



# PADDLING POOL

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 20/13

18 MARCH 2013

The purpose of this report is to provide Members with the latest information on preparations for the operation of the Paddling Pool for the season.

**No. DETAIL**

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**1) INTRODUCTION**

- a) Ventnor Town Council agreed to become responsible for the operation of the Paddling Pool in Minute 153/12 of its Meeting of 12 November 2012.
  - b) Subject to Members' agreement with the recommendation below about the opening date, that will become effective from 1 May 2013.
  - c) The following sections deal with the related matters.
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**2) LEASE**

- a) A copy of the draft lease has been previously circulated to Members for consideration.
  - b) This appears to be a standard lease for these purposes, with a 125 year term.
  - c) The only major change is probably the need for a break clause. That was agreed in the initial meeting with Alex Minns and he has confirmed that he is happy to include one in the next draft.
  - d) Any other requested amendments can be passed on to Alex Minns in time for the preparation of the second draft.
  - e) Our Insurers have seen the relevant to them sections of the lease and have confirmed that the required cover is included in their quotation of an additional annual premium requirement of £225. A Hazards sign will be required.
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**3) STAFFING**

- a) Mervyn Ringer, previously employed by the Isle of Wight Council to maintain Paddling Pools, has agreed to undertake the necessary daily maintenance and any additional related requirements for the full opening period following a meeting with him that was also attended by Councillor Jim Toogood.
  - b) He also has a colleague who will cover any times that he is not available.
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**4) OPENING**

The Town Council's resolution 153/12 proposed having the Pool in operation from Easter 2013. However, in view of the early date of Easter this year and the work required for the transfer it is proposed to adjust the opening period for 2013 to 1 May 2013 to 30 September 2013.

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**5) SPONSORSHIP**

- a) The payment from SPAR of £1,000 towards the cost of operating the Pool has been received in line with the sponsorship agreement.
  - b) Their proposed signage in response to that contribution is attached to this report for discussion and approval. Information has been requested from the Isle of Wight Council about the necessary permissions and maximum size for the sign.
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**6) SEATING**

A request has been received to consider the possibility of upgrading and/or increasing the seating available around the Pool.

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2980mm x 930mm  
white sign on a wall area  
of aprox' 4000mm x 1000mm