

	Meeting (No)	Market & Town Hall Committee (6)	
	Date	23rd April 2024	
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		Loan/hire of NTC gazebos to community groups	MTH6/80

At the Resources Committee meeting on 19.2.20 - minute 114. It was agreed that NTC double and single gazebos would no longer be available for loan/hire.

At the Full Council meeting 28.7.20 – minute 28d. It was agreed to sell the NTC double gazebos to some community groups and the following conditions were agreed:

Resolved: To offer the opportunity to purchase gazebos to;

Gazebos (8)	Organisation	Conditions
1	Neston nomads – (girls under 14 team)	None
1	Air Cadets	None
2	Neston Rotary	To make available to the Neston Village Fair committee
1	Woodfall Primary school	None
1	Wirral Riding Centre	None
2	Parkgatefest	To make available to other community organisations

It should also be noted that spare gazebo parts have been provided to Parkgatefest to assist with keeping the gazebos in a usable condition as some of the legs/feet had become damaged.

NTC owned Gazebos

The gazebos owned by NTC are not loaned or hired out for community use for the following reasons:

- Gazebos are required for the market on a regular, often weekly, basis
- The gazebos must be kept in a good usable condition
- Neston Town Council cannot risk unintentional damage to its gazebos when the market relies on them for the smooth running of the weekly market.
- We are not insured for the use of the gazebos by community groups away from the market square.
- We cannot risk any potential injury to persons using Town Council gazebos, either by installing them incorrectly or using them in unsuitable weather conditions, there would be insurance implications relating to this.
- To ensure equipment is used correctly NTC officers would need to be available to transport and erect NTC gazebos. This is not part of staff job descriptions/contracts.

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