

THE EXECUTIVE

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF HOUSING AND HEALTH

GASCOIGNE COMMUNITY CENTRE CAR PARK	FOR DECISION
<p><i>The Constitution states that any request for a change of management of Housing land be reported to the Executive for consideration.</i></p> <p><u>Summary</u></p> <p>This report presents a request from the Gascoigne Community Centre Committee to take control of the Community Centre Car Park.</p> <p><u>Recommendation</u></p> <p>The Executive is asked to agree that a fence and gate be erected in the car park adjacent to the Community Centre.</p> <p><u>Reason</u></p> <p>To allow the Community Centre to fence off the car park and restrict parking to hall users only, until land is required for Housing use.</p>	
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1. Background

- 1.1 The Gascoigne Community Centre Committee approached Housing & Health and Gascoigne Ward Members to request permission to fence and gate the car park adjacent to the hall to restrict parking to users of the hall.
- 1.2 The Committee felt there was a need to restrict parking following complaints from members of the Association and all users unable to park their cars, due to use of the car park by local residents.
- 1.3 There is sufficient alternative residents parking provision in the area, including a large car park approximately 100 yards from the hall, which is under utilised.

2. Consultation

- 2.1 The Community Centre Committee, who are also local residents and represent the Association's membership, local Ward Councillors and Officers of DLES were consulted and have no objection to the request.

3. Conclusion

- 3.1 It is recommended that the control of the car park should be passed to the Gascoigne Community Centre Steering Committee for an initial 12- month period.
- 3.2 The Committee to take responsibility for reporting repairs and maintaining the area in a clean and tidy condition. The Committee to sign a contract agreeing to return the car park into the control of the Director of Housing & Health within 1 month of notification, if so required.
- 3.3 The Committee to erect a gallows gate and locking post to restrict access to the car park and to take responsibility for ensuring access to authorised car park users.
- 3.4 The Committee to take responsibility for maintaining the gate.

Background papers used in the preparation of this report:

None