

## **MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL**

### **RECORD OF DECISION OF THE HERITAGE, CULTURE AND LEISURE COMMITTEE**

Decision Made: 4 April 2017

#### **Report of the Head of Regeneration and Economic Development - A Sustainable Future for Mote Park Update**

##### **Issue for Decision**

To approve the progression of the following projects within the Sustainable Future for Mote Park Programme:-

- Car Park Charging
- Adventure Zone
- Mote Park Centre

##### **Decision Made**

###### 1) Car Park Charging:

- a) That the Committee approve that the Parking Services Manager amend the Off-Street Parking Places Order to vary the car park tariff for parking for up to 6 hours from £1 to £2, to meet the budget and in response to peak demand, and to invest £250,000 in additional parking provision.

###### 2) Adventure Zone:

- a) That the Committee approve a revised total cost of £1,150,000 for the Adventure Zone.
- b) That the Committee invest of a further £300k in non-income producing improvements to the park (from the existing Capital Programme) within an existing contract as detailed in the report.
- c) That the Committee delegate authority to the Head of Regeneration and Economic Development to undertake a procurement process for a contractor for the Adventure Zone and other improvements in line with the Contract Procedure Rules.
- d) That the Committee delegate authority to the Director of Finance and Business Improvement to award the contract to the successful bidders for the construction of Adventure Zone in line with the Contract procedure Rules, following a briefing with the chair of the Heritage Culture and Leisure Committee on the procurement process and outcome.
- e) That the Committee delegate authority to the Head of Mid Kent Legal Services to enter into contracts and any other necessary agreements for the construction of the Adventure Zone.

###### 3) Mote Park Centre:

- a) That the Committee approve a revised total scheme cost of £1.75m for the Visitor Centre.
- b) That the Committee invest of a further £625k in non-income producing improvements to the park (from the existing Capital Programme) as detailed in the report under the same contract.
- c) That the Committee delegate authority to the Head of Regeneration and Economic Development to undertake a procurement process for an architect and other professional services and appoint to these contracts in line with the Contract Procedure Rules.
- d) That the Committee delegate authority to the Director of Finance and Business to award the contract to the successful bidders for the construction of the Mote Park Centre in line with the Contract Procedure Rules, following a briefing with the chair of the Heritage Culture and Leisure Committee on the procurement process and outcome.
- e) That the Committee delegate authority to the Head of Mid Kent Legal Services to enter into contracts and any other necessary agreements for the construction of the Mote Park Centre.

## **Background Papers**

A Sustainable Future for Mote Park

Should you wish to refer this decision to the Policy and Resources Committee, please submit a Decision Referral Form, signed by three Councillors, to the Head of Policy and Communications by: **20 April 2017**