

Extract from minutes of -

PARKS AND LEISURE COMMITTEE

12th AUGUST, 2010

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“Skegoneill Health Centre

The Director advised the Committee that, as part of the partnership arrangement with the North and West Belfast Trust regarding the development of the Grove Wellbeing Centre, it had been agreed that the site of the former Skegoneill Health Centre would revert to the Council upon completion of the scheme and the relocation of the Health Centre within the new building. He pointed out that the transfer of the land had now been completed and was currently under the management of the Parks and Leisure Department.

He advised the Committee further that the former Health Centre was located at the rear of the Grove Wellbeing Centre and that there had been no conditions attached to the transfer of the land. The Centre had been demolished and an assessment had indicated that the capital cost of landscaping the area and integrating it within the existing Grove Playing Fields would be significant. Within that context and given the current affordability limits, it was proposed that the site be transferred to the Council's corporate land bank where a planning assessment could be carried out to consider future development options. Accordingly, he recommended, due to the fact that the Parks and Leisure Department had no operational need for the site and did not have the necessary resources to develop it, that it be declared surplus to requirements and placed within the Council's corporate land bank.

The Committee adopted the recommendation, subject to notification, in accordance with Standing Order 60, to the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee.”