

**STOCKPORT COUNCIL**  
**EXECUTIVE REPORT – SUMMARY SHEET**

**Subject: Park Event Application - use of Gatley Recreation Ground and Gatley Hill Playing Fields for Gatley Festival between 3rd and 5th July 2020**

**Report to: (a)** Cheadle Area Committee

**Date:** Tuesday, 10 March 2020

**Report of: (b)** Corporate Director for Place Management & Regeneration

**Key Decision: (c)**

***NO / YES*** (Please circle)

Forward Plan  General Exception  Special Urgency  (Tick box)

**Summary:**

Gatley Festival Committee have applied to hold their annual Gatley Festival event between 3rd and 5<sup>th</sup> July. The weekend long festival will begin with events taking place in Gatley Recreation Ground.

On Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Comedy Night will be held in the marquee on site from 7pm to 1am, with a maximum of 270 people in attendance through pre sold tickets at £20 each, where they will enjoy live comedians followed by recorded music.

On Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> a Village Fete which will appeal to families and younger members of the community will be in the grounds of the park from midday until 4:30pm, there will be entertainers, dog show, sports activities and stalls. The marquee on site will be busy again in the evening for Music Night between 7pm and midnight, with a maximum of 270 people in attendance, through pre sold tickets at £20 each.

On Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> the Festival will move to Gatley Hill Playing Fields from 11am - 5pm for the finale of the carnival parade, a stage area with PA system for live performances, fairground rides, car show, street entertainers, stalls, face painters, a designated bar area with the sale of alcohol, hot and cold food outlets. There will be a £2 fee per adult per access to the event field

Access to both sites will be required from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> July for set up and take down. An events company will be contracted to erect a marquee and PA system on the newly refurbished sports court within the Recreation Ground, event organisers and a team member from the Neighbourhoods Team have agreed that water filled weights will be used to secure the structure to ensure that no damage is sustained by temporary fixings. A further marquee and performance stage with a PA system will be constructed at Gatley Hill Playing Fields. A trailer bar will be available at both sites to dispense alcohol and soft drinks by a local publican.

Proceeds after costs will be reinvested in the Festival the following year.

Security will be provided by a minimum of 10 stewards and managed by a serving Police Sergeant from GMP.

The organisers will be applying for a Temporary Events Notices to cover all three days of the Festival, including the sale of alcohol and live performances. The organisers have also

stated that they will be writing to neighbouring residents in advance informing them of their event plans.

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**Recommendation(s):**

The Neighbourhoods Team recommends that the application be approved subject to all appropriate paperwork and licenses being obtained and submitted to the Council at least a week prior to the event taking place and the payment of any events fees and charges.

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**Relevant Scrutiny Committee** (if decision called in): **(d)**

Communities & Housing Scrutiny Committee

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**Background Papers** (if report for publication): **(e)**

There are none.

Contact person for accessing  
background papers and discussing the report

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**'Urgent Business': (f)**                      **YES / NO (please circle)**

**Certification** (if applicable)

This report should be considered as 'urgent business' and the decision exempted from 'call-in' for the following reason(s):

The written consent of Councillor \_\_\_\_\_ and the Chief Executive/Monitoring Officer/ Borough Treasurer for the decision to be treated as 'urgent business' was obtained on \_\_\_\_\_ /will be obtained before the decision is implemented.