

## **The Windmill Rayleigh (Min 231/00)**

### **1 SUMMARY**

- 1.1 The report updates Members on discussions with the Rayleigh Antiquarian Society and proposals for the consideration of trust arrangements to progress the matter.

### **2 DETAILS**

- 2.1 Following consideration by The Member Budget Monitoring Sub-Committee as to the use and management of the Windmill. (min 83/00 refers) Members met with representatives of the Rayleigh and District Antiquarian Society to discuss the future of the building and the possibilities of trust arrangements which might assist in funding improvements.
- 2.2 The Society welcomed the opportunity of developing the Windmill to its full potential and was keen to be involved in further discussions as to its management.
- 2.3 Members considered that the best way to explore possible trust arrangements would be through a small working group with the involvement of key organisations namely the Antiquarian Society and National Trust in the early stages.
- 2.4 The composition of the working group was accordingly recommended as comprising 3 Council Members, with 2 adviser representatives from the Antiquarian Society and 2 adviser representatives from the National Trust (one of which would be an officer of the association).
- 2.5 The proposed terms of reference of the working group would be to consider the issue of charitable trusteeship and aim to report to the Corporate Resources Sub-committee on 28 November 2000 with recommendations for the future ownership, management and maintenance of the Rayleigh Windmill.

### **3 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

- 3.1 There will be staff resources associated with the servicing and advice to the Working Group.

**4 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 The Working Group will meet in accordance with the Council's Protocol for Working Groups.

**5. PARISH IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 The windmill is in the Rayleigh Town Council area

**6. RECOMMENDATION**

It is proposed that the Committee **RESOLVES**

(1) That the Windmill Working Group be formed, comprising 3 Members of the Council, 2 adviser representatives from of the National Trust (one an officer) and 2 adviser representatives from the Rayleigh Antiquarian Society.

(2) That the terms of reference of the working group be to consider the issue of charitable trusteeship and aim to report to the Corporate Resources Sub Committee on 28 November 2000 with recommendations for the future ownership, management and maintenance of the Windmill. (HLS)

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**Background Papers:**

None

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