

**Individual Mayoral Decision Proforma**

Decision Log No: 402



**Report of:** James Thomas, Corporate Director for Children and Culture

**Classification:**  
Unrestricted

**DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO MAKE THE DECISION WHETHER TO GRANT A LICENCE TO OCCUPY AREAS OF VICTORIA PARK IN THE SUMMER / AUTUMN OF 2024 AT TIMES TO BE MORE SPECIFICALLY AGREED**

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| <b>Is this a Key Decision?</b>                            | <b>Yes</b>  |
| <b>Decision Notice Publication Date:</b>                  | (Report author to state date of decision notice – either individual notice or within the Forward Plan)  |
| <b>General Exception or Urgency Notice published?</b>     | Special Urgency and Exemption from Call-In<br>15 June 2023 - Special Urgency Notice   |
| <b>Restrictions:</b>                                      | NA  |
| <b>Reason for seeking an Individual Mayoral Decision:</b> | <p>An interim licence to occupy Victoria Park has been proposed by AEG Presents Limited for one year (2024). If the Corporate Director decides to agree to the licence such a decision would be a Key decision under the Law and the Council's constitution. The Mayor must specifically delegate authority to make Key Decisions hence the need for the Corporate Director to request this delegation under this report. The proposed licensing arrangement is a key decision as it may have a significant impact on the communities of two or more wards.</p> <p>The licence to occupy is time sensitive and requires an urgent decision in order for the Council's legal department to agree with AEG Presents Limited a licence to occupy Victoria Park in return for a licence fee and allow for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sufficient time for the licensee to apply for a Premises Licence and any other statutory requirements associated with the occupation of the park.</li> <li>- The licensee to make their arrangements to deliver the proposed events.</li> </ul> <p>Management of the licence to occupy the land is a function that sits within the Children and Culture Directorate and due to the need to determine agreement of the licence immediately the Mayor is asked to delegate authority to the Corporate Director, Children and Culture, to consider the position and decide whether or not to grant such a licence.</p> <p>The Corporate Director will prepare and publish his decision using the governance procedures set out for Key Decisions in accordance with the Law.</p> |

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The granting of a licence to AEG Presents Limited to occupy areas of Victoria Park at times to be specifically agreed throughout the summer and autumn period of 2024 is a Key Decision and therefore the Corporate Director must seek authority from the Mayor before making a decision in this regard. This

report asks the Mayor to delegate authority to the Corporate Director, Children and Culture, so that the Corporate Director may consider the request by AEG Presents Limited for a licence to occupy and potentially approve it having reached agreeable terms.

Full details of the decision sought, including setting out the reasons for the recommendations and/or all the options put forward; other options considered; background information; the comments of the Chief Finance Officer; the concurrent report of the Head of Legal Services; implications for One Tower Hamlets; Risk Assessment; Background Documents; **and other relevant matters are set out in the attached report.**

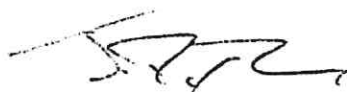
## **DECISION**

1. Authorise the Corporate Director of Children and Culture to take a decision whether to grant a licence to AEG Presents Limited to occupy Victoria Park at times to be more specifically agreed throughout the summer and autumn period of 2024.
2. Authorise the Corporate Director of Children and Culture in consultation with the Director of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer to agree appropriate terms of the licence to occupy referred to in recommendation one if the Corporate Director decides to grant such a licence.
3. To note the Equalities Impact Assessment / specific equalities considerations will be covered under the decision published by the Corporate Director, Children and Culture.

## **APPROVALS**

1. **(If applicable) Corporate Director proposing the decision or his/her deputy**

I approve the attached report and proposed decision above for submission to the Mayor. I confirm that the Mayor and/or Lead Member have agreed to this decision being taken using this process.



Signed ..... Date 7 June 2023

**2. Chief Finance Officer or his/her deputy**

I have been consulted on the content of the attached report which includes my comments.

Signed .....  ..... Date 7th June 2023


**3. Monitoring Officer or his/her deputy**

I have been consulted on the content of the attached report which includes my comments.

(For Key Decision only – delete as applicable)


I confirm that this decision:-

- (a) has been published in advance on the Council's Forward Plan OR
- (b) is urgent and subject to the 'General Exception' or 'Special Urgency' provision at paragraph 18 or 19 respectively of the Access to Information Procedure Rules.

Signed .....  ..... Date 8/6/23

**4. Mayor**

I agree the decision proposed in the recommendations above for the reasons set out in the attached report.

Signed .....  ..... Date 08/06/23