

CHARITABLE TRUST COMMITTEE
23/02/2026 at 6.00 pm



Present: Councillor Rustidge (Chair)
Councillors Marland, Sheldon and Harrison (Substitute)

Also in Attendance:

Rebecca Boyle	Group Solicitor
Matthew Bulmer	Project Director SportsTown and Northern Roots
Jack Grennan	Constitutional Services
Christopher Lewis	Place Directorate

1 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Ball and Councillor Charters (Councillor Harrison substituting)

2 **URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no items of urgent business received.

3 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest received.

4 **NORTHERN ROOTS: PLOT 8 (PHASE 2 URBAN FARM)**

Matt Bulmer introduced the item, noting that permissions were needed from the Trust to use the land as part of the project. The usages for the land were explained and the recommendations and legal comments were highlighted.

Members discussed the item, asking questions of the officers, and viewed the deed and covenant for the land. Clarity was also given on issues raised. Members were informed that the surveyors report would be brought back to the committee before a decision was made.

RESOLVED: That Option 1 be supported and the recommendations in the report be agreed.

5 **PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF A PLAY AREA**

Chris Lewis introduced the item, noting that officers were seeking consent from the Committee regarding a play area being installed.

Members discussed the scheme, asking questions of officers, and viewed the Covenant and the Deed of Trust.

RESOLVED: That Option 1 be supported and the recommendations be agreed, delegating to Council the process of approving works for the installation of the previously agreed Play Area on Plot 8 as part of the Northern Roots Project.

The meeting started at 6.00 pm and ended at 6.50 pm