

Full Council

Date: 14 May 2019
Title: Thame Football Partnership Permission Request
Contact Officer: Graham Hunt, Town Clerk

Purpose of Report

1. To consider a further permission request from Thame Football Partnership (TFP).

Background

2. Lease conditions require TFP to obtain written permission from the Town Council as landlord before proceeding with a planning application.
3. Permission was granted to submit a planning application for a new Artificial Pitch at the Council meeting on 25 April 2017.
4. The Council has considered two further reports on the artificial pitch project on 22 January 2019 and 26 February 2019.
5. As a separate project, under their own management / funding, TFP are keen to progress improvements to the adjacent full size turf pitch, to include the establishment of additional shelters / stands / floodlighting / hardstanding as shown in the attached plan.
6. TFP would like to extend the scope of the planning application to include the turf pitch proposals.
7. Meadow View Park located at Church Farm is under lease conditions executed from Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) via a Head Lease to Thame Town Council who in turn is landlord via an Under Lease to the Thame Football Partnership.

Risk Assessment

8. Thame Town Council would be subject to legal consequences if they do not conform with the leases.
9. TFP have confirmed that the turf pitch project is entirely under their control and separate from the Artificial Pitch project. They are simply taking the opportunity to submit one planning application for the two projects.

Legal Powers: General Power of Competence, Localism Act 2011

Recommendation:

- i) It is recommended that Council agrees to Thame Football Partnership extending the scope of the planning application for a new artificial pitch to also include significant improvements to the adjacent full size turf pitch.***