

Capital Plan Post Implementation Review	
Service:	Leisure
Scheme Title:	Leisure Facilities – DDA Audit Recommendations – Phase 1
Scheme Description:	<p>Independent access audits of the main leisure facilities were undertaken as a part of the Best Value Review of Leisure. The duties of the DDA 1995 were introduced in three stages, the last stage implemented in October 2005, requiring service providers to take 'reasonable' steps to facilitate access for disabled users. An analysis of the audits resulted in development of an implementation plan taking into account works that would be completed by default through capital development. Phase One of the plan included the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General works common to all facilities, including glass manifestation, replacement door closers and step nosings • Provision of evacuation chairs at the Angel Centre • Installation of induction loops at reception points and in meeting rooms • Provision of a platform lift to the Medway Hall stage at the Angel Centre • Provision of compliant disabled access to Lifestyles at Larkfield Leisure Centre • Provision of a disabled hoist to the spa bath at Tonbridge Swimming Pool
Evaluation:	Finance & Property Advisory Board – 2 March 2005
Capital Plan Year(s)	2005/06
Approved budget	£94,000
National Priorities	Number of the Council's buildings accessible to the disabled. BVPI 156(a). Disability Equality Agenda
Local Priorities	Meets corporate improvement priorities 2i – 'Improve access to Council services and facilities in accordance with DDA requirements'; 5a – 'Enable the whole community to more fully enjoy leisure and cultural activities'; 5d – 'To operate the Council's leisure facilities /services effectively, efficiently and economically, within approved levels of resources, to meet identified needs'; 9b – 'To promote, encourage and provide opportunities for "Healthy Lifestyles"'; 12 – 'To make Tonbridge & Malling a better place to live'; 15g – 'To invest in providing and maintaining quality leisure facilities with easy access to all'; and 15h – 'To improve the Council's position in respect of its Comprehensive Performance Assessment'.
Targets for judging success:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase in the number of the Council's buildings accessible to the disabled. BVPI 156(a). • Improved access for people with disabilities. • Increased participation by people with disabilities.
Completion date (work completed):	Various to date
Completion date (final payment):	Various
Projected date for post implementation review:	12 months after completion.
Final cost:	£78,000
Performance against National and Local Priorities and Targets:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Larkfield leisure Centre is now fully accessible from front to rear of building. General access improvements evident at all sites. • Number of disabled visits not measured, however, access to additional areas and improvements have been positively received by customers.

Annex 1

Budget performance / Value for money:	Underspend as a consequence of review related to disabled access at Larkfield Leisure Centre. Walkway capital development superseded the need to provide discrete access at rear of building. Virement of funds to be considered in support of walkway scheme.
Other performance / procurement issues:	Capital development at Larkfield Leisure Centre to Larkabout, Lifestyles, Car Park and Changing Rooms have all been implemented with DDA considerations taken into account.
Ongoing / Outstanding issues:	Future phases of the implementation plan are ongoing.