

Report of the Leisure and Health Portfolio Holder

EVENTS AND MUSEUMS SERVICE REVIEW1. Purpose of Report

This report recommends a feasibility review on transferring the events and museums service back in-house from LLeisure Limited.

2. Recommendation

Cabinet is asked to RESOLVE that a feasibility review is carried out on the costs, benefits, and risks of transferring the events and museums service back in-house, to be reported back to a future Cabinet.

3. Detail

The Council's teckal company, LLeisure Limited operates an events and museums service for the council, as well as running Bramcote, Kimberley and Chilwell leisure centres through a contractual arrangement. Currently events are also organised by the Council's employees across a number of Council departments and teams including civic services, communities, environment, housing, economic development and others. It is a possibility that bringing LLeisure's events and museums team within the Council's structure will make communication and co-ordination of all events more co-ordinated and resilient. A more coherent programme of events can be published if events are programmed on a more comprehensive basis. The events and museums aspects of work within LLeisure are costly and loss making and detract from the financial success of LLeisure. Events and museums are not the main focus of attention within LLeisure and could be said to distract from its primary business purpose.

There are potential synergies between events and the council's existing communications team. Within LLeisure the events and museums team is very small and potentially additional capacity can be drawn from the Council to support the work of events and museums when this is needed. The feasibility review will involve consultations with LLeisure Ltd, Unions and all potentially affected individuals about the possibility of transfer of events and museums back in-house.

The review will also assess the financial implications for the company and the council, and identify all the relevant risks and benefits of the transfer in-house. There will also be consideration of suggestions about where the roles within the events and museums service may fit within the existing council structure.

4. Financial implications

There are no additional budgetary commitments required to complete this feasibility study and consultation stage.

5. Legal Implications

There are no direct legal implications arising from the recommendation of this report, once the feasibility review has been carried out further comment will be provided.

6. Human Resources implications

None

7. Union Comments

None

8. Data Protection Compliance Implications

Not applicable

9. Equality Impact Assessment

Not applicable

10. Background Papers

Nil