



# MINUTES

## Tourism and Leisure Committee

<b>Date:</b>	Thursday, 23 May 2022
<b>Venue:</b>	Town Hall, St Annes.
<b>Committee Members Present:</b>	Councillor Michael Sayward (Chairman) Councillor Gavin Harrison (Vice-Chairman)  Councillors Peter Anthony, Tim Armit, Sue Fazackerley MBE, Shirley Green, Matthew Lee, Cheryl Little, Vince Settle, Elaine Silverwood.
<b>Other Councillors Present:</b>	Councillors Karen Buckley, David O'Rourke, Roger Small.
<b>Officers Present:</b>	Tracy Manning, Mark Wilde, Lyndsey Lacey-Simone.

### Public Platform

There were no speakers on this occasion.

#### 1. Declarations of Interest

Members were reminded that any disclosable pecuniary interests should be declared as required by the Localism Act 2011 and any personal or prejudicial interests should be declared as required by the Council's Code of Conduct for Members. No interests were declared on this occasion.

#### 2. Confirmation of Minutes

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the Tourism and Leisure Committee meeting held on 10 March 2022 as a correct record for signature by the Chairman.

#### 3. Substitute Members

There were no substitute members.

### Decision Items

#### 4. Improvements to Blackpool Road North Playing Fields Play Area

The Chairman invited Mark Wilde, Head of Cultural Services, to present a report on improvements to Blackpool Road North Playing Fields Play Area.

In summary, the report set out the details of a scheme included in the Council's current 2022/2023 Capital Programme for improvements to the play area at Blackpool Road North Playing Fields. The works include the extension and replacement of playground surfacing, fencing and play equipment. Members were advised that the 2022/2023 Capital Programme already included the sum of £125,000 to deliver the works approved at Budget Council in March 2022.

Mr Wilde indicated that the proposed improvements formed part of a wider site masterplan agreed with the local community and ward members. He went on to say that the scheme had now been tendered and the report set out details of the tender process and made a recommendation to proceed.

Mr Wilde stated that the additional meeting of the Committee was convened due to the fact that the tender price is only valid until 25th May 2022, and the uncertainty attached to the rising costs of various materials. He added that to allow the tender to be awarded before the 25th May, the Deputy Chief Executive would need to use delegated powers to waive the standard call in period.

Following the presentation, the Chairman invited questions. Clarification was sought on the impact of inflation on the fixed price contract and the proposed colour of the wet pour surface. These were addressed in turn by Mr Wilde.

An artist impression/design of the highest scoring tender submission was included as an appendix to the report.

Following consideration of this matter, it was RESOLVED:

1. To authorise the drawdown of the capital expenditure of £125,000 in respect of the approved capital scheme 'Play Area, Blackpool Road North' in 2022/23 as detailed within the report.
2. To approve the letting of the contract to Kompan Ltd for the sum of £116,795 to carry out the scheme as outlined in the report.
3. To authorise the drawdown of the capital expenditure of £8,205 to be used as contingency for the above project as outlined in the report.

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