

## DECISION RECORD 1

Officer Key Decisions are subject to the Council's Call-In Procedure (Part 4 of the Council's Constitution Part 4e - Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules

| Subject: THE TERMINATION OF AQUATIC ADVENTURE FACILITY CONTRACT AND ASSOCIATED LEASE, PRE-MARKET TESTING |   |
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| Staff Contact: Geoff Caine   | Cabinet Member: Loraine Rossati           |
| <u>Tel:07827881208</u>   | Portfolio: Leisure, Culture and Wellbeing |

#### 1. Decision

To agree to a deed of termination for the contract and associated lease for the operation of an aquatic adventure facility at Fairlands Valley Park and undertake premarket testing for a suitable operator.

## 2. Reasons for the decision

Aqua Parcs Ltd have requested that the contract is terminated by mutual consent with the Council. If the contract is terminated the lease would also need to be terminated.

To secure an alternative operator the Council needs to undertake a premarket testing process.

# 3. Alternative options considered and rejected <sup>2</sup>

An alternative option that has been rejected is not to have an aquatic feature at Fairlands Valley Park.

## 4. Consultation

(a) Comments of Cabinet Members<sup>3 4</sup>

The Portfolio Holders for Culture, Leisure & Wellbeing and Resources & Transformation support the recommendation that the Council should enter into a deed of termination with Aqua Parcs Ltd, agree to a surrender of the associated lease, and then undertake pre-market engagement to identify a suitable operator to operate a similar aquatic adventure facility.

- (b) Comments of other consultees <sup>5</sup>
- 5. Following consultation with, and the concurrence of the Cabinet Member, I am proceeding with the proposed decision.

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| Signed: REDACTED.         |                |
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| Title: Strategic Director | Date: 10/04/25 |

# 6. PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED/SIGNED FORM TO DEMOCRATIC SERVICES FOR PUBLICATION

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> for guidance see Borough Solicitor's note "Taking Decisions"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> details of any alternative options considered and rejected by the officer at the time the decision was made

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> record any conflict of interest declared by any Cabinet Member consulted. If a Cabinet Member declares a conflict of interest DO NOT PROCEED without seeking advice from the Borough Solicitor

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> If the matter has general significance for the Council and/or is, or is likely to be, controversial, then the officer shall consult the appropriate Cabinet Member before proceeding. In some cases it will be necessary to consult more than one Cabinet Member, and in some cases the Leader of the Council will need to be consulted

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> If the matter has local significance, but no general significance for the Council and no controversial aspects, the officer shall consult or inform the local member in writing (or by e mail) and proceed. It is essential that <u>all</u> officers responsible for delivering services ensure that local members are kept well briefed on issues affecting their areas.