

PART B: RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL

REPORT TO: POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

DATE: 12 JUNE 2018

REPORT OF THE: CHAIR OF OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

TITLE OF REPORT: SCRUTINY REVIEW - FINAL REPORT

THE PROVISION OF SWIMMING LESSONS AT RDC POOLS

WARDS AFFECTED: ALL

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report includes recommendations to Council following the scrutiny review into the provision of swimming lessons at Council owned swimming pools.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 It is recommended that Members agree the final report attached as Appendix 1 which includes the following recommendations:
 - 1. Ryedale Swimming Club (RSC) and Derwent Valley Swimming Club (DVSC) are allowed to continue their Learn To Swim (LTS) lessons for the people of Ryedale during the hours agreed in the Leisure Specification.
 - 2. Everyone Active (EA) and the swimming clubs work together to ensure a smooth transition pathway from Everyone Active lessons to Club sessions.
 - 3. Council considers an incremental increase in the specified hire charge per hour to the swimming clubs.

3.0 REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

3.1 To enable Derwent Valley and Ryedale Swimming Clubs to continue to provide Learn To Swim Lessons during the hours stated in the Leisure Contract Specification.

4.0 SIGNIFICANT RISKS

4.1 Officers have advised the members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee in the task group meetings of the risks associated with the various options associated with this matter.

5.0 POLICY CONTEXT AND CONSULTATION

5.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee has met with both swimming clubs and Everyone Active.

- 5.2 Corporate Priority: Customer and Communities helping our partners keep our communities safe and healthy.
- 5.3 The recommendations endorse the Council's commitment to support, celebrate and recognise the value and contribution of the voluntary and community sector (recommendation from a Scrutiny Review into the Council's support for the voluntary and community sector).

REPORT

6.0 REPORT DETAILS

- 6.1 Attached at Appendix 1 is the final report of the review undertaken by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee into the provision of swimming lessons in the swimming pools owned by the Council and operated under contract by EA at Derwent Pool in Norton and Ryedale Pool in Pickering.
- 6.2 The review has considered
 - The current Leisure Management Contract
 - The provision of swimming lessons, particularly Learn to Swim lessons
 - Potential consequences for Derwent Valley and Ryedale Swimming Clubs
 - Potential consequences for the Council

7.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 The following implications have been identified:
 - a) Financial

Potential increase in the cost of the leisure management contract with consequent impact on the revenue budget and potential cost of dispute resolution.

b) Legal

Potential breach of contract.

c) Other

There are no significant other issues in considering this report.

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Background Papers:

As detailed in the attached scrutiny review report.