

	<h2>Policy and Resources Committee</h2> <h3>1 September 2016</h3>
<p style="text-align: center;">Title</p>	<p>Member’s Item: Cllr Alison Moore – #SaveBarnetDiving</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Report of</p>	<p>Head of Governance</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Wards</p>	<p>All</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Status</p>	<p>Public</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Enclosures</p>	<p>None</p>
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<h2>Summary</h2>
<p>The report informs the Policy and Resources Committee of a Member’s item and requests instructions from the Committee.</p>

<h2>Recommendation</h2>
<p>1. The Policy and Resources Committee’s instructions in relation to this Member’s item are requested.</p>

WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1 Councillor Alison Moore has requested that a Member’s item be considered on the following matter:

‘The current Rio Olympics and the 2012 London Olympics have shown what central and long-term planning and consistent investment can do for Team GB successes, and to encourage greater take-up of sport amongst both young and older people. The decision to scrap the diving facility at Copthall Leisure centre as part of plans to re-develop the centre is short sighted in comparison.

The diving boards are currently used by the Tom Daley Diving Academy which coaches 28 local children aged 5-11. The closure of the facility would force these children to travel at least two hours, three times a week, to get to the Olympic Park Aquatics Centre. This is likely to result in fewer children continuing with their diving classes and would inevitably deter more young people from getting involved in the future.

The Council is intending to spend £23m on refurbishing Copthall Leisure Centre and replacing the Church Farm swimming pool at a new facility in New Barnet, but argues that the cost of re-providing the diving facility at £676k is too much, and that it will reduce income by reducing the available space for swimming.

I ask the committee to re-consider, and to agree that a further options appraisal is brought back to the committee to include an option to retain the diving facility alongside expanded swimming facilities.

The options appraisal should also look at possible alternative funding streams including Sport England and the National Lottery to help retain a diving facility in Barnet.'

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 The Committee are therefore requested to give consideration and provide instruction.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

- 3.1 Not applicable.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

- 4.1 Post decision implementation will depend on the decision taken by the Committee.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

- 5.1.1 As and when issues raised through a Member's Item are progressed, they will need to be evaluated against the Corporate Plan and other relevant policies.

5.2 Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)

- 5.2.1 None in the context of this report.

5.3 Legal and Constitutional References

- 5.3.1 The Council's Constitution ([Meeting Procedure Rules, Section 6](#)) states that a Member, including appointed substitute Members of a Committee may have one item only on an agenda that he/she serves. Members' items must be within the terms of reference of the decision making body which will consider

the item.

- 5.3.2 [Annex A to the Responsibility for Functions](#) sets out the terms of reference of the Policy and Resources Committee and states that ‘if any report comes with the remit of more than one committee, to avoid the report being discussed at several committees the report will be presented and determined at the most appropriate committee. If this is not clear, then the report will be discussed and determined by the Policy and Resources Committee’. In this case the report recommendations cut across the Adults and Safeguarding Committee, which has specific responsibility for leisure services and the Assets, Regeneration and Growth Committee is responsible for asset management.

5.4 Risk Management

- 5.4.1 None in the context of this report.

5.5 Equalities and Diversity

- 5.5.1 Members’ Items allow Members of a Committee to bring a wide range of issues to the attention of a Committee in accordance with the Council’s Constitution. All of these issues must be considered for their equalities and diversity implications.

5.6 Consultation and Engagement

- 5.6.1 None in the context of this report.

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 6.1 Policy and Resources Committee, 16 December 2015:

“The relocation and redevelopment of Church Farm Leisure Centre and the redevelopment of Barnet Cophall Leisure Centre” Report

<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s28130/The%20relocation%20and%20redevelopment%20of%20Church%20Farm%20Leisure%20Centre%20and%20the%20redevelopment%20of%20Barnet%20Coph.pdf>

Appendix 1, The Sport and Physical Activity Project

<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s28131/Appendix%201%20-%20ORS%20Consultation%20Report.pdf>

Appendix 2, Health Impact Assessment

<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s28132/Appendix%202%20-%20Health%20Impact%20Assessment.pdf>

Appendix 3, Key Risks

<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s28133/Appendix%203%20-%20Key%20Risks.pdf>

Minutes (Item 12)

<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/g8349/Printed%20minutes%2016th-Dec-2015%2018.30%20Policy%20and%20Resources%20Committee.pdf?T=1>