

SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

OFFICER EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD (Non Key)

The following decision was taken on 22 December 2016 by the Director of Culture and Environment.

Date notified to all members: Monday 23 January 2017

Officer Non-Key decisions are not subject to call-in.

1. **TITLE**

Park Tennis LTA Investment

2. **DECISION TAKEN**

That the Director of Culture and Environment:-

(i) Approves the acceptance of £84,684 grant funding from the Lawn Tennis Association (LTA) for refurbishments at Graves Park and Millhouses Park and also to provide the partnership funding detailed within the report;

(ii) approves the acceptance of further funding from the LTA, up to a limit of £200k for investment in additional sites, subject to approval from the Executive Director of Resources;

(iii) approves the acceptance of the Offer Letter and the Terms and Conditions (the 'Funding Agreement') from the LTA grant funding, as detailed within the report;

(iv) approves that work is commissioned to deliver the Parks Tennis refurbishment work;

(v) approves a tendering exercise to commission a provider for Parks Tennis Programme from April 2017 onwards (subject to appropriate Procurement Strategy sign off); and

(vi) gives approval to take such steps as they deem appropriate to achieve the outcomes set out in this report.

3. **Reasons For Decision**

This programme offers an innovative solution to providing, growing and sustaining tennis in Sheffield's parks.

This programme is seen by the LTA and Sport England as a national example of good practice. It is a model that other core cities across the country will seek to adopt.

4. **Alternatives Considered And Rejected**

An option to do nothing and retain the status quo in parks tennis was considered. However, this would eventually lead to the complete demise of tennis facilities in parks across Sheffield due to the Councils ongoing budget pressures and inability to invest any significant funding.

5. Documents used in making decision:

- (a) Funding Agreement and Offer Letter for Graves Park and Millhouses Park
- (b) Equalities Impact Assessment (ref 1168)

6.1 Any conflict of interest declared by any Executive Member who is consulted by the Officer when making the decision

None

6.2 Any dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service

N/A

7. Respective Director Responsible for Implementation

Executive Director, Place