

FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: **LIFELONG LEARNING OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

DATE: **THURSDAY, 19TH DECEMBER 2013**

REPORT BY: **HOUSING & LEARNING OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY FACILITATOR**

SUBJECT: **TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE LEISURE FINANCE TASK & FINISH GROUP**

1.00 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.01 To enable the Committee to consider the Terms of Reference of the Leisure Finance Task & Finish Group.

2.00 BACKGROUND

2.01 During the Forward Work Planning Workshop held on the 9 July, 2013, the Lifelong Learning Overview & Scrutiny Committee agreed to consider setting up a Task & Finish Group to review Leisure Services.

2.02 The Corporate Resources Overview & Scrutiny Committee had also considered setting up a Task & Finish Group to review the current levels of overspend within the Leisure Services Budget. Following consultation with the Chairman, it was agreed that the Chairman of the Corporate Resources Overview & Scrutiny Committee be invited to sit on the Group.

2.03 At the Lifelong Learning Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting held on the 10 October, 2013, Members considered the report of the Housing and Learning Overview & Scrutiny Facilitator and supported the establishment of a Task & Finish Group to review the Leisure Services Budget. Nominations for Members to sit on the Group and its Membership is as follows:-

- Cllr Marion Bateman
- Cllr Stella Jones
- Cllr David Mackie
- Cllr Nancy Matthews
- Cllr Tim Newhouse

2.04 Meetings of the Task & Finish Group will also be attended by Lawrence Rawsthorne, Head of Culture & Leisure, Mike Welch, Principal Leisure Services Manager and Paul Jones, Business Improvement Manager, who will provide specialist advice.

3.00 CONSIDERATIONS

3.01 The first meeting of the Leisure Finance Task & Finish Group was held on the 21 November, 2013.

3.02 During the first meeting, the Group were given a presentation which gave an overview of the challenges facing Leisure Services. Following discussion, the Group considered the Terms of Reference for the Group and recommended the following:-

- That the Head of Leisure & Culture together with the Overview & Scrutiny Facilitator provide the Group with a copy of the Terms of Reference for the Task & Finish Group to agree prior to them being presented at the next meetings of the Lifelong Learning Overview & Scrutiny Committee and Corporate Resources Overview & Scrutiny Committee.

3.03 A copy of the Terms of Reference, as agreed by the Group, is attached at Appendix 1 of the report.

4.00 RECOMMENDATIONS

4.01 That the Lifelong Learning Overview & Scrutiny Committee support the Terms of Reference of the Leisure Finance Task & Finish Group as shown at Appendix 1 to the report.

5.00 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.01 None as a direct result of this report.

6.00 ANTI POVERTY IMPACT

6.01 None as a direct result of this report.

7.00 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

7.01 None as a direct result of this report.

8.00 EQUALITIES IMPACT

8.01 None as a direct result of this report.

9.00 PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

9.01 None as a direct result of this report.

10.00 CONSULTATION REQUIRED

10.01 Publication of this report constitutes consultation.

11.00 CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN

11.01 The Head of Culture & Leisure and Members of the Leisure Finance Task & Finish Group have been consulted on the Terms of Reference.

12.00 APPENDICES

12.01 Appendix 1 – Terms of Reference for the Leisure Finance Task & Finish Group.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT) 1985
BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

None.

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