

Asset Management Plan – Potential Re-development at Glenogle Swim Centre/Saxe Coburg Place

Executive of the Council

27 March 2007

Purpose of report

- 1 To refer to the Executive the recommendations of the Leisure and Cultural Development Scrutiny Panel in relation to a called in decision on the potential re-development of Glenogle Swim Centre.

Main report

- 2 The Executive, at its meeting on 27 February 2007, considered an alternative funding package for Glenogle Swim Centre and a proposal to carry out a comprehensive appraisal of the development potential of the site to include options for the provision of refurbished or new facilities. The Executive had approved expenditure to carry out a development appraisal and had agreed -
 - (1) that no decisions be taken regarding the improvement of swimming facilities in Stockbridge until after the Council elections and until the local community was formally consulted, including Saxe Coburg and the Colonies Residents Association and the local Community Council; and
 - (2) that any option considered for a new build swim centre must be based on providing better and more extensive swimming and leisure facilities.
- 3 The decision had been called in from the Executive for scrutiny. Councillor Dixon asked the Scrutiny Panel to examine the scope for including views of local community groups and defining the parameters of the development appraisal. The report had also been called in by Councillor Ponton.
- 4 Councillor Anderson, Executive Member for Sport, Culture and Tourism and Councillor Fallon, Executive Member for Property and Business Management responded to a request for full and detailed consultation and involvement with local community groups and residents.
- 5 Nigel Bagshaw, Stockbridge and Inverleith Community Council, remarked that the plans for the project had been the subject of considerable local debate and discussion. He attributed this to shortcomings in formal information channels. He hoped that all options would be examined with full consultation and terms of reference for the project made available.

Decision

- 6 a) To let the Executive's decision be implemented.
- b) To note the report and to agree that local organisations be invited to Sounding Board meeting(s) with local members and Edinburgh Leisure on the plans for re-development.
- c) To recommend that the project be the subject of further report and scrutiny in due course, as necessary.

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Appendices	None.
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Background Papers	Report by the Council Secretary 19 March 2007; minute of the Executive of 27 February 2007 (item 19).