

# RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

## REPORT TO PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Agenda Item No.

meeting date: 16<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2023  
title: LONGRIDGE SPORTS CLUB  
submitted by: DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING  
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### 1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 To seek authority from Members to release Section 106 contributions to Longridge Sports Club.

### 2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 When planning permission was secured to erect up to 195 dwellings on the land to North of Dilworth Lane, Longridge (ref: 3/2015/0065) the associated Section 106 Agreement secured a commuted sum of £132,990 towards off site open space as follows:

- Grass pitch improvements at Mardale, Longridge;
- Cricket wicket provision at Longridge Cricket Club;
- Sports hall improvements at Longridge Sports Club;
- Play facility improvements in Longridge.

- 2.2 This sum has been received, the cricket club payment has been made and the improvements to the play area have been completed.

### 3. PROPOSAL

- 3.1 Longridge Sports Club have done improvements to the sports hall and squash courts, including resealing the sports hall floor. The club are seeking to utilise part of the Section 106 contributions to fund this work.

- 3.2 Proof of payment has been received from the Club showing payment to the contractors for the work have been received detailing the work which has been undertaken as the works have been undertaken by various contractors and suppliers. It is considered that works to the club meet the requirements of the S106 Agreement. The costs of the improvement work undertaken totals £12,411.

### 4. RISK ASSESSMENT

- 4.1 The approval of this report may have the following implications:

- Resources – the commuted sum for off-site open space has been receipted and as such there are existing sufficient funds for the project.
- Technical, Environmental and Legal - The project would accord with the stipulations of the legal agreement.
- Political - N/A
- Reputation - The provision of improved sports provision within Longridge is a benefit to the Town and accords with the purpose of securing such contributions as part of new residential developments.
- Equality and Diversity - N/A

5. **RECOMMENDED THAT Committee**

- 5.1 Authorise the payment of the already received invoice(s) from Longridge Sports Club within 28 working days of Committee, up to the amount of £10,000.

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