LAND AT BROAD PARADE HOCKLEY

1 SUMMARY

1.1 This report advises Members of Hockley Parish Council's request for the formal transfer to the Parish of a small amenity area opposite the shopping parade at Broad Parade, Hockley, which the Parish has maintained for a number of years.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Council is the owner of a small area of land at the corner of Broad Parade and Greensward Lane, Hockley shown hatched black on the attached plan.
- 2.2 For a number of years the area has been maintained by the Parish Council at its own expense as part of the "village green".
- 2.3 The Parish Council has requested that this arrangement be formalised and that the land be transferred to them on a long lease.
- 2.4 The transfer of this area would be subject to appropriate terms and conditions as to it's use and maintenance and can be achieved as in other Parish Transfers of recreational areas by way of a long lease at a notional pepper corn rental.

3 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The site is well maintained and is an attractive area in the locality.

4 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The site is currently maintained by the Parish at its expense.

5 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The Transfer will formalise the current arrangement between the Authorities.

6 PARISH IMPLICATIONS

6.1 The management and maintenance of the area will be the responsibility of the Parish Council.

7 RECOMMENDATION

7.1 It is proposed that the Committee **RESOLVES**

To transfer the amenity area at Broad Parade to Hockley Parish Council on a long lease for 125 years at a peppercorn rent, and on such other terms and conditions as the Head of Legal Services deems fit. (HLS)

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Background Papers:

None

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