Scrutiny Review of Provision of Swimming Lessons in Ryedale District Councils Swimming Pools

Terms of Reference (approved 2 Nov 17)

Aim of the Review:

To consider the current 10 year contract between RDC and Everyone Active and understand

- the provision of swimming lessons
- the potential consequences for swimming clubs and

Why has this review been selected?

The issue of swimming lesson provision was raised at Scrutiny Committee on 5 October 2017 by Everyone Active as part of their annual report to the committee.

Ryedale Swimming Club attended this committee and raised concerns about the planned changes Everyone Active were going to make to the provision of swimming lessons.

Who will carry out the review?

The review will be carried out by a task group including:

- A minimum of 2 members of the O and S committee (but open to all members of O and S)
- Support will be provided by the Delivery and Frontline Services Lead, the Senior Commissioning Officer and the Projects, Programmes and Performance Officer
- With input from other officers as required, including the Monitoring Officer

Scrutiny Task Group meetings held to fact find and gather information regarding the provision of swimming lessons in RDC's swimming pools on 26 October 2017 with Derwent Valley and Ryedale Swimming Clubs and on 18 December 2017 with Everyone Active.

How the review will be carried out?

The task group will consider the current contractual arrangement between the Council and Everyone Active and in particular the terms relating to pool activities and the provision of swimming lessons.

The review will include consultation with Everyone Active and two swimming clubs, Derwent Valley and Ryedale Swimming Clubs.

What are the expected outputs?

It is expected that the task group will produce a report, summarising the evidence they have gathered to enable a proposed way forward for the provision of swimming lessons.

Timescale

It is anticipated that the group will conclude the outcomes of the review by February 2018. Progress reports will be submitted to the committee if required during the review.

Scrutiny Review of Staff Survey Results

Work in progress

Scrutiny Review of Meeting Start Times and Management of Meetings - link to final report

Recommendations - As agreed by Overview & Scrutiny

(i) That the Constitution be amended to change the order of business for Full Council to put items for decision first;

On 21 September 2017 Policy and Resources Committee referred these recommendations to the Constitution Working Party.

(ii) That the Constitution be amended to bring forward the guillotine, so that it takes effect after 3 hours;	
(iii) That the Constitution be amended to require corrections to the minutes to be submitted in writing in advance of the meeting;	
(iv) That working practices be amended so that questions to officers have to be dealt with ahead of, rather than during, meetings of Full Council;	
(v) That the Constitution be amended to require the circulation of the Leader's Statement with the agenda;	
(vi) That working practices be amended to stop reading out the Leader's Statement at meetings of Full Council.	
Scrutiny Review of the Councils Role in Flood Management cons	idered by Council on 8 December 2016 - <u>link to final report</u>
Recommendations as agreed by Council	
1. That RDC commits £12,000 funding (up to a maximum of 20%) to resource a project manager to progress delivery of the Malton, Norton and Old Malton Flood Study project and drive partnership working, and seeks match funding from the partners of the Malton and Norton Project Group	NYCC have commissioned consultants to make progress with the MN and OM flood study which may identify the need for additional PM support.
2. RDC commits £2.5k (20%) funding towards a CCTV monitoring survey to understand the drainage system in Old Malton.	A CCTV survey in Old Malton commissioned by NYCC has now been completed and details will be made available in due course. RDC has contributed £2,000 towards this CCTV survey.
3. That Natural Flood Management (NFM) considerations should be integral to all local flood management solutions and that RDC continues to facilitate links across the various partners and interested stakeholders endorsing a whole catchment approach	The Yorkshire Derwent Partnership Board are currently developing a whole catchment area set of plans with specific delivery task groups in place to achieve outcomes eg Ryevitalise and a RDC rep attends, with a key objective of these projects being to develop natural flood management solutions.

4. That RDC allocates a sum of £50,000 to a grant fund to support local flood solutions which will be allocated through Resources Working Party (similar to the arrangements for the allocation of Community Grants) where the criteria for allocation will also be agreed. Town and Parish Councils would be eligible to apply (including Malton and Brawby), as should any fully constituted community group, with any grant conditional on the preparation of a Community Resilience Plan to ensure sustainability and linkage to NYCC and other flood risk management partner organisations. Any contribution RDC makes towards a local solution involving equipment is on the basis that:

- a) The community group or parish council engage with NYCC to set up a community resilience group (CRG) with a Community Resilience Plan (CRP)
- b) The CRG undertake training and take responsibility for deploying and insuring the pump with sign off from NYCC
- c) That the Resources Working Party make recommendations to the Policy & Resources Committee on the grant applications for this fund, and that the criteria be similar to that used for the Community Grant applications ie;
- i. Grant must not exceed £5000.00 or 25% of the total cost whichever is the lowest
- ii. Grants up to £1000 may be 100% of the total cost.
- iii. In certain circumstances the above criteria may be waived if it is felt that an application will be of exceptional benefit to a community.

