## **HOCKLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE**

### 1 SUMMARY

1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek Members' views with regard to a request from Hockley Parish Council for a Member meeting in respect of the above.

## 2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 At the meeting of this Committee held on 14 January, a report was presented on a request for financial assistance from the above organisation in respect of expenditure incurred following the illegal occupation of the playing field by travellers.
- 2.2 The report and minute of the meeting are attached at Appendix 1.
- 2.3 On receiving notification of the decision, Hockley parish Council responded that, as they had not been consulted on this matter prior to them setting their annual budget, they had no funds available to assist. In view of this a request was made for the Council to review the decision.
- 2.4 A further report was presented to a meeting of this Committee on 11 March. A copy of the report and minute are attached at Appendix 2.

### 3 REQUEST

3.1 The Parish Council believes it should have been consulted prior to any such decision being made and has requested a Member level meeting to discuss the issue. The Parish suggests 2-3 Members from each Council.

#### 4 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

4.1. There would be minimal costs associated with such a meeting, should Members consider this to be an approved duty. There is currently budget provision for this Council's potential financial contribution to the Community Centre.

## 5 RECOMMENDATION

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

To determine its response to the request now made. (CD(F&ES))

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## **Background Papers:**

Letter from Hockley Parish Council dated 2 June 2007.

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