

RESOURCES AND SERVICES OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

13 DECEMBER 2021

ADDENDUM REPORT

A.5 THE FUTURE OF JOINT USE SPORTS FACILITIES SITE VISITS

(Report prepared by Keith Durran)

Monday 6 December 2021- Brightlingsea Leisure centre

Brightlingsea Sports Centre

Attended: Cllr's M Stephenson, Scott, Codling, Harris, Barry and Griffiths. Officers Keith S, Keith D and Michael Carran. Site tour by Steve Ham, Sports Facilities Manager.

Apologies: Cllr's Morrison, Land and Allen

The members heard how the Sports Centre was split into 2 zones, in the map below we can see them, the orange sections were accessible throughout the opening hours of the centre for members (except the dance studio which was also utilised by the school during school times), the green sections were only available when the school was closed. They also heard that at present the spin room was being used as storage as there was not adequate ventilation to fall in line with COVID measures.

Both Halls in the Green Zone were utilised by multiple Sports Groups, usually hired out in blocks to local clubs, everything from Basket Ball to Cricket to various Martial Arts. (About 40 clubs/teams annually utilise these facilities).

Onsite there is also an all-weather outside pitch, it is about 20 years old and in need of renovation. This is not part of the joint use facilities but TDC does manage the booking arrangement's for it for a small fee. There is also a set of old tennis courts onsite which also aren't part of the Joint Use Agreement.



Harwich



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Members heard how the Harwich Centres use was also split between when the school was open or not. When the school was open the only constant use facilities were the 2 squash courts, these were the only squash courts in Harwich and appeared the have a healthy league in operation (40 people). The members also had use of the flood light outdoor tennis courts, these were usually busy from March to September. The main Sports Hall was booked out to many sports clubs and classes, everything from badminton to Pilates.

The outside hard-core area was also included in the Joint Use Agreement but it was never used. The up-keep was a few thousand pounds a year, for jet washing and de-mossing.

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