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**Ward(s) Affected: Tadcaster**  
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**Lead Executive Member: Councillor Mark Crane, Leader of the Council**  
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**Title: Tadcaster Community Sports Trust - Request for Funding Support**

**Summary:**

Tadcaster Community Sports Trust have ambitious plans to develop a community-led, multi-sports hub at the Tadcaster Queen's Garden site in the town centre.

The Trust have asked the Council for assistance to realise these plans through a grant which can support the development of early-stage work and increase opportunities to access further funding as the project progresses. An original request for the first phase of the project was for £192k to develop business planning, community engagement, masterplan and detailed design costs.

The Executive agreed to an initial grant of £30k to support that work with a recommendation to Council to support the Trust with the remainder of the funding.

The original Executive report on the project and associated documents are attached at Appendix 1-4. They outline the vision of the project, its alignment with strategic development plans for the area and actions required to develop the hub.

**Recommendations:**

**That Council approve:**

- i) that the remainder of the requested amount of £162k be awarded to TCST; and**

- ii) that authority be then delegated to the Director of Economic Regeneration and Place in consultation with the Leader of the Council to enter into a grant funding agreement between Selby District Council and Tadcaster Community Sports Trust (TCST) to secure achievement of agreed key deliverables from the £162k payment, by imposition of appropriate conditions.

**Reasons for recommendation:**

*The recommendations support Tadcaster Community Sports Trust to deliver services to the local community. This is in support of the Council Plan priorities to make Selby District 'a great place' to live, enjoy and grow and a Council delivering 'great value' including through a mixed-economy model. It also reflects the principles in the Council Plan of being collaborative (we will be outward-focused and work with others to get things done), community focussed (we will empower and involve people in decisions about their area and their services) and well-being led (we will consider the impact on encouraging healthy life choices in our decision-making)*

*It also aligns well with a key delivery priority in the Council Plan to:*

*'Develop a long-term programme of market town regeneration to support the development of vibrant town centres and places in Selby, Tadcaster and Sherburn and the provision of high-quality leisure, service and accommodation offers for residents, visitors and businesses.'*

*The recommendations are offered on the basis that the progress of the project is subject to stringent conditions and overview to ensure viability of the project and to ensure effective use of public funding, and leverage of further external funding to support development and delivery.*

**1. Introduction and background**

**1.1** The attached Executive report and associated appendices provide a thorough overview of the proposed project.

**1.2** The initial £30k grant awarded by the Executive covers:

- Outline business plan development
- Community engagement
- Funding plan
- Initial technical surveys to revise the masterplan.

Work has commenced on all areas of the above with regular monitoring of progress through the Head of Community, Partnerships and Customers.

**1.3** The request for the remaining £162k covers:

- Full business case
- Technical design development

## **2. Alternative Options Considered**

Alternative options are considered in the Executive report.

## **3. Implications**

### **3.1 Legal Implications**

As outlined in the Executive report.

### **3.2 Financial Implications**

Any grant award would be outside of the current budget framework and would require reallocation of funds from other sources. The Medium-Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) elsewhere on this agenda, identifies that there could be funds available.

### **3.3 Policy and Risk Implications**

As outlined in the Executive report.

### **3.4 Corporate Plan Implications**

As outlined in the Executive report.

### **3.5 Resource Implications**

As outlined in Section 3.2 above and the Executive report.

### **3.6 Other Implications**

As outlined in the Executive report.

### **3.7 Equalities Impact Assessment**

As outlined in the Executive report.

## **4. Conclusion**

- 4.1** The Executive recommend that the Council consider awarding a grant of £162k Tadcaster Community Sports Trust to develop plans for a community-led, multi-sport hub in Tadcaster. The grant, subject to conditions, will support the Council's ambitions to regenerate our market towns, by providing a quality leisure offer to Tadcaster and surrounding areas.

## **5. Appendices**

Appendix 1 – Executive report dated 27 May 2021

Appendix 2 – Community First Yorkshire Support Needs Appraisal

Appendix 3 – Illustrative Masterplan

Appendix 4 – Corporate Business Case

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