

Request to be considered as a recipient organisation for the disposal of asset from Louth Swimming Pool Charity

Louth Swimming Pool Association (LSPA), registered charity 521950, was established in 1970 with the charitable objective 'to promote and provide facilities for recreation (including a swimming pool), and other leisure-time activities in Louth in the interests of social welfare with the object of improving the conditions of life of the inhabitants of the borough and the rural district of Louth'.

The LSPA was superseded in 1977 by the Louth Swimming Pool charity, registration number 505946, when the ongoing responsibility for the Swimming Pool was vested in East Lindsey District Council as sole trustee. The current charitable objective is to provide 'a swimming pool for the benefit of the inhabitants of the town of Louth and its surrounding area within the area of East Lindsey District Council'

With the Meridian Leisure Centre providing a replacement for the now tired Louth Swimming Pool, East Lindsey District Council is tasked with demonstrating best consideration against these objectives when determining, with its beneficiaries, how the LSP charity asset should be disposed of. There are three options for the disposal of the charity's assets, namely:

- The asset can be directly transferred to another charity with similar charitable objectives for use at the discretion of the trustees of such;
- The proceeds from its sale are invested and the income is used to benefit and support various recreational activities within the area. Effectively, this would mean the charity becoming a grant making trust; or
- The proceeds from its sale are given to a recreational charity(s) for use at the discretion of the trustees of such.

Disposal of the asset will have to be authorised by the Charities Commission via a scheme which will also include a suitable outlet for any proceeds from its sale.

Qualifying criteria:

- Eligible organisations must be able to demonstrate that they have similar recreational objectives to the LSP charity;
- Applicants are required to provide a copy of the formal minute of the organisation's management committee evidencing support for this application;
- Applications for direct transfer will need to be supported with a full business plan including details of funding arrangements.

Upon receipt of this completed application form eligibility will be confirmed with the Charities Commission. After the closing date a public consultation exercise will be undertaken, in conjunction with Louth Town Council, to inform residents of all interested and eligible organisations. Residents will be asked to indicate their preference for the disposal of the asset. As Trustee, East Lindsey District Council will have to demonstrate that it has taken best consideration when agreeing with the Charities Commission the final outlet(s) for the disposal of asset.

Please complete the form on next page

Name of person completing this form (please print):

Name of Charity:

Charity Registration Number:

Charitable Objectives

Please detail the objective(s) of the charity:

Nature of Interest

Please tick as appropriate:

Direct transfer of current Louth Pool facility
(Please provide a business plan of the proposal with this application.)

To receive proceeds from the sale of the current Louth Pool facility

Date of formal minute supporting this application:
(Please provide a copy with this application.)

Signature of person completing this form:

Date:

Completed forms should be returned, together with a copy of the formal minute evidencing formal agreement for this application, to:
Mark Humphreys, Business Manager Sports Facilities, East Lindsey District Council, Tedder Hall, Manby, Louth, LN11 8UP.
Closing date for applications is 5.00pm Friday 26th February 2010.

Any questions or points of clarification should also be raised with Mark at email:
mark.humphreys@e-lindsey.gov.uk, telephone 01507 329182 or in writing to the address above.