

CHARITABLE TRUST COMMITTEE
30/06/2026 at 6.00 pm



Present: Councillor M Ali (Chair)
Councillors Aslam, Ball and Wilkinson

Also in Attendance:

Alex Bougatef	Director of Legal (Monitoring Officer)
Rebecca Boyle	Group Solicitor (Corporate)
Matthew Bulmer	Project Director (Sportstown, Northern Roots and Oldham Coliseum)
Jack Grennan	Constitutional Services

1 **ELECTION OF CHAIR**

RESOLVED: That Councillor Mohon Ali be elected as Chair for the duration of the meeting.

2 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Z. Ali.

3 **URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no items of urgent business received.

4 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest received.

5 **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no public questions received for the Committee to consider.

6 **MINUTES**

It was noted that the previous chair of the Committee had approved the minutes.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 17th March 2026 be approved as a correct record.

7 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

RESOLVED that in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it contains exempt information under paragraphs 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, and it would not, on balance, be in the public interest to disclose the reports.

8 **NORTHERN ROOTS - PLOT 8 (PHASE 2 URBAN FARM) SECOND REPORT)**

The Project Director for Sportstown, Northern Roots and the Coliseum introduced the item, noting that the request was in relation to plot 8 of Northern Roots, which was charitable land. It was noted that the proposed use of the land was in line with the charitable uses of the land.

Members queried whether Northern Roots was self-funding, and it was noted that Northern Roots was a charity and so it raised its own funds through donations. It was also noted that community engagement around Northern Roots had taken place.



RESOLVED: That the recommendations in the report be approved.

The Chair asked whether other land would come before the committee in relation to Northern Roots, and it was noted that it was possible. The Committee also requested a visit to the Northern Roots site.

The meeting started at 6.00 pm and ended at 6.15 pm