

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR INTERNAL REVIEW:

MUIRHEAD ACTIVITY CENTRE AND CAR PARK

Date of Notice: 7/8/19

An application for an internal review has been made to South Ayrshire Council under Section 86 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015.

The application has been made by **Dundonald Gymnastics Club** and relates to **Muirhead Activity Centre and car park, Central Avenue, Troon KA10 7AZ**.

The request relates to the following decision:

South Ayrshire Council decided to **refuse** the asset transfer of Muirhead Activity Centre and car park under Part 5 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 to Dundonald Gymnastics Club on the grounds that the benefits of the existing use outweigh the value of the alternative proposals made by Dundonald Gymnastic Club. The specific reasons for the decision were as follows:

1. The feasibility and cost of relocation of the services elsewhere and the lack of a guarantee from officers that existing users could be accommodated in this facility or any local facility;
2. The proposal failed to demonstrate sufficiently that there would be enhanced local services or that the local community would be served or accommodated by the proposals for other uses in the application;
3. The lack of evidence to show that the benefits for the other parts of the community excluding the gymnastic community would be delivered and in the time periods set down in the application;

4. More weighting and more detailed consideration should have been applied to the local community objections, the number, type and specific issues raised by the significant objectors in the local community than Dundonald Gymnastic Club who represent a community of interest as a sporting club; and
5. There was a lack of consideration of whether the Muirhead Activity centre, as the second most used community facility, was the most appropriate Council facility and a failure to explore with the Applicant alternative Council venues that might offer a better alternative for the club.

The documents relating to the application for internal review, including any supporting documentation can be viewed online at <https://www.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/community-asset-transfer/muirhead-activity-centre.aspx> or by contacting the Community Asset Transfer Team: cat@south-ayrshire.gov.uk

Anyone may make representations about the application for internal review to South Ayrshire Council within 10 working days of the date of this notice. Representations must be made in writing (by post or email) and must include the name and a valid address (which may be an email address) of the person making it. A redacted copy of the representation will be given to Dundonald Gymnastics Club and will be published on the Council's website. Please note that copies of representations relating to the original asset transfer request will be considered by the Council when determining the review.

Please be aware that all representations are reviewed by Council officers before they are published on the Council's web pages. This is to ensure that all comments made are neither offensive nor libelous and that their publication also complies with the Data Protection Act. Due to the volume of casework and representations that can be received there may be delays between the Council receiving your comment and it being published on the Council's website.

Representations must be received by 4.45pm on Wednesday 21st August 2019. They should be sent to:

Community Asset Transfer Team, Asset Management, South Ayrshire Council, Newton House, 30 Green Street Lane, Ayr KA8 8BH

or

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