



PADDLING POOL

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 5 /13

21 JANUARY 2013

The purpose of this report is to provide the latest information on the preparations for the Town Council's operation of the Paddling Pool and details a of part-sponsorship offer in connection with its costs.

No. DETAIL

1) ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCIL

- a) I met with Strategic Manager Leisure, Leisure & Public Spaces, Alex Minns, on 10 January to discuss details of the handover.
 - b) They are proposing a long lease – yet to be drafted – as the basis for the Town Council's responsibilities and I've asked that it include a break clause. There is an informal understanding that the transfer will take place in time for an Easter opening whether the legal agreement process has been completed or not.
 - c) There is a small amount of capital funding that will be available in the preparations for the opening. In particular, that will cover the cost of the annual clean up and painting and the provision of the warning signage required by the Town Council's insurers.
 - d) Any advice that may be needed by whoever the Town Council employs for the daily maintenance required throughout the period for which the pool is open will be available from the Isle of Wight Council's staff.
 - e) They will also provide pool testing equipment, record keeping documentation and assistance with any related COSH process required in connection with the storage of the necessary chemicals: something more thought will need to be given to.
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2) SPONSORSHIP OFFER

- a) An offer of a £1,000 contribution to the Town Council's costs in operating the Paddling Pool has been received from John Perrett, Director of Hunnyhill Stores Ventnor Ltd, the operator of the town's SPAR store.
 - b) This is offered, he states, because *we think it admirable that the Town Council has taken on responsibility for painting and maintaining the pool.*
 - c) In recognition of the contribution he asks for *some signage to advertise our business, this to be of a size and style to be agreed with you/the council.*
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3) RECOMMENDATIONS

Members are recommended to note the update and agree a response to the sponsorship offer.
