

BRAUNSTONE TOWN COUNCIL

OFFICER DECISION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS

**Reopening of the former Adult Football Pitch at Mossdale Meadows and
Pitch Allocations: Kingsway Celtic – 21st November 2014**

Background to the Decision

In May 2014 a pitch allocation request was received from Kingsway Celtic Football Club to be accommodated during the 2014/2015 season; however, agreement to accommodate the Club with the existing clubs using the pitches could not be reached. Therefore, Policy and Resources Committee on 21st August 2014 approved the reopening the second adult football pitch in the top field of Mossdale Meadows, which had previously been closed to resolve parking issues in the local area on match days, to accommodate Kingsway Celtic's request.

Authority for Decision

The decision of Policy and Resources Committee on 21st August 2014, is set out in full in the Report of that meeting (Reference 5b). Implementation was delegated to the Executive Officer and Town Clerk as follows (bold type):

- ii) *that Kingsway Celtic be offered a pitch allocation on this pitch for the 2014/2015 season based upon the standard terms and conditions and **that delegated authority be given to the Executive Officer and Town Clerk, in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair, to determine the date on which the pitch becomes available for use;***
- iii) *that Kingsway Celtic work with the Town Council and the other football clubs to arrange their matches to avoid matches at peak times in order to prevent parking problems in the surrounding area and **that delegated authority be given to the Executive Officer and Town Clerk, in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair, to agree the dates and times when Kingsway Celtic play;***

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

No alternative options were considered.

Decision

1. That the former adult pitch at Mossdale Meadows (top field) be returned for use as a Senior pitch from Saturday 22nd November 2014; and
2. that the dates and times submitted by Kingsway Celtic for their matches to be played be approved.

Approved By:



Darren Tilley
Executive Officer & Town Clerk

Date: 21st November 2014

Reasons for Decision

1. The top field took longer than originally anticipated to return to use as a football pitch, once cut grass had been collected, the pitch was left open to the elements, recut and marked. A Groundsperson tested the pitch wearing football boots and deemed it playable.

2. The dates and times submitted by Kingsway Celtic for their matches are as follows:

- 06/12/2014, 13.30
- 13/12/2014, 13.30
- 20/12/2014, 13.30
- 17/01/2015, 13.30
- 24/01/2015, 13.30
- 31/01/2015, 13.30
- 21/02/2015, 14.00
- 28/02/2015, 14.00

These dates and times do not result in Mossdale Meadows being used at a single time more than normal. On four occasions there is one other team scheduled to play, on the other four occasions there are no other teams scheduled to play.

List of Background Documents

None.

NOTE:

CRIME & DISORDER ACT 1998 (SECTION 17) – The Council has an obligation to consider Crime & Disorder implications of all its activities and to do all that it can to prevent Crime and Disorder in its area.

EQUALITIES ACT 2010

Braunstone Town Council has a duty in carrying out its functions to have due regard to:-

- eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation;
- advance equality of opportunity between different groups; and;
- foster good relations between different groups

To ensure that no person receives less favourable treatment on the basis of race, disability, sex, gender re-assignment, sexual orientation, age, religion or belief, marriage or civil partnership, pregnancy or maternity.

These issues were considered in connection with each of the above decisions. Unless otherwise stated under each item of this report, there were no implications.