



Report of the Chief Recreation Officer and Assistant Chief Executive (Corporate Governance)

Executive Board

Date: 13th June 2007

Subject: River Safety Management at Wharfemeadows Park, Manor Park and Tittybottle Park, Otley

Electoral Wards Affected:

Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

Eligible for Call In

Not Eligible for Call In

(Details contained in the report)

1.0 PURPOSE OF THIS REPORT

- 1.1 A report on river safety management at Wharfemeadows Park, Manor Park and Tittybottle Park was considered by the Executive Board on 16 May 2007 and a copy of that report is attached as Appendix 1.

At the meeting it was resolved:

“that consideration of proposals to improve water safety at Wharfemeadows Park, Manor Park and Tittybottle Park , Otley be deferred to the June meeting of the Board excepting that the Chief Recreation Officer be requested to progress fencing proposals by the river in the vicinities of the weir and the children’s play area”.

- 1.2 Members will be aware that a public meeting was held at Otley Civic Centre on 10 May 2007 and an analysis is being carried out of questionnaires sent to the Council following that meeting.

Officers have also been asked to consider a proposal to enter into a lease or management agreement with Otley Town Council of either the land adjacent to the river on both sides or indeed the entirety of the parks.

A visual display of the options considered is to be available at Otley Civic Centre on 8 June.

Officers intend to collate the information relating to the above and to circulate the report as soon as possible after the visual display on 8 June 2007 and prior to the Executive Board meeting of 13 June.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

Members to note that a report containing the information referred to above will be circulated prior to the Executive Board meeting of 13 June.