The <u>Ryevitalise Landscape Partnership</u> are currently in the development phase of a range of exciting projects supported by the Heritage Lottery Fund, North York Moors National Park and partners and are planning consultation over the coming months - follow this link to find out more and complete a short questionnaire

All Parish and Town Councils have been informed of the availability of grant funding to support local flood solutions.

Work is continuing, with several meetings already planned, to support the development of projects which may be eligible and to ensure links to NYCC and community resilience plans.

The opportunity to apply for a flood grant is now open and communities have been invited to submit their applications for grant funding to enable the development of solutions with support from the relevant authorities.

Two flood grant applications were approved at Policy and Resources on 21 September -one for Malton and one for Brawby.

A third flood grant application has been made by Norton Town Council was approved by Policy and Resources on 23 November 2017.

A total of £32,700 has been awarded from the £50,000 grant fund to date.

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5. That the above spending be funded from the New Homes Bonus Reserve		
6. That Council may consider that funding be allocated from the New Homes Bonus towards the funding gap of £1.8m of the approved GiA scheme for the alleviation of flooding in Malton, Norton and Old Malton. That any contribution should be to a maximum of 20% of the funding gap.	The further work commissioned by NYCC to progress the M, N and OM Study will provide more detailed costings to inform future stakeholder engagement to bridge the funding gap. A bid to the LEP Growth Fund is now being progressed by NYCC to provide a business case for this project.	
Scrutiny Review of Assets - <u>link to final report</u> considered by Council 08.09.2016		
Recommendations - As agreed by Council		
The Council policy on the management of property assets is as follows:	A new asset management strategy is being developed by officers to enable the delivery of this policy.	
Vision: To optimise the use of the Councils property assets in supporting the delivery of the Councils priorities and delivering best value and value for money for the residents of Ryedale	The Chief Executive reassured Members that officers would not dispose of any major assets without coming back to Council if the policy was adopted. Member Briefings on 11 January and 1 June 2017 linking the budget and assets.	
Policy: To achieve best value from each property asset by:	At the :Policy and Resources Committee on 21 September 2017 it was resolved:	
 Occupying an asset for the efficient delivery of Council services or Renting to another to generate revenue income for the Council 	That a clear direction be provided to officers to enable the work to be undertaken for decisions to be made by Council in February 2018 for the future of the Council's Asset portfolio, as follows:	
 Disposing of any asset which achieves neither of the above and which could generate a receipt for the Council 	a) That officers work with partners to participate in the OPE programme bid for North Yorkshire, to be submitted in November 2017	
Principles:	b) Ryedale House is no longer fit for purpose and the maintenance costs are prohibitively expensive. Officers are to	

- To optimise the use of operational assets
- That fewer operational buildings is lowest cost and lowest risk to service delivery
- To manage the councils estate to achieve the best social, economic and environmental benefit for the communities of Ryedale
- To dispose of underutilised assets
- To acquire assets that would support the finances of the Council and delivery of the Council priorities
- That the proceeds of the sale of any of the assets be used to support the delivery of the Council's priorities.
- For disposal of any Council owned asset used for car parking, decisions should be made in the context of a car parking policy.

prepare a business case to support a move to new premises which aims to deliver the following:

- The preferred option of office accommodation on the site of the current Community House.
- to develop proposals for a hub for public sector and voluntary and community sector partners, linked to the OPE programme.
- When Ryedale House is no longer available, future meetings of Council to take place in the Milton Rooms and similar venues in Ryedale.

The brief for the public sector hub to include the following:

- Members to have access to a dedicated small office to accommodate 6 people, potential to provide a Leader's office if required and space for committee meetings for 10 members, officers and public seating.
- In the event the single public sector hub does not come to fruition, the option of locating to Harrison House is to also be considered.
- d) Housing to be built on the Ryedale House site, a proportion of which to be affordable, ensuring best value. The possibility of a joint development including neighbouring sites to be explored.
- e) The upper deck of Wentworth Street Car Park to be considered for housing as part of the OPE programme.
- f) The Council to consider relocating Streetscene services to the proposed Waste Transfer Station at Kirby Misperton.
- g) A review to take place of all Council assets to deliver the Council's Asset Management Policy.

Scrutiny Review of Fuel Poverty in Ryedale - Link to final report

Scrutiny Review of Members Involvement in Outside Bodies and as Member Champions - Link to final report

Scrutiny Review of the Role the Council Should play in Supporting the Voluntary and Community Sector Link to final report

Scrutiny Review of Post Offices 2010-11 Link to final report