

UPDATE ON THE REVIEW OF LEISURE CENTRE PROVISION IN THE WEST

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To inform Committee Members of the progress being made in considering the options available for improving leisure centre provision in the West of the district and its connection with other strategic developments taking place in Ollerton and Boughton due to the needs of the area.

2.0 Background Information

- 2.1 Committee Members will be aware that a report was due to be presented on 15 February 2018 seeking approval for the production of a business case on a preferred leisure option, which has been deferred until June 2018.
- 2.2 This is in order to ensure that a strategic 'place' vision for the West is developed which connects the separate strategic projects currently underway and ensures their interdependencies are fully taken into account. It is considered that these connections need to be fully understood and wider vision embedded within the Council's committee process because these projects will be reported to and considered separately by different committees.

3.0 Project Position Statements

- 3.1 A precis of each strategic project is provided below, which includes their critical milestones, timescales, key interdependencies with the leisure project and informs which committee these will be considered by.
- 3.2 In addition to the leisure provision in the west, there are two further projects to consider which are progressing around new extra care provision in Ollerton together with Nottinghamshire County Council and Homes England and improvements to community sporting infrastructure together with Ollerton and Boughton Town Council, the Football Association and Football Foundation at the Walesby Lane site and linking this to the open space proposals at Petersmith Drive, Ollerton which s106 monies have been attributed to.

3.3 One Public Estate (OPE)

Responsible Committee: Homes and Communities Committee

- 3.3.1 The One Public Estate (OPE) programme is an established national programme delivered in partnership by the Cabinet Office Government Property Unit (GPU) and the Local Government Association (LGA). It provides practical and technical support and funding to councils to deliver ambitious property-focused programmes in collaboration with central government and other public sector partners. The Council has secured funding from the OPE programme and work is underway to establish a unique public services 'hub' at the centre of the community, which aims to improve health deprivation in the area and will include co-location with partners.

3.3.2 The Council is facilitating this project with collaboration from key partners including the Newark and Sherwood Clinical Commissioning Group, the DWP, the police, Citizens Advice and Ollerton and Boughton Town Council. Consultants, ARCADIS, are currently undertaking a feasibility study.

Milestones	Timescale
Stakeholder meetings regarding draft feasibility report.	March 2018
Final feasibility report with recommendations to Homes and Communities Committee – which will inform the next milestones of the project and possible bid for further funding to progress an outline business case.	11 June 2018

Key Interdependencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Influences location, design and land acquisitions.
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3.4 Ollerton and Boughton Neighbourhood Study

Responsible Committee: Economic Development Committee

3.4.1 A comprehensive assessment of the Ollerton and Boughton area is currently being undertaken through a neighbourhood study. The neighbourhood study focuses on the socio-economic ('People') characteristics, the built environment ('Place') and the opportunities and challenges these bring. The intention is to create a locally driven document that provides all local stakeholders with a strategic and long-term plan to guide future decision making and investment requirements for this area.

3.4.2 'Planning for Real', who have undertaken the 'People' element of the neighbourhood study have prepared a draft People report which identified that the Dukeries Leisure Centre was underutilised from the surrounding housing estates and that the loss of the swimming pool from this site was a concern. Residents surveyed as part of the neighbourhood study expressed disappointment at the closure of the Swimming Pool and loss of swimming lessons for their children which meant travelling some distance and joining waiting lists. The draft People report suggests a long term high priority for the need for a new swimming pool at the Dukeries Leisure Centre and enhanced outdoor play and sporting provision.

3.4.3 The 'Place' element of the Ollerton and Boughton Neighbourhood study has been undertaken by urban designers URBED and surveyors AspinalVerdi who are considering options for a new housing development between the Hallam Road and Retford Road Estates including the allocated site OB/MU/2 (HRA land) and associated community facilities. An interim report was presented to Economic Development Committee on 22 November 2017.

Milestones	Timescale
Stakeholder Event	Spring
Final Report to Economic Development Committee – which will inform the next milestones of the project.	20 June 2018

Key Interdependencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Influences design of development. • Yield in s106 monies, New Homes Bonus and increase the Council Tax base to support financial model and offset capital investment.
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4.0 Equalities Implications

4.1 Equalities implications will be considered as part of further modelling and development of a detailed business case within each strategic project.

5.0 Financial Comment

5.1 The three projects outlined in this report have financial interdependencies and therefore need to be considered together in order to best utilise available sources of funding from grant funding, third party contributions, s106 contributions, new homes bonus, increase in tax base and prudential borrowing.

6.0 RECOMMENDATION

That the content of the report be noted.

Reason for Recommendations

To ensure that a strategic 'place' vision for the west is developed, which in turn, will enable informed decisions to be made on the production of a detailed business case for a preferred option relating to leisure centre provision in the West.

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