

# SALISBURY CITY COUNCIL

## Report

**Subject** : Lower Bemerton Recreation Ground Trust – Authorised Signatories  
**Committee** : Full Council  
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### 1. Report Summary:

1.1. This report considers the authorised signatories of the Lower Bemerton Recreational Ground Trust (LBRGT) account funds and recommends some changes to the current arrangements.

### 2. Background:

- 2.1. The Trust Board for the LBRGT is made up of all current Councillors of the Council. This Trust operates a bank account for which a selection of Councillors are named as authorised signatories.
- 2.2. The Business Banking Team at the bank currently has 5 signatories recorded, of which only one is a current Councillor.
- 2.3. Businesses and charities with bank accounts in the UK are required to register the tax residency of directors and Trustees.
- 2.4. The Customer Tax Operations Team at the bank currently has 5 signatories recorded, of which only two are current Councillors.
- 2.5. The existing authorised signatory information held by the Business Banking Team and the Customer Tax Operations Team must be amended as it is out of date and inconsistent. Adequate information in respect of replacement signatories must be provided.
- 2.6. Alongside the submission of signatory information, the Council must provide documentary evidence that a Resolution has been passed at a meeting of the relevant members of the organisation. For this purpose a meeting of Full Council meets this criterion as current councillors are the Trustees of the LBRGT.

### 3. Recommendation:

It is recommended that Full Council, of which all members are Trustees of the Lower Bemerton Recreation Ground Trust:

- 3.1. Appoint three Councillors to act as authorised signatories for the Salisbury City Council Bank Account held on behalf of the Lower Bemerton Recreation Ground Trust; and
- 3.2. Resolve that authorised Signatories in the current mandate be changed in accordance with those approved at this meeting of Full Council, and that the current mandate will continue as amended.

### 4. Wards affected: All.

### 5. Background Papers: Nil

**6. Implications:**

- 6.1. **Financial:** As shown in this report.
- 6.2. **Legal:** As shown in this report.
- 6.3. **Personnel:** Nil in relation to this report.
- 6.4. **Environmental Impact:** Nil in relation to this report.