RECORD OF DECISION MADE UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

(as a result of the Royston and District Committee on 1 April 2020 being cancelled due to Covid-19 situation)

*PART 1 - PUBLIC DOCUMENT

Any interest to declare/ or conflict and any dispensation granted [if applicable]

SERVICE DIRECTORATE: Legal and Community

1. DECISION TAKEN

The approval of £1,000 be granted from the Royston and District budget to Reed Cricket Club to assist with the costs for purchasing new nets for the club which will be used by all users and visitors of the club at practice sessions.

2. DECISION TAKER

Executive Member - Community Engagement- Cllr Judi Billing, in consultation with the Service Director: Legal and Community (under section 9.8.2 (h) and 14.6.9(b)(iii) 5 of the Constitution).

3. DATE DECISION TAKEN:

2.4.2020

4. REASON FOR DECISION

The Royston and District Committee on 1 April 2020 was cancelled due to the Covid-19 situation.

The awarding of financial assistance to voluntary organisations and the use of discretionary spending allows the Committee to further the aims of the Corporate Plan.

5. CONSULTATION WITH COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Consultation including the effect on stakeholders, partners and the public is contained within the report published with the Royston and District Committee agenda for meeting on 1 April 2020.

Given the current Covid-19 situation and government advice regarding gatherings, the meeting of the Royston and District Committee was not possible. Therefore, the Committee Members were requested to provide an indication as to how they would have voted and any comments as to guide the decision maker.

By the prescribed deadline 5 votes were cast in favour of the recommendation.

The following Members of the Royston and District Committee voted:

- Councillor Carol Stanier;
- Councillor Ruth Brown;
- Councillor Tony Hunter;
- Councillor Jean Green: and
- Councillor Gerald Morris.

The following Members offered Comments, as summarised below:

Councillor Carol Stanier thought that it was a large amount of money to be given and was unsure how many people would benefit from it.

6. SUPPORTING REPORT

Other information relevant to the decision, such as legal, financial, risk, social value and equality implications, is contained within the report published as Item 8 within the Royston and District agenda for the meeting on 1 April 2020 via link below:

https://democracy.north-herts.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=152&Mld=2254

NOTIFICATION DATE

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3.4.2020

Signature of Executive Member Decision taker

Date2.4.2020.....

Signature of Service Director: Legal and Community

Call-in does not apply to NON-EXECUTIVE DECISIONS

In respect of Executive Decisions, as per section 6.3.11(b) of the Constitution 'Call-In and Urgency', the call-in procedure does not apply when the decision being taken is urgent. For the purposes of the current Coronavirus pandemic, this decision is considered to be urgent (as normal meetings and the decision-making process was suspended for this meeting). The Chair of Council has been informed and agrees that the decision is a reasonable one in the circumstances and is to be treated as a matter of urgency.