



HASLEMERE TOWN COUNCIL

Proposed hire charges for Beacon Hill Recreation Ground

Background

Beacon Hill Recreation Ground has recently been transferred to the Council. As yet, there has been no request by either commercial or charitable/community organisations to hire the ground, but this report is to consider charges in the event a request is received.

Current Council hire charges for **one day** events

Charge	Commercial	Charity/Community	Refundable deposit
Lion Green	£194.00 per day	£0.00	£250.00
St Christopher's Green	£83.00 per day	£0.00	£250.00

Proposed charge

It is proposed that the same charging rate be applied as St Christopher's Green, on the basis that Beacon Hill Recreation Ground is small area with no access to public toilets.

- £83 per day for commercial hire;
- free for charity or community usage; and
- a refundable damage deposit of £250 to be paid whether commercial or charity hire.

It is also proposed that only one day events be permitted i.e. no fun fairs or circuses, given the proximity to residential buildings.

It is recommended that any hire be subject to the Council's usual booking requirements and discretion be retained to refuse bookings that may be unsuitable for the site.

Resolution

1. Approve a commercial hire charge of £83 per day for Beacon Hill Recreation Ground, and free to community or charitable organisations;
2. Approve a £250 refundable damage deposit, payable in advance of the hire; and
3. Delegate authority to officers to apply the charge and deposit to bookings, subject to the Council's standard booking terms and any site-specific requirements.