

## **Record of Officer Decision**

### **Proposed lease renewal for the site of Miniature Rifle Range Hut, Penwill Way, Paignton**

#### **Decision Taker and Date Decision Taken:**

Director of Pride in Place, in consultation with the Managing Director of the TDA, and in accordance with paragraph 11.1(b) of the Officer Scheme of Delegation, on 25 July 2023.

#### **Summary of Matter or Issue Requiring Decision:**

The site of a Miniature Rifle Range Hut, Penwill Way, Paignton, TQ4 5JR is leased to Paignton Rifle & Pistol Club Ltd (the Club). A well established Club, founded following a shooting competition in 1901, the Club have requested a new 40 year lease.

The building is owned and maintained by the Club and requires maintenance. The Club have been carrying out short term repairs but with a long lease, the Club are looking to plan long term maintenance works, including replacing the roof. The long lease will enable the Club to seek funding from grants and commercial sources. The Club also wish to carry out improvement works to the ranges, including improvements for access. Currently the Club are looking for equipment to enable junior members to take part, and a new 40 year lease will enable the Club to obtain funding to achieve that.

The proposed rent £1,400 per annum, is considered market rent for the ground rent for a community use.

#### **Decision Taken:**

That a 40 year lease for the site of Miniature Rifle Range Hut, Penwill Way, Paignton be approved.

#### **Summary of Reason(s) for Decision Taken:**

The long lease will enable the Paignton Rifle & Pistol Club Ltd (the Club) to seek funding from grants and commercial sources.

#### **Summary of Alternatives or Options considered and rejected and Background Papers:**

The Council may choose not to grant a long term lease. However, this would result in a lost opportunity to support the Club to maintain and upgrade their building and facilities.

#### **Details of any conflict of interest and dispensation granted to the Officer taking the decision or by any Member of the Council in delegating responsibility for any specific express delegation:**

None.

#### **Implementation:**

This decision will be implemented immediately.

A copy of this decision and any supporting documentation considered by the Officer taking this decision may also be available for inspection by the public at the Council's offices or posted upon payment of any copying and postage charges. Any member of the public wishing to take up either of these options is asked to please ring (01803) 207087 or email [governance.support@torbay.gov.uk](mailto:governance.support@torbay.gov.uk)

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Director of Pride in Place)