Cheltenham Borough Council

Social & Community Overview & Scrutiny Committee - 11th April 2005

Parklands Community Association

Joint Report of the Deputy (Neighbourhood & Community) and the Deputy (Exchequer)

1. Executive Summary and recommendation

- 1.1 The Cabinet considered a report at the meeting on the 29th March (copy attached) which identified a number of issues relating to Parklands Community Association.
- **1.2** The Cabinet considered it was appropriate for a review to take place into the role of the Community Association and the future of the Parklands Community Centre which is located on land in Council ownership.
- **1.3** The Cabinet approved the following recommendations:
 - i. Social & Community and Economy & Business Improvement Overview & Scrutiny Committees be invited to review the options outlined in the report for the future use of the property let to Parklands and make recommendations to the Cabinet on the best course of action. The review to exclude the 'Integrated Community Complex' for the reasons outlined in the report and report back to Cabinet by the 6th September 2005.
 - ii. Cabinet endorse the suggested Draft Terms of Reference (Appendix 1)
 - iii. The Officers continue to take the appropriate action to agree a programme of work with Parklands Community Association to address health & safety related issues at the Community Centre.
- 1.4 The Committee is asked to consider establishing a joint working party with the Economy & Business Improvement Overview & Scrutiny Committee to carry out a review of Parklands. If the Committee is prepared to set up a joint working party it will need to nominate members for the working party and agree terms of reference (see draft suggested terms in Appendix 1 to the report to Cabinet attached to this report)

1.5 We therefore recommend that:

1.5.1 The Committee approves the establishment of a joint working party with the Economy & Business Improvement Overview & Scrutiny Committee to carry out a review of the options for future use of the property let to Parklands. The review to exclude the 'Integrated Community Complex' for the reasons outlined in the report to Cabinet of the 29th March 2005

- 1.5.2 The Committee nominates members to sit on the working party
- 1.5.3 The Committee agrees the draft terms of reference for the working party Appendix 1 of the report to Cabinet of the 29th March 2005
- 1.5.4 The working party to report back to the Committees to enable them to make recommendations on the best course of action to the meeting of the Cabinet on the 6th September 2005.
- 1.6 Summary of implications

1.6.1 Financial None as a consequence of this report

1.6.2 Legal None as a consequence of this report

1.6.3 Human Resources None as a consequence of this report

1.6.4 Equal opportunities, social justice and anti-

poverty

The provision of appropriate community support and facilities plays a key role in tackling issues relating to equal opportunities, social justice and anti-poverty.

1.6.5 Environmental None as a consequence of this report

1.7 Links to Business Plan and Corporate Objectives

1.7.1 The role of Parklands in the Community and its relationship with the WLP Partnership and Neighbourhood Project are directly linked to the corporate priority in the business plan: "we want to redress the imbalances in our communities and build strong, healthy geographical communities and communities of interest"

1.8 Statement on Risk

1.8.1 None as a consequence of this report

Background Papers	Report to Cabinet of 29 th March 2005 attached
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