EQUALITIES

7.1 A proportionate equalities impact assessment has not been carried out as it is not relevant in this particular case.

8 RATIONALE

8.1 The recommendation made in section 2 is not detrimental to the Trust and the loss of land is only on a temporary measure. There is also the benefit of a licence fee to the Trust.

9 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

9.1 None.

10 CONSULTATION

10.1 Ward Councillors – Cllr Colin Barrett, Cllr Malcolm Lees, Cllr Caroline Roberts and Cllr Loraine Brinkhurst have been informed of this proposal.

10.2 Environmental Services, Parks - have been consulted over this proposal.

11 ISSUES TO CONSIDER IN REACHING THE DECISION

11.1 Property. The permission for the temporary use of this land by Lovell Partnerships will facilitate the improvement plans for the Southlands Estate for the benefit of local residents. The subject compound area is small and should not greatly interfere with the use of the Play Area

12 ADVICE SOUGHT

12.1 The Council's Monitoring Officer (Council Solicitor) and Section 151 Officer (Divisional Director - Finance) have had the opportunity to input to this report and have cleared it for publication.

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Background papers	None.
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