

SADDLEWORTH & LEES DISTRICT EXECUTIVE
30/01/2014 at 7.30 pm



Present: Councillor Beeley (Chair)
Councillors Harkness, Heffernan, McCann, Roughley, Sedgwick
(Vice-Chair) and Sheldon

Also in Attendance:

Christine Chester	Constitutional Services
Michael Jameson	Executive Director Commissioning
Lisa MacDonald	District Co-ordinator

1 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Alexander and Hudson and Michele Carr, Assistant Executive Director, Neighbourhoods, Housing and Planning.

2 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest received.

3 **URGENT BUSINESS**

The Chair introduced the following two items of urgent business:

1. A recommendation had been received from the District Partnership in relation to the parking issues in Uppermill requesting that parking restrictions should be implemented now that all the signs had been put in place.
2. A Ward Councillor made reference to the closure of Church Road due to sewer works and asked that discussions should take place with officers and local residents relating to arrangements to be put in place. He suggested that parking passes be introduced for residents for the duration of the works.

RESOLVED that:

1. Discussions take place with the appropriate officers regarding the parking restrictions in Uppermill.
2. Discussions take place with the appropriate officers regarding the proposed arrangements for parking for local residents for the duration of the works.

4 **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

No public questions had been received.

5 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 14th November 2013 be approved as a correct record.

6 **PETITIONS**

No petitions had been received.

7 **DISTRICT EXECUTIVE BUDGET REPORT AND APPENDIX**
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Consideration was given to a report of the Assistant Executive Director, Neighbourhoods, Housing and Planning which advised the District Executive of its available budget for 2013/14, commitments to date and potential budget allocations to be considered at the meeting. The Chair reminded Members of the need to give consideration to the remaining allocation of funds. Members gave consideration to the applications for funding and the following issues were discussed:



1. Fencing Improvements at Saddleworth Rangers – Members considered that the cost of the fencing - £4,600, appeared to be excessive and queried whether the directive that had come from the RFL was mandatory. The District Co-ordinator offered to speak with a representative from the Rugby Club to clarify the situation.
2. Castleshaw Roman Fort – Support for Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) Bid
Consideration was given to a request from the Friends of Castleshaw Roman Fort, for £1,512, to support the preparation of the Heritage Lottery Fund bid for further archaeological excavations at Castleshaw Roman Fort.
3. Friezland Horse Riding Arena Site – Phase 1 - Members asked how the risks would be managed and expressed concern at a number of aspects of the breakdown of costs. It was suggested that further quotes be sought for certain aspects of the work.
4. Friezland Horse Riding Arena Site – Phase 2 - Consideration was given to a request from the Oldham and District Riding Club on behalf of the Friezland user Group for a contribution towards the cost of the replacement of fencing around the picnic area site.

RESOLVED that:

1. The budget available for 2013/14 be noted.
2. The budget commitments made be noted.
3. A sum of £4,600 be provisionally allocated as a contribution towards replacement fencing at Saddleworth Rangers Rugby Club, subject to the outcome of clarification of the RFL's request by the District Co-ordinator.
4. That, subject to satisfactory quotes being received, the requests for funding in relation to Friezland Horse Riding Arena Site – Phases 1 and 2, be approved in principle.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED that the next meeting of the Saddleworth and Lees District Executive will take place on Thursday 27th March 2014 at 7.30pm.

Before closing the meeting the Chair thanked Michael Jameson, Executive Director Commissioning, for all his help and support to the District Executive and wished him all the best in his new post at Bradford Council.



The meeting started at 7.30 pm and ended at 8.10 pm