

## **WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL**

### **Report by Director of Housing, Regeneration and Environmental Services**

#### **Community Safety & Environmental Services Committee : 2 August 2006**

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**Subject: Request from Clydebank Rugby Club for an Extension to the Lease of Subjects at Dean Street, Clydebank**

#### **1. Purpose**

- 1.1** This report updates the Committee as to the outcome of discussions with Clydebank Rugby Club concerning their lease of the subjects at Dean Street, Clydebank.

#### **2. Background**

- 2.1** At its meeting held on 3 May 2006, the Committee considered a request from Clydebank Rugby Club for the extension of their existing lease of the subjects at Dean Street, Clydebank. The Committee agreed:-

- (i) to note the recommendations contained in the report;
- (ii) that the Director of Housing, Regeneration and Environmental Services be authorised to enter into discussions with Clydebank Rugby Club to ensure that the Council's overall sports pitch strategy meets the needs of the Community; and
- (iii) to note that a further report would be submitted to the next meeting of the Committee, following discussions with the Rugby Club.

#### **3. Main Issues**

- 3.1** Officers have met with representatives of the Clydebank Rugby Club to discuss the Council's overall sports pitch strategy and the manner in which facilities at Dean Street could be developed to meet the community's requirement for sports facilities, including rugby pitches.
- 3.2** Representatives of the Rugby Club indicated a willingness to engage in a more broadly based discussion concerning the development of sports facilities at their site and agreed that consideration of their request for an extension to their lease be suspended pending the outcome of these discussions.
- 3.3** A report on the sports pitch strategy with reference to the possible role of the site at Dean Street, Clydebank will be considered by the Committee.

#### **4. Financial Implications**

**4.1** There are no financial implications.

#### **5. Personnel Issues**

**5.1** There are no personnel issues.

#### **6. Conclusion**

**6.1** The suspension of the Rugby Club's request for an extension of their lease would facilitate more broadly based discussions on the sports pitch strategy.

#### **7. Recommendation**

**7.1** That consideration of the request from Clydebank Rugby Club for an extension to the lease of subjects at Dean Street, Clydebank, be suspended pending the conclusion of more broadly based discussion with the Rugby Club concerning the Council's overall sports pitch strategy.

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**Date: 18 July 2006**

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**Wards Affected:** Ward 2

**Appendix:** Nil

**Background Papers:** Letter of application from Clydebank Rugby Club  
Dated 8 January 2005

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