

<b>Committee(s)</b> West Ham Park Committee	<b>Dated:</b> 16 May 2024
<b>Subject:</b> Decisions taken under delegated authority or urgency powers	<b>Public</b>
<b>Which outcomes in the City Corporation's Corporate Plan does this proposal aim to impact directly?</b>	See Background Report
<b>Does this proposal require extra revenue and/or capital spending?</b>	See Background Report
<b>If so, how much?</b>	See Background Report
<b>What is the source of Funding?</b>	See Background Report
<b>Has this Funding Source been agreed with the Chamberlain's Department?</b>	See Background Report
<b>Report of:</b> Town Clerk	<b>For Information</b>
<b>Report author:</b> Blair Stringman, Town Clerk's Department	

### Summary

This report advises Members of action taken by the Town Clerk in consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman, in accordance with Standing Order Nos. 41(a).

### Main Report

#### Urgency Decision: West Ham Park Fees and Charges for Financial Year 2024-2025

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The majority of charges are suggested to increase by **5%**, aligning with the Retail Price Index (RPI) as reported by the Office of National Statistics. Concessionary rates will continue, offering a **40% discount** on the standard adult charge, except where indicated. The income from fees and charges is crucial for the provision and maintenance of sports and recreational facilities at **West Ham Park**, which is known for offering excellent value for money. The proposed changes are detailed in **Appendix 1** of the background report.

There had been a delay in the preparation and submission of proposed fees and charges for **Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood, and Queen's Park**, which also affected **West Ham Park**. Due to the delay, an urgency procedure was required to implement the updated fees and charges at West Ham Park before **1 April 2024**, as the last meeting of the current financial year was held on **19 February 2024**.

Officers have committed to working closely with relevant colleagues to schedule meetings of consultative bodies to minimize the likelihood of similar delays in the future

#### **RECOMMENDATION(S):**

The Town Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the committee:

1. Agree the proposed fees and charges for financial year 2024-25, as set

out in Appendix 1 of the report.

Copies of background papers concerning this decision are available from Blair Stringman on request.

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