

WEST OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
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CARTERTON LEISURE CENTRE PHASE 2
REPORT OF THE HEAD OF LEISURE AND COMMUNITIES
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(The Committee's decision will be a recommendation to the Cabinet)

1. PURPOSE

To consider the design and schedule of accommodation for Carterton Leisure Centre Phase 2 prior to submission of a planning application.

2. RECOMMENDATION

That the Cabinet be recommended to approve the design, schedule of accommodation and authorises the submission of a planning application.

3. BACKGROUND

3.1 On 17 May 2017 Cabinet agreed to award GLL Better the contract to manage the Council's sport and leisure facilities for the next ten years. Implicit within the contract is the requirement to deliver, on behalf of the Council, Carterton Leisure Centre phase 2 extension project. The delivery of this project is one of the Council's key aims; the target date for completion is late 2019.

3.2 During the tender stage of the procurement project contractors were required to submit designs for the phase 2 project responding to a facility requirements specification. They were also invited to include innovation within their proposals to maximize throughput and revenue generation contributing to the overall sustainability of the centre. The designs and proposals submitted were scored as part of the overall assessment stage of the tender process.

3.3 The facilities included within the phase 2 scheme as proposed by GLL Better are:-

- An Enlarged Gym
- Four Badminton Court Sports Hall
- Changing Rooms
- Extreme Trampoline park
- Cafes and a Crèche
- Two Squash Courts
- A Dance/Aerobics Studio

3.4 In accordance with the leisure management contract a project liaison group has been established. The terms of reference are to provide a forum for joint strategic discussion and consideration of all aspects regarding the project. Representatives from the Council are:-

- Cabinet Member for Leisure & Health.
- Head of Leisure & Communities.
- Leisure Services Manager.

3.5 The design team are carrying out a consultation exercise seeking feedback on the proposals. The intention is to submit the scheme for planning consent in January 2018. Appendix A includes a floor plan of the facilities being proposed and a copy of the Stage 2 design report is available in the Members' Room.

4. ALTERNATIVES/OPTIONS

Members could choose not to accept the report's recommendation and/or suggest alternative solutions.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct financial implications arising from this report. The capital implications for the construction of phase 2 were considered by Cabinet on 17th May 2017 and will be further considered by Cabinet in July 2018 following the outcome of the tender exercise to procure the main contractor.

6. RISKS

The project could be delayed and not meet the completion target of 2019 if the planning application is not submitted in January 2018.

7. REASONS

To achieve the Council's aim of delivering Carterton Leisure Centre phase 2 within the life of the Council plan.

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PROPOSED GROUND FLOOR PLAN

APPENDIX A

