

Report on	Tullywiggan Play Park Lease Proposal
Date of Meeting	Thursday 4 June 2020
Reporting Officer	Head of Parks
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	No	x

1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	Council approval to seek the transfer through lease or acquisition of a parcel of land adjacent to private dwellings 34 - 40 Tullywiggan Cottages, Cookstown from Northern Ireland Housing Executive relating to creation of a new play park by legacy Cookstown Council in 2002.
2.0	Background
2.1	Records would indicate that Northern Ireland Housing Executive and Cookstown District Council progressed a proposal to develop play facilities at Tullywiggan. The creation of a new play park was completed in 2002. Correspondence on file dating from 2010 confirm that both parties were in agreement in relation to the project. However no formal lease agreement was completed at that stage.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	To seek initially the formalisation of an agreement through the establishment of a lease with Northern Ireland Housing Executive (NIHE).
3.2	Northern Ireland Housing Executive (NIHE) may seek to progress the transfer through the sale of the land to council for which a freehold valuation for the purchase of the lands will be sought from Land and Property Services.
4.0	Other Considerations
	<u>Financial & Human Resources Implications</u>
4.1	Financial: Depending on NIHE the terms of disposal to Council. Council will formally adopt the facility and continue to insure, inspect and maintain as has been the case since 2002. Human: Existing staff resources sufficient to coordinate project support. No additional staffing resource required. The site will be included in weekly inspections schedules resourced by the Parks Service.

4.2	<p><u>Equality and Good Relations Implications</u></p> <p>Council recognise the continuing need to provide safe access to children's play facilities at Tullywiggan Cottages, Cookstown.</p>
4.3	<p><u>Risk Management Implications</u></p> <p>N/A</p>
5.0	<p>Recommendation(s)</p>
5.1	<p>Council approval is sought for the formal transfer of land through either lease or acquisition, subject to agreement on Terms and Conditions as provided from Northern Ireland Housing Executive.</p>
6.0	<p>Documents Attached & References</p>
6.1	<p>Tullywiggan Play Park boundary maps (Appendices 1 & 2)</p>