

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

**RECORD OF THE DECISIONS OF THE KING GEORGE'S FIELD CHARITY
BOARD**

HELD AT 6.30 P.M (ADJOURNED UNTIL 7.51 P.M.) ON TUESDAY, 26 JULY 2016

**ROOM C1, 1ST FLOOR, TOWN HALL, MULBERRY PLACE, 5 CLOVE
CRESCENT, LONDON, E14 2BG**

Members Present:

Councillor Rachel Blake	(Cabinet Member for Strategic Development)
Councillor David Edgar	(Cabinet Member for Resources)
Councillor Amy Whitelock Gibbs	(Cabinet Member for Health & Adult Services)
Councillor Sirajul Islam	(Statutory Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Housing Management & Performance)
Councillor Rachael Saunders	(Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Education & Children's Services)

Apologies:

Councillor Asma Begum	(Cabinet Member for Culture)
Councillor Shiria Khatun	(Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Community Safety)
Councillor Ayas Miah	(Cabinet Member for Environment)
Councillor Joshua Peck	(Cabinet Member for Work and Economic Development)

Officers Present:

Will Tuckley	(Chief Executive)
Shazia Hussain	(Service Head Culture, Learning and Leisure, Communities Localities & Culture)
Stephen Murray	(Head of Arts and Events, Communities Localities & Culture)
Lisa Pottinger	(Head of Sport & Physical Activity)
Graham White	(Interim Service Head, Legal Services, Law, Probity and Governance)
Matthew Mannion	(Committee Services Manager, Democratic Services, Law, Probity and Governance)
David Knight	(Senior Democratic Services Officer)
Joel West	(Senior Democratic Services Officer)

1. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

None were declared.

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

DECISION

That the minutes of the Board meeting held on Tuesday 26 January 2016 be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record of proceedings.

3. UNRESTRICTED REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION

3.1 Lease Arrangements for Mile End Park Leisure Centre

DECISION

1. To agree the Board are satisfied, having considered this report, that the terms on which the disposal set out in recommendation 2 is proposed to be made are the best that can reasonably be obtained for the trust;
2. To agree in principle to Lease the land shown red in Appendix 1 to Greenwich Leisure Limited until 1 May 2019 with effect from date of completion;
3. To agree to the publication of notices under S121(2) of Charities Act 2011 and S123(1) (2A) Local Government Act 1972 which are required when disposing of public space which is held on trust;
4. To agree that in the absence of representations or objections being made in response to the notice in 3 above, the lease will be granted. If representations or objections are made, the final decision be referred back to the Board;
5. To agree to a Deed of Dedication in respect of Sport England which places a restriction on the disposal of the Leisure Centre;
6. To agree to the Service Head of Culture, Learning and Leisure arranging for the publication of the notices and negotiating the terms of the lease & restriction, this includes incurring costs to give effect to these.

Action by:

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND ACTING CORPORATE DIRECTOR,
COMMUNITIES, LOCALITIES AND CULTURE (W. TUCKLEY)**
(Service Head, Culture, Learning and Leisure (S. Hussain))

Reasons for the decision

This decision is required to regulate the current arrangements in place for the Mile End Leisure Centre and to provide Sport England with the required restriction on the Leisure Centre.

Alternative options

1. The Council has entered into arrangements in which GLL manage and provide leisure services across the borough, including the leisure services at Mile End Park. Those arrangements include that leases be granted to GLL in respect of the

sites. It would potentially place the provision of the services under the contract at Mile End Leisure Centre at risk if the lease is not granted.

2. Sport England gave a grant for £5,483,500 in order to assist in constructing the Mile End Park Leisure Centre. The Board could refuse to enter in to the Deed of Dedication but this would have a detrimental impact on the Council's relationship with Sport England and could jeopardise future funding.

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS TO BE URGENT

The Chair asked that the report on the Management of Mile End Park, as referred to in Minute 6 of the 26 January 2016 meeting, be brought to the next meeting of the Board. The report will set out the options for how the park is operated and increasing the role of park users and supporters.

The meeting ended at 7.56 p.m.

Mayor John Biggs