

## **ANGEL LEISURE CENTRE – REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

### **Item OS 25/51 referred from Overview and Scrutiny Committee of 11 September 2025**

(Reasons: Part 2 Private – LGA 1972 Sch 12A Paragraph 3 – Financial or business affairs of any particular person)

There was detailed and robust discussion on financial and value for money considerations, the potential risks in respect of local government reorganisation, asset disposal, borrowing of funds, potential loss of investment and repayment of loans.

A concern was also raised regarding the lack of a detailed and costed business case. Members were reassured that a business case had been developed as part of the feasibility study and was continually reviewed and refined as the project progressed. It was anticipated that a final costed business case could be presented to Members in 2026 when seeking approval for the final construction.

The Chair proposed, Cllr Athwal seconded and the Committee

#### **\*RECOMMENDED:** That

- (1) the Tonbridge Town Centre Programme Board give consideration to potential options around how any proceeds arising from the redevelopment of the current Angel Centre site could be used to offset any debt incurred in relation to the provision of the new leisure centre; and
- (2) the intention to present a fully costed business case to Members in advance of seeking approval for the final construction of the Angel Leisure Centre replacement be noted; and
- (3) the progress being made on the replacement of the Angel Leisure Centre, Tonbridge be noted.

#### **\*Recommended to Cabinet**