

Report on	MUDC/ Forest Service Davagh Lease
Reporting Officer	Director of Leisure & Outdoor Recreation
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Is this report restricted for confidential business?	Yes	
If 'Yes', confirm below the exempt information category relied upon	No	X

1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	To inform members of project costs in relation to lease/annual rental valuation.
2.0	Background
2.1	A review of current licence and lease arrangements with forest Service for Davagh Forest has been conducted to take into consideration the additional requirements associated to the Dark Skies Development
3.0	Main Report
3.1	Forest Service have presented to Council a proposed lease arrangement for the lands associated to the Davagh Dark Skies development having consulted with Council's legal team.
3.2	The lease will be for the period of 20 years.
3.3	The lease has been valued at £2,500 per annum. The valuation was carried out by Land and Property Services (LPS) on behalf of by Forest Service.
4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	<u>Financial & Human Resources Implications</u> Financial: Annual cost £2,500 for a period of 20 years. Human: Current staff structure sufficient to manage the project.
4.2	<u>Equality and Good Relations Implications</u> N/A
4.3	<u>Risk Management Implications</u> The project will be managed in accordance with MUDC policies and procedures

5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	Approval is sought to progress with the Lease Agreement for Davagh Forest Dark Skies Project based on the valuation provided by Forest Service.
5.2	Annual Lease Payment £2,500.00 for an agreed Lease period of 20 years.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
6.1	N/A