

WARRINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL
RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN BY AN OFFICER

DECISION TITLE: AWARD OF CONCESSION CONTRACT FOR THE OPERATION OF A HIGH ROPES COURSE AT WALTON HALL & GARDENS (ALONGSIDE GRANT OF A LICENCE TO OCCUPY)

Cabinet Decision No and/or Forward Plan No (Executive decisions only)	N/A
Directorate Ref No (Non Executive decisions only) If applicable	N/A
Decision detail	<p>Decision to enter into a concession contract with Jungle Parc Ltd, for the provision of a high ropes course at Walton Hall & Gardens, and the grant of a licence to occupy to provide the said service.</p> <p>The award of contract follows the competitive tendering of the concession opportunity via Open procedure using The Chest procurement portal.</p> <p>The decision is taken by David Boyer, the Director of Transport & Environment, in consultation with procurement and legal colleagues, as well as the Portfolio Holder for Leisure & Community.</p> <p>The relevant documents being entered into include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Services Concession Contract Relating to High/Low Ropes Facility Arrangements at Walton Hall Estate (2) Licence to Occupy land at Walton Hall Estate to undertake services covered by the above contract
Reason for decision	To enable the provision of a high/low ropes attraction at Walton Hall & Gardens, to enhance and expand the leisure offer at the site and to generate an additional revenue stream for the Council.
Decision Maker/Responsible Officer	David Boyer Director – Transport & Environment
Directorate	Transport & Environment
Lead Cabinet Member consulted (if applicable)	Cllr Tony Higgins Portfolio Holder Leisure and Community Fully consulted and agreed
Decision Date	10 December 2020
Date Decision was published /	21 December 2020

notified (normally within 2 clear working days of decision being made)	
Summary of options considered	The Council considered building and operating the high ropes course itself. The business case for the project indicated that this would not be financially viable and therefore a third party operator was sought and identified via a competitive tender / open procedure.
Interests declared	N/A
Background Papers (if applicable) <i>(period expires after 4 years from date of decision)</i>	N/A
Confidential / exempt information Category (if applicable)	N/A

NB. This form expires after 6 years.