

## **Item 16 – Supplement to the Community Committee Update Report – Ebor Gardens Community Centre**

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- 1) This supplementary document to Item 16 asks Members to consider changes to the terms and conditions for the hiring of Ebor Garden's Community Centre in the Burmantofts & Richmond Hill ward.
- 2) Approval of the Community Committee is required for any changes to the terms and conditions of the hire agreement for council community centres.

### **Background**

- 3) On the 28<sup>th</sup> May, there was a disturbance at Ebor Gardens community centre caused by a group who had a late booking at the centre for a party. The group refused to leave the premises after the allotted time for their booking had elapsed, putting the caretakers in a difficult position. Once the group finally left, there was further disturbance outside the centre, which is in a residential area. Furthermore, once the centre was finally locked up, it was broken into again, setting off the alarm.
- 4) Burmantofts and Richmond Hill Ward members met with community centre staff and the Head of Facilities Management in the weeks after the incident to reflect on it and to decide what actions could be taken to prevent such an incident re-occurring in the future. The outcomes from that meeting are noted in the following proposals:
  - a. All bookings at Ebor Gardens will have to finish at 10pm (currently 11:30pm)
  - b. For party bookings on a Friday or Saturday night, 2 security guards will be on duty for the duration of the event. The costs of this to be picked up by the hirer
  - c. Alcohol will only be allowed on the premises if the applicant has a Temporary Event Notice.
- 5) Members are asked to consider the proposed changes to the terms and conditions of the hire agreement for council community centres outlined above

**6) Recommendations** – The Community Committee is requested to support the proposed changes to the terms and conditions of the hire agreement for Ebor Gardens Community Centre as follows:

1. All bookings at Ebor Gardens will have to finish at 10pm (currently 11:30pm)
2. For party bookings on a Friday or Saturday night, 2 security guards will be on duty for the duration of the event. The costs of this to be picked up by the hirer
3. Alcohol will only be allowed on the premises if the applicant has a Temporary Event Notice.