Filming of "Silent Witness" on Englefield Green (Peter Joyce – Head of Green Spaces)

## Synopsis of report:

To advise on filming carried out in April 2023 on Englefield Green

#### For information.

To note filming carried out by the BBC in the vicinity of the cricket pavilion, and income of £2,500 in total, including a donation of £500 to the cricket club.

## 1. Background

1.1 On 4<sup>th</sup> April 2023 the BBC conducted a filming session for the series "Silent Witness" around the cricket club pavilion. The session was carried out in accordance with the Council's procedures for the holding of an event on public land. The activity was well organised and included limited traffic control measures at the time of filming. There was very limited disruption to vehicles, or to visitors using the Green on foot. The Committee were informed in advance that the filming would take place.

## 2. Report

2.1 A fee of £2,000 was charged for the granting of filming rights, and as the BBC are unable to make donations, Runnymede Borough Council charged an additional fee of £500 which was forwarded as a donation to the Englefield Green Cricket Club. This will be used to purchase equipment for the Colts section of the Club, and facilities improvements including the updating of toilets and shower facilities.

## 3 Policy framework implications

3.1 Maintaining Englefield Green and offering a clean and welcoming open space is in accordance with the Boroughs Corporate Business Plan.

### 4. Resource implications/Value for Money

4.1 Booking income of £2,000 was received for filming rights from the BBC, who also made a contribution of £500 to the cricket club.

### 5. Legal implications

5.1 None.

## 6. Equality implications

6.1 None.

## 7. Environmental/Sustainability/Biodiversity implications

7.1 None.

## 8. Conclusions

8.1 The Committee are requested to note filming undertaken near the cricket pavilion.

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**Background Papers** 

None stated