TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

LEISURE and ARTS ADVISORY BOARD

15 October 2007

Report of the Chief Leisure Officer and the Cabinet Member for Leisure, Youth & Arts

Part 1- Public

Matters for Recommendation to Cabinet - Non-Key Decision (Decision may be taken by the Cabinet Member)

1 QUEST ASSESSMENT

Summary

This report recommends the ongoing approach to Quest assessment at the Council's indoor leisure facilities.

1.1 Background

1.1.1 Quest is the UK National Quality Award for Sport & Leisure. All three of the Council's indoor leisure facilities, Larkfield Leisure Centre, Tonbridge Swimming Pool and Angel Centre are currently registered through the scheme.

1.2 Presentation

1.2.1 The Leisure Contracts Manager will make a short presentation at the meeting to inform the Board about the award more fully.

1.3 Legal Implications

1.3.1 Nil.

1.4 Financial and Value for Money Considerations

1.4.1 The costs of funding registration to Quest are included in the Leisure Services Business Unit (LSBU) revenue budgets.

1.5 Risk Assessment

1.5.1 The LSBU operational risk register does not recognise Quest specifically in terms of existing control of risk. However the assessment and adherence to the principles within Quest does test many statutory requirements in terms of health and safety, employment law and operational management.

1.6 Recommendations

1.6.1 It is **RECOMMENDED** that the LSBU continues the programme of Quest Assessment at the indoor leisure facilities.

The Chief Leisure Officer confirms that the proposals contained in the recommendation, if approved, will fall within the Council's Budget and Policy Framework.

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