Bath & North East Somerset Council		
MEETING:	Alice Park Trust Sub-Committee	
MEETING DATE:	27 July 2023	
TITLE:	Update Report; Charity Commission Signatories; Hire of Petanque Terrain and Appointment of Independent Member	
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1 THE ISSUE

1.1 To give an update on issues relating to Charity Commission Signatories; Hire of Petanque Terrain and Appointment of Independent Member for determination by Alice Park Trust Sub-Committee.

2 RECOMMENDATION

Alice Park Trust Sub-Committee is asked to;

- (1) Agree Michael Hewitt (Monitoring Officer) and Shaine Lewis (Deputy Monitoring Officer) as Charity Commission Signatories for the Alice Park Trust.
- (2) Agree that the Grand Petanque Club be invoiced £150 for hiring the Alice Park Petanque terrain between April-September 2023.
- (3) Agree to delegate the appointment of an Independent Member to the Chair of the Alice Park Trust Sub-Committee with the support of Council officers.

3 CHARITY COMMISSION SIGNATORIES

3.1 The Charity Commission requires that two contacts are provided for charities listed on their website and has requested that this information is provided in relation to the Alice Park Trust. The purpose of this is to enable the Charity Commission to have the necessary information in the event of needing to contact a charity.

3.2 As the Council is the sole trustee for Alice Park Trust, it is recommended that the following Council Officers are provided to the Charity Commission as contacts. The Monitoring Officer and Deputy Monitoring Officer. The current occupants of those positions are Michael Hewitt and Shaine Lewis respectively.

4 HIRING OF PETANQUE FACILITIES

- 4.1 The previous chair of the Trust was in negotiation with the Bath Grand Petanque Club about arrangements for hiring the petanque terrain during 2023. A fee of £300 was agreed but there has since been some confusion about whether this was agreed as a season fee (April-September) or an annual fee.
- 4.2 The Club was of the understanding that this was an annual fee and has requested that a six-month fee of £150 be agreed by the Trust to cover the period between April-September 2023.
- 4.3 In view of the initial confusion, it is recommended that a fee of £150 be agreed for the period April-September 2023 and officers be instructed to raise an invoice accordingly.

5 INDEPENDENT MEMBERS

- 5.1 The Council has received enquiries from members of the public wishing to be considered for the position of Independent Member of Alice Park Trust Sub-Committee.
- 5.2 The Sub-Committee already has 1 Independent Member, Mary LaTrobe Bateman. Terms of Reference allow for 2 Independent Members with flexibility for the Trust to appoint more if required.
- 5.3 The Sub-Committee is requested to delegate the arrangements for appointing an independent member to the Chair of Alice Park Trust Sub-Committee with the support of an appropriate officer.

6 STATUTORY CONSIDERATIONS

6.1 Members must operate within the parameters of the Terms of Reference and Charity legislation and Guidance as advised by the Legal Officer.

7 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCE, PROPERTY, PEOPLE)

7.1 As set out above.

8 RISK MANAGEMENT

8.1 A risk assessment related to the issue and recommendations has been undertaken, in compliance with the Council's decision-making risk management guidance.

9 EQUALITIES

9.1 No specific considerations.

10 CLIMATE CHANGE

10.1 A well-run park supports local biodiversity and can help cities be more resilient to climate change by improving air quality and absorbing carbon from the atmosphere.

11 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

11.1 None.

12 CONSULTATION

12.1 In preparing the report consultation has taken place with the Section 151 Officer and Monitoring Officer.

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