

Report of:	Meeting	Date	Item no.
The Leader of the Council (Cllr A Vincent) and the Chief Executive	Council	19 October 2017	12

<b>Fielden Fleetwood Charity: Appointment of Trustee</b>
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**1. Purpose of report**

1.1 To confirm the appointment of a replacement Trustee.

**2. Outcomes**

2.1 Effective management of the Charity.

**3. Recommendations**

3.1 That the appointment of Mr Danny O’Neil junior as a co-opted Trustee of the Fielden Fleetwood Charity, with effect from 11 September 2017, to fill the vacancy left by the previously reported resignation of Mrs Hardman, be noted.

**4. Background**

4.1 The Fielden Fleetwood Charity is responsible for the distribution of funds accrued following the sale of the Fielden Free Library and Public Hall on the north-west side of Dock Street in Fleetwood, which was originally gifted to the town by the Fielden family in 1887 and held in trust for the charity. The proceeds of the sale were used to purchase the Pocket Park at the junction of North Albert Street and Victoria Street in Fleetwood, which was originally created by Sir Peter Hesketh-Fleetwood in 1835.

4.2 The stated object of the Charity is:

*“the provision of facilities recreation or other leisure-time occupation for the benefit of the inhabitants of the former Borough of Fleetwood with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants.”*

- 4.3** Wyre Borough Council is listed with the Charity Commission as the Custodian Trustee of the Charity and is responsible for the appointment of two Managing Trustees. It also provides free legal, accountancy, and secretarial services to the Charity.
- 4.4** The Managing Trustees are supported by up to five co-opted trustees, who *“through residence, or occupation or employment, or otherwise have special knowledge of the former Borough of Fleetwood”*.
- 4.5** The current Managing Trustees are Mr Richard Newson (who replaced Mr Danny O’Neil senior in September 2016) and Cllr Marge Anderton (who was appointed in place of the late Cllr Ted Taylor in May 2017). The other current co-opted Trustees are Cllr Emma Anderton, Mr Des Lund and, following this report, Mr Danny O’Neil junior. There is, therefore, an opportunity for the charity to appoint two further co-opted trustees, if it wishes.

**5. Key issues and proposals**

- 5.1** It is proposed that Mr Danny O’Neil (junior) be appointed as Trustee.

<b>Financial and legal implications</b>	
Finance	None.
Legal	The proposals in this report will enable compliance with the Fielden Fleetwood Charity Scheme which was approved by the Charity Commission for the regulation of the Charity on 2 August 1994.

**Other risks/implications: checklist**

If there are significant implications arising from this report on any issues marked with a ✓ below, the report author will have consulted with the appropriate specialist officers on those implications and addressed them in the body of the report. There are no significant implications arising directly from this report, for those issues marked with a x.

<b>risks/implications</b>	<b>✓ / x</b>
community safety	x
equality and diversity	x
sustainability	x
health and safety	x

<b>risks/implications</b>	<b>✓ / x</b>
asset management	x
climate change	x
data protection	x

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<b>List of background papers:</b>		
name of document	date	where available for inspection
None	-	-

**List of appendices**

None

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