

**Epsom & Ewell Borough Council – Decisions taken by the Community and Wellbeing Committee on Thursday, 17 March 2022**

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Decisions will come into force, and may be implemented, on the expiry of 5 working days from the date of this notice unless called in by the Audit, Crime & Disorder and Scrutiny Committee.

NOTE: The following represents a summary of the decisions taken by the Committee. It is not intended to represent the formal record of the meeting (for which reference should be made to the minutes) but to facilitate the call-in process.

| <b>Agenda Item No</b> | <b>Topic</b>             | <b>Decision</b>   |
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| 1.                    | Question Time            | No questions were received from Members of the public.  |
| 2.                    | Declarations of Interest | <p>Members of the Committee made the following declarations in relation to items on the agenda:</p> <p>Tennis in the Borough</p> <p>Councillor Julie Morris, Other Interest: In the interests of openness and transparency, Councillor Julie Morris declared that her son is a professional tennis coach who uses tennis courts, both paid and unpaid. Councillor Morris did not participate in the debate or vote on this item.</p> <p>Allotments Review</p> <p>Councillor Christine Cleveland, Other Interest: In the interests of openness and transparency, Councillor Christine Cleveland declared that she was an allotment holder at the Kingston Road allotment site.</p> |

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|                |                                     | <p>Allotments Review</p> <p>Councillor Julie Morris, Other Interest: In the interests of openness and transparency, Councillor Julie Morris declared that she was an allotment holder and didn't believe that she had any bias with regard to this item.</p> <p>Allotments Review</p> <p>Councillor Steven McCormick, Other Interest: In the interests of openness and transparency, Councillor Steven McCormick declared that he is an allotment holder but came to the meeting with a clear and open mind.</p> |
| 3.             | Minutes of the Previous Meeting     | The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Community and Wellbeing Committee held on 18 January 2022 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.   |
| 4.             | Motion: Heritage Tours              | <p>Following consideration, the Committee unanimously resolved to:</p> <p><b>(1) Note the Motion;</b></p> <p><b>(2) Agree to establish a programme of Heritage Tours to begin in Summer 2022.</b></p>  |
| 5.             | Afghan Citizens Resettlement Scheme | <p>Following consideration, the Committee unanimously resolved to:</p> <p><b>(1) Agree to the Council participating in the ACRS as detailed in this report and</b></p>   |

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|                |   | therefore extending its offer to accommodate and support up-to 5 Afghan families arriving in the UK under both the LES Resettlement Scheme and ACRS.   |
| 6.             | Homelessness and rough sleeper strategy | <p>Following consideration, the Committee unanimously resolved:</p> <p><b>(1) To agree that the draft Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy, Action Plan 2022 – 2027 and Homelessness Review as set out in Appendix 1, 2 and 3 to the report, are submitted to public consultation.</b></p>   |
| 7.             | Tennis in the Borough                   | <p>Following consideration, the Committee resolved by majority vote with 6 members voting for and 1 not voting, to:</p> <p><b>(1) Grant permission for officers to apply for a non-repayable grant from the Lawn Tennis Association to refurbish and upgrade all tennis courts in the borough as set out in section four of the report.</b></p> <p><b>(2) Agree to a request to Strategy and Resources Committee to release of £10,330 from capital reserves for a 10% match funding contribution from S106 funds.</b></p> <p><b>(3) Agree to the principle of charging for usage of tennis courts to fund the</b></p> |

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|                |                   | <p>ongoing maintenance, as required by the Lawn Tennis Association.</p> <p><b>(4) Note that a further report will be presented to the June 2022 meeting of the Committee to set out proposals for the future management of the tennis courts.</b></p>  |
| <b>8.</b>      | Allotments Review | <p>Following consideration, the Committee unanimously resolved to:</p> <p><b>(1) Note the status of all allotment sites in the borough.</b></p> <p><b>(2) Note that the current agreements for the three self-managed allotments sites are due to expire in December 2022 and agree to issue new agreements for the next five years from date of expiry as set out in section three of this report.</b></p> <p><b>(3) Agree to consult with the Allotment Forum site representatives to gauge interest in the remaining council-managed sites becoming self-managed as set out in section 4 of the report.</b></p> |