

Report of the Monitoring Officer

SCRUTINY REVIEWS1. Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to make Members aware of matters proposed for and undergoing scrutiny. This is in accordance with all of the Council's priorities.

2. Recommendation

Cabinet is asked to NOTE the report.

3. Detail

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee met on 21 December 2023 for the call-in on the report concerning Kimberley Leisure Centre from the Cabinet meeting held on 5 December 2023. This meeting was adjourned for further guidance to be provided and reconvened on 19 January 2024. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee resolved to accept the decision of the Cabinet meeting of 5 December 2023 regarding Kimberley School Leisure Centre. The resolution from which was as follows:

1. **The Kimberley school request for funding as specified in the exempt report to cover their estimated Leisure Centre deficits over 3 financial years, be rejected.**
2. **The Kimberley School request that the Council provides uncapped contributions towards the repairs costs, including the pool plant replacements and future price increases in utility and supplies costs, not included in their assumptions, be rejected.**
3. **Liberty Leisure continues to discuss the delivery of a 'dry-side' gym facility to be managed at the school site, be approved.**
4. **The Council's Leisure Officer and Liberty Leisure seek alternative leisure sites in the north of the Borough and report back to Cabinet on any viable opportunities, be approved.**

The Equality, Diversity and Inclusion at the Council Working Group met on 15 January 2024. The Working Group is Chaired by Councillor S Dannheimer. The Group was given a presentation on Equalities and reports were received from the Human Resources Manager on Neurodiversity. The next meeting would be focussing on Council buildings meeting the requirements of the Equality Act 2010 and where reasonable adjustments had been made. This will take place on 1 March 2024. The Group indicated the scrutiny topic would be long term as the topic covered a wide area of the Council.

Cabinet will receive updates at each future meeting as to the progress of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee's work programme as contained in the attached **APPENDIX** and is asked to give consideration to the future programme and decision-making with knowledge of the forthcoming scrutiny agenda. It also enables Cabinet to suggest topics for future scrutiny.

4. Key Decision

This is not a key decision.

5. Financial Implications

The comments from the Head of Finance Services were as follows:

There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

6. Legal Implications

The comments from the Monitoring Officer / Head of Legal Services were as follows:

There are no legal implications arising from the report.

7. Human Resources Implications

The comments from the Human Resources Manager were as follows:

No comments

8. Union Comments

The Union comments were as follows:

No comments

9. Climate Change Implications

There were no comments received.

10. Data Protection Compliance Implications

This report does not contain any OFFICIAL(SENSITIVE) information and there are no Data Protection issues in relation to this report.

11. Equality Impact Assessment

Not required.

12. Background Papers

Nil