

Record of Decision

Memorandum of Understanding with Torquay United Association Football Club

Decision Taker

Elected Mayor on 17 December 2018

Decision

That the Assistant Director for Business Services, be instructed to prepare the final Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Torbay Council and Torquay United Association Football Club (TUAFC) based on the draft MOU set out at Appendix 1 to the submitted report, subject to paragraph 1.2(e) being amended to read ‘... shall **not** be taken as pre-determination or any decision or political endorsement or assurance’ for signature by the Elected Mayor and Assistant Director for Business Services.

Reason for the Decision

Torquay United Association Football Club have indicated to the Council a desire to invest financially in developing a new stadium and providing improved sports provision for young people to enhance the work already undertaken by TUAFC. The signing of the Memorandum of Understanding will give them confidence that the Council will work with them in a professional and supportive way.

Implementation

This decision will come into force and may be implemented on 7 January 2019 unless the call-in procedure is triggered (as set out in Standing Orders in relation to Overview and Scrutiny).

Information

The submitted report proposed that the Council entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with Torquay United Association Football Club (TUAFC) to support the principle of the Council working in collaboration with TUAFC on a project that could see the delivery of a new stadium/arena/leisure complex and the creation of a new youth centre of excellence and sports academy. At the meeting, following debate, the Policy Development and Decision Group (Joint Operations Team) made the following recommendation to the Elected Mayor:

“that no further action be taken in respect of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Torbay Council and Torquay United Association Football Club (TUAFC).”

The Elected Mayor considered the recommendation of the Policy Development and Decision Group (Joint Operations Team) at the meeting on 17 December 2018 and his decision is set out above.

Alternative Options considered and rejected at the time of the decision

None

Is this a Key Decision?

No

Does the call-in procedure apply?

Yes

Declarations of interest (including details of any relevant dispensations issued by the Standards Committee)

None

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Signed: _____
The Elected Mayor of Torbay

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