This report is PRIVATE – exempt from publication under Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), Part 1, Paragraph 3

[PROTECT]

CITY OF WOLVERHAMPTON COUNCIL

Individual Executive Decision Notice

Report title

WV Active Condition Survey and Lifecycle

Decision designation

GREEN

Cabinet member with lead

Councillor Louise Miles

responsibility

Resources

Wards affected

(All Wards):

Accountable Director

John Denley, Director of Public Health

Originating service

WV Active

Accountable employee

Sean McBurney

WV Active Manager

Tel

01902 555089

Email

Sean.mcburney@wolverhampton.gov.uk

Report to be/has been

considered by

Strategic Executive Board

7 May 2019

Summary

At the Cabinet meeting on 11 July 2018, Cabinet approved that authority continues to be delegated to the Cabinet Member for Resources, in consultation with the Director of Finance, to approve the allocation of funds from the Transformation Reserve to individual projects in order that corporate priorities may be addressed in a more agile and timely manner ('Reserves, Provisions and Balances 2017-18' report).

A working group, chaired by the Director for Public Health, has been established to evaluate options for the future delivery of WV Active and ensure that it is run in the most efficient way possible, whilst supporting public health outcomes. A key aspect of that option appraisal is gaining a full understanding of the current condition of the three WV Active sites and identifying potential future premises related costs. This report seeks funding approval to procure an indepth condition survey and lifecycle assessment of all three WV Active sites to support that process.

Total Control of

This report is PRIVATE – exempt from publication under Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), Part 1, Paragraph 3
[PROTECT]

Recommendation for decision:

That the Cabinet Member for Resources, in consultation with the Director of Finance:

1. Approves an allocation of funds from the Transformation Reserve of up to £30,000 for a condition survey and lifecycle assessment of all three WV Active sites.

This report is PRIVATE – exempt from publication under Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), Part 1, Paragraph 3 [PROTECT]

1.0 Background

- 1.1 A working group, chaired by the Director for Public Health, has been established to evaluate options for the future delivery of WV Active. This group has been set up to ensure that WV Active is run in the most efficient way possible, whilst supporting public health outcomes.
- 1.2 As part of this future delivery review and in order to understand the full costs and their impact on the service going forward, it is necessary to procure an in-depth condition survey and lifecycle assessment of all three WV Active sites.

2.0 Timetable

2.1 The procurement process is expected to take 4-6 weeks with the final work completed two months later.

3.0 Evaluation of alternative options

- 3.0 The following options have been considered but are not advisable for the reasons outlined below.
- 3.1 Do nothing continue to provide service as is.
 - A. Within the next 12 months, significant investment in the sites and equipment will be needed to maintain the service level currently provided and prevent the centres falling into disrepair. Without this member satisfaction would be reduced and this would have a negative impact on income generation and public health. However, it is not advisable to invest in short term solutions without understanding the overall condition of the sites.
- 3.2 Continue with options appraisal without undertaking condition survey.
 - A. Following the results of the condition survey and lifecycle assessment, the recommended course of action would be to carry out an options appraisal for the future delivery of WV Active. It is possible to continue with this without the condition survey and lifecycle assessment, but decisions would be taken without fully understanding the full cost of maintaining the assets.

4.0 Reasons for decision

4.0 Without a condition survey and lifecycle assessment, the Council cannot make a fully informed decision on the best way to proceed.

5.0 Financial implications

5.0 The procurement of a condition survey and lifecycle assessment is subject to tender, but estimated to cost no more than £30,000 It is proposed to fund the cost up to this level from the Transformation Reserve. [GE/26072019/V]

Sensitivity: PROTECT

This report is PRIVATE – exempt from publication under Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), Part 1, Paragraph 3
[PROTECT]

6.0 Legal implications

6.0 The Council has statutory obligations to ensure that its facilities are safe. The survey of the WV Active sites will allow the Council to assess the works necessary for the sites to remain safe
[TS/22052019/Q]

7.0 Equalities implications

- 7.0 There are no equalities implications arising from this report.
- 8.0 Environmental implications
- 8.0 There are no environmental implications arising from this report
- 9.0 Human resources implications
- 9.0 There are no human resources implications arising from this report.
- 10.0 Corporate Landlord implications
- 10.0 There are no Corporate Landlord resources implications arising from this report.
- 11.0 Health and Wellbeing implications
- 11.0 The survey of the WV Active sites will help to ensure the long-term sustainability of leisure facilities within the city.
- 12.0 Schedule of background papers
- 12.0 WV Active Presentation to Strategic Executive Board on 7 May 2019.