

NORTH WEST LEICESTERSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

COUNCIL – 16 SEPTEMBER 2014

Title of report	TRANSFER OF TRUSTEESHIPS TO WHITWICK PARISH COUNCIL AND ELLISTOWN AND BATTLEFLAT PARISH COUNCIL
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Purpose of report	To complete the administrative matters following on from the transfer of land to Whitwick Parish Council and Ellistown and Battleflat Parish Council
Council Priorities	Homes and Communities
Implications: Financial/Staff Link to relevant CAT Risk Management Equalities Impact Screening Human Rights Transformational Government	 The administrative responsibility for the charitable trusts will be transferred to the Parish Councils resulting in a small reduction in administrative work. None No significant risks have been identified Not applicable None applicable Not applicable
Comments of Head of Paid Service	The report is satisfactory
Comments of Section 151 Officer	The report is satisfactory

Comments of Deputy Monitoring Officer	The report is satisfactory
Consultees	Whitwick Parish Council Charity Commission Ellistown & Battleflat Parish Council
Background papers	Cabinet minutes – 7 February 2012
Recommendations	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. THAT THE COUNCIL AGREES TO TRANSFER THE TRUSTEESHIP OF THE WHITWICK PARK (KING GEORGES FIELD) TO WHITWICK PARISH COUNCIL 2. THAT THE COUNCIL AGREES TO TRANSFER THE TRUSTEESHIP OF THE HUGGLESCOTE RECREATION GROUND TO ELLISTOWN AND BATTLEFLAT PARISH COUNCIL

1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 On 7 February 2012, Cabinet resolved to transfer various parcels of land to the newly created Whitwick Parish Council.
- 1.2 These transfers were effected on 19 May 2014.
- 1.3 On 19 September 2006 the Executive Board agreed to transfer various parcels of land to the Ellistown and Battleflat Parish Council, together with the trusteeship of the land at South Street, Ellistown to the Ellistown and Battleflat Parish Council.
- 1.4 The land transfers were effected on 29 July 2014.

2. WHITWICK PARK (KING GEORGES FIELD)

- 2.1 The land at Whitwick Park, and part of the land at Parsonwood Hill Recreation Ground are the subject of a charitable trust known as Whitwick Park (King Georges Field) registered at the Charity Commission under number 521402. NWLDC is the sole trustee of this charity. It was the intention of NWLDC that the trusteeship of the charity be transferred to the Whitwick Parish Council.
- 2.2 Both Councils have taken advice from the Charity Commission who has stated that in order to transfer the trusteeship, they require NWLDC to provide to the Whitwick Parish Council a signed and dated resolution of its agreement to the transfer.
- 2.3 The signed minute of this meeting, should Council approve, will be sufficient evidence for the Charity Commission to transfer the trusteeship to the Parish Council.

3. HUGGLESCOTE RECREATION GROUND

- 3.1 The Recreation Ground at South Street, Ellistown is owned by a charity known as Hugglescote Recreation Ground, registered at the Charity Commission under number 521434.
- 3.2 In order for the transfer of the trusteeship to Ellistown and Battleflat Parish Council to take effect, a signed and dated resolution of the Council is required to satisfy the Charity Commission. The solicitors for the Parish Council have been advised of this approach.
- 3.3 The signed minute of this meeting, should Council approve, will be sufficient evidence for the Charity Commission to transfer the trusteeship to the Parish Council.