

Leisure Services Business Unit (LSBU) Overview of Financial Performance 2012/13

Overview

The trading statement for the LSBU for the year ended March 2013 shows a deficit of £802,008 compared with the 2012/13 revised estimate of £900,450 producing a favourable variance of £98,442 with no funding drawn from the LSBU earmarked reserve. In overall terms the outturn position reflects a positive and pleasing performance in the prevailing difficult economic conditions. It is encouraging to note that in overall terms the favourable variance is due to over achievement in income rather than savings. More detailed information related to each contract is given below.

Larkfield Leisure Centre

This contract bettered the revised estimate profile by £18,215. Expenditure was overspent by 23,704. This included increased staffing costs related to the success of the Swim School and overspends on gas and water charges. Increased general purchases and marketing costs associated with the refurbishment of Lifestyles were offset by other supplies and services savings. Income was £41,919 above profile. The key areas of performance above profile were Lifestyles Health & Fitness which was £21,000 or 3.3% above profile and the Swim School which was £17,028 or 7.5% above profile. Casual swimming was below profile by £9,878 or 1.4%.

Angel Centre

This contract bettered the revised estimate profile by £64,122. Expenditure savings amounted to £2,829 with savings in utilities offset by overspend on general purchases and marketing associated with the refurbishment of Lifestyles. Overall income was £61,293 above target. Most areas of income were above profile with Lifestyles Health and Fitness at £22,983 or 6.4% and the Sports Hall at £19,277 or 27.9% the key areas of performance.

Tonbridge Swimming Pool

This contract bettered the revised estimate profile by £13,902. Expenditure savings amounted to £1,652 with utilities savings offset by an increase in marketing costs. Overall income was above target by £12,250. Swimming income was £3,736 or 0.8% below profile and net profit on catering was £4,452 below profile. The Swim School was £14,632 or 6.1% above profile.

Poult Wood Golf Centre

This contract bettered the revised estimate profile by £2,203. Overall expenditure was well controlled and produced a saving despite the rising costs of materials. The contract performance and standards of ground maintenance remain very high.