

Delegated Decision

17 July 2020

Declare Surplus Westgate Recreation Area and Changing Room

Ordinary Decision/Key Decision No.



Report of Regeneration, Economy and Growth

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Electoral division(s) affected:

Weardale

Purpose of the Report

- 1 The purpose of this report is to:
 - a) Declare Westgate Recreation Ground and Changing room, Westgate surplus to Durham County Council's requirements.
 - b) Dispose of the property.

Recommendation

- 2 It is recommended to:
 - a) Declare Westgate Recreation Ground and Changing room, Westgate surplus to Durham County Council's requirements.
 - b) Dispose of the property on the open market.

Background

- 3 Wear Valley District council purchased the site from the British Railways Board in September 1979 and converted the site to a recreation area with a hard-court play area and changing room.

- 4 The hard-court area was lease out to the Trustees of the Play Area for Westgate Scheme (PAWS) for 30 years from March 1984 until the tenant vacated the site in April 2016 whereby the lease was terminated and the court was handed back to the Council.
- 5 The consultation process has been carried out throughout the Council with no interest shown.

Conclusion

- 6 To declare Westgate Recreation Ground and Changing Rooms surplus to Durham County Council requirements and dispose of the site on the open market.

Recommendation

- 7 To declare Westgate Recreation Ground and Changing Rooms surplus to Durham County Council requirements and dispose of the site on the open market.

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Appendix 1: Implications

Legal Implications

Legal support will be required for the disposal process.

Finance

Disposal will result in a capital receipt and associated costs.

Consultation

Councillor Kevin Shaw as Portfolio Holder was consulted by email on the 18th November 2019. The local Councillors Anita Savoury and John Shuttleworth were also consulted by email on the 18th November 2019

Equality and Diversity / Public Sector Equality Duty

N/a

Climate Change

N/a

Human Rights

N/a

Crime and Disorder

N/a

Staffing

N/a

Accommodation

N/a

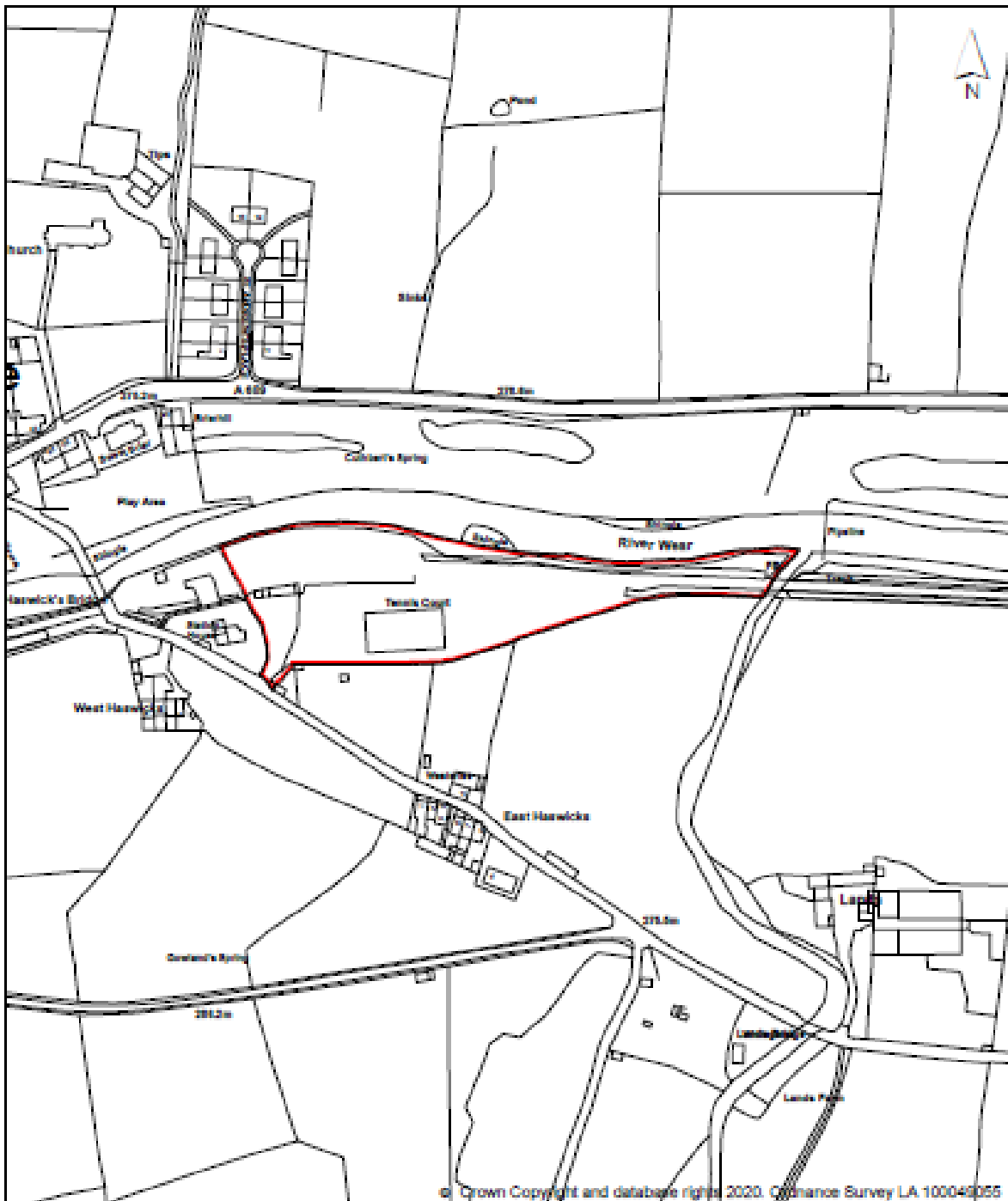
Risk

N/a

Procurement

N/a

Appendix 2: Red Outlined Plan



WESTGATE RECREATION AREA

Plan Ref : ARC-20-030. Paper Size: A4. Scale : 1:2,500

Total Area Coloured Red : 12398.55 m², 3.064 Acres or thereabouts.

Based Upon O.S Map : NY9138. Date: 28/01/2020.

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