



CALL-IN FORM

For the Attention of: The Head of Executive and Member Services

From: Councillor Paul Lorber

Date: 29 September 2023

Decision: Barham Park Trust Committee Meeting - 26th September 2023

1. To approve the annual report and Barham Park Trust Accounts 2022/23
2. To note the Independent Examiner's review of the Barham Park Trust accounts for 2022/23
3. To authorise officers to update the Charity Commission with the Barham Park Trust annual report and accounts for 2022/23
4. To confirm, in relation to the future examination of the Trust Annual Accounts, that the Trust had agreed to continue with the current arrangement for independent examination by the Council's Head of Audit & Investigation (as detailed within Option 1 in section 3.5 of the report).

Date of decision: 26 September 2023

Five non-cabinet members making request (Note: all five members do not have to be listed on or sign the same form):

| | Name of councillor | Signature <i>(only required if submitted in hard copy)</i> |
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| 1 | Paul Lorber | Via email |
| 2 | Anton Georgiou | Via email |
| 3 | Hannah Matin | Via email |
| 4 | Sunita Hirani | Via email |
| 5 | Kanta Mistry | Via email |

Please provide below an explanation as to why you are calling in the decision and if you are calling in all or part of the decision:

(Note: according to the Protocol On Call-in (Part 5 of the Constitution), call-in requests will not be considered valid if they:

- are used as a means of gaining information/understanding or discussing general concerns with Members and officers,*
- duplicate a call-in on the same issue within the previous six months,*
- are based on reasons already discussed by the relevant Scrutiny Committee prior to the decision being made,*
- concern a decision of the Cabinet referring a matter to Full Council for consideration*
- concern operational management decisions, or*
- are otherwise considered by the Chief Executive to be frivolous, vexatious or clearly outside the call-in provisions.)*

1. To approve the annual report and Barham Park Trust Accounts 2022/23

- The accounts are produced on the wrong basis, inconsistent with previous years.
- The accounts are wrong and misleading.
- The accounts do not show correct figures for both income and expenditure, incurred by the Trust.
- The accounts do not show sufficient analysis and detail of main expenses.
- The accounts do not show the correct interest earned due.
- The accounts show a charge for consultants' fees, which were due to be met by the Council and not the Trust.

2. To note the Independent Examiner's review of the Barham Park Trust accounts for 2022/23

- The review carried out is inadequate and failed to identify numerous mistakes as set out above.

3. To authorise officers to update the Charity Commission with the Barham Park Trust annual report and accounts for 2022/23

- No such submission should be made until the correct accounts are presented, as any such submission would lead to reputational damage to the Trust.

4. To confirm, in relation to the future examination of the Trust Annual Accounts, that the Trust had agreed to continue with the current arrangement for independent examination by the Council's Head of Audit & Investigation (as detailed within Option 1 in section 3.5 of the report).

- In view of the above concerns, the appointment and nomination of the person to carry out future independent review also needs to be reconsidered.

Please provide below an outline alternative course of action to the decision being called in:

- 1. To approve the annual report and Barham Park Trust Accounts 2022/23**
 - The accounts are corrected to truly reflect the financial results of the Trust.
- 2. To note the Independent Examiner's review of the Barham Park Trust accounts for 2022/23**
 - The Independent Examiner to be provided with information about the Trust and assisted in preparing a proper scope of work to be undertaken as part of any reviews.
- 3. To authorise officers to update the Charity Commission with the Barham Park Trust annual report and accounts for 2022/23**
 - The corrected accounts need to be reviewed and approved again before submission.
- 4. To confirm, in relation to the future examination of the Trust Annual Accounts, that the Trust had agreed to continue with the current arrangement for independent examination by the Council's Head of Audit & Investigation (as detailed within Option 1 in section 3.5 of the report).**
 - The appointment and nomination of the person to carry out future independent review should be reconsidered in the light of the conclusions of the Scrutiny Committee deliberations and recommendations.

Please return this form to a representative of the Head of Executive and Member Services, by email (from your individual email address) james.kinsella@brent.gov.uk at or in hard copy (with signatures) and in person to the Governance Team on the fourth floor of Brent Civic Centre.