

TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

LEISURE and ARTS ADVISORY BOARD

13 December 2010

Report of the Chief Leisure Officer

Part 1- Public

Matters for Information

1 CAPITAL PLAN PROGRESS REPORT

Summary

This report advises Members of progress with schemes contained in the Leisure Services section of the Capital Plan.

1.1 Introduction

- 1.1.1 There are a number of Leisure schemes included in the Council's Capital Plan, and it is important that progress is kept under regular review. An update is attached at **[Annex 1]**. Members will be pleased to note that a significant number of schemes are now completed.
- 1.1.2 Members will note reference to the scheme to provide a floodlit all weather pitch at Wrotham School, involving a number of partners. I am pleased to advise that a funding bid to the Football Foundation has been successful and a grant of £250,000 has been awarded. The procurement of the contract has commenced and it is hoped that works should commence in mid February 2011.
- 1.1.3 Members will also note the improvement scheme currently progressing at Tonbridge Racecourse Sportsground. The centre path has now been fully refurbished and it is anticipated that the new skate facility will be complete prior to the Board meeting. Additional funding of just over £11,000 has been secured from the Local Strategic Partnership that will allow the Council to proceed with the installation of an Outdoor Gym, located adjacent to the bowling green.

1.2 Legal Implications

- 1.2.1 None.

1.3 Financial and Value for Money Considerations

- 1.3.1 A number of schemes within the Capital Plan represent significant levels of investment. The Council's Financial Procedure and Contract Procedure Rules are adhered to in all cases, and projects are delivered and monitored in close liaison with the Director of Finance and the Central Services Director. Post

implementation reviews are undertaken on all completed schemes (see separate report in these papers).

1.4 Risk Assessment

1.4.1 The delivery of projects within the Capital Plan is identified in relevant Operational Risk Registers within the Service. A number of existing controls are in place to help deliver projects in accordance with the design brief, on timescale and within budget. These controls include the preparation of design briefs, use of consultant teams where applicable, compliance with Contract and Financial Procedure Rules, an Officer Study Team approach, and regular reports to Management Team and Members.

1.5 Policy Considerations

1.5.1 Healthy Lifestyles, Asset Management, Young People, Procurement, Community, Crime & Disorder Reduction.

Background papers:

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Nil

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