

Springburn Park synthetic pitch and pavilion, Broomfield Road (Ward 17) – Commencement of negotiations for off-market letting approved – Authority to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

8 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding proposals for an off-market letting of Springburn Park synthetic pitch and pavilion, Broomfield Road (Ward 17) to Brunswick Community Development Trust through the People Make Glasgow Communities (PMGC) programme, advising that

- (1) the PMGC programme was a mechanism by which local organisations, groups and individuals could express an interest in having a greater involvement in the management of local venues;
- (2) major repairs to the Springburn Park synthetic pitch and changing pavilion had been undertaken during 2014, and were currently operated by Partick Thistle Charitable Trust (PTCT) under a Community Activation Pilot in partnership with Glasgow Life, since October 2020;
- (3) Brunswick Community Development Trust (BCDT) was a well established community-led organisation who had demonstrated a strong ability to work with partners and involve the community in delivering services; and
- (4) following assessment by the PMGC project working group and the Community Asset Working Group of proposals from both PTCT and BCDT, its recommendation was to proceed BCDT to the development phase of the PMGC process, where the organisation would initially enter into a short-term licence to occupy for 12 months with ongoing monitoring and support being provided in advance of negotiations for an off-market letting.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) approved
 - (i) the analysis contained in the report for competing proposals from Brunswick Community Development Trust and Partick Thistle Charitable Trust; and
 - (ii) the commencement of negotiations for an off-market letting of Springburn Park synthetic pitch and pavilion to Brunswick Community Development Trust through the People Make Glasgow Communities programme; and
- (b) authorised the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to negotiate terms and conditions for the proposed letting to Brunswick Community Development Trust, which should include, as appropriate, terms that:
 - (A) maintained a high level of public and democratic scrutiny over the operation of the Council-owned facility;

- (B) maintained close alignment with all relevant Council policies, including mechanisms for 'keeping pace' with future policy changes; and
- (C) provided options for recourse should either of these things cease to be maintained or if any actions were taken by the leaseholder which the Council considered detrimental to its reputation or to the wider public interest.