

RUGBY BOROUGH COUNCIL

QUESTION PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 10

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QUESTION E

Councillor Picker to ask the Leisure and Wellbeing Portfolio Holder, Councillor Roberts:

"Given the importance of sports and outdoor recreation to our recovery from coronavirus, is the portfolio holder able to update Council on how we are making our parks and open spaces available for community activity and community sports?"

Councillor Roberts, Leisure and Wellbeing Portfolio Holder, to reply as follows:

"The use of the Borough Council's parks and open spaces are managed by the Parks and Open Spaces Team. Enquires are processed via the talkinthePark e-mail address – (talkinthePark@rugby.gov.uk) . All hirers are required to provide appropriate documentation for insurance and risk assessments along with following the Borough Council special event procedures and are subject to fees and charges as set out on the Council website.

The borough's parks and open spaces provide vital opportunities for our residents to enjoy, benefitting both physical and mental well-being. Our commitment to activating these spaces are highlighted through the recent return of Junior Parkrun at the GEC Recreation Ground and approval for the return of the adult Parkrun at Whinfield Recreation Ground."