


REPORT TO SAFER NEIGHBOURHOODS AND ACTIVE COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY BOARD

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Subject:	Review of Income Generation Opportunities for the Council's Culture and Leisure Facilities
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DECISION RECOMMENDATIONS

That Safer Neighbourhoods and Active Communities Scrutiny Board:

1. Receive and consider the scene-setting information on the existing leisure and culture facilities in the borough;
2. Discuss and agree a scoping document for the review of Income Generation Opportunities for the Council's Culture and Leisure Facilities.

1 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 To provide the Board with an overview of the Council's leisure and culture facilities.

2 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S VISION

- 2.1 The review will directly support the Council's ambition to make our distinctive towns and neighbourhoods successful centres of community life, leisure and entertainment where people increasingly choose to bring up their families. The opportunities to support this ambition will be explored in more depth throughout the life of the review.

3 BACKGROUND AND MAIN CONSIDERATIONS

- 3.1 At its meeting on 27 July 2017 the Safer Neighbourhoods and Active Communities decided to undertake a review of income generation opportunities for the Council's culture and leisure facilities.
- 3.2 The Council has re-established a Select Committee for Leisure Provision which will soon conclude work relating to sport and swimming in Sandwell. It is therefore important to ensure that the review by the Board focus on other leisure and culture facilities.
- 3.3 There is an ongoing project about Community Hubs which will involve various types of facility and service in Sandwell; a presentation on this will be given by officers at the meeting.

4 THE CURRENT POSITION

- 4.1 Information on the Council's leisure and culture facilities is attached at Appendix 1.
- 4.2 The Board is invited to discuss and agree a scoping document for the review to set out what it wishes to consider and what evidence it wishes to seek to assist it in identifying income generation opportunities that may exist through the Council's leisure and culture facilities.

5 CONSULTATION (CUSTOMERS AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS)

- 5.1 The Board will be invited to consider how it intends to engage with customers and other stakeholders as part of the scoping of the review.

6 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- 6.1 If the Scrutiny Board does not proceed with the review then it could result in missed opportunities to generate income through our cultural and leisure assets.

7 STRATEGIC RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

7.1 These will be considered in detail as part of the review work.

8 LEGAL AND GOVERNANCE CONSIDERATIONS

8.1 These issues will be considered as part of the review.

9 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

9.1 Equality matters will be considered during the review work.

10 DATA PROTECTION IMPACT ASSESSMENT

10.1 This will be considered as part of the review.

11 CRIME AND DISORDER AND RISK ASSESSMENT

11.1 These issues will be considered as part of the review.

12 SUSTAINABILITY OF PROPOSALS

12.1 Increasing income generation opportunities can improve the sustainability of services and facilities, protecting them for future use.

13 HEALTH AND WELLBEING IMPLICATIONS (INCLUDING SOCIAL VALUE)

13.1 These will be identified and investigated as part of the review.

14 IMPACT ON ANY COUNCIL MANAGED PROPERTY OR LAND

14.1 Any impact on the Council owned facilities will be considered as part of the review.

15 CONCLUSIONS AND SUMMARY OF REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

15.1 The review presents an opportunity to identify good practice, develop options for improvements and protect services through increased income.

16 BACKGROUND PAPERS

16.1 None.

17 APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – the Council's leisure and culture facilities.

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