



Subject:	Use and Condition of Council Bowling Pavilions
Date:	3 rd December 2019
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Restricted Reports	
Is this report restricted?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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After Committee Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
After Council Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
Some time in the future	<input type="checkbox"/>
Never	<input type="checkbox"/>

Call-in	
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
1.1	This report provides information in response to a request by the Committee of October 8 th 2019. Members requested that a report be submitted on the use and condition of the pavilions within the Council's parks across the City, to include reference to their current status, such as whether they were currently being used by any groups and whether any repairs were needed.
2.0	Recommendations
	The Committee is asked to; <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Note the content of this report.
3.0	Main report
	<u>Key Issues</u>
3.1	The 13 bowling pavilions within our estate are listed in the table below. The income figures are provided to illustrate the volume of bowling activity at the site. The number of clubs regularly playing from each site is also shown.

3.2 Most of the bowling greens have at least one club based there except for Grove which has 3 Clubs and Ormeau/Ravenhill have 2 Clubs each. Ballysillan, Orangefield and Woodvale have no Clubs based at the site.

Bowling Pavilions/Greens – Usage

	Income 2018.19	Income 2019	Bowling Clubs – Outdoor	Bowling Clubs - Indoor
Ballysillan	£0.00	£0.00	N/A	
Botanic	£909.36	£843.00	1 Club (members unknown)	
*Falls	£454.31	£14.58	1 Club (64 members)	
*Grove	£1,047.67	£1,069.17	3 Clubs (69 members)	
*Musgrave	£1,652.47	£1,836.17	1 Club (42 members)	3 Clubs (64 members)
Orangefield	£225.49	£0.00	N/A	
Ormeau/Ravenhill (2 separate sites)	£1,075.08	£1,097.00	2 Clubs (71 members)	
Tommy Patton	£330.00	£340.00	1 Club (39 members)	
Tullycarnet	£54.33	£340.00	1 Club (40 members)	
Victoria	£0.00	£0.00	N/A	
Wedderburn	£377.50	£0.00	1 Club (members unknown)	
Woodvale	£233.36	£0.00	N/A	

*denotes indoor bowling facility available

Formal agreements exist for 2 of the bowling pavilions:

- **A Facilities Management Agreement** exists with Sydenham Bowling Club at Alderman Tommy Patton Playing fields. This agreement commenced in 2004 and having exceeded the original term is now operating on a month to month basis. The agreement has been varied recently to reflect a decrease in the amount of funding supporting the club in management of the site and a change to keyholding arrangements.
- **A Lease** is in place for 15 years with Balmoral bowling club for a facility in Belvoir estate

- **A licence** is in place for Ballysillan Swifts for the use of Ballysillan Bowling Pavilion in order to provide services to the youth of the area. This was granted in February 2018 on the basis that there was no demand for use of the bowling green or pavilion at that site.

3.3 In addition to bowling, the pavilions are bookable for a variety of purposes. These include parties, educational classes and sports related events. Falls, Musgrave and Tullycarnet have repeat bookings for classes which generate regular income.

3.4 The majority of non-bowling bookings are however internal and do not generate an income. Pavillions are regularly used for larger scale staff meetings and workshops and alleviate the pressure on meeting rooms in city centre buildings. Internal bookings are zero priced with the Park Life Education Programme as the main user of most of the pavilions for school sessions and Saturday Clubs.

3.5 **Building condition** is assessed on a rolling basis by the property management team. The last set of condition surveys date from 2016 and are summarised in the table below.

LOCATION	Total % Condition	Target Condition
Ballysillan Bowling Pavilion	71.7%	60% -79%
Falls Park - Bowling Pavilion	72.2%	60% -79%
Musgrave Park - Bowling Pavilion	69.1%	60% -79%
Orangefield Park - Bowling Pavilion	69.6%	60% -79%
Ormeau Park - Bowling Pavilion (Ormeau Rd)	66.0%	60% -79%
Ormeau Park - Bowling Pavilion (Ravenhill Rd)	65.6%	60% -79%
Victoria Park - Bowling Pavilion	67.0%	60% -79%
Wedderburn Park - Bowling Pavilion	81.6%	60% -79%

Financial & Resource Implications

3.6 Whilst there is no direct financial or resource implication arising from the members request for information the property maintenance manager has supplied the data below to illustrate maintenance expenditure on the bowling pavilions since 2016.

Row Labels	2016	2017	2018	2019
ALDERMAN TOMMY PATTON MEMORIAL PARK	£6,279.07	£4,623.03	£3,319.45	£26,906.01
BALLYSILLAN PLAYING FIELDS -	£6,540.01	£2,359.57	£1,425.87	£45.95

	BOTANIC GARDENS -	£829.07	£15,145.45	£19,884.01	£1,614.63
	FALLS PARK -	£10,229.14	£4,857.99	£12,065.41	£19,368.40
	GROVE PLAYING FIELDS -	£6,093.02	£1,584.27	£3,859.65	£1,329.83
	MUSGRAVE -	£6,793.62	£4,923.18	£2,659.19	£10,705.81
	ORANGEFIELD PLAYING FIELDS -	£3,049.57	£2,019.78	£3,823.13	£873.87
	ORMEAU PARK - (ORMEAU RD)	£2,174.62	£16,194.87	£1,375.64	£3,410.18
	ORMEAU PARK - (RAVENHILL RD)	£1,174.35	£17,004.07	£2,794.41	£612.84
	TULLYCARNET PARK -	£3,918.87	£3,526.82	£19,053.58	£164.95
	VICTORIA PARK -	£1,422.69	£7,255.49	£3,802.46	£4,043.45
	WEDDERBURN PARK -	£428.82	£1,419.91	£800.15	£491.97
	WOODVALE PARK -	£5,012.66	£2,496.19	£1,851.55	£2,642.40
	Grand Total	£53,945.49	£83,410.62	£76,714.49	£72,210.28
				Total	<u>286280.87</u>
3.7	<u>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</u>				
	None				
4.0	Appendices – Documents Attached				
	None